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CLASS SIZE: WILL IT CHANGE?

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Dates to Remember

November 1—DATA Fall Entries due Art Office

November 3—Early Dismissal/DATA Fall Entries due and Fete Workshop Art Lab 2-5

November 6—Fete Workshop Art Lab 9-4

November 11—Veterans' Day/no school

November 12—Weather Day/no school

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By the time you read this, we will have found out if Amendment 8 passed or not. If it did, will we begin to see a difference in the size of our elective classes? If it did not, then how will we cope with classes that I have seen, reach 64 in number?

I could go into the history as to why art and music were not made part of the core subject areas and therefore, NOT included in class size restrictions, but I will not. You want to know? Come see me.

Instead, it is better to concentrate on what is present and how to deal with it. As I have visited middle and high school art rooms, there has been a mix of classes that were tolerable in size and those in jeopardy of some major safety issues. My hat is off to all teachers who have had to teach with such high class loads and for the most part, I have been extremely impressed with how you have dealt with the situa-

tion. One thing I have noticed is how the classroom is set up. In an ideal situation, the room would be arranged in a way in which students could move about easily, have the flexibility of working at their desk/table, or at an easel. Still life objects or a live model could be placed in the center of the room with all students capable of moving around the object(s) to be drawn. Teacher demonstrations could be easily seen. The teacher could work along side the students to show he/she is a practicing artist as well.

Now that the alarm clock has buzzed, It's time to wake up and come back to reality. Given the hand you have been dealt, you make the best of it. The old saying goes, "When given lemons, make lemonade". We move on. As I stated earlier I have paid close attention to the arrangement of the art room. I look at stools vs chairs. Tables vs desks. Students sitting solo, in pairs, and in groups of four. I have looked

at space and movement around such areas as the sink and areas where materials and equipment are located. I've looked at the erase boards teachers use to print out daily lessons and expectations. I've looked at the distance students are from the television monitor or other information they may have to view. I've looked to see what technology you have available that will help your teaching capability. These are all important things to consider when teaching but more so when you have large classes.

We all hope that Amendment 8 passed and that it will make a difference. Whether it does or not, I am available to come help you organize your space in a way that will work for both you and your students.

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PAPER! Who Would Have Think It?



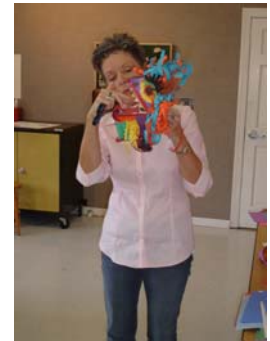
At the August Subject Area Meeting, several successful workshops were provided. Yet a comment heard more than once was that, although the workshops were great, one of the workshops did not prove feasible as there was no way teachers could afford the materials. Those words were remembered when preparing for the October Planning Day workshops. The question: "What material is available to all teachers at their schools?" The answer: PAPER!!

It turned out to be the absolute correct choice. Three exciting

workshops were provided to nearly 80 art educators. **Moises Ramos** showed teachers how to make creative paper with blenders, pulp, and a wealth of found objects to place on the paper. **Judi Evans** enchanted her attendees with fun ways to make paper puppets using as a base, a report card envelope! Lastly, **Jack Matthews** began with a power point that shared various websites on collage and then showed examples of both teacher and student collages before teachers began to tackle the challenge of making their own. Each workshop was offered twice in two hour

increments.

Overall comments from teachers proved that the decision to focus on paper was right on the mark. Odds are the county art shows will boast plenty of student work based on these three workshops.



The annual Empty Bowls Luncheon will be Tuesday, November 16 at the Prime Osborn Convention Center. Many Duval County schools have participated. Each school has or will receive 4 tickets

(teacher, administrator, and two students) in order to be included at the luncheon. About 20 art teachers created bowls for the special silent auction. Some of the bowls are represented in this newsletter. This is

the 26th year Lutheran Social Services has held the Empty Bowls Luncheon to raise awareness of hunger here in Jacksonville and to raise funds for the Food Bank.



Thirty-Three Attend Conference—

Thirty-Three Duval County art educators attended the annual Florida Art Education Association Conference in Orlando this past October. Several teachers such as **Patricia Beach, Terry Woodlief, Alyce Walcavich, Glendia Cooper, and Joi Hosker** presented workshops.

Jack Matthews, FAEA President, hosted a President's reception Thursday evening for the Board, vendors, and presenters. Over 100 were in attendance. Special thanks goes out to the **Duval Art Teachers Association** for sponsoring the reception. **Geri Leigh, Retired Teachers Division Chair** for

both DATA and FAEA, worked magic by getting various sponsors for beverages. The rest came from Sams. It's amazing how far \$100 can go!

Plans are underway for next year's conference, to be held in St. Petersburg, November 16-20.

Plans for January Mini-Conference Underway

The wheels are turning as we begin to plan for the January Mini Conference. Although workshops have not yet been determined, the location has been set. At this point in time, the mini-conference will be held at our newest high school, **Atlantic Coast**. Many teachers have been asking to see this new school. There are three art labs and we may also have the

capability of having other breakouts around the school for special sessions that do not include hands-on projects. Principal **Debra Lynch** and art teachers **Kelly Delaney** and **Miriam Provisero**, are very excited about the art teachers coming to their school.

You will be receiving more information later in December. In the last two years when the mini conference has been held,

teachers who have attended the Florida Art Education Association Conference have been asked to provide workshops for those teachers who did not attend conference. Other special interest session not related to conference may be included as well.

Please remember, once workshops are listed on the Schultz Site, it is very important that you register as soon as possible.

TONY WOOD—ARTWORK AT THE SCHULTZ CENTER

Continuing our ability to showcase artwork by our local art teachers, **Tony Wood/Englewood High School**, will have his work displayed at the Schultz Center beginning in November and running through February. A showcase of his work comes on the heels of works displayed by artists/educators **Alyce Walcavich** and **Anthony Sznakowski**. If you are interested in having your work shown at the Schultz Center, contact Jack Matthews at 390-2677.

EIGHT TEACHERS MAKE “TEACHER OF THE YEAR”

The news is out! Eight of our Duval County Art Teachers have been named “Teacher of the Year” at their school. *Jonathan Lynn/Ruth N. Upson, AnaLee Kirby/Lone Star, Elizabeth Miron/Whitehouse, Pam Patterson/John Stockton, Kimberly Carter/Louis Sheffield, John Petry/Parkwood Heights, Elizabeth Ludwinski/San Mateo, and Margaret Cella/James Weldon Johnson.* Could it be, this year an art teacher might be named the Duval County Teacher of the Year? They say the third time is the charm! (previous contenders: Mai Keisling and Terry Woodlief)

High School and Higher Ed Come Together

A very important issue that goes beyond our county and local arts organization is that of making a connection between high school and higher ed. This is even more prominent at the state level and it is a concern that puzzles all county arts administrators. Here in Duval County, we decided to do something about it.

For several months prior to the beginning of school,

DATA High School Division Representative **Steve Arflin**, Higher Ed Rep **Ginger Sheridan**, and District Specialist **Jack Matthews** began planning an event that would bring the two divisions together. A one-day visit to Jacksonville University by 100 high school art students would be arranged so they could see students working at the university level, speak with

professors, and find out what they needed in the way of a portfolio.

JU graciously provided lunch for all attendees and covered the cost of buses. Over 70 students from **Atlantic Coast, DASOTA, Englewood, First Coast, Fletcher, Ribault, Stanton, Terry Parker, and Wolfson High Schools** attended the first of what we hope will be many more events



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“You can’t use up creativity. The
more you use, the more you have”.

- Maya Angelou

“Every artist dips his brush in his own
soul, and paints his own nature into his
pictures”.

- Henry Ward Beecher

NOTE: the ART CALENDAR will be included in all electronic mail.
Please note changes and additional dates to the calendar will be marked in
RED

Dates to Remember

**November 17—Early
Dismissal Day/Fete
Workshop Art Lab 2-5**

**November 20—FLAMINGO
FETE—5-7 Riverfront Café**

**November 24—Weather
Day/schools closed**

**November 25, 26—
Thanksgiving Holidays**

8th Annual
Fabulous Florida Flamingo Fete
Original Art Work
& small handmade items
Including great Holiday gift items
Silent & Live Auction
Music, food, and fun!
Saturday, November 20, 2010 5:00-7:00PM
RiverFront Café located in the Haskell Building
111 Riverside Avenue Jacksonville, FL 32202
Tickets:
\$20 individual
\$35 per couple
(advanced sales only)
All tickets \$20 at the door
Call 390-2677
Proceeds to benefit the Leslie Beddard Scholarship supporting
opportunities for art education in Northeast Florida.

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16 - 20 Pre-Planning

18 - Subject Area Meeting/Cummer Museum 8:00-3:00 (6 pts)

23 - First day for students

6 - Labor Day-schools/admin office closed

8 - Early Dismissal

11 - Creative art Workshop Art Lab 9:00-4:00 (6 pts)

22 - Early Dismissal/"Empty Bowls" Pt I Lab 2:30 - 5:30 (3 pts)

6 - Early Dismissal/"Empty Bowls" Pt II Lab 2:30 - 5:30 (3 pts)

9 - Creative art Workshop Art Lab 9:00-4:00 (6 pts)

14-16 - FAEA Conference Orlando

20 - Early Dismissal/Quilt Projects Due at Art Lab 2:00 - 5:00

25 - Planning Day Cummer Museum 8:00-3:00 (6 pts)

1 - DATA Board Mtg/DATA fall show entries due Art Office 4-6

3 - Early Dismissal DATA fall show entries due/Fete wkshp Art Lab 2-5

6 - Flamingo Fete workshop Art Lab 9-4 (6 points)

11 - Veteran's Day - Schools/Admin Offices closed

12 - Weather Day

17 - Early Dismissal—**Flamingo Fete Workshop Art Lab 2-5**

20 - Flamingo Fete 5-7PM Riverfront Café/ Haskell Building

24 - Weather Day

25-26 Thanksgiving Holidays

8 - Early Dismissal

20-22 - Weather Days

23 - Winter Break Begins

1 - New Year's Day

3 - School Resumes

12 - Early Dismissal

17 - Martin Luther King Day

21 - Planning Day Cummer Museum 8-3:00 (6 pts)

Mini-Conference

26 - Early Dismissal

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- 1,2 - Senior High/DATA work due to Art Lab 8:00-5:00
- 16 - Early Dismissal
- 21 - Presidents' Day - Schools Closed
- 26 - Senior Frame Day Art Lab 9-4 (6 pts)

- 2 - Early Dismissal
- 3 - Senior Show work transported to FSCJ/South Campus
- 10 - Senior/DATA Shows reception Wilson Gallery 5:00-8:00
- 15,16 - Middle School work due to Art Lab 3:00-6:00
- 23 - Early Dismissal Day/Matting Mania Art Lab 2:00-6:00
- 24 - Senior/DATA Shows close
- 25 - Planning Day/Elementary Library Show Installations**
- 28 - Spring Break Begins

- 4 - School Resumes
- 6 - Early Dismissal
- 14 - Middle School Show reception FSCJ/Kent Campus 6:00-8:00
- 15 - Leslie Beddard Scholarship Applications due
- 20 - Early Dismissal
- 22 - Good Friday/Schools, Admin. Offices Closed
- 25 - Schools Closed
- 28 - Middle School Show ends

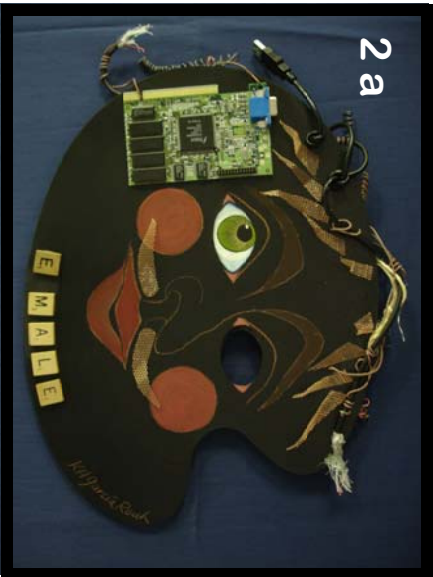
- 4 - Early Dismissal
- 5 - "Best of Elementary" reception FSCJ/Kent Campus 6:00-8:00
- 13 - DATA Principal of the Year packets due
- 19 - "Best of Elementary" Show closes
- 24,25 - All student artwork to be picked up Art Lab 3:00-5:00*
- 27 - Schools Closed
- 30 - Memorial Day - Schools/Admin Offices closed

- 10 - Last Day For Students
- 13,14 - Post Planning Days
- 15 - End of the Year Luncheon for Art Teachers location: TBA

Weather days will be considered holidays unless needed
***Earlier pick up days for Senior High TBA**
Additional Workshops TBA



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PAINTERY
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TICKETS:
1 = \$1.00
6 = \$5.00
12 = \$10.00
18 = \$15.00
25 = \$20.00



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WINNERS TO BE
ANNOUNCED
JUNE 15, 2011



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