

Philadelphia Rotarians Become Artists at Polio Eradication Fund-Raiser



That's the Philadelphia Rotary's Vice President Jeb Brookman (foreground) demonstrating the art techniques he had just learned at the Evening of Painting Event on January 25.

"I have been to a ton of Rotary events over many years but this was by far the most interesting," said Philadelphia Rotary Past President Joe Batory. "It's one thing to hear a presentation on artistic technique but this was so much more.

Studio Incamminati's expert artists demonstrated the basics of painting and then Philadelphia Rotarians became actual artists, focusing on live models with instructors by their sides. It was amazing how serious and intense out club members were in creating their artwork." This event was coordinated by Philadelphia Rotary members Sandy Goldberg and Jay Pennie, who is the executive director of Studio Incamminati, which is one of the top contemporary art schools in the world. The Philadelphia Rotarians were treated to a delicious buffet with hors d'oeuvres and wine prior to the event getting underway. A special guest was Sheridan Clivers, the president of the Nottingham (UK) Rotaract Club.

It was a fund-raiser to savor and remember... artistic, inspiring and a remarkable learning experience. This was the Rotary Club of Philadelphia's unique Evening of Painting at Philadelphia's renowned Studio Incamminati on Wednesday, January 25. The evening featured instruction from master artists and then an opportunity for each of the Philadelphia Rotary attendees and guests to actually paint! But the best part was that an educational and fun evening netted \$500.00+ for Rotary's polio eradication campaign.



An intense Lisa Leonard (foreground) puts some finishing touches on her artwork as part of the Rotary Club of Philadelphia's Evening of Painting January 25. That's Matt Tae in the background.