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## NEWSLETTER

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Diana Mitchell

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**Articles and pieces are due by the 15th of the month.** Articles preferred via e-mail, (word documents) / photos pdf format or put in the Newsletter drawer at the league. Please put submissions on

### DPAL HOURS/INFORMATION

Saturday Hours: : Nov 21, 28,  
Dec 5, 12, 19  
9:00 am til 5:00 pm

### Phone registration only:

Dec. 28, 29, 30 , 31  
11:00 am to 2:00 pm

### *President's Letter*

Dear DPAL Members,

Many thanks go to a number of volunteers who have worked extremely hard the last couple of months. I would like to recognize Kay Wahlgren for her design, supervision, and execution of the gallery, storage, kitchen, and library renovations. I know both Yvonne Thompson and Ann Johnson helped by painting display cases and moving furniture. Also, the library has been moved to first floor. Barbara Grabowski, librarian, and her helpers: Suzanne Massion and Georgiann Foley spent hours and hours sorting through and organizing the library collection. You will find the library to be cozy, cheerful, and accessible.

Each year a large number of volunteers help with setting up and taking down the "Yuletide Treasures" sale. Thanks to Yvonne and all of you who help with this fund raiser. Please take time to shop and purchase a few items from "Yuletide Treasures." This event is our major annual fund-raiser.

### Please Note:

The DPAL will close at 1:00 P.M. on December 24. It re-opens on Monday, January 4, the first day of winter classes. Register for your classes before December 24 **or you may register by phone from 11 A.M. to 2 P.M. on the following days: Dec. 28, 29, 30, and 31.**

Remember the League is closed. No open studio; no in person registration.

As 2015 comes to an end, I would like to thank the membership, teachers, staffers, volunteers, students, board members, and donors for supporting DPAL. I hope we can count on you in 2016.

Wishing all a safe and joyful holiday season,  
Diana Mitchell, DPAL President

**Education News** Tanya Berley—

Winter / Spring Class List should be available around the 1st weekend in December. Watch the website for this information:

Dupageartleague.org

Some exciting new teachers, classes and workshops coming.

**UPCOMING GALLERY SHOW INFORMATION****JANUARY 2016 - VACATION SNAPSHOTS**

**Entry: Jan. 6-7, Pick-Up: Feb. 3-4**

What did you do on your summer vacation? Climb a mountain? Lounge on a beach? Fish quiet lakes? Glide down the Rhine? Show us the beautiful memories while the snow piles up on the windowsills.

Please check your 2015-2016 Activity Schedule book for all the themes and dates. Don't forget your membership card is inside the back cover of this booklet.

**COMMUNITY EXHIBITS NEWS:**

Be sure to check out the great work of our artists at these area businesses:

**Tasting DeVine** - 127 W. Front St.,

Graphite drawings by Liesl Mann

**Sushi Mono Japanese Restaurant** - 230 W. Front St., Wheaton:

Pastel works by Ellen Rottsoik

**Blick's Art Supplies** - 79 Danada Square E., Wheaton

Mixed media works by Nancy Chovancek

**Carol's Garden Restaurant** - 515 S. Schmale Rd., Carol Stream:

Watercolors by Dan Danielson

**Wells Fargo** - N. Martingale Rd., Suite #200, Schaumburg features:

The landscapes of Marge Hall

Members of the DPAL interested in participating in this program may email Sandy Wille at:

[sawille@sbcglobal.net](mailto:sawille@sbcglobal.net) and include sample photos of works. Thank you!

**UPCOMING WORKSHOPS FOR 2016**

I have been busy planning some workshops for the upcoming year, and I hope our members and friends will be very excited about what we will be doing in 2016. First, noted artist William Worcester will be conducting a workshop on painting landscapes in acrylic. In "Acrylic Landscape Painting with Impact," he will teach students to work with photographs and sketches to create dynamic studio paintings. He will emphasize the fundamentals, including drawing, value, design, composition and color, and he will discuss the masters of landscape painting. Demonstrations will show how to compose, edit and simplify for impact. This workshop will be February 6 and 7, from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., and the fee will be \$175.00.

Another excellent teacher, Jacque France, will be teaching the technique of "Power Painting," allowing students to finish paintings in one session using fewer brush strokes, a limited palette, and enhanced lighting. Painting basics will be emphasized and still life and reference photos will be provided. The goal will be to complete two paintings a day. This class would be best for intermediate and advanced painters, and both acrylic and oil paints may be used. This workshop will be held on April 16 and 17, from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., and also will be \$175.00.

Future workshops may include journaling, colored pencil, and botanical art. Keep an eye on this newsletter for further information. As always, I welcome any suggestions on teachers and workshops you would like to see at the DuPage Art League. You may contact me at [Nancy8661@aol.com](mailto:Nancy8661@aol.com).

**ANNOUNCEMENTS REMINDER:**

The deadline for all newsletter submittals is the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month. (i.e.: 15<sup>th</sup> of November for December newsletter). When submitting personal information regarding shows you will be in/having or awards you have received, they should be submitted as a word documents with photos as jpg's. Announcements will be included in the newsletters on a space available basis and DPAL members will be given first preference. Information will be edited to fit available space.

**YULETIDE TREASURES UPDATE - Yvonne Thompson Chairperson**  
**630-966-9616 or dupage art league@sbcglobal.net**

A big "thank you" to everyone who helped me with installing Yuletide Treasures and to everyone who was an inventory checker. I couldn't have done it without your help!!

Just remember if you are exhibiting in this show you MUST sign up to work for at least 4 hours. Call or email me for suggestions of little "jobs" you can do to support us. Maybe you can help with breakdown on December 28th? We start at 10.30am.

There is a second receiving this year for Yuletide Treasures, December 2- 4th during normal store hours. You must order barcodes a week ahead. Leave any items you bring in, in a box or bag and place in the Gift Shop back room. Make sure you leave your completed inventory sheet with your work and don't forget to add inventory numbers to your barcode and sheet. Please note....you may not bring in more items if you already have the maximum items allowed for this show. Please call or email me if you are unclear on this point.

I have had lots of wonderful remarks about this show and how good it looks. The new slat-board makes such a difference!

Even if you don't have anything displayed in this show you can help by making a purchase and bringing your friends and colleagues in to shop. Remember EVERYTHING IS MADE IN THE USA! If you have any groups you belong to, I do have flyers at the front desk that I would love for you to share.

And lastly I wish everyone a Christmas that fills your heART with joy!

**ARTISAN AFTERNOON Yvonne Thompson VP Membership**  
**630-966-9616 or dupage art league@sbcglobal.net**

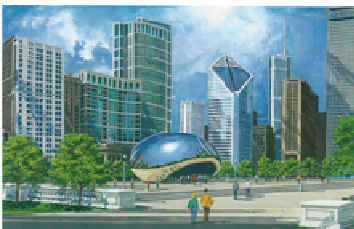
The next Artisan Afternoon will be December 4, 1-3pm.

I shall share some experiences and differences of Christmas in the U.K. By all means bring a plate of cookies and share your own memories of Christmas past! Everyone is welcome especially new DPAL members! Be prepared for a giggle or two!

**ROBERT KOCH A**

"Scenes I Have Seen" is the title of a solo show at the Addison Center for the Arts through December 12. Also exhibiting in a group show at Donna Pope Gallery, Elmhurst through December 31st. His painting "The Barns of Danada" was chosen for the FPDDC Centennial Art Exhibit at Mayslake Peabody Estates, Oak Brook through Dec. 9th.

Contact individual galleries for location information and hours.



**MARY LYNN SULLIVAN** recently had two of her paintings accepted into the Chicago Pastel Painters Fifth Biennial National Juried Open Exhibition held in Highland Park in October. Her painting "Chicago Bridge House" took 5<sup>th</sup> place in the competition. The same painting also took "Best of Show" last May here at the Art League.

Currently, Mary Lynn has two of her paintings juried into the International Association of Pastel Societies 27th Juried Exhibition—The 2015 Webshow. Her paintings, "Chicago Bridge House" and "Cancun Coconut" were first exhibited in our own DPAL monthly exhibits and both won "Best of Show" here. You can view this show on the IAPS web site and on [www.OnlineJuriedShows.com](http://www.OnlineJuriedShows.com) under Published Shows.

**BOARD NOTES: JANAN HUDEK - SECRETARY**

NOVEMBER 12, 2015 Meeting

Bricks & mortar, Big Bucks, the Best of the Best Show & By-Laws. These may seem remote and in the distant future, but they're important to all of us. Your Board plans ahead to be certain you always have a place for learning, exhibiting and enjoying the artistic life.

The Best of the Best Show, sponsored by the Alliance of Fine Art, is one of the Chicago area's premier shows and it will be hosted HERE next May. For those unfamiliar with the Alliance of Fine Art, it is an umbrella not-for-profit organization with 12 west suburban art guilds as members. DPAL is fortunate to have Christine Chlapecka as our representative. Chris will be working with other AFA delegates and with our Vice-President of Exhibits Kay Wahlgren to organize this event. We want to make this Best of the Best Show an outstanding one and hope YOU will volunteer to serve on the BofB committee to help with the show. Please contact Chris, Kay, or Diana Mitchell to become a vital part in making the Best of the Best a success.

The building that houses DPAL is no longer young. We've made some great improvements inside and our roof is being repaired as I write. But the roof MUST be completely replaced within a few years. There is also masonry repair to be done, more visible signage, classroom lighting and an updated website. All these improvements will greatly enhance everyone's experience – members, students, patrons—here at DPAL. And, of course that means Big Bucks. Fundraising will be important in 2016. We've made a start, but, again, we need YOU to help if we're to succeed. Your monetary contributions are of course welcome, but we need volunteers to carry out a campaign. Please contact Bob Wahlgren if you can help.

All this being said, DPAL is really in pretty good shape financially. Our expenses are down, thanks to new lighting & other economy measures; and membership & class enrollments are up for 2015/16 compared to 2014/15.

All that's required now is YOU to volunteer – whether its for two hours stuffing envelopes, taking on a key roll on a committee or filling in while some of our desk workers do the 'snow bird' thing for the winter, everyone's contribution to keeping DPAL strong and vital is appreciated.

There were many of the Long-Range Planning Surveys returned and it's always good to get member/student input. If you haven't returned yours yet, please do so by NOVEMBER 20. YOUR response will determine the direction of your DPAL.

Oh, and we think the name DPAL should have a tagline of "School & Galleries" (it's really what we are. What do you think?

Yours in better things for all of us – your Board is THANKFUL FOR YOU!

**FROM THE LIBRARY: BARBARA GRABOWSKI, LIBRARY VOLUNTEER**

The following titles have been added to the Library. You may check them out from the NEW Library on the main floor of the League:

Clegg. *Celebrating the Seasons in Watercolor*. (Watercolor)

*Crossgen Illustrated*. (Cartooning)

Horton. *Composition & Perspective; Lessons & Exercises to Develop Your Painting & Drawing Technique*. (Painting)

Lohan. *Pen & Ink Techniques*. (Drawing)

Noble. *The Art of Color Calligraphy; Essential Guide to Using Color in Calligraphy, from Alphabets and Backgrounds to Borders and Images*. (Lettering)

*Portraits; a Step-by-Step guide*. (This book describes portraits in many media.) (Drawing)

Regan. *Mary Engelbreit: the Art and the Artist*. (Biography)

*Treasures from the Rijksmuseum Amsterdam*. (Museum Collections)

Waldberg. *Surrealism*. (Art History)

Wolf. *Splash 4; the Splendor of Light*. (Watercolor)

**YELLOW HOUSE ARTISTS PRESENT THEIR WINTER SHOW,— “FESTIVAL IN COLOR”**

November 9, 2015---**Yellow House Artists**, an organization of artists who work in Oil Pastel and/or Oil Stick, present their Winter Show,

**“Festival In Color”, from December 6, 2015 - January 15, 2016 at the Elmhurst Artists' Guild Gallery at the Elmhurst Art Museum, 150 Cottage Hill Ave. Elmhurst, IL 60126.** The exhibit is open during normal Museum hours.

**The Artist's Reception will be on Friday, Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 to 9:00 pm. The reception is free and open to the public.**

The show will feature original paintings by 34 participating artists of which 15 are DPAL members:

Eve Sofferman, Nancy Gatfield, Elaine Clauson, Mary Enck, Carol Gorman, Donelle Flanyak, Roberta Sieber, Maureen McKee, Pat Tuglus, Dotti Matson, Donna Ostrye, Beverly Miotke, Sandy Antonelli, George Bruce and Carol Kincaid

Yellow House Artists is a group of oil pastel artists who promote both their art and the medium. The group originated with 17 oil pastel artists who had a gallery in a *yellow house* during the 2007 St. Charles Fine Art Show. The group has since grown to include over 50 members who are interested in creating and showing their work as well as informing the public about the qualities of this little known medium.

More information about the group and the medium can be found on their website: [www.yellowhouseartists.com](http://www.yellowhouseartists.com) or by contacting them at [yellowhouseartists@yahoo.com](mailto:yellowhouseartists@yahoo.com)



YULETIDE TREASURES  
AND THE NEW LOOK OF  
GALLERIES I & II

STOP IN AND SEE THE  
NEW LOOK AND THE  
WONDERFUL GIFT  
IDEAS



Thank You, Thank You, Thank You...But now...

Here's a very big thank you to all our teachers and members who have donated their art work to our DPAL out reach service. Thanks to your generosity we have been able to donate this past year over 15 pieces of art work to not-for-profit agencies' fund raisers. These agencies range from groups raising money for pediatric brain cancer research to world hunger groups to our more local church and school organizations.

Your donations have been wonderful and have been gratefully received by these groups but now we are running out of them and **we need your help again.**

Please see if you can part with something that is framed and "ready-to-hang." Also, most of our recipients have wanted to know something about the artist whose painting they have chosen. Many have wanted to do a little write up about you--the artist--to put with the painting or to include in their literature. So, if you would like a little free publicity please include something about yourself to put with your donation. Of course, this is purely optional.

So, if you can help , please bring your framed art (or jewelry or pottery) to the league with a note on it saying it is a donation and have it to the attention of me, Carol Kincaid. If you would like a record of your donation, there are donation slips at the front desk.

Thanks again for all you have done.  
Carol Kincaid--630-682-0107 or [Jeffkin2@comcast.net](mailto:Jeffkin2@comcast.net)

# 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](mailto: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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