

Minutes
Arteast Annual General Meeting
January 26, 2010
255 Centrum Blvd, Room 340

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:32 p.m. by Arteast President Carmen Dufault who welcomed all. Handouts containing the Treasurer's Report, Proposed Budget, last AGM Minutes and Bylaws were made available.

2. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved by Lynda Mathieson and seconded by Dorothy Zorn.

3. Approval of 2009 Annual General Meeting Minutes:

The minutes of the January 27, 2009 Annual General Meeting were approved by Joyce Buckley and seconded by Dorothy Zorn.

4. President's Annual Report:

Carmen presented an overview of the past year, highlighting the Shenkman Arts Centre opening and the wonderful gift Arteast received - Promenade Arteast. Carmen expressed the tremendous work done this year through community outreach in particular with Queen Elizabeth School and Queenwood Villa.

Carmen paid tribute to the volunteers who have moved on from their assignments, in particular:

- Joy Rutherford as Past President, who continues with the Queen Elizabeth School project.
- Marion Jean Hall as lead coordinator of Grow with Art and of Promenade Arteast
- Lynda Mathieson for her work on the Promenade Arteast team, who continues as coordinator for Trinity Art Gallery and Blackburn Hamlet Library.
- Thelma Schjerning for her work with Shenkman Arts Centre opening and Blackburn Library.
- Diane Charlebois as coordinator of Art and Photo and Shenkman Arts Centre openings and other efforts untold.
- Judy Duppa as coordinator for Art and Photo and all work related to exhibitions.
- Bernard Poirier for his rewriting of the bylaws in English and French, who continues as Newsletter editor.
- Ted Johnston, Suzanne Beaulieu and Leslie Dorofi for their many efforts.

Lastly Carmen thanked her colleagues who are active on the executive and coordinator team.

Carmen stressed that the strength of our organization is the volunteers; there are so many volunteers who actively work with Arteast, that we would be here all night to properly name them and describe the number of hours and devotion to successful projects.

5. Treasurer's Report:

Dorothy read the Treasurer's Report for yearend 2009, highlighting key points. She then presented a projected budget for 2010, which does not include possible grant monies from the City of Ottawa. Treasurer and Budget reports are appended to these minutes. Both documents were approved by Mike Stenson and seconded by Linda Dyson.

6. Election of Executive (VP Position):

Carmen explained that in the summer Lindy Nadarajah had taken the position of VP, but due to her teaching commitment cannot attend any meetings and therefore resigned, leaving the VP position is to be filled. Carmen has in the meantime approached a candidate, Mary Ann Varley, who has agreed to take the position.

Carmen presented the Officers of the Executive as follows:

President	Carmen Dufault
Vice President	Mary Ann Varley
Treasurer	Dorothy Zorn
Secretary	Virginia Dupuis

7. January 2010 Updates and Announcements:

Carmen read Joy Rutherford's Outreach Report, which saw 13 Arteast artists mentored with 5 projects with Queen Elizabeth School students in 2009. In 2010 Arteast artists with Queen Elizabeth School students will create a mural for a large wall at Sandy Hill Parent Resource Centre.

Joyce Buckley reminded all that the take-in for the Trinity Art Gallery show is Saturday in this same room- 340. Joyce has signed contracts and the theme is set for 2011 show; the theme will be released in April, after the close of the current exhibition.

Mary Ann Varley welcomed Linda Dyson to the Grow with Art team. The team has put together next year's program of speakers, field trips and workshops. They are always looking for fresh ideas so please contact the Grow with Art team if you know of an interesting speaker. Mary Ann indicated that we are becoming more successful; – the first meeting of the year saw 16 attendees and we are about 45 tonight.

February 23rd meeting will have Jonathan Shaugnessy, "What is Contemporary Art?" The May 25th speaker can't make it and Carol is looking at a replacement speaker.

There are currently 14 registered for the upcoming acrylic workshop on Feb 6-7, which can hold 25.

A 3 day workshop being planned in March or April – “How to design your website” is being finalized with Jeff Stellick of the Ottawa School of Art.

A spring field trip is planned to see the botanical gardens in Montreal toward the end of May or early June.

8. Approval of new Bylaws – Bernard Poirier:

Bernard stated that during his time with Arteast he is amazed at how we have grown and touched other organizations. Bernard stressed that there was nothing seriously wrong with the existing bylaws, but he asked to reform them, - mostly to reformat, and to address quorums (especially for dissolution). Bernard thanked Susan Thompson for proofreading and several others who had provided him with the original bylaws.

Bernard called attention to a required correction to Article 4.3 which should state “not less than 15 of those present”. Bernard moved that this change be made. Mike Stenson approved and Joyce Buckley seconded the change. Bernard moved for the adoption of the revised bylaws and Joyce Buckley seconded this.

9. Other Business – motions from the floor by members:

Mike Stenson asked that the categories in shows be looked at more closely, in particular the category “Watermedia”, which implies acrylic and watercolour. Mike would like to see a separate category for transparent watercolour. Carmen advised that she is on a team with Boni Penna and Dorothy Zorn to review the categories and requested Mike’s involvement. Mike will assist in this review.

Jessie Parker asked if there are plans to expand the photo category to photo-based art and Carmen replied that there are.

Bernard would like to further enhance the newsletter and requests articles more closely related to the philosophy, psychology and various techniques of producing the many forms of art represented by Arteast.

Carmen indicated that there had only been 4 responses to the Arteast e-mail to vote on a new name for Art and Photo, and requested that attendees log their vote at the end of the meeting.

10. Close of Official Meeting and Commencement of Program:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 p.m. on a motion from Carmen and seconded by Lynda Mathieson.

The program portion of the meeting then began:

“The Colour Black –the evocative use of the mystery colour black in watercolour” included a demonstration by Rosy Somerville, a watercolour artist.

Treasurers report Year end 2009

Opening Bank balance of \$6,466.46

REVENUE

Funds raised from Exhibits	\$ 975.00
Commissions	\$ 351.63
Membership	\$3,410.00
Field trips	\$ 445.00
City Grant	\$5,000.00
Donations	\$ 100.00
Sale of Painting	\$ 250.00
Bank Interest	<u>.67</u>

Total Income for Year \$10,532.30

EXPENSES

Publicity Contract	\$ 200.00
Postage	\$ 772.18
Guest speakers	\$ 800.00
AOE membership	\$ 75.00
Jurors	\$ 300.00
Bank Fees	\$ 30.93
Supplies	\$ 1,035.29
Printing	\$ 2,733.46
Young at Art	\$ 50.00
Room rental	\$ 321.25
Sale of Painting	\$ 212.50
Donation	\$ 500.00
Inked Stamps	\$ 109.61
Web Membership	\$ 134.01
Commission paid to AOE	\$ 48.75
Photocopying	<u>\$ 167.57</u>

TOTAL EXPENSES \$7,490.55

Leaving a balance of \$9,508.21 as of Dec. 31, 2009

ARTEAST PROJECTED 2010 BUDGET

Bank Balance as of Dec 31, 2009 \$9,508.21

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenses</u>
Printing Brochures		\$2,000.00
Trinity Gallery Shows	\$400.00	\$300.00
Membership	\$3,450.00	
Art & Photo	\$375.00	\$300.00
Commissions	\$100.00	
Photocopying		\$170.00
Guest Speakers		\$900.00
OUTINGS	\$300.00	
Postage		\$800.00
Supplies		\$500.00
Web/AOE Memberships		\$250.00
Misc.		\$175.00
Printing Newsletter and other forms		\$1,000.00
Room Rental		\$150.00
Queen Elizabeth School		\$1,000.00
Prom. Arteast	\$600.00	
Workshops	\$450.00	
Publicity		\$800.00
Total	<u>\$5,675.00</u>	<u>\$8,345.00</u>
 TOTAL INCOME FOR 2009	 \$15,183.21	
Projected Balance Dec.31/10		<u>\$6,838.21</u>