

We are a community-based drawing group that gives people of all abilities an opportunity to draw from an unclothed model.

Next Board Meeting

Tuesday **August 16**
Dewitt Community Library in the small meeting room
(7-8:45pm)
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!

Sunday, August 7th 2 -5
Drawing with cars at
Liverpool 1st Automotive



First Automotive, Inc, on 717 Old Liverpool Rd, has loaned us the use of their garage for this event. And of course it wouldn't be figure drawing if there wasn't a nude person posing with the cars. Regular prices apply.

WANTED

OFD Inc. is looking for a volunteer to write our newsletter and keep our Facebook page updated! Please e-mail Lucie (lucie_wellner@yahoo.com), send a message via Facebook, or talk to the host if you are interested.

*****This is an especially good opportunity*****
for a student looking to add a little something to
*******his or her resume!*******

Future Library!

A book cart on wheels will soon be purchased to house the OFD, Inc Library! Books will be available on Wednesday nights for perusal. We regret there will not be a lending program. Books will live at WCC and won't be going on outings.

Group Show Closing Reception

Thanks to everyone who stopped by to pick up their artwork. It was extremely helpful!
And thanks to everyone who made the closing reception a fun filled event. Thanks also go to the volunteers who helped set up, and to XL Projects (Andrew especially) for hosting us!

Lis won the Newtimes Street Painting masters 1st place!



Lis is currently studying for a masters in science education at ESF and SU. See more of her art on her website!
www.elisabethgholmes.com

OFD, Inc will NOT be at the State Fair this year, but come draw with us at the Westcott Street Cultural Festival! We will have easels, a costumed model and a tent to shelter us from the elements. This is a great way to show the community what we do at OFD, and for people to see your work and how you work.

We are also looking forward to more traveling sessions. We shall keep you posted! Our website has a calendar with all our events listed.

OpenFigureDrawing.com

SOME CORRESPONDENCE FROM OUR PARTICIPANTS

From Bob Enslin

Just a few lines to let you know I have moved back to Georgia as of Monday. I'm the old geezer with the oxygen tubing that made everyone move so I could get my cart into the room. I sure will miss the Wednesday night sessions. It was great fun even if I never did reach where I had been in the distant pass. It was also fun to be with such talented and friendly people. Thanks again for all your help.

From Nancy Preston

I did go to OFD last night! I enjoyed it--I would definitely like to go again sometime. It was easy enough to join in the routine....A few people introduced themselves to me so I felt welcome, and I was not self-conscious about my sketches. It was interesting to take quick glances around and see the variety of styles and drawing media others were using.

I can add that (1) I was pleased that there were plenty of easels--before I got there, I was worried about being so ill-equipped as an artist and afraid I might deprive someone else; (2) I was thankful that he [Iver] gave a formal welcome and restated the policies and the schedule for the evening, etc., even though most of those people must know the routine. It helped me feel okay about not being a regular.

Westcott Community Center OFD, Inc Purchase of a Brick for Barb

Open Figure Drawing, Inc. is raising funds to purchase a Westcott Community Center Brick in memory of Barb Higgins. She passed away in 2010. The cost of the brick is \$250 and will be located in the downstairs foyer. Buying the brick supports our community center, and also marks our memories of Barb in the very building where she enjoyed many happy hours.

If you are interested in helping OFD, Inc buy the brick, please contact Dan Shanahan or see the host.

web@openfiguredrawing.com

Drawing In Nature

We had fun despite the deer flies! The day was beautiful, lots of sun lighting up our stoic model beautifully. Thank you, everyone who came and participated, and also for all the great food we had for the pot luck.

Photos from Drawing In Nature



CHECK OUT THE LATEST CATALOG FROM THE XL PROJECTS GROUP SHOW!
These are just a few samples.



Ask About our Publications

Ask the Wednesday night host about these, or ask a board member - one of us is often drawing right there with you!

OFD Brochure: If you are interested in sharing information about Open Figure Drawing inc. with others, ask for some of our brochures.

Models Wanted: If you know people who may be interested in modeling, we will give you fliers to post or to give to potential models.

Catalogs: \$10 for full color Group Show catalogs. The proceeds help pay for the printing and help OFD keep going. Currently we have these for sale: 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2010, 2011. **Buy 5 for \$30!**



Volunteer Brochure: OFD can use volunteers for special events, or for helping out at the beginning and end of the Wednesday night sessions. Ask for a brochure to learn how you can help, and thank you! OFD is run entirely by volunteers.

OpenFigureDrawing.com Call for Art

We would love to have your artwork on the OFD website. Visit the website and click on the "Artwork" tab to see how it's displayed.

SPECIAL WEDNESDAY NIGHT PRICE: TWO for \$14

Bring a friend to OFD!

You and your friend can get in for \$14! That's \$2 off the regular price. Cash or check, and please don't forget to sign in. This special price is extended for a limited time into 2011!

You can donate to support OFD by sending a check for \$5, 10, 25 or any amount to:

Dan Shanahan

Treasurer 128 Buffington Rd

Syracuse, NY 13224-2202

Social Networking!

If you are on Facebook, please "Like" us! Our new name is: Open Figure Drawing, Inc. Don't forget that little comma (there are two of us out there on Facebook). AND there is new social network site up and running for just us CNY Artists!

www.cnyartists.com

It's for CNY artists, crafters, and creators. A place for people to buy and sell art, crafts, and creations, find art events, meet and discuss topics with others and learn about art.

DRAW THE HUMAN FIGURE EVERY WEDNESDAY

7-10 PM, \$8 admission (or 5 sessions for \$32)

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY!
ALL ARE WELCOME



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826 Euclid Ave, Syracuse, NY 13210
OFD Inc. Phone No. (315) 475-3400

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- Please sign in and pay upon entry.
- Treat the models with courtesy & respect. No recording devices, such as cell phones or cameras, are allowed.
- Help keep our environment clean: No smelly materials.
- Be mindful of your neighbors. Don't block the view. Set up easels toward the back, tables and ponies toward the front. You may also sit on the floor.
- Quiet talk is permitted. Feel free to ask questions and to give and receive feedback.
- If you have questions or problems, see the host. During sessions the host makes final decisions.

Wednesday night hosts and co-hosts: Jim Emmons, Scott Herrmann, Iver Johnson, David Muir, Dan Shanahan and Chuck Westfall.

Current board members: Matt Cincotta, Karen Greenfield, Scott Herrmann (President), Carmel Nicoletti, Suzette Roberts, Charlie Sam, Dan Shanahan (Treasurer), Lucie Wellner (Secretary), and Chuck Westfall.

*OFD Inc. is a 501-(c)-3 organization run by volunteers. Let us know about news we should include in our newsletter! e-mail web@OpenFigureDrawing.com or call us. **Check the website for updates!***