



DuPage Art League School & Gallery

NOVEMBER 2019 NEWSLETTER

Yuletide Treasures

Update

Yvonne Thompson (630.966.9616) and Sherry Theilgaard (224.283.1578)

Hopefully you all got your barcode requests in time and items dropped off for Yuletide Treasures. A lot of people thanked me for the Calling Post reminder. Friday saw 24 requests arrive before the 5PM cutoff! If you missed the deadline or have new things to add, the second drop off is Monday, November 25, 10AM-4:30PM. If you need extra barcodes, please order them by Monday, November 18.

As I write this on October 14, the excitement is building as I can't wait to see what you all have produced this year! Please bring friends and family in to shop with us and take some of our postcard flyers to share with any groups you are involved with.

Installation of the show isn't until October 28 (there is still time to sign up and help), but already I have some special thank yous for those wonderful members who have been helping me with the props for the window.

- Peter D'Atto, my woodwork wizard, who created the mannequin forms from my basic designs.
- Kay Wahlgren, trusted cutter of foam core wing bases.
- Wilda Kemp, who became a champion feather creator as I fashioned the angel's wings from paper plates.
- Chris Chlapecka, experienced in the art of painting huge tree limbs
- And my trusty side kick, and co-chair Sherry Theilgaard who I roped in to paint some display shelving!

Thanks everyone I couldn't have done it without you all!

Dale Dunteman

It is with great sadness we learned of the passing of Dale Dunteman, husband of Jan, over the October 12 weekend. Dale and Jan were both Board Members; Dale did Buildings and Grounds. There will be a memorial service at a later time.

Our prayers are with Jan and all the family.

New Classes Begin Soon!

Session B begins the week of October 28, and registration for classes is ongoing. Be sure to sign up quickly before your favorite classes are filled, or consider signing up for something new. As always, registration is available in person at the DuPage Art League, by check or credit card, or by phone with credit card payment. We hope to see you here soon!

Gallery 1 News

Sue Jurkus | VP Exhibits

The monthly gallery exhibits are over for this year! Yuletide Treasures will occupy Gallery 1 and 2 for the months of November and December.

The pick-up dates for your October artwork are October 23 & 24.

A special thanks to everyone who participated in the monthly gallery exhibits in 2019. We look forward to a greater participation in 2020! Please remember, you do not have to submit artwork that coincides with the theme for the month.

Gallery 1 August Awards

Best of Show

Diana Nawrocki, "Harvest Moon at the Lake House", Textile

Best Theme

Myrium Villatta Elijah, "Untitled (Prairie Scene)", Oil

Special Merit Awards

Beverly Miotke, "Orange for Autumn", Watercolor

Dale Olsen, "Maple Stained Glass", Acrylic

Wilda Kemp, "Moon Over Santa Fe", Polymer Clay

Merit Awards

Lisa Vargo, "Fragrant Fall Day", Photography

Yvonne Buckley, "Autumn Wildflowers", Watercolor

Marge Hall, "Bowled & Beautiful", Oil

Richard Reimer, "Night to Remember", Acrylic

Judith Horsley, "Moon Singer", Digital Photo

Barbara McCartney, "Harvest Hues", Oil

Joan Kalmanek, "Autumn Stroll", Photography

Richard Reimer, "The Harvester", Acrylic

Eve Sofferman, "Golden Path", Oil Pastel

Janet Pearson Strack, "From the Pumpkin Farm", Oil

Peg Sindelar, "City at Night", Acrylic

Sharon Peters, "Crisp Autumn Day", Oil



Diana Nawrocki, "Harvest Moon at the Lake House"



Myrium Villatta Elijah, "Untitled (Prairie Scene)"



Beverly Miotke, "Orange for Autumn"



Dale Olsen, "Maple Stained Glass"



Wilda Kemp, "Moon Over Santa Fe"

Artist Resources

Check out these awesome resources for information on building your art business, inspiration and more!

theabundantartist.com

revolutionartmagazine.com

artistsnetwork.com

artnews.com

creativeboom.com

mymodernmet.com

creativebloq.com



Members in the News

Vicki Liszewski was awarded two Honorable Mention ribbons for watercolors in the Danada Nature Art show, one in the Animals category and one in the Scenery category.

Valerie Lorimer's acrylic painting, "Copper Rhapsody" received a Merit Award at the Naperville Art League's October exhibit.

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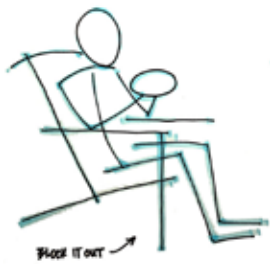
Monday Night Open Programs

Wes Douglas kicked off our first Monday Night Program at Wheaton Library with Part 2 of his popular Urban Sketcher Demo. We really got to see him in action this time and for those that missed it he offered to share his demo in this month's newsletter.



The five-step process sketching people in public

Select your subject and where you will sit to get the best view. The example here is watching this subject relaxing with a portable device.



Block it out

Quickly pencil out the basic shapes. Don't get bogged down with detail. All you are trying to do is establish placement of objects. Simplify with a series of blocks, spheres, cones and lines.



Line it up

Draw out the contour lines with ink. You will want to do this early on before your subject decides to get up and leave.



Do shady things

By doing the grisaille underpainting (grey tones) to your ink drawing will establish shape and dimension. It will also be the basis of your color work.



Add color and sparkle

Now you are ready for adding the color and defining the details. Once you have your grisaille underpainting down, you can add the color if your subject is still in front of you, or later if you happen to have a pretty good memory.

Board Notes



- Enrollment for Fall classes is going well. We're hoping to see more kids sign up for classes this year. Sales in the gallery have been slower than usual possibly because there have been fewer exhibitors.
- Two new staffers have started at the front desk. A board member suggested we have name tags for the staffers and Ann Johnson is going to create them.
- The Activity Schedule will be out soon although there was a glitch with printing. Our long time printer has closed and the files were transferred to another printer in Lombard so there has been a slight delay.
- Dan Anderson, who is chairing the committee working on the new computer system and website, reported that there has been a challenge around the piece that will allow people to enroll on-line. Because of our discounts for members and non-members and for seniors the pricing is complicated. He is very excited to have found a software package that will work and solves the problem. This is a major project and one that the league has been looking into for years. Dan, Mary Dorrell and Yvonne Thompson have done a huge amount of work to get things to this point. Dan was also responsible for getting grant money for the project. Work in implementing the new system will begin after January 1 when Yuletide Treasures is behind us. This will be an enormous step forward for the art league!
- Thirty-five people attended our first program at the Wheaton Library. The program itself, put on by Wes Douglas, was really well received...both informative and fun
- Debbie Cernich from American Marketing Publishing made a presentation to the board on Google Street View which shows 360 degree views of inside of businesses. Several places in downtown Wheaton have already signed up. The board was impressed with the presentation and is considering participating.

NEWSLETTERS/E-BLAST SUBMITTALS

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To submit email blast information and newsletter articles, send your information to: vlorimer@yahoo.com and [copy sallyhines@comcast.net](mailto:sallyhines@comcast.net) by the 15th of the month.

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).**

Front Desk Staffers Still Needed

For those of you who have been at the league the last couple of weeks, you may have noticed a couple of new staffers at the front desk. Debbie is in training on Monday mornings and Rebecca is training on Thursday mornings. Please stop, greet them and maybe say thanks.

Front desk staffers are essential to the operation of the league. They enroll students for classes, process gallery sales, ensure gallery items are secure, help teachers, welcome visitors, answer all phone calls. There are eleven (11) shifts per week day (51 weeks a year). Monday through Friday shifts are four (4) hours each and Saturdays are five (5) hours. Staffing is a great way to meet people, learn the inner workings of the organization and have fun at the same time.

Requirements are: **Must be a member of the league**, have a welcoming personality and basic computer knowledge.


Full time staffers will receive:

- One half-price class every session (i.e. Winter Class Sessions - Session A - 1 half price class; Session B - 1 half price session.) For a total of eight (8) classes per year.
- Or a free membership for those who don't take classes (\$50)

A new staffer will be eligible for the incentives upon completion of one (1) month solo work at the front desk.

Please contact Ann Johnson at 630.939.9108, 630.643.7090 (league) or stop and talk to me at the desk. If you are a snow bird and are gone during our horrible winters, please talk to me about working the months you are available.



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