GARIBALDI ART CLUB

MEMBER BENEFITS, EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

MEMBERSHIP

Club meetings and workshops are held from September to November and January to June. In December and June, a club dinner is held at a local restaurant. In the Fall, we have an all-members exhibition and every one to two years, we have a juried exhibition. We also have ongoing exhibitions in the Maple Ridge Library, the Passagio balcony at the ACT, and at our local MLA Offices. In the summer, we get together to paint outdoors at various locations in our community and we participate in the Farmers' Market 2 or 3 times during the summer.

Your membership makes you eligible to:

- Show your artwork in our various exhibitions
- Participate in workshops at the special member rate
- Get together with other artists to paint when there are no workshops at our free drop-in painting sessions
 - Attend club dinners to meet and socialize with fellow members
- Borrow books and videos from our Art Library
- Learn more about exhibiting art by helping with our art shows

WHAT WE DO

Our activities take place several times per month on Mondays, from September to November, and from January to May each year. Monday's activities are from 10 am to 1 pm. Unless otherwise announced, these activities take place in the Craft Room, on the 3rd floor, at the ACT Arts Centre in Maple Ridge

DROP-IN PAINTING SESSIONS

When there are no workshops scheduled, we hold free drop-in art sessions. They are held Mondays_from 10 am to 1 pm. Check the Members section of our website (www.garibaldiartclub.com), where you will find the calendar of events for these open dates. During these drop-in sessions, artists work on projects, share ideas and exchange advice on work done in the medium of their choice.

WORKSHOPS

Each year, we have an interesting schedule of workshops by professional artists and skilled members of the club in a wide variety of media. Members enjoy a special rate for these workshops. There are also occasional workshops on Saturdays and/or Sundays. Members are encouraged to contact the workshop coordinator to provide ideas for future workshops they would like to see offered. Workshops are listed on our website (in the Members section) with full information on how to register.

MONTHLY MEETINGS

Monthly meetings are usually held at 7 pm, on the first Tuesday of each month (unless otherwise announced). The meeting agenda includes information about upcoming exhibitions, workshops, events and other art events in the community. At meetings, you can browse through our library and borrow any of our books. It is important and beneficial for you to attend as many meetings as possible to stay informed.

GROUP DINNERS

In December and in June, we have a group dinner in a local restaurant. These are wonderful occasions to meet and mingle with fellow artists in a social setting. You are encouraged to bring your spouse or a friend to the dinners. We strongly recommend you attend these special events.

COMMUNITY ARTS INVOLVEMENT

The Garibaldi Art Club is happy to be working in co-operation with the Maple Ridge Pitt Meadows Arts Council in bringing art and art appreciation to our communities. We encourage our members to take part in festivals and other activities to gain exposure within the community. As a club, we participate in community events such as the Farmers' Market on selected Saturdays in the summer.

EXHIBITION SCHEDULE

Our members have many opportunities to showcase and sell their artwork to the community each year. Please see the Rules of Exhibition for information on the requirements for each exhibition.

MAIN EXHIBITIONS

Our two main exhibitions are the Juried and Fall shows. The Fall Show is usually held in November and is a 3-day show. The Juried show is held at the ACT Art Gallery approximately every 1-2 years, and at a different location the other years. The exact location and timing of these shows will be announced at meetings and posted on our website.

FALL SHOW

The November show is our all-members exhibition. This show is open to all current members to show and sell their original artwork. The work is not juried and all active members can participate to the fullest extent. Inactive members may show only one painting. In this show, we hang framed paintings and canvases on panels, have unframed, matted works in cradles, and art cards in racks.

JURIED SHOW

Every one or two years, we hold a juried exhibition at The ACT or various other locations. The works shown are selected by 3 professional jurors who also select paintings for special recognition, such as Best of Show and Honourable Mentions. Active members may enter several works to be juried (inactive members only one), but only those selected by the jurors will be part of the show.

MAPLE RIDGE LIBRARY

Once or twice a year, members may show some of their paintings at the Maple Ridge Library for a period of one month. All members are welcome to participate.

PASSAGIO EXHIBITIONS

We hold rotating exhibitions in the Passagio, on the 3rd floor at the ACT. These exhibitions usually last 2 months. These are open to all members and are not juried.

MLA OFFICES

These are rotating exhibitions approximately every few months at our local MLA offices. They are not juried and are open to all members.

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MEMBER NAME TAG

Members can order a Garibaldi Art Club name tag to wear at events to identify themselves to patrons and visitors. The cost is approximately \$10. If you would like to order one, please advise the appropriate volunteer who will order one for you.

LIBRARY

The Garibaldi Art Club has an extensive library of books and videos on art instruction and art history. These are available to borrow free of charge for one month at a time. Please see the librarian at monthly meetings to make your selection.

WEB SITE

The club has a web site at www.garibaldiartclub.com. There you will find information on our activities, workshops, etc. You may also display some of your artwork. Please see the website coordinator to submit images to be included. Images should be in JPEG format.

QUESTIONS?

If you have any questions or would like to submit ideas on workshops or activities you might be interested in please feel free to do so at the monthly meeting, or please call the appropriate committee head.