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Gainesville Fine Arts Association

GFAA APRIL 2011 NEWSLETTER

**APRIL 14 MEMBERSHIP MEETING at the HARN MUSEUM
S.W. 34th and Hull Road
Gainesville FL 32611**

GFAA members are invited to gather in the Camellia Court Cafe at 6:30 PM for a business meeting. John Tilton, who has a ceramic piece on exhibit in the "Alchemy : Dust to Form" exhibition, will present a short program on his ceramic creations. The Harn's program of the evening is "A Taste of Europe" and we are invited to stay for it.



JOHN TILTON

MAY FEST

THURSDAY, MAY 12 MEMBERSHIP MEETING at the GAINESVILLE COUNTRY CLUB

7300 S.W. 35th Way 32608

This meeting ("MAY FEST") will combine the Summer Social gathering with the May Membership meeting. It is an open invitation to the Central Florida Artists' Community and their guests to get together to exchange ideas, accomplishments of the past season, and celebrate friendships. There will be a cash bar and refreshments will be served.

Music will be provided by GFAA member Dave Deeters and his MELATONES QUINTET from 6 to 7 PM.

GFAA, through our fundraising project [Art4Kids](#) contributed \$700 to the Art4Kids program for 2011. This program is run by the Alachua County Public Schools Elementary Arts Program. GFAA wants to contribute \$1,000 next year. You can help!

Jane Slivka, an outstanding, energetic and motivational Florida artist and instructor, conducted a 2 day workshop for GFAA members recently in

Gainesville. She generously donated one of her original acrylic paintings to be raffled at the **MAY FEST** to benefit **Art4Kids**, and will be the featured speaker. Opportunity is knocking for **MAY FEST** attendees to win this stunning painting. The painting is a vertical 15" x 30".

Tickets for the raffle are: 6 tickets for \$5, 15 tickets for \$10

The drawing will be held at the May Fest on Thursday, May 12, 2011.



JANE SLIVKA

UPCOMING GFAA EXHIBIT VENUES

CENTRAL PARK MEDICAL CENTER

Deadline for Entries is May 2

THOMAS CENTER GFAA MEZZANINE SHOW

Drop off is Thurs., July 7 from 8:30 to 11:30 AM

27th ART FESTIVAL AT THORNEBROOK

Deadline for entry in Thursday, June 30, 2011

Details or the prospectus for these shows will be on the WEBPAGE www.Gainesvillefinearts.com shortly.

NEW COMMITTEE FORMING: Our new FUNDRAISING committee will be headed up by Lytha Nicholson, Roz Miller and Roselie Tucker. (Remember, any GFAA member may be an active participant on any committee.) If you have been to a great and entertaining fundraiser that you would like to see GFAA model after, please get in touch with Lytha at artbylytha@gmail.com and pass on your experiences.

FEATURED MEMBER OF THE MONTH

WILSON BELL

Wilson Bell has a "shower" of art on display during this April season. Two of his paintings were selected for the Harn Museum Docent Artists Exhibit that opened April 6 and runs through April 26 at the Harn Museum. He is the April Featured Artist at SCORE with a totally new exhibit titled : "Just Tuscany" The Score (Counselors to America's Small Business) office and exhibit is located at 101 SE 2nd Pl. Gainesville 32601.

After retirement from state government in 2000, Wilson became fascinated with the strong colors and versatility of acrylic painting. Intensive workshops with renowned acrylic artists William Hook and Laurie Young provided confidence and skills to continue in this exciting medium.

As a contemporary colorist, Wilson tries to push vibrant compositions to the edge of abstraction. While primarily a landscape artist, he enjoys still life and figurative painting.

Wilson has served on the GFAA Board for the past 2 1/2 years and has been an active member for 10 years.

(If any member would like to be Featured Artist of the Month, please submit your information and a jpeg photo of your work to the webmaster at Rodeoart@aol.com. First come, First published)

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