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DPAL Newsletter

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Newsletter articles and pieces are due by the 15th of the month. Typed pieces are preferred via e-mail, on disk (word documents) or put in the Newsletter drawer at the league. Please put submissions on **FULL** pieces of paper so they don't get lost!
Thanks.



President's Letter

Dear DPAL Members,

At the April 20 Monday Night Open Program, which features Andrea Burchett: "That's Colored Pencil," members will vote on the slate of new officers. Please plan to attend and vote. The slate is as follows:

VP Activities / Sandra Wille, VP Building and Grounds / Alice Kennedy, VP Membership / Yvonne Thompson, Treasurer / Kandice Husarik, and Secretary / Janan Hudek. (Mary Ann Golla withdrew due to health reasons.)

FYI. If you looked carefully at the March "Garden Party" exhibit, you should have seen a new award. That award is the "Dick Blick Award." The winner of the "Dick Blick Award" receives a \$50 gift card to Blick's. Kay Wahlgren, our VP of Exhibits, will choose an impartial teacher or art league member each month to select the winning piece. We wish to thank the manager at Dick Blick for providing these gift cards.

If you haven't noticed, electrical work done in March has substantially helped the lighting at the west end of Gallery I. The Board has been compiling a list of needed improvements in the building. The better lighting is only one of several projects in the works. Please feel free to use the suggestion box at the desk to add your own thoughts about needed improvements. You will be very pleased to know new, comfortable chairs will soon replace the folding chairs in the classrooms.

Thursday, March 12, marked the first meeting of the Long-Term Planning Committee. The following members form the committee: Sally Hines, chair; Ellen Rottsoik, teacher; Tanya Berley, pres. emeritus and vp education; Ann Johnson, staffer; Yvonne Thompson, business manager; Bob Wahlgren, vp finance; Kay Wahlgren, vp exhibits; and Diana Mitchell, president. Members will hear more from this committee in the following months.

Please contact me if you wish to volunteer.

Diana Mitchell, DPAL President

Education News Tanya Berley-VP of Education

Welcome back to Spring and the chance to attend classes without all the weather worries.

Here's what's new :

Sign up for C session classes that start Monday April 13th. Don't wait, because classes can cancel if there are not enough students enrolled the week before they start.

Check out the class of our newest teacher, **Sharron Ott** on Monday morning, titled Color Theory. We're excited to offer this for the first time. See a further description in the schedule.

Also don't miss **Peggy McGahan's** class Capturing the Beauty of Flowers on Friday mornings. She taught last summer and we're happy to have her back again.

Kathleen Newman will lead a two day workshop May 2nd and Sunday May 3rd titled Painting the Urban Landscape using Soft Pastel. Learn how to simplify the chaotic urban environment into a solid painting with focus! The purpose of this workshop is to learn how to simplify shapes and use color to create atmospheric perspective. See the schedule for details.

Returning from sunnier climes is **Marge Hall** for session C oil painting.

Shawn Sargent will teach 3D Collage and Mixed Media on Wednesday afternoons. I hope you saw her window display of work in March and were impressed with the possibilities.

As always thanks for supporting our classes and teachers. Feel free to let me know of classes or workshops you'd like to see offered. E-mail me at tanyaberley@yahoo.com
Look for our summer schedule at the start of May.

GALLERY II MARCH

ARTIST: SALLY SHARP

Exhibit runs from March 6 through March 30

Artist's Reception

FRIDAY, MARCH 27th, 7-9 P.M.



Upcoming Calendar

EXHIBITS:

APRIL: "FOOD FOR THOUGHT"

Entry—April 1 & 2, Pick-up April 29 & 30

Take it literally or imaginatively, food for the body or the mind. As always, clever titles are encouraged.

MAY: "CITY RYTHMS"

Entry—April 29 & 30, Pick-up June 3 & 4

Let us see the pulse of city life from back alleys to glittering skylines. People, cars, trucks and visual noise are all part of the fascinating beat.

REMINDER: The categories, dates and exhibit rules are in the violet colored "**Activity Book**", which every member has received. The categories are also on the dupageartleague.org website.

BOARD NOTES 3-12-15 - SALLY HINES

- The Treasurer's report indicates we are in good shape with a healthy net income and no debt. Year to date income is up almost \$1,000 over last year.
- Tanya Berley, VP Education, reported that our workshop totals are much better for this year and are up almost \$3,000. Session B classes brought in over \$18,000. There is a candidate for a teaching spot that will be interviewed in the next few weeks.
- Kay Wahlgren VP Exhibits, told the board that new lights in one section of the gallery have been installed and make a big difference. We determined last board meeting that we needed to purchase new chairs for the classrooms. Thanks to Stephanie Dalton for bringing in 2 samples. Kay also brought in 4 chairs for the board to test and after trying out the various options, one style with a padded seat was chosen. The chairs stack instead of folding and appear to be much sturdier. The old chairs will be sold for scrap.
- This month was the first of four "Dick Blick Awards," given to one artist based on their entry in the show. The winning artist received a \$50 gift certificate.
- After a discussion about problems with the public use of the bathroom in Gallery I the board decided to put a lock on the door with a key available at the front desk. Members will be able to reach the key easily in order to use the bathroom. Visitors will have to ask for the key and the staffer will be aware it is in use.
- The board held a shortened meeting so we could move into a separate session that was focused on Long Term Planning. Ellen Rottsolk and Ann Johnson joined the long term planning committee for a discussion on the 5-10 year vision for the art league and the threats that might inhibit our success in the future. Over the course of the next few months we plan to clarify our goals and identify projects we want to embark on to make the league even more successful

ANNOUNCEMENTS:**DPAL Community Art Exhibit Program News:**

The work of **ELLEN ROTTSOLK** will be on display through April at Tasting DeVine, 127 W. Front Street, in downtown Wheaton. Don't miss this opportunity to stop in, taste the wine, and toast the artist!!

Dillman's Creative Arts Foundation 37th season opens starting May 16, 2015. For information on classes see their website: <http://www.dillmans.com/dcaf/app.html> - email to vacations@dillmans.com or call 1-715-588-3143.

2015 Visual Fine Arts Scholarship: **Bloomington Artists Association** is offering a \$500.00 scholarship to a qualified applicant pursuing a Visual Fine Arts Degree. Deadline date is April 1, 2015. Contact toeknee3@yahoo.com (Toni Fogarty) or bpetrosius@gmail.com (Bev Petrosius) for information.

WANTED.....WANTED.....WANTED!!!

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Are you free once or twice a month to staff on a Saturday? This is the ideal way to help out if you work or are busy during the week. The shift is 9 till 2pm and we will train you on the point of sale computer.

Also one of our long time staffers is going to have surgery and will be off for a long time, so I am looking for someone (or two people to share each month's staffing) for WEDNESDAY mornings, 9am til 1 pm staffing the front desk.

If you have never staffed, you really should consider helping out. It is a great way to meet your fellow artists....and even talk to customers about your own artwork.

If you are interested or just have questions about these positions, please call or email me.

TIME TO SIGN UP FOR SESSION C CLASSES

BLICK AWARD

Blick Art Materials has given DPAL a limited number of gift cards to be awarded to significant pieces of artwork in our monthly shows. The award card will have a green ribbon. The winner of this month's award for Garden Party is 'Kakti', a watercolor by Beverly Miotke. It is a symphony in green with a skillful mastery of light and shadow.

IT'S TIME TO START THINKING SUMMER

... and that means it's time to head outdoors for plein aire painting. The Friday morning plein aire painting group will resume in May. Just to remind you, we meet around 9:30 AM and work until 12 Noon at a DuPage county location. There is no instruction, no sign-up and no fee. It is come at your discretion.

We are an informal group made up of individuals who are beginners, advanced, and somewhere in the middle. If you are new to the idea of outdoor painting, come bring a sketchbook and a comfy chair and join us or watch. If you have never painted outdoors before, come and see what kind of equipment you might need before you go to the art store.

Come and play outside with us and see light and color as you can only see it outdoors!

Watch for more information in the newsletter and after April 1st, there will be binder at the front desk with LOTS more information AND the schedule of painting locations for Summer 2015.

GALLERY I

BEST OF SHOW

Pam Hamilton, Fleur de lys pastel

BEST THEME

Cynthia Boudreau, The Perfect Garden Party Shawl, Fibre

SPECIAL MERIT AWARDS

Kay Wahlgren, Last Rose, W/C

Terry Musclow, Fog Trickle, Mixed

Robert Koch, The Gardeners, W/C

MERIT AWARDS

Laurie Alvear, Blue Hydrangeas, W/C

Peter J. Grass, Blushing Beauty, Digital Photo

Sally Sharp, Lovely Linda, Mixed

Carol Kincaid, Arlene's Garden, Pastel

Ruth LaSure, Morning Dew, Photo

Margaret Bulcholz, Fresh Tulips, pastel

Jack Bannister, Trying to Look Good, Photo

Kay Wahlgren, Vinyard, W/C

Suzanne Hetzel, Flags, W/C

Nancy Kolar, The Amaryllis, W/C

Marlene Vitek, Tulips – Must be Spring, Acrylic

Elaine Rath, Fantasy Garden I, Collage

BLICK'S AWARD

Bev Miotke, Kakti, W/C

APOLOGIES to Theresa Miao, her Preservation Hall W/C was omitted from the Merit Awards listing in the March newsletter.



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BLICK AWARD MIOTKE



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Volunteer

The DuPage Art League is always looking for volunteers. We are always looking for additional people to staff the front desk or help out in other capacities. Email staff@dupageartleague.org if you are interested in volunteering some time. Even if you only have an hour or two, you can make a difference today!

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Monthly Meetings: Our monthly meetings are on the **third Monday of each month (from September through April). Social hour is 7 p.m. and programs start at 7:30 p.m.** Mark your calendars and come!



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