



Open Figure Drawing Inc.
NEWSLETTER
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OFD WINS NEW LIGHTING SYSTEM

Central New York Community Foundation awards OFD Inc. a grant for \$2,200 to improve their lighting! Remember last December we competed in the CNYCF online event and came in 7th place? We went back to the foundation and applied through their grant program and were successful in obtaining money for a new state of the art lighting system. Thanks go to Alex Koziara, an SU drama professor, for his help in designing the light system. David Kilpatrick at CNYCF for his help with the grant writing, and all the people who voted last year showing that we may be small organization but we have supporters!



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Two model night Last Wed of July 30th - - we'll have a duo taking to the stage! Participants will enjoy double the subjects for the standard rate.



The Westcott Art Gallery will host OFD group portrait Show -54 Faces and clothed figures only (not nudes) from 22 artists are in this show 20th 5-8 with a Matt Magill! July 31 show ends! Th3 event - Now's the time to kickstart your good karma at the Eat @ Shrimpy's sketch-a-thon for Autism. Stop by Westcott Community Center on Thursday, July 18, 5-8 pm. We will be there from 5pm to 8pm, drawing whatever your heart desires. There will also be original color sketches for sale if you don't want to wait in line. Additionally, there will be educational information regarding autism if you are curious about the disorder. Donations will be graciously accepted with all of the profits going straight to Autism Speaks to fund Autism research and advocacy for those with the disorder. If you have kids, whether they are on the Autism spectrum or not, this could be a fun activity to do as a family. The sketches are kid-friendly and something that they can keep and enjoy for years to come.

So come on out, bring the family, get a sketch and learn about a disorder that effects millions. For updates on the sketch-a-thon, please check out www.eatatshimpys.blogspot.com.

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Our Next Special Event:
1st Sunday costume Drawing Session July 7th ,
next one is August 4th 1:00 - 4:00 pm at WCC
Sunday - same rates as usual.

Next Board Meeting
Tuesday Sept 10
7 - 9 pm, location CNYCF -431 E
Fayette St, Suite 100, Meeting!

NEW COSTUMED SESSIONS The Board is excited to continue a new offering the first Sundays of July 7 August 4 and Sept 1. We'll have a different experience from

Wednesday models! Same rates apply, new times, new dates but in our typical studio at the Westcott Community Center space. Tell your friends....JOIN THE FAMILY FRIENDLY FUN- SUPPORT AFTERNOON DRAWING-Tell us what you think....people are finding afternoons a great time to draw. Less traffic, light outside, and a slightly different format... 3 -10 minute poses, a costume change, a 30 minute pose, break with another costume change, then a long pose (~90 minutes) with model breaks as needed. Costumes are the model discretion – you have to see what they are cooking up!

Sat July 27:*NewTimes Street Painting* We have been talking about the Street Drawing with the NewTimes! No figure contest this year but plenty of sidewalks that need to be beautified – come out and draw! Downtown on Montgomery St. Starts at 8am!



Wed June 13th was our Birthday! We celebrated 24 years of figure sessions and had CAKE courtesy of Dan Shanahan! More specials events are being planned leading up to the 25th yearlong celebration- stay tuned! Sneak peak at our future plans - Special exhibits, new publications, a VIDEO project, special drawing sessions.... and MORE. Check the web calendar frequently you won't want to miss any of these events. www.openfiguredrawing.com

Artists and their artwork... in the NEW 2013 Catalog due out in few weeks, still only \$10 in a limited run:

Susan, David , Rowland, Benjamin Wild, Jeffrey Johnson, Kristina Starowitz, Gianfranco Vidali, Greg Trombly, Scott Herrmann, Jim Emmons., Janet Shahan, Dave Muir, Rose, Amy Bartell, Dan Shanahan, Chuck Westfall, Lucinda Wong, Larry Hoyt, Iver Johnson, Lisa Bogin

Kate, a retired model, is launching her own small business Aromaste' Clinical Aromatherapy in CNY to share her love and knowledge of Aromatherapy with others. Please consider supporting her... we need more small local businesses, more women entrepreneurs/educators, more alternative health care modalities. Your small contribution helps in a huge way (AND you get a little gift for it too)! Please click on the link below to view Kate's campaign. Indiegogo Link:

http://www.facebook.com/l/MAQET9hscAQQQfrhHDsmHyjkcIzxB9z6RFR4_Kg-VK4d5Uw/igg.me/at/aromaste

It's not too early to think about our next group show@ the Link Gallery this December – we are back to figures, uncensored and unjuried ! Start matting and framing ! Watch for details about "THE MIKE SHOW" which will be in the summer of 2014 @ the Edgewood Gallery

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Donalee Peden-Wesley is teaching a figure drawing class July 29th to Aug 9th at OCC . It is an intensive class which runs from Mon through Thurs, for eight days. It starts at 9:00 am -3:00 an hour break for lunch. It is worth 3 credits, if you want to take for credit.

It is a great class, lots of fun and open to all, no experience necessary. I am teaching the same class ,which will finish this week ,and have a number of high school students a few first timers to drawing and some experienced artists. If any questions please email Donelai@aol.com.