## **Belmont Art Association Meeting: May 13, 2020**

**Location:** Our May meeting was held virtually using Zoom due to the coronavirus pandemic. Eighteen members participated, including several who normally cannot attend evening meetings in person, along with two former members who have left the local area. As the meeting progressed, people previously unfamiliar with Zoom became comfortable with it, assisted by regular users.

**Members Present:** Nicole Bernstein, Julliette Carignan, Naomi Ellenberg-Dukas (Co-Chair), Irene Fairley, Beth Ann Fricker, Bert Halstead (Treasurer and Membership Coordinator), Erika Hartwieg, Anne Katzeff, Liz LaManche, Mary Lee, Jessica Lomelli, Danielle McCoy, Helen Morse, Lauren Omartian, Debbie Page, Dari Paquette (Co-Chair), Derrick TePaske, Jane Wentzell (Recording Secretary).

## Meeting

- 1. **Introductions and Updates:** Co-Chairs Naomi and Dari led the meeting and prompted each participant to introduce themselves and speak about their art and current projects.
- 2. **Transformer Box Project:** The deadline for submitting proposals to paint a transformer box was extended from May 8<sup>th</sup> to May 29<sup>th</sup> to allow for more submissions. The transformer box project is well known to BAA members as being approved by Town government and financially supported by the Belmont Cultural Council.
- 3. **Artwork Sharing:** The meeting concluded with an opportunity for members to share their current artwork projects, and many did. Dari also reminded people to email her images of their work to add to the gallery she has created on the BAA's Facebook page, "Creating During Covid-19." This is an ongoing gallery which she updates whenever she receives new artwork images.
- 5. **Next Meeting:** Our June meeting will also take place using Zoom. Naomi will send out a Constant Contact email announcing the date and time. **Make sure you RSVP in time to receive the invitation to join the meeting!** This procedure is necessary for security.

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