

# MASTERS SCHOOL OF ART

*December 2017 Newsletter*



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## Photo of the Month!



Photography by Mary McIntyre – Age 13

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## Spring 2018 Registration

### Spring 2018 Registration and Enrollment

On November 1<sup>st</sup>, we began pre-registration for our Spring 2018 term. Enrollment for pre-registered students will take place throughout the month of December. You will receive an email confirmation of your personal schedule over the next few weeks.

Students who didn't pre-register will be enrolled in their classes beginning in January, after all pre-registered students are enrolled. All forms for registration can be found on the Admissions page on our website or can be picked up from our school office. Please either mail your forms, or drop them off at our office during normal school hours on Thursday/Friday.

If you have any questions about registration or enrolling in your classes, please contact: [msoaonline@gmail.com](mailto:msoaonline@gmail.com).

### Van Needed

The Fishkins have used their personal van for picking up art supplies, and for events like the summer retreats, taking artworks to exhibits, the Oceannet conference, and other field trips for our school.

Recently, their van died, and it cost more to get it fixed than to buy another used one. We at Masters School of Art would like to purchase a van that our school can use to do what Evie has done the last several years. Evie feels that she does not want to beg or ask others to sacrifice their car or to do all the many errands for the school that she and Laura must do. It would be easier for them to have a van available to pick up large boxes of canvases and or carry art work to galleries, etc.

Any gifts toward a van and a gift of an older working van would be appreciated. It would be donated to MASTERS SCHOOL OF ART, which is a tax-deductible gift. The van would belong to the school with designated drivers. If you feel led to give either a financial gift toward the van or to gift a van please let us know. Masters School of Art will also need to buy insurance and pay for the gas of the van. In all this we will trust that God will provide.

Thank you for your support and prayers. ~MSOA STAFF

## MSOA Prayer Needs

It is prayer that makes things happen. Last year we did a bazaar, which helped us a lot. This year, due to health reasons, I was not able to do the bazaar. Most schools have fundraisers to keep their school running, and they often are funded by the state. We are dependent on God's grace and the few fundraisers we have.

Pray God will bless us financially so to meet our budget. We usually do a few more fundraisers to keep our school on budget and working well. Also, the fundraisers help us make it possible to give scholarships and keep our tuition down. Pray, God will raise up a few families, who feel led to donate to the school. All gifts are tax deductible. If enough is raised, we won't need to have a huge fundraiser this spring. It is our intention to keep the school strong so that your children and future children have an excellent art education.

Our refrigerator broke! It is good to keep lunches cold, and to be there for those who need it. Pray God provides a refrigerator for us. Contact Evie if you have one to donate...and someone who is willing to transport it to the school.

In January, MSOA is looking for a new building for our fall 2018 school year, hopefully not too far from where we are. Pray God will prepare the right place for us. We hope for a place that can provide an office and storage space.

Pray that our families will be healthy, free from colds and viruses, especially our teachers.

Pray for me, Evie, as I continue to fight stage iv breast cancer. I have 30 more brain tumors that they will not treat with the Gamma Knife, because, I've already had so much radiation to my brain. The hardest part is that they won't let me drive, although I've never had a seizure. In the next few weeks, I have a brain MRI, bone scan, soft tissue scan, and an echo for my heart. I have a blood transfusion tomorrow, because my bones are not making enough red blood cells. Amazingly, I am still on my feet and doing pretty good. I feel like I'm in the fire, but not getting burnt. Yet, the climb is getting steeper, and more difficult. It has been tough the last few weeks, but I've a lot to be thankful for. It has now been 3 ½ years since I was told I had but a few months to live. When they give me the dying talk, I just say, I don't know how to die, I only know how to live. Plus, we are all terminal. Our lives and times are in God's hand. Mostly, it is the prayers of friends that has blessed me with the last few years. Thank you!

As God leads, pray that the scans will be stable or clear. Pray God will cause my bone marrow to make red blood cells. Prayers, for healing of mouth sores, and more time to complete my books, and to get my house in order. Pray, we are able to find someone to take my place.

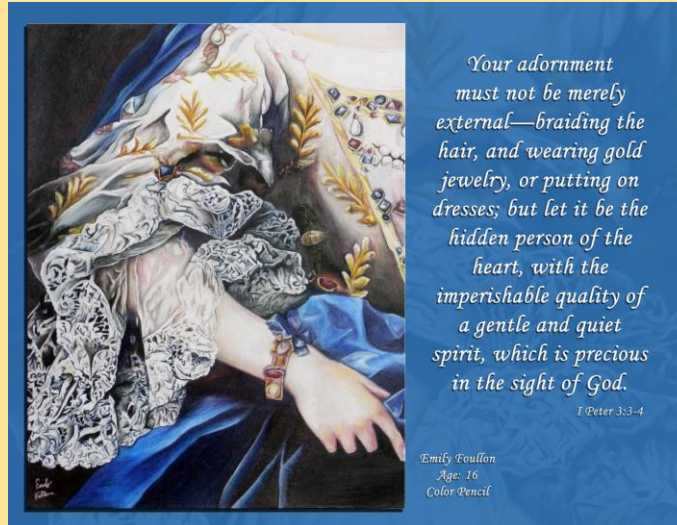
Pray, we have a good end of the term revue, and that our children grow in their talents, and in God's love for one another.

## Fall 2017 Fundraiser

**Sample Page:  
January**

**Artist: Emily  
Foullon**

**Color Pencil**



Our calendar order has been placed and were ready for pickup from our school office this past week. We gave great prizes to our top seller and for those who sold at least 20! Our thanks and gratitude go out to everyone for participating in our Fall Calendar fundraiser. It is only with your help and support that we can be successful!

If you did not pick up your calendars this past week, you will be able to pick them up from the Fishkin home before Christmas if you need to. Contact Pam at [pam.msoa@gmail.com](mailto:pam.msoa@gmail.com) to schedule a good time to pick them up.

### Holiday School Breaks

Mark your calendar! We will be breaking from school for the following holidays:

- Christmas Break – December 21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup>
- New Year's Break – December 28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup>

### Tuition Due Dates

We would like to give everyone a reminder that tuition is due by the 20<sup>th</sup> of every month. In other words, December's tuition was due on November 20<sup>th</sup>.

Paying on time helps us to pay much of our overhead that hits us the end of the month/beginning of the month. Thank you for your attention is this matter.

## Director's Note:

MSOA Friends, and Families,

This week, at our Thursday Christmas party, I saw your kids with smiles, a gleam in their eyes, and a sense of community among them. Almost everyone participated in the white elephant game. After the excitement of the game, they chowed down delicious desserts. Thanks for bringing all the treats!

I wasn't able to be there for the Friday party due to a medical appointment that I couldn't get out of. I hate missing such events.

Thank you for your support in making the Christmas parties fun for the kids. Thank you for all your support in backing our art school, especially in selling the calendars. The kids did so well.

I'm impressed at how well they are doing. I believe we will again have an impressive art exhibit!

Thus far, it seems as if the year has flown by. I stand back and give thanks for all of you, and your part in making the school happen. January, hopefully is filled with much joy, and a blessed year for all of you.

Praying God keeps your families healthy and safe.

Much Love, Evie

### *Luke 2:11-14*

*For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be the sign to you: You will find a Babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men!"*

**Merry Christmas Everyone and a very Happy New Year!**