

Artists' Cooperative

Fine Art Gallery

In Omaha's Historic Old Market



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August Feature Show

"Pieces of Minds" features Adams, Schimenti and Wroblewski

Three artists show results of their latest artistic explorations in "Pieces of Minds" July 28 to Aug. 30, 2015. The artists will host a First Friday opening reception celebrating the show 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Aug. 7, 2015.

Duane Adams of Griswold, Iowa, will show a series of paintings based on recent travels to the Mediterranean. "The architecture fascinated me," he says, "from the relatively recent construction in Istanbul to the ancient city of Ephesus. My work is concerned with the play of light and shadows on the subject matter. The range of textural qualities of the various surfaces presented a painting challenge that interested me."

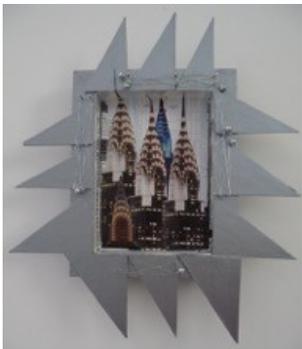
Margie Schimenti of Omaha often works with found objects and construction materials. Her favorite themes are cityscapes, self portraits and nature. She will exhibit mixed-media pieces about New York City buildings in this show.

Pete Wroblewski of Arlington, Neb., has been sculpting for more than 25 years, working primarily in bronze using the lost-wax process. "My work is usually based on the human figure and explores various subjects that interest me from mythology, nature and emotion. My sculptures show both subtle and obvious motion. Because I do extensive revision of the wax positive I make from a clay beginning, each piece is unique and no copies are made."

The Artists' Co-op has been showing the work of respected regional artists for 40 years. This cooperative group of artists conducts educational and cultural outreach activities, and it maintains and staffs a gallery that features works in a wide variety of media, including sculpture, weaving, painting, pottery, photography, printmaking, glass, jewelry and drawing. Monthly opening receptions provide opportunities to meet member artists and learn more about their work.



"Dome" by Duane Adams



Margie Schimenti

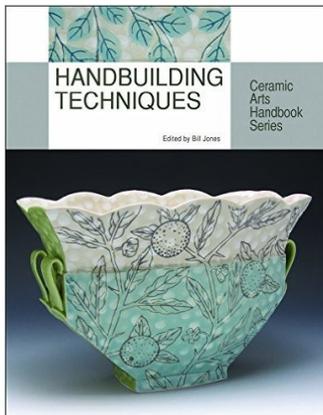


"We Danced" by Pete Wroblewski

News and Shows



Tom Quest



Ceramic artist **Tom Quest** is featured in the Ceramic Arts Handbook Series, "Handbuilding Techniques". This Ceramic Arts Handbook brings together the best techniques, tips and projects from more than two dozen experts published in Pottery Making Illustrated and Ceramics Monthly.

To order the book click on the link.

<http://www.amazon.com/Handbuilding-Techniques-Edited-Bill-Jones/dp/1574983474>

Find an art-dog, give it a home in new public art project

Two artist-members of the gallery are participating in AdoptArt, a public art project in which embellished wood cutouts in the shape of a dog are placed around the community and are available to whomever finds them.

Laura Vranes and John McIntyre developed the project and have distributed more than 20 dogs this summer, including one by **Linda Hatfield**, after featuring many of the completed pieces at the RNG Gallery a few weeks ago. More than 80 artists are involved and Laura describes the project this way. "The idea was to have a fun way to follow, learn about and find art. We love the art community in Omaha and think it is amazing," she says. "This is a small way for us to promote local artists and showcase the talent we have here. Hopefully this will stimulate a conversation about art and generate interest about the art in both Omaha and Council Bluffs."

Photos and clues are posted on the project's Facebook page, Adopt Art Omaha (<https://www.facebook.com/AdoptArtOmaha>). Each dog wears a ribbon with tags that identify the artist and say "Please Adopt Me. I'm Yours. This is a found-art project where you can take home this original piece of art! Post a photo of your new dog on Facebook or Twitter at Adopt Art Omaha. This is a gift from Adopt Art Omaha and the fabulous artists who donated their time and talent for this project. Remember to support your local artists."

Linda Hatfield used pyrography (wood burning) and acrylic paint to embellish two dogs, one of which has been adopted. **Lori Elliott-Bartle** collaged original woodcut prints of birds on her dog and added oil colors and beeswax.



Linda Hatfield



Lori Ellitott-Bartle

We are accepting applications for membership in the Artists' Cooperative Gallery until August 1st. If you live in the Omaha area and would like to be a part of our gallery please apply. For more information about our gallery click on the link. <http://www.artistscoopomaha.com/membership-information/>

“**Pieces of Abstraction**” will feature Sean Akers, Ken Heimbuch and Judith Anthony Johnston from Sept. 1 through Sept. 27, 2015.



Sean Akers



Ken Heimbuch



Judith Anthony Johnston



Two of **Marcia Joffe-Bouska's** artworks from her “Memento Mori” series have been selected to be displayed in the Lieutenant Governor’s office in the Iowa State Capitol Building as part of the Iowa Women’s Art Exhibit. “Gallus Gallus” and “Chambered” will be on exhibit until December 31, 2015.