

9Minutes – GAGA General Meeting

October 6, 2019, SW School of Art

President Benitez called the meeting to order at 2 pm.

Announcements....Action Required:

1. **New email** for Sylvia: sylviabentimes@gagaart.com
2. **New GAGA website** ready for testing after 500+ hours of volunteer work by GAGA members. Site expected to be up and running in November.
Thank you Thelma and Sylvia! And Lupe for the specs of the old one!
Temporary name: <https://sylviambenitez.wixsite.com/website-1>
Password: gaganation
Site includes user friendly access to individual artist sites.
New Images of your art are due by January 15 for the new website.
Limit: 9 images total.
3. **New Email Marketing** Plan:
Member announcements due the 12th of each month, will be posted by mid-month.
GAGA needs **your lists** - please ask 10 friends each to let GAGA email market to them.
Together we can create an effective list! Our list needs updating!
4. **GAGA Dues are due January 1, 2020.**
\$60.- Pay by check only! No credit card or PayPal payments.
\$10.- will go to separate artist emergency fund.
5. GAGA owns a new **vinyl cutter** and a **digital projector** for loan by members.
Deposit is cost of piece via check. (Held & destroyed when returned.)
6. **Honoring Women**--- currently 101 pieces.
Please contact Sylvia if you are doing a **new portrait!**
Also: **Email Sylvia 5 descriptive words for each woman** honored;
This will go to either wall text or cards.

Current Member Shows:

- Group of GAGA Members “*Placing Abstraction*” at SW School, Santikos Bldg.
Oct 12 – Nov 21, 2019. Reception October 12, 5-7 pm. BRING WINE!
- Sylvia Benitez “*Recalling Memory*” at Dougherty Arts Center, Austin.
Nov 16, 2019 – Jan 4, 2020. Reception Sat Nov 16, 1-3 pm.
- Stefani Spears at Coastal Bend College, Beeville.
- Thelma Muraida at Seguin Hospital, Seguin.
- Kate at Cappy’s
- Liz at Huisache Grill
- Upcoming:
 - Norma, Carol, Vikki at Seguin Hospital

Upcoming GAGA Shows:

NAVE – this is the paint chip show – Exquisite Corpse Redux!

At NAVE in Victoria, Nov 21, 2019 – Jan 7, 2020

- **DROP OFF:**
Sunday Nov 10th, 2-4pm SSA Santikos Building
- **NAVE PACKAGE & ID**
Sylvia will be sending a chip excel file to all artists (in a week or two) with their placement/sequence number. Package each piece to show NUMBER on outside (No Names!) Numbering must be visible without unwrapping your piece. No individual titles on the corpse.
An identification panel with your name and chip color will be created.
- **NAVE BACK ROOM**
DROP OFF: **Sunday Nov 10th, 2-4pm** SSA Santikos Building
- **NAVE Reception**
Thursday November 21, 6-8pm
Cocktail party immediately following.
Volunteers needed to help w reception.
- **Overnight in Victoria** after reception
Best Western Inn and Suites Victoria ...highly recommended
RSVP to Sylvia if interested....to see if we can book a suite of rooms.
- **NAVE Deinstall** Jan 7-8

UTSA - MODERN WOMAN / MY STORY

- Thanks to Scott Shafer, Director of UTSA gallery space
He is son of GAGA member Marilyn
- UTSA's 1604 campus, July – August 2020
- open all-member call
- theme: my story – overcoming obstacles
- commitment
 - by **October 14th** 2019
 - via email to syviabenitez@gagaart.org
- Spec's:
 - one piece based on theme: modern woman / my story
 - artist may use up to three (3) stacked ampersand panels size: 24 x 24 x 2
 - sides kept immaculate
 - medium: artist choice
- Catalogue
 - to be funded by UTSA?
 - Design by UTSA
 - Poss'ly use GAGA's Printer

GAGA ART MARKET

- 3 day event, courtesy of Stefani's husband, mgr. at Stowers
- fall 2020
- in retail space at Stowers Furniture
- pieces must be
 - matted
 - framed

- prices \$400 - \$500.-
 - more for large pieces
- more detail tba.

PINK MATTER

- St. Phillips College
- Spring 2021
- Large space promised...details under development
- Poss'ly they will do catalogue
- Theme under development....women & science...think pink..
- Connection by Bibi Saidi
- Please email her at bibisaidi@aol.com with your thoughts

The meeting adjourned at 3:45 pm.