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NEWSLETTER

NOT-FOR-PROFIT SCHOOL & GALLERY—218 W FRONT STREET-WHEATON IL 60187
MARCH 2016



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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 **FULL** pieces of paper. Thanks.

HAVE YOU PICKED UP
YOUR MEMBERSHIP
BOOK AT THE FRONT
DESK?????

President's Letter

Dear DPAL Members,

As of February 14, 2016, DPAL members have contributed \$6,510.00 to the "Raise the Roof" fund. Thank you so very much for your generosity! It would be great if that were enough money, but the truth is we need much more. If donating a lump sum is not something you are able to do, please consider one of the following ideas:

- There is a pledge form available at the desk. You can choose the amount you can donate each month.(\$5, \$10, \$15, \$20, \$25, etc.)
 - When you sign up for classes, you can donate your senior discount to the roof fund.
 - You can donate your member discount to the roof fund.
 - You can donate paper towels, liquid soap, toilet tissue, printer paper, and other items to help save on expenses.
 - You can give us your ideas on how to raise money from outside sources or serve on a fund raising committee.
- Because we have 501 3(c) status, your donations are tax deductible. And remember, an anonymous donor will match the donations up to \$20,000.
Please help your art league.

It is time for the nominations for new board members. As of this writing the slate of candidates is as follows:

President: Kay Wahlgren
VP Education: Nancy Anderson
VP Exhibits: (no candidate)
VP Finance: (no candidate)
VP Office Management: Ann Johnson

If you are interested in running for any of the above offices, contact Tanya Berley or Sally Hines asap. Voting will be April 18, 2016, at the Monday night program.

Thank you for supporting your art league in any way you can.

Diana Mitchell, President

BOARD NOTES: CAROL KINCAID- SECRETARY

- Treasurer Kandi Husarik reported that we have received more donations to our roof fund and it now stands at \$41,401.10 This number includes savings from DPAL budget over the past several years, donations from members, savings from operations ,and the anticipated matching funds from our anonymous donor. So we need to raise an additional \$43,598.90 to reach our estimated goal of \$85,000 for roof replacement. Additional funds will be needed for repairs to existing trusses. We will know this amount when the construction drawings are completed.
- On the issue of the roof and the trusses it was decided to hire the firm of ESI (Engineering Systems I) to design and provide permit and construction drawings for the repairs of the trusses. Once this is done these plans/drawings will go to the city for their approval and if approved then repairs can commence. Wooden Structures will be asked to do that work. Although this can be a lengthy process, we are hoping to speed it up so that all will be done prior to May.
- Our delegate to the Alliance of Fine Arts (AFA), Chris Chlapecka, attended this board meeting to report on the “Best of the Best” art show that will be held at the league during the month of May. The show’s reception will be held on May 22 from 2 to 4. We are hoping that we will have the truss supports removed by then so that the league will look as attractive as it normally does.
- The board spent some time on hearing and developing fund raising ideas for the Raise the Roof campaign. Various ideas were mentioned and two of the ideas considered are the creation of a logo and slogan which could be used for, among other applications, buttons or magnets and donating the supply fees for making items (a felted pin) during the upcoming Artisans Afternoons. These are just a few of the many ideas being considered. and as they are developed you will hear more news of them.
- The Nominating Committee presented the 2016/17 slate for the open positions: For President--Kay Wahlgren, for VP of Education--Nancy Anderson, and for Office Management--Ann Johnson. The VP’s of Finance and Exhibits are still to be announced. This slate will be presented to the membership at both the February and March meetings as well as being published in the newsletter.
- The VP reports given at the board meeting were:
- Sandy Wille, Activities and Community Exhibits, has created a chart of the seven sites the league now has for rotating shows. This chart will be a help to the exhibiting artist because it shows the quantity and size of the paintings needed at each spot.
- Tanya Berley, Education, said that session B registration is progressing well and that she is looking into half day workshops that might attract more participants since the time commitment would be less than the two day ones we have had in the past.
- Kay Wahlgren, Exhibits, stated that the next show in March will be “Garden Party” which is always a favorite and usually has many entries.
- Yvonne Thompson, Membership, reported that we now have 395 members as of 2/11/16
- Office Management, Liesl Mann hopes that the membership will help supply some of the items on our “Wish List” such as paper towels, soaps, etc. These small contributions by members really help the league.

Beware! Scams on Artists Marilyn Peretti

If you have a website you may be emailed by someone offering to buy one or more paintings. I had this happen some years ago, and was rather aware that it was not normal, from their poor English, and their “story”. I was cautious throughout the communication, but it seemed legitimate. However it got stranger, with the wife waiting for her husband to pay me. I gave them a total amount for the paintings & shipping. Received a check for \$1250, from a bank in Penn, from a car dealer in Florida. Got forms from the Illinois Attorney General’s office (online) and will file copies of their check and emails. I also called the police. who came to my door, and immediately said: Shred the check. It is a fake! The scammer would like you to mail the difference

GIFT SHOP Yvonne Thompson – Chair

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Looking for a way to help our “Raise the Roof” fundraiser? You may donate a piece (or pieces) of your artwork to be sold in the Gift Shop. All revenue will go to Raise the Roof. I will have special labels and barcodes for these items with a line that states who is the donor. If you are interested in doing this, please contact me FIRST.

Talking of ways to help, you may add *any* amount to Raise the Roof fund when you make a purchase. Just tell the front desk staffer. Maybe instead of taking your class discount you can donate that discount to the fund? There is also a "spare change" jar at the front desk.....we even take pennies!

ARTISAN AFTERNOON Yvonne Thompson - VP Membership

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Following the success of our first “Get a feel for Felt”, Janan and I will be doing a second needle felting Artisan Afternoon on Wednesday March 16, 2:00 to 3:30. This one will give you the option of making a bird’s nest pin or a pair of fruit inspired earrings. Once again Janan and I will supply all materials to make one of these. We just ask that you make a donation \$10 or more if you wish to attend. Even if you didn’t attend the first one, we will still teach you the skills needed. **Please email or call me if you wish to reserve a spot**, you will pay on the day. As usual anyone can come, even if you don’t want to participate. Refreshments as usual.

**Shop & Share Event
Prairie Path Books in Wheaton**

Do you have books on your “to read this year” list? Prairie Path Books (302 E. Wesley St., Wheaton IL.) are hosting a shop and share event for the Art League on March 20th Sunday from 1-3pm.

Any Dupage Art League member (or friends and family) making a purchase can be part of this the event, just make sure the sales person knows that you are part of the “Shop and Share”. At the end of the 2 hour window, Prairie Path will donate 20% of Art League sales back to the league.

They will also will have a program that day on The Literacy of Art with Linda Gilbert art historian presenting. Linda has been part of the art community for years and has been a judge at the Art League.

We thank Stephanie Dalton for arranging this event.

**NEWSLETTER ARTICLE
SUBMISSIONS GUIDELINES**

- Make articles as short and concise as possible
- Use minimum formatting (Note how titles & headings are in current issue—title/author/position)
- Check spelling, especially names
- Announcements—only the basic facts with contact information

As you can all see, most of the newsletters are jammed to capacity and adding extra pages is not an efficient remedy. Printed/ snail mailed copies need a minimum of 2-pages added (not just 1) which increases the printing and mailing costs.

THANK YOU for you help and consideration.

Also please note that announcements are included on a space available basis and are subject to editing.

Community Exhibits News - visit the artwork of DPAL artists at the following sights:

- Tasting Devine in downtown Wheaton is showing the creations of Valerie Lorimer
- Sushi Mono Japanese Restaurant in downtown Wheaton is featuring the work of Dan Danielson
- Carol's Garden Restaurant in Carol Stream is exhibiting the work of Kandi Husarik
- Blick's Art Materials in the Danada shopping area has work by Mary Goebel.
- Wells Fargo on Martingale Rd. in Schaumburg is displaying the art of Diana Mitchell.
- For the month of March the Wheaton Library will showcase the art of Tom Phelan.

Monday Night Open Programs - coming up:

March 14th. - Artist Jan Schmuckal will demonstrate her technique of creating beautiful oil paintings in the tonalist style. Jan is the owner of Gallery 28, Fine and Functional Art in Geneva, Illinois.

April 18th. - Guest artist Mary Ann Teller will demonstrate the many possibilities of creating art with PanPastels.

EDUCATION NEWS Tanya Berley—

Our class enrollment for winter/spring is going well, thank you for supporting both the league and our teachers. We're into our **B** session and now would be a good time to enroll in **C Session** before your favorite classes are full.

- Check out our workshop with Jacque France titled Power Painting coming up April 16 and 17. You will learn how to finish paintings in one session. See the schedule for more details.
- Drop in to our Live Model Head Study on Wednesday evenings running only until April 20th. Pat Armbruster will help you get wonderful results. \$12 per person at the door.
- Gordon France will be teaching Friday morning for **C** session starting April 22nd. His watercolor class is titled Painting Out of Your Comfort Zone. Move on from over-worked, tiresome "correct" painting.
- Welcome one of our new teachers, Suzanne Wegener on Friday afternoon starting April 22nd for Advanced Watermedia Techniques in Botanical Art. She taught at Morton Arboretum and has a lot to share.
- As always come back to learn from your favorite teachers.

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day and the return of more daylight and better weather.

As always drop me a line if you have suggestions for classes or workshops.

WORKSHOPS NANCY ANDERSON

There is still time to sign up for Jacque France's workshop, Power Painting, on April 16 and 17, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. each day. This class, for intermediate to advanced students, is open to both oil and acrylic painters. Her approach allows an artist to finish paintings quicker, using fewer brush strokes, a limited palette and enhanced lighting. Jacque will demonstrate her technique, discuss techniques of other artists, and offer a gentle critique of all paintings. Still life and reference photos will be provided. Be prepared for an exciting workshop!

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Bloomingtondale Artists Assoc. March 9, 7pm, Nature's Mandalas www.bloomingtondaleartistassociation.org

Susan R. Wilson At Ebel Gentile Interiors, 48 W. Geneva Rd, Williams Bay, WI. Feb 20-Mar 27 (reception Feb 20 3-7pm)

Terrance Johnson: MORPHOGALLERY 11TH Annual Emerging Artists Exhibition, 5216 N Damen, Chicago, Feb. 26th-March 12. www.morphogallery.com

BEST OF SHOW

Khrystyna Kozyuk, Music of the Moment, Acrylic

BEST THEME

Janan Hudek, Holstein Trio, Pastel

SPECIAL MERIT AWARDS

Sally Sharp, Male Model, Oil Stick

Bart Misantoni,

My Dinosaur is Bigger Than Yours, Acrylic

Chris Jacobson, Book Bird, Collage

MERIT AWARDS

Marita Vadizan, Hope, Mixed

Jim Gamboa, Shar Pei Delia Dawg, Oil Pastel

Diana Nawrocki, 'Mates', Textile

Mike Young, Parrot, W/C

Valerie Lorimer, The Secret Visitor, Mixed

Joan Kalmanek, Fish in Mixed Metals, Photo

Janan Hudek, Dow Days II, Mixed

Mary Kent Gobel, Chickens, Oil

Kelly Sebold, Pals, Pastel

Dan Karren, Good Morning, W/C

Kristen Hill, Waggin in Wagon, W/C

Robert Maggio, What? Oil

Chris Hughes, Geese, Acrylic

Doris Bettin, Bailey, Pastel

Pat Young, Boomer, W/C

Sharon Peters, Girls in a Bubblebath, Oil

Loretta Jacobson, Chip, W/C

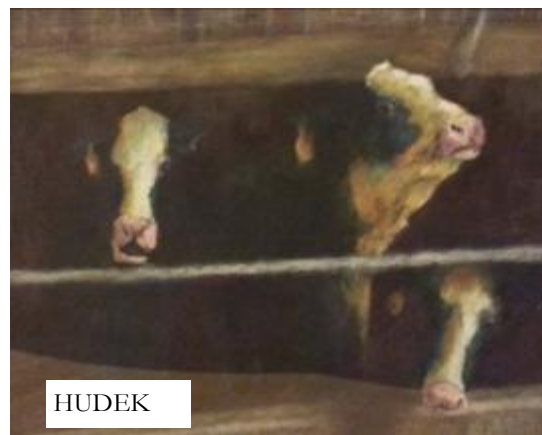
Mike Young, Coyote, W/C

BLICK AWARD

Roberta Sieber, Funky Chickens, Oil Pastels



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UPCOMING GALLERY SHOW INFORMATION

MARCH: GARDEN PARTY

Entry: Mar. 2/3, Pick up—Mar. 30/31
Perk up our spirits with a glimpse of summer's glory whether it's a pot of geraniums, an expanse of bedded blossoms or a bouquet of flowers on the table.

APRIL: STORM WARNINGS

Rain, Wind, waves, blizzards and tornadors.
Weather at it's worst.



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Gallery II Kasia Szczesniewski

You are cordially invited to the opening reception at DPAL.March 11th, 6.30pm. There will be presented examples of art from her two recent projects "White Gardens" and "Fabric of the Universe". Artworks are the result of artist's exploration of a technique discovered by her. Some of them are black and white, some are

bright and colorful, but all of them have intricate textures, and they combine artist's imagination with the sensuality of paper. www.kasiaartstudio.com, or www.facebook.com/KasiaArtStudio/



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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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