



MAC MEETING MINUTES

October 24, 2016

8:00 p.m, 2nd floor meeting room, Borough Hall

In Attendance: Grace Shackney, Kathy Glaser, John Sharp, Bob Diken, Carolyn Hamming, Claire McClanahan, Cathy Tardosky, Henry Chang, Linda Vonderschmidt-LaStella, Terry Kohl, Nancy Goldberg

The next Singer Songwriter event at the Old Franklin Schoolhouse is November 5, and help is needed to take tickets at the door and to help the musicians sell their merchandise.

In the Rotunda Gallery, a reception for Margaret Cohen's exhibit will be held November 20 from 2-4. The Westerhoff School exhibit is now on display in The Annex. Next up in January, an exhibit of the work by the Paint and Palette Art Group of the Metuchen Senior Center will be shown in the Rotunda Gallery. Kathy Glaser is working on creating "lawn signs" for the gallery that can be used in front of Borough Hall when there is an artist reception.

Grace Shackney discussed a possibility of partnering with the Metuchen Downtown Alliance for our possible presentation of an Italian Music Festa performed by New Jersey Symphony Orchestra in March 2017 at either St. Luke's or First Presbyterian Church. A grant application is into the Middlesex County Cultural & Heritage Commission to support the program.

The Artists' Gathering is scheduled for October 21, 2017, with invitations in the design stages.

There are 5 Thursdays in August next year, so the Metuchen Rocks series will likely include a jazz performance.

Linda reported on a recent local Arts in Education survey that did not have a great number of respondents, and suggested that the MAC monitor future surveys and promote STEAM, not just STEM.

Carolyn is waiting to hear from the Botanical Gardens, but the next bus trip will most likely be in the Spring.

The next MAC meeting is November 28, 2016.

The Arts Council Holiday gathering will be on December 10th, 8:00 p.m. at the home of Carolyn Hamming.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cathy Tardosky