



# DuPage Art League School & Gallery

APRIL 2018 NEWSLETTER

## What is She up to Now?

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A couple of things that may interest you. First, April's Artisan Afternoon will be Friday, April 20, from 2-3:30PM. I will continue with the workshop I did in February and show you how to print business and display cards, advertising material, and labels from your home printer. Bring your laptop and you can get hands-on training.

The second thing is, I will be doing another sidewalk sale this year. After getting Board Approval, I have decided the money raised will go toward purchasing art supply kits for use by beginning DPAL students. So, start turning out those closets. I'll accept anything art or craft related, but I don't need frames this time; so **no frames, please**. Also, if you have tube paints to donate, please make sure they haven't gone hard in the tube. You can bring donations in anytime and leave them in the gift shop back room with "Donations, for Yvonne" note attached. If all goes to plan, we will hold the sale during the week of the 4th of July as there are no classes that week.

## Gallery 2 Shows

Gallery 2 will be ending the Valerie Lorimer's *Imagination* exhibit. Do drop on by and view her creative works that leave one filled with joy and amazement.

In April the DPAL Saturday Life Study Artists will be featured in Gallery 2. The reception will be held April 8, from 2-4PM.

Please join these artists and learn more about their works and this program.

## Gallery Points 2010-1017

Christine Chlapecka, Gallery 2, Exhibit Co-Chair

As I get ready to pass on this position to the next Exhibit Co-chair, I would like to report to the membership the total points members have earned from showing in Gallery 1. If you are interested to know your points earned, this information will be posted on the Exhibit Closet door. The board felt the length would be too long to publish in the March newsletter.

The data base was created by going back to 2010 and using the show's documents which are kept in binders. If you earned points anytime during this span, your name will be listed.

How can you tell when an artist had a Gallery 2 show? When you look at this database, you will see two columns before the listing of names. The first column shows the month and year the person had a Gallery 2 show. The second column lists your three letter ID followed by the year when the artist will qualify for a Gallery 2 Show. A span of five years must take place in addition to having earned points to qualify. Gallery 2 rules can be found in the Activity Booklet.

As a DPAL member, your points are kept. If for any reason, you care to have your name and points removed from this database, please notify the Gallery 2 Chair.

## NEWSLETTERS/E-BLAST SUBMITTALS

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To submit email blast information and newsletter articles, send your information to: [vlorimer@yahoo.com](mailto:vlorimer@yahoo.com)

Acceptable formats for submissions include Word documents or PDF files for text and 300dpi JPG for images). Please proof/verify your information before submitting. **Use minimal formatting; send photos, flyers, images as attachments to your email (not as part of the email body).**

Submissions are due by the 15th of the month.

# Gallery 1 March Awards

## BEST OF SHOW

Robert Pennor, *Palace At Night*, Acrylic

## BEST THEME

Chris Hughes, *Blue Moon*, Acrylic

## SPECIAL MERIT AWARD

Julie Mars, *Cosmos*, Beaded Bowl

Allen Tampa, *The Scholar*, Oil

Khrystyna Kozyuk, *Summer Journal*, Acrylic

## MERIT AWARDS

Eve Sofferman, *Sun Down*, Oil Pastel

Robert Koch, *The Odd Couple*, Oil

Julie Mars, *pi Moon*, Beading

Annette Leiber, *Once in a Blue Moon*, Watercolor

M. Kent Goebel, *Moonrise Over the Wilder Mansion*, Oil

Bob Kapheim, *Moonscape*, Encaustic

Terry Niccoli, *Fiesole*, Pastel

Pam Lowrie, *Blue Moon*, Watercolor

Terry Niccoli, *Cobalt Blues*, Pastel

Marita Valdizan, *Blue Moon*, Mixed Media

Linn Eldred, *Black Night*, Colored Pencil

Ken Kloss, *Celebrity Singer*, Acrylic



Robert Pennor, *Palace At Night*



Julie Mars, *Cosmos*



Chris Hughes, *Blue Moon*



Allen Tampa, *The Scholar*



Khrystyna Kozyuk, *Summer Journal*

# Board Elections

Following is the slate of candidates for DPAL Board Elections which will be held at the April 16, Monday Night Program.

President: Kay Wahlgren

VP Educ.: Nancy Anderson

VP Exhibits: Sue Jurkus and Marguerite Paris

VP Finance: Dan Anderson

VP Office Mgt.: Ann Johnson

If you would like to nominate yourself or another DPAL member for any of these positions, contact a member of the nominating committee (Diana Mitchell, Jennifer Schwab, Marge Hall, or Ellen Rottsolek).

# Summer Friday Plein Aire Season is Coming Soon!

Plans are being finalized for another summer of outdoor sketching, painting, pastelling, or working in any other media you prefer. You do not have to pay a fee or even register for these Friday morning meet-ups. All meet-ups are at the discretion of you and the weather. We invite you to come by and see what this group is up to and decide if you would like to give it a try. We're always happy to answer questions about how and why we work outdoors.

Friday meet-ups are from 9:30AM to Noon at scheduled locations in DuPage County, except for one of our favorite locations just across the border into Kane County along the Fox River. Our full schedule of locations and driving directions can be found at the front desk at the Art League after April 10. E-mail notification will also be available on the same date.

Our season officially opens with our first meet-up on Friday, May 4 (weather permitting, of course) at our "traditional" starting point, Danada Equestrian Center.

## May Schedule (9:30AM-Noon)

Friday, May 4 Danada Equestrian Center, Naperville (Gardens, barns, pastures and horses)

Friday, May 11 Kline Creek Farm, Winfield (Heritage 1890 farm and buildings, docents in costume, farm animals, lots of chickens)

Friday, May 18 Planters' Palette Garden Center, Winfield (Flowers, statuary, fairy garden stuff, lots of colorful pots, etc. - bring your wallet; you'll be tempted)

Friday, May 25 Northside Park Shelter Area, Wheaton (Lake, dock, marsh plants, cabin, vistas)

COME see what Plein Aire is all about! Questions about out activities? Contact Mary Kent Goebel at 630.782.9577.

## New Workshop

Nancy Anderson, V.P. of Education

Shawn Russell will present a workshop at the DuPage Art League entitled "A Brush with Ink" on Saturday, April 28 from 1-4PM. She'll demonstrate how to handle brush pens and ink washing, and will teach her techniques for making amazing ink drawings working from still life set-ups. Shaw is a wildlife and fantasy artist and has her degree in Studio Fine Arts. She has won many awards including best of show at the art league this February. Please see her website, [shawnerussell.com](http://shawnerussell.com), for examples of her artwork. This workshop is \$75.



Don't forget Mary Dorrell's workshop, "Glazing in Oil like the Masters," March 26-29, from 9:30AM-12:30PM. The cost is \$110. Many of Mary's students have welcomed this opportunity to work on their paintings on consecutive days and not have to set up and take down their materials.

Finally, Session C begins April 16. Don't forget to sign up now for your favorite classes. Our new printmaking class with Ben Calvert on Thursday evenings will begin with this session. It's a wonderful opportunity to try something new!

## From the Library

Barbara Grabowski, Library Volunteer

This month we're pleased to introduce, or-re-introduce to some of you, a wonderful book titled *The Complete Photo Guide to Creative Painting* by Geri Greenman and Paula Guhin. It's summary states that the book includes "Techniques in step-by-step format for painting with all types of craft and fine arts paints, including acrylics, oils, tempera, watercolor, and pastels." It's very exciting that the book includes many paintings created by present and past DPAL artists! Among those included are Gordon and Jacque France, Lenny Fumarolo, Marge Hall, George Shipperly, Kay Wahlgren, and others. One kind member has donated several copies and will be featured on the "New Books" shelf for you to enjoy the work of some of DPAL's incredible artists!

### Other new titles:

- Borgesin. *The Colored Pencil; Key Concepts for Handling the Medium*. (Added copy to Colored Pencil)
- Leeper. *Realism in Water Media*. (Watercolor)
- Poulin. *The Complete Colored Pencil Book*. (Added copy to Colored Pencil)
- Rulon. *Artist's Photo Reference; Birds*. (Painting)
- Staiger. *The Oil Painting Course You Always Wanted*. (Oil Painting)

## Board Notes

The financial picture looks good with Gallery I sales up at a year to date total of \$4,870. Class sessions are going well and maintenance costs are down.



Dan Anderson is leading a project to evaluate the art league's technology needs in order to apply for grant money to do a much needed overhaul. The new system would integrate our website, POS system, and handle our accounting needs. It might include enabling students to enroll for classes on-line.

We are working on putting together a book with job descriptions of all the board positions for prospective board members.

Yvonne Thompson has been spearheading the idea of supplying loaner supply kits for new students to use for the first two classes. Supplies are increasing in cost and it might encourage more people to try a class if they didn't have to buy all the supplies beforehand. You know Yvonne. My guess is that it's going to happen.

The audience for our programs has been growing. It seems that posting on social media and the signs in the window have attracted more participants. They've become so successful (70 people at the last one) that we are looking into buying more chairs. Just the kind of problem we want to have.

The water heater project is ongoing. We have an estimate for a new 40-gallon heater for the two bathrooms, laundry sink, and large classroom. Then we could move the small one to the other classroom. It should be decided at the next board meeting.

## DPAL Board 2017-2018

President: Kay Wahlgren  
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## Members in the News

**Lyn Tietz** has a solo show at the the Windsor Park Retirement Community, 124 Windsor Park Drive in Carol Stream, in March and April. Also, the Oak Brook Library has a display of artwork in the meeting room of the Oak Brook Art League members, and Lyn has an art display in the main library. She will also participate in the Fox Valley Arts Ramble on April 21 and will show at the Geneva American Legion through the Greater Geneva Arts Guild.

**Sharon Peters** artwork has been accepted into the Forest Preserve District of DuPage Monarch Project on pollinators for the month of May at the Peabody Estate Mayslake.

**Valerie Lorimer** is having a solo exhibit, *Storyteller*, at the Naperville Art League on April 6-7. A reception will be held on Saturday, April 7 from 1-3PM. A portion of proceeds from the exhibit will be donated to People's Resource Center (PRC). Come support PRC and their wonderful work in DuPage County.

## Gallery I News

### Barb Denny

Spring should be blowing in any day now! The theme for April is "With Flying Colors". Have fun! March pick-up and April drop-off dates are March 28-29. Please note that classes are not held that week due to Spring vacation.

Gallery I and II will be hosting the annual Volunteer Show in May. Participation is by invitation only.

## Exhibiting Artists for Best of the Best

### Margaret Bucholz, AFA Liaison

Exhibiting artists for this year's show include Don Purney, Robert Pennor, Pat Armbruster, Sue Thomas, Shawn Russell, Annette Leiber, Sally Sharp, and Dan Danielson.

The drop-off for art is May 7. The reception is Thursday, May 17 from 6-8PM. Artwork pick-up is May 31 from 4-6PM.

Show will be held in Wheaton College's Walford Galleries located on the first floor of Adams Hall, 501 College Ave., Wheaton, IL. The gallery is open daily Mon-Fri., 9AM-5PM. The show runs from May 10-May 31.

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