

# SOYRA Happenings

June 2011 Newsletter

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## Next Members Meeting

Location:

**Former Aurora  
Library  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor**

56 Victoria Street, Aurora

Enter from Victoria St. side

Date:

**June 14, 2011**

Meeting:

**7:30 PM**

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Hello SOYRA members,

We have come to that point in the year again where we are approaching our Summer break and our last meeting for the first half of 2011.

An email was sent to everyone ahead of the June Newsletter release to outline the program for our June 14<sup>th</sup> meeting:

- \* Enjoy a special demo by John Nussbaum.
- \* Get a glimpse of what's in store for Fall 2011
- \* Sign up for Creative Spirit 2011 July 9 & 10<sup>th</sup>.  
[limited space available]
- \* Enjoy some refreshments.
- \* Get to know SOYRA !.

As always the Show Committee will welcome any help you can volunteer for the upcoming show in July.

On behalf of the Executive we wish everyone a great summer and enjoy all the opportunities out there to further your art .....!! Don't forget to pass on any of your summer art experiences for inclusion in our Fall round of Newsletters

Regards,

Doug.

### *News Flash*

Check out the Artcures Exhibition running from June 17<sup>th</sup>. - 26<sup>th</sup>. at the Aurora Cultural Centre.

# Meetings & Workshop Schedule

To Register sign up at general meetings or by emailing [soyra@soyra.ca](mailto:soyra@soyra.ca)

## **Tuesday**

- 1st Executive Meeting**  
7:00 PM – 9:00 PM
- 2nd Members Meeting**  
7:30 PM – 10:00 PM  
(Demonstration approx: 8:00 pm)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4th Workshop**  
7:00 PM – 10:00 PM

Workshop fees must be paid at any regular meeting **prior** to the workshop or mailed to

## **Workshops:**

Pre-registration is required for **all** workshops.

### **Regular Workshop Fees:**

**\$20 if prepaid at time of signing, or**

**\$25 if paid at the workshop.**

**\$25 for non-members**

**Weekend Workshops: priced individually**

For a complete list, visit [www.soyra.ca/workshops](http://www.soyra.ca/workshops).

## Featured Artists for June: John Nussbaum

Thanks to Nancy Newman for arranging the following at short notice to round out our SOYRA program for the first half of the year:

On June 14<sup>th</sup> we welcome John Nussbaum to our members meeting.

John is President of the North York Group of Artists. His watercolours are uniquely designed with fluid, vibrant colours. John will share some of his work with us and then do a demonstration on how he flush-mounts watercolours onto wood panels, canvas and board. It works for acrylics on paper too.

The finished products have a professional, contemporary look and are appealing to clients.

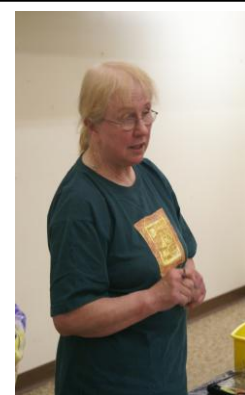
This is a Do It Yourself method that anyone can do, once you see the demo. John is supplying detailed handouts that summarize the technique and supplies used.

### ***PLEASE READ THE FINE PRINT:***

SOYRA endeavors to hire interesting artists for demonstrations and instructors for the workshop series. But when you sign up and do not come – **the artists still must be paid**. Please remember that by signing up for a workshop, you are indicating your intentions to attend and are requested to pay whether or not you attend. Of course, things happen, but please **call at least 48 hours** in advance to have your name removed from the list and a refund mailed to you. NOTE: some workshops will cost more than others due to the nature of the course, the location or the instructor.

## May Demo & Workshop feedback.

Kai – Liis McInnes demonstration of mixed media techniques on May 10<sup>th</sup> to the members certainly reinforced that anything works in creating a piece of art. The use of multiple warm and cool colors, brush techniques, templates, shapes and textures resulted in some amazing pieces. Two workshops on the 17<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> allowed participants to put their creativity to the test. Thanks Kai – Liis for a great program!! The following captures some of the works and participation by the group.



**Members in the Spotlight.**

**Patrick Goodeve:** Congratulations !!! Patrick on being chosen as the winner of the **12<sup>th</sup> Annual Heritage Art Contest 2011 for Newmarket.** The painting of The Grey Goat on Main Street will be purchased by the Town for their permanent collection of Heritage Art. Patrick was presented with his award at the Council meeting May 30<sup>th</sup>., 2011.



**Zoe Perrin and her team of SOYRA members** presented an impressive Floating Gallery Art Show at the Upper Canada Mall in Newmarket from June 3<sup>rd</sup>. to 5<sup>th</sup> with an extension to June 11<sup>th</sup>. 56 works were displayed with 14 SOYRA members and other local artists participating. Heather Fullerton juried the show. A few photographs from the show are shown below. Congratulations to all involved and the individual category winners!!!!



**Doreen Howard**, some SOYRA members, and the East Gwillimbury Group of Artists chose to move indoors from their original Art in the Park venue at the Holland Landing Complex on June 11<sup>th</sup>. 2011 due to potential stormy weather. It proved to be a smart move!! The show was an impressive display of talent with a wide range of art media including original art and greeting cards. A local trio, The String Alongs, entertained the visitors with some pleasant background music. Congratulations Doreen on an excellent show!!!!

## Call to Artists

The list of Call to Artists shown in previous newsletters have been transferred to the SOYRA website at [/http://www.soyra.ca/calltoartists.htm](http://www.soyra.ca/calltoartists.htm) where you can download the Entry Forms etc.



### **Aurora Jazz Festival July 29,30 & 30<sup>th</sup>.**

An email has been sent to everyone on behalf of our Herbert Pryke requesting Artists to participate in the Aurora Jazz Festival.

The Aurora Festival of the Arts [AFA] organizers would like to include visual arts and have an artists community within the walls of the Jazz Festival. Herbert has been asked to organize it and is looking for two levels of participation.....Exhibition and Sales...and Painters in the Park. 20% of any sales will go towards AFA Charities.

Email Herbert Pryke at [herbertpryke@rogers.com](mailto:herbertpryke@rogers.com) or <mailto:artcures@rogers.com> as soon a possible if you wish to participate.

Title your email JAZZ ARTIST to separate it from Herbert's Artcures activities.

## Shows and Events

There will be two SOYRA member's Art Show and Sales for 2011:

“Creative Spirit 2011” **July 9<sup>th</sup>. & 10<sup>th</sup>.** at the Sharon Temple, Sharon.

“Art in the Valley” **October 15<sup>th</sup>. & 16<sup>th</sup>.** at St Andrews Golf Club, Aurora.

Keep an eye out for details on each as we approach the dates.

# Rotations

**Aurora Rotation** *2nd Floor, Aurora Town Hall, 100 John West Way, Aurora*

**Coordinator:** Joe Halajian [halajian.joe@rogers.com](mailto:halajian.joe@rogers.com)

The Rotation took place on May 9<sup>th</sup> following Art Aurora.

The participating members will be added at a future date.

## **Courthouse Rotation**

*Barristers' Lounge*

*50 Eagle Street W, Newmarket*

**Coordinator:** Doug Myles

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The Rotation took place on June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011  
and will run until September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2011

The following artist are participating;

Janet A., Mariana B., Marilyn L-B., Patrick G.,  
Diana E., Jaffa J., Anthony K., Mikhail N.,  
Sandra H., Rosie S., Wendy F., Bill G., Zelimir S.

## **East Gwillimbury Rotation**

*Sharon Civic Centre*

*19000 Leslie Street, Sharon*

**Coordinator:** Sandra Haines

(905) 478-2185

[sandra-ann@hotmail.ca](mailto:sandra-ann@hotmail.ca)

The Rotation took place on May 16<sup>th</sup>,  
2011.

The participating artists are as follows:

Kathy B., Stella W., Carol C., Wendy  
F., Zoe P., Sandra H., Gary J., Elizabeth  
G., Catherine B., Mariana B., Susan P.,  
Marlyn L-B.



### ***Notice to All Members:***

Membership: Anyone wishing to become a member of S.O.Y.R.A. is welcome to attend the "Members Meeting" held the 2nd Tuesday of the month. Annual Membership runs from January 1 to December 31 each year and is \$40.00. For information on becoming a member, please visit the SOYRA website at [soyra.ca](http://soyra.ca) for a copy of the **Membership Application Form**. Contact Anthony Kerstens at [a.kerstens@akautomation.ca](mailto:a.kerstens@akautomation.ca)