Welcome to the new Robert Henri Museum and Art Gallery Online Newsletter. Our newsletter's name, Sign Posts, comes from a phrase at the beginning of Robert Henri's Art Spirit. He wrote:

*There are moments in our lives, there are moments in a day, when we seem to see beyond the usual. Such are the moments of our greatest happiness. Such are the moments of our greatest wisdom. If one could but recall his vision by some sort of sign. It was in this hope that the arts were invented. Sign-posts on the way to what may be. Sign-posts toward greater knowledge.*

And so it is our hope that our inaugural newsletter will provide you with greater knowledge. We want to inform our members, friends and visitors of developments that are happening here at the museum. We plan on sending this out once a month or so and will not bombard our members with emails as is so often the case these days. If you know of someone who would like to receive these mailings drop us a note and we will add them to the list.

The newsletter will have regular features - a calendar of events, media releases about happenings...
These are exciting times at the museum as we have had several major donations of Henri paintings and sketches to our collection over the last few months. We have begun a new branding program in an effort to attract more visitors and members. A new archives is being created to enhance our amazing library of Henri materials. So come and visit us to see the new things that are going on and build on the work of previous directors, board members and volunteers.

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**Museum Announces Artist of the Month for August 2019**

The Robert Henri Museum and Art Gallery is pleased to announce that it will be hosting its Artist of the Month for August and the first part of September 2019. This month’s artist is Jan Anderson. Her work will be on display at the museum and available for viewing and purchase. She is a well-known area artist whose paintings are much sought after. **A reception will take place at the museum on August 10, 2019 from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. to honor her and we hope you will come and visit with Jan.**

Jan Anderson graduated from Wilsonville High School in Wilsonville, Nebraska in 1968. She moved to Cozad, Nebraska in 1977 and obtained a realtor license in 1979. During her career she has worked at the local newspaper as a copy editor, as a crop insurance actuary, an insurance agent and customer service representative. Jan retired in 2014 and is married to Bob Anderson and has several children including Steph Anderson, Brandy and wife Christie, Becky and husband Scott Ladwig, and granddaughters, Samantha and McKenna Ladwig. (McKenna is shown here with her grandmother creating art together.)

A talented local artist, Jan is a member of the Cozad Art Club and works in a variety of mediums. There will be about thirty of her works on display. She is also on the board of directors of the Robert Henri Museum and chairman of its Art Committee.

*(Photograph Courtesy Jan Anderson)*

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**What They Said About Robert Henri . . .**

Robert Henri was a great teacher. A man with enormous personal magnetism. He was probably the greatest single influence in American art. If one concedes the controversial existence of an American school--then Henri founded it. His teaching was not merely a case of passing on to his pupils such
technical facts as he believed were essential to a painter's equipment, it embodied a philosophy of life as well whose basic tenets were humanity and liberalism. Their observance paved the way for the independent idea in this country and the acceptance of modern art.

_Helen Appleton Read_

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