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Dear Members,

Happy New Year! Another year is gone and a new one is here, so let's make 2010 a success!

I'd like to announce that our website address has changed slightly. Our new address is now

www.tauntonarts.org. If you happen to type in .com after January you will not reach us. So please change the address in your favorites folder.

Our theme for 2010 is "Going Green" so please keep that in mind....you never know when that is going to come into play during the year.

Sincerely, Sue Boerman

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## 2009 in Retrospect

Another year has passed quickly and 2009 proved to be a good year for TAA.

In February we were fortunate enough to get a website up and running thanks to Nancy Clark. The website opened up a new venue for us to promote our wonderful organization and it has proven to be a success.

We had great demonstrators (Kris Occhino, Nancy Howell, John Glass, Joyce Hawk, Carolyn Letvin, Vincent LoPiccolo and Colleen Vandeventer) and workshops (Nancy Howell, Mike Lynn, Sue Charles, Tiago Finato and Sis Denson) and held classes for kids and adults. In June we started a new annual event, June Moon Critique Night, which was a great success. We're looking forward to continuing that event in 2010.

We were able to spruce up the outside of the building by removing overgrowth and repainting the ramp. Thanks to all who helped with those projects.

As always the Budding Artist Show, Spring Art Show and Fall Art Show were very successful and we look forward to your entries for 2010.

Personally, I'd like to thank the Board of Directors and the members for making my term as President a pleasant one and I look forward to the future of this organization.

Welcome 2010!

On Wednesday, January 20, 2010 at 6:00pm TAA will be hosting it's annual Pot Luck Supper, Auction & Raffle.

This event is a big fundraiser and we'd like you to join us for this fun night. Please bring your favorite dish or dessert for all to enjoy and feel free to bring a friend along with you.

In addition to the great food is the fun we have during the auction. So please donate a gift for the auction; what makes the bidding more interesting is if you wrap your gift and write obscure clues about it on the outside. Then you can enjoy Ben Macomber and Ted Nystrom as the "hayseed" auctioneers. They make the auction come to life.

Don't forget we have the raffle, too. Maybe you could be this year's winner. Good luck!

### Reminder

We'd like to thank all of you, our loyal members, for supporting us. I'm sure you all know how important your membership is to us to keep TAA running.

Please send your 2010 dues in as soon as you can and maybe refer a friend.

Thank You!

## Calendar of Events

Thursday, January 7 - 2:30pm - 4:30pm

Teen drawing with Tiago Finato

Thursday, January 7 - 5:00pm - 6:30pm

Drawing and/or Pastel Painting with Tiago Finato for 8 - 12 year olds

Wednesday, January 20 - 6:00 pm

Annual Pot Luck Supper, Auction & Raffle

Bring a dish, bring a gift for the auction and bring a

friend!

Wednesday, February 17 - 7:30 Pastel Demonstration by Mike Evans

Wednesday, February 24 - 6:30 pm
Executive Board Meeting

Wednesday, March 17 - 7:30 pm Watercolor Demonstration by Becky Haletky

Each year TAA awards a \$500 scholarship to a deserving student. Forms go out in late January to area schools. If you know of anyone interested in our scholarship program, all of the information is listed on our website or you can call us.

# Shades of Winter

The annual **Shades of Winter** arts & crafts show held on Dec. 4th and 5th was a success. We had nice vendors (we stipulate that everything must be handmade) and many customers mentioned they look forward to coming each year. Below are

pictures of some of our vendors' items.

Those who participated in this years' show were:
Taunton Garden
Club (fresh greens),
Woodland Woolies
(sewn and felted items), Robin





Fielding (photography), Joan Moniz (primitives), She-Dor Lotions and Soaps, Green Grass Beads (silver jewelry), Donna Mix (desserts and goodies), Susan Boerman (decorative painting), Linda Tikonoff (painted clothing and accessories), Claire Kelly (silk floral arrangements and wreaths), John Grenier (wood items), Tiago Finato (fine art), John Barradas (painting and abstracts), Grace Boerman (soy candles), Roberta Costa (painting) and Nancy Clark (holiday notecards). Thanks

to all of you!







## Floral Workshop



On Tuesday, Nov. 24, TAA hosted a Thanksgiving Floral Arrangement Workshop with Sis Denson. Those who attended brought their own containters and some greenery from their

yard. Students were able to make a couple of arrangements with the flowers Sis provided such as sunflowers, mums, boxwood, lilies, and St. John's Wort berries. Sis started by showing a few different designs and then students were off and running with their own designs. Each student was able to make an arrangement with oasis and one that was arranged in a vase. It was a very enjoyable and informative workshop. Below are pictures of students hard at work and of the finished products.





# 2010 Nominations

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There are several openings on the Executive Board. If you are interested, or know of anyone who is interested in joining the board, please let us know before the Pot Luck Supper.



On Wednesday, November 18, TAA hosted a demo with oil artist Colleen Vandeventer of Attleboro, MA.

Colleen confessed that this was her first "big" demo and she did a great job. She had prepped her canvas ahead of time with a super thick gesso that was applied with a trowel. This roughens the surface a bit. She then sealed the gesso with an acrylic gel and let it dry overnight.

Once the still life was set up, Colleen used a matte board with a rectangle cut into it as a viewfinder to find her composition. She then started to loosely brush in the basic design with a reddish-brown color. The outside edges of the flowers were formed by painting in the negative space of the background.

Colleen squinted frequently throughout the process so

that the values were strong. She stated that the values are what do the work to make the painting a success but that the color gets all the glory. Any corrections that need to be made are done as she goes along.

The background of the painting was done with Ruby Red and Indian Red. The roses were done in Titanium White and Zinc. I believe that a blue was added to the reds to paint the deep color of the vase.

Colleen used the same brush throughout the painting and will use any brand brush but prefers Grumbacher filberts. Her favorite paint used to be Rembrandt but she now uses Vasari and Gamblin. She also mentioned that when she does a painting in the studio she does an underpainting of Burnt Sienna and Orange. When she paints outside her underpainting is done with Orange.

When asked how long she waits before varnishing her work she stated that she doesn't even wait 6 months. She uses a Gamar varnish which doesn't dry as hard and brittle as Damar varnish.

You can view Colleen's work on her website,

