

**Yakima Valley Artists Association
General Meeting Minutes
September 8, 2025, 5:30 pm**

38 in attendance

5:30 - Social time: Visiting and viewing displayed art

6:00 – Presentation: Roddy Taylor, YVAA member from Ellensburg who shared his beginnings and journey into computer graphics. Q & A followed. |

Virtual Show: “The Art of Music” presented and narrated by Jeremiah Britt

BUSINESS MEETING:

Welcome to two new members

Treasurer’s Report is available on greeting table

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

• **Membership & Hospitality Committee:**

Susan Hahn introduced herself as the committee chair and welcomed those interested in participating in the committee to let her know.

• **Live Shows Committee:**

★ **Cowiche Brewery Membership Show**: Susan requested volunteers to take posters of the show to various locations throughout the town. To date, 23 members have signed up to participate in the show to be held Sept. 26, 4–7 p.m. at Cowiche Brewery. Each participant will be allowed to show two pieces of art. Those still interested in participating, who need assistance to transport art to and from the show, or have questions about preparing art for display may contact Susan (509-594-0065). Sept. 22 is the cut-off date. There is no charge for participating. An email with full details will be sent to members within the week. Following discussion about the need for promotion materials and advertising for YVAA events, Geri Ham moved that \$300 be approved towards those promotion needs. Heather Hein seconded the motion. The motion carried.

★ **Larson Gallery’s Central Washington Artists Exhibit**: Doug announced submission deadline is Sept. 15. Up to five entries are allowed with a fee of \$10 each. For more information contact the Larson Gallery (<https://larsongallery.org/cwae-2025>).

★ **Art in the House**: Those still interested in submitting work for display at the Women’s Century Club beginning Oct. 19 are to contact Loretta Larsen (llarsen500@gmail.com) with the closing date briefly postponed.

★ **Central Washington State Fair Art Booth**: Jack Cannon encouraged members to volunteer to do art demonstrations and greet visitors at the adult art booth during the fair, with free admission to the fair for volunteers that day. The new art booth location is in the Modern

Living Building. A sign-up sheet was passed around and members will receive an email with more detail. Those who have already registered to enter the art competition are to bring their pieces to the fair grounds Sept. 12, 12-7 p.m. and Sept. 13, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. For further details, go to <https://www.statefairpark.org/p/the-fair/exhibitor-guidebook> to “Fine Arts” under “Entries.”

- **Website & Virtual Shows Committee:**

- * **Virtual Show:** Doug announced the next virtual show, “Figures,” deadline of Nov. 3. Those entering pieces into the virtual shows may send them in jpg form to Jeremiah (jeremiahbritt@pm.me).

- * **Presentation in Appreciation:** Doug presented a gift certificate and card to Mike Millen in appreciation for developing and maintaining the web site for the past six years.

- **Tour of Studios Committee:**

- * **Presentation In Appreciation:** Doug presented cash and a card of appreciation to Stephen Stokesberry and Pam Edwards for providing their yard as the YVAA “studio” location.

- **Plein Air Committee:**

- * Contact Kate Bowditch (425-783-0337) for date, time and location this month.

The meeting was adjourned.

Mary Jepsen

Recording Secretary