



# The Palette

April 2026

The Newsletter of  
The Williamsville Art Society

[Williamsvilleartsociety.org](http://Williamsvilleartsociety.org)

## Letter from Interim President, Cathy Eckman

Allow me to share some of the information that has crossed my desk since our last newsletter. Feel free to bring any questions up at the April meeting.

There's been a name change to the Amherst Main Library at Audubon, voted on by the Amherst Town Board in December 2025. The new name is the Honorable Shirley Chisholm Library. We'll be changing all material that refers to the Audubon Library to the new name. Just letting you know they are one in the same.

The election Committee will present a slate of potential officers at the April meeting. There is still time to throw your name into the hat. Elections will take place at the May meeting.

If your artwork will be displayed behind glass of any type, remember to submit a digital image of the work to Gerry Genson before it is mounted behind glass. [ggenson@eastamherst.net](mailto:ggenson@eastamherst.net)

We decided to attach the minutes of the previous month's meeting to the monthly newsletter. This will keep those who cannot attend the meeting up to date with Society information. This will also help those that attend the meetings to get a second look at what took place, to point out any corrections that need to be made and to assist with voting to accept the minutes as presented. Please take the time to read them.

*"Art is our one true global language. It knows no nation, it favors no race, and it acknowledges no class. It speaks to our need to reveal, heal and transform."* Richard Kamler, artist, educator and curator

~Cathy Eckman, Interim President

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## April Meeting

Please remember to bring your art mediums of choice (acrylic, pen, markers, watercolor...just about anything except for oils or pastels) to our April meeting where we will be making ACEO's, Art Cards Editions and Originals. 2.5" x 3.5" cards, cut from Canson XL cold press watercolor paper, will be provided for creating these.

The sale of these miniature works, in addition to the sale of 5x7s, will help offset the cost of putting on our Spring Show. Even though our gallery rental fee has been graciously donated by Roger Malcolm (to whom I will introduce you in the May Palette), there are still many costs involved in putting the show together.

In the meantime, get your artwork ready. Read over your prospectus carefully for framing requirements, including size, weight, and framing wire. The little things count!

~Deb Meier, Spring Show Chair  
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### Help Wanted

**Publicity:** this person would be responsible for seeking out and following through on advertising for our Spring and Holiday shows. Ex. Community news on local TV stations and radio, free publications, etc.

**Community outreach:** this person would reach out to schools, classes, art stores to inform and invite others into our group; sharing upcoming demonstrations, meeting place and dates of upcoming meetings.

**Exhibits:** this person would seek out places accepting artists to display their work such as town halls, hospitals, restaurants, medical offices, etc.. A list would be kept for each venue.

**Projector:** this person would set up and operate the projector at all meetings.

**Board member:** this person would serve on the executive board beside the four officers. 9 members total with staggering three year terms. Usually 1-2 meetings per year.

\* If you are interested in any of the above mentioned opportunities or would like more info, please contact Cathy Eckman, 716-433-7825 or 716-510-0043.

*If you take out the "team" in "teamwork", it's just work. Now who wants that? Matthew Woodring Stover, American Novelist*

### Upcoming Meetings

All meetings are at the "Honorable Shirley Chisholm Library" with a start time of 6:30 PM.

Friday, April 10, 2026

Friday, May 8, 2026

No meetings in June, July or August 2026

Friday, September 18, 2026 (not the second Friday due to library business)

Friday, October 9, 2026

Friday, November 20, 2026 (not the second Friday due to library business)

No meeting in December 2026

## From the Editor

The Palette is our only “members only” publication. I welcome any ideas and will be happy to post any information in each issue of The Palette that you wish to share with the membership. Information to be published in the May newsletter is due to me no later than April 20. I will be traveling and also having knee replacement surgery at the beginning of May; therefore, the submission deadline is moved up by a few days this month.

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