

Art Guild of Orange Park Membership Meeting Minutes

Monday, Oct 6, 2025, Location: 150 Fox Valley Drive, Orange Park

The meeting was called to order by President Phyllis Renninger at 6:26 PM.

There were 35 members present, eight guests, and four new members.

President Phyllis Renninger asked for a motion to accept the September 8, 2025 membership minutes.

Debbie Cusick made the motion; Phyllis Appleby seconded it, and the motion passed.

Consultant Sarah Sawyer welcomed the members and guests.

President's Report:

Gala - Be sure to get your ticket from Phyl if you are volunteering at the Gala or if you want tickets to sell. Sarah has gala posters; take some to post publicly. Sign volunteer sheets for various jobs, including bringing refreshments. VIP Sponsors will have early entrance to the gala from 5-6PM. Be sure to thank them for sponsoring. We will sell art at the gala. Register your work with Carron Wedlund, fill out the online forms to identify your art, put a certificate of authenticity on the back if it is your original work or a business card if your art is a copy. See Rhona to help sell art at the gala. Sarah talked about trips available for members to purchase at the silent auction. Masks are for sale on specified dates at Phyl's house and on the website. Tickets will be available at the door the night of the gala.

Artistic views - Check the text of your *Artistic Views* page and make corrections if needed.

Gallery - The city will be giving us a two year lease on the Miller property. Phyl is attending an October 8th meeting to sign the final agreement. Check the Gallery Shower tri-fold poster and select a gift to donate to the gallery at the November meeting.

T-shirt Design - Vote from the submissions during the break.

Consultant Report - We want more sponsors for the gala and the gallery. We will be the recipients of a charity event held by Sound Walk Roots in January at Jacksonville Beach. We can sell our art at the event. There will be a sign up sheet and we will have an inside booth. Sarah is hosting a pumpkin painting event at her house from 10AM-2PM on October 20. In the spring, we will have a Chair-i-tea fund raiser, a tea party and fund raiser where we will auction chairs that we have decorated.

Exhibits - Awards from the JCA art show are Honorable Mentions to Carron Wedlund and Alison McCauley, 3rd place Kathy Plante, 2nd place Betty McKee, and 1st place Bill Gura. Two art shows will celebrate the Penney Farms Retirement Community centennial, one hosted by the retirement community, one hosted by AGOP. We were invited by the Plein Air Painters to join them at Penney Farms for painting and photography.

Scholarships - Tom Sadler is donating a painting for the evening's raffle. We are still accepting silent auction items for the gala.

Workshops and Programs - This evening's program is by Tom Sadler. His workshop on Tuesday and Wednesday is for oil or acrylics. The November 3 program and Nov. 4th workshop will be by Correy Moortgat and will focus on abstract portraits.

Community Service - The city of Green Cove Springs is hosting a Victorian Christmas. We will create life-size wood cutouts to be placed around the Historic Triangle. Painting the cutouts is November 12-14.

The business meeting was adjourned at 7:11PM.

Our next board meeting is at Grumpy's Restaurant in Orange Park at 9:30AM on October 27, and our next membership meeting is at Fox Valley Center at 6PM on November 3, 2025.