

# President's Letter

Dear Members,

It's June, and as the League's newest president I'm happy to welcome **Barb Finn**, our new VP of Office Management, and Sandra Winter who replaces retiring Sue Thomas as VP of Activities. Thank you very much to our new Board members for stepping up to these roles, and a special thank you to Sue for all she does for us!

I also want to thank the following VPs who have agreed to serve a second two-year term on the Board—Margaret Bucholz (VP Exhibits), Sally Hines (VP Finance), and Kathy Szezsol (VP Education). Also important to the smooth running of the DPAL Board, are *Presidents Emeritus*, **Diana Mitchell** and **Carol Kincaid**, whose numerous years serving in various positions on the Board bring invaluable experience and historical continuity to our organization.

June is our traditional month to gather as members and friends for our **Annual Members Meeting**. Mark your calendars for Sunday, June 26 from 2-4PM. Invite your Art League friends to join you for a friendly, summer afternoon social. There will be refreshments, raffles, music and conversation. A brief business meeting will include a vote on our revised Bylaws and bring you up to date on the year's activities and league financial status. We look forward to seeing you soon.

Till next month,

Mary Lynn Sullivan President dpalpresident.mls@gmail.com

# **DuPage Art League Annual Meeting**

You don't want to miss our annual meeting/party! There will be live music, a raffle, door prizes and, of course, tasty food and drinks. Meet up with friends and/or make some new ones. Mark your calendar for Sunday, June 26 from 2-4PM.



### **NEWSLETTERS/E-BLAST SUBMITTALS** vlorimer@yahoo.com

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

The DuPage Art League does not discriminate nor tolerates harassment on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, age, disability, marital status, citizenship, national origin, genetic information, or any other characteristic.

### Gallery I — How Does Your Garden Grow Judged by Cherylyn Gnadt

#### **Best of Show**

Diana Nowrocki, The Girls, Textile

The sentimentality of this piece shows in each stitch. The muted color palette with the pop of pompom whimsy are graphically pleasing. The texture and technique are intriguing as well as the composition.

#### Theme Award

Ann Lamourex, Coleus, Acrylic

The colors of the coleus are mother nature's palette of bright with dark. The medium and color were combined in an intriguing way, showing the bright light among the dark. The size is impressive and the technique well executed.

#### Special Merit Awards

Barbara Hald, Flowers in Her Hair, Watercolor First drawn to the expression of the eyes, then the glow in the skin tone. The understated white flowers created a lovely cool halo. Nicely executed.

Jan Kloss, Hummingbird and Flower, Watercolor The whiteness of the flower highlights the hummingbird's plumes beautifully. Highlight and the unfolding of the flower feels calm against the excitement of the bird's flight. The alcohol ink iris was also lovely and well rendered.

Sue Thomas, Trip to the Oddities Shop, Watercolor Although I had a hard time connecting the theme, the humor and composition of the piece spoke to me. Wonderful treatment of the white statues and the elongated fingers of the animal seemed growing. The teal shoes make me giggle.

#### Merit Awards

Marlene Vitek, Kitchen Window Sill, Mixed Media Marge Hall, Naperville Nursery, Oil Barbara Finn, Napping in St. Stephen's, Dublin, Pastel Ben Calvert, *Snowdrops*, Printmaking Julie Skoda, More Play/Less Water, Pastel Kim Rodey, Gather, Oil Tania Blanco, A Pause in the Forest, Pastel Linn Eldred, Daffy Down Dilly, Pen & Ink Chris Hughes, Bunny Buffet, Acrylic Christena Nicholson, Knock Out Rose, Watercolor Valerie Lorimer, Rocky Mountain Hilltop Garden, Mixed Media Judy Macleod, Enchanted Tree, Oil



**Best of Show: Diana Nawrocki** The Girls, Textile



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Special Merit: Jan Kloss Hummingbird and Flowers. Watercolor



**Special Merit: Sue Thomas** Trip to the Oddities Shop, Watercolor



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### **Board Notes**

#### May 12 Meeting

- Treasurer's Report: Jennifer Bayer reported that we had an excellent year, a great rebound from the losses due to COVID.
- Membership: Lori Tucker reported we now have 330 members and expects we will have more memberships in the next couple of months.
- Activities: Sandra Winter reported that the May demo had 117 registered and 56 attended that evening.
- Education: Kathy Szeszol is creating pop up classes for the summer B and C session. The Pop Up classes will be two-hour single classes focusing on simple projects. More information will be on the website.
- Exhibits: Margaret Bucholz reported that the May exhibit, "How Does Your Garden Grow" in Gallery I, has 69 entries from 54 artists. Gallery II features Marge Hall's paintings.
- The Gallery I exhibit for June, "Golden Opportunities" will feature art from the leagues volunteers.
- The DuPage Art League will have the members Annual Meeting on June 26 from 2-4PM at the Art League.

## **Member News**

**Sharon Peters** will be at Donna Pope's Gallery 185 S. York Rd., second floor, in Elmhurst from May 16 to July 15. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday, 9AM-5PM.

Margaret Bucholz answered a call for art and got a colored pencil piece selected for inclusion in CP Hidden Treasure 7, published by Ann Kullberg. More information can be found here. Margaret also will hold a Teen Acrylics Class at the Wheaton Public Library on Wednesday, June 29 at 5PM, on painting unicorns and horses.

# DPAL Board 2022-2023

President: Mary Lynn Sullivan Secretary: Maeva Cook Treasurer: Jennifer Bayer **VP Activities: Sandra Winter** 

VP Building & Grounds: Kay Wahlgren

VP Education: Kathy Szeszol

VP Exhibits: Margaret Bucholz (Gallery I);

Mary Ann Staroscik (Gallery II)

**VP Finance: Sally Hines** VP Membership: Lori Tucker

VP Office Management: Barbara Finn VP Publicity & Promotions: Misty Alvis

Presidents Emeritus: Diana Mitchell and Carol Kincaid

Yuletide Treasures: Yvonne Thompson, Wilda Kemp, Sherry

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# 2022 Exhibit Schedule - Gallery I

<b>MONTH</b> June	TITLE Golden Opportunity – Volunteer Show (by invitation)	ENTRY June 1-2	PICK UP DATES June 29-30
July	Places Travelled, Vacations	June 29-30	July 27-28
August	Masters and Fabulous Fakes	July 27-28	Aug. 31-Sep. 1
September	Fall Festival	Aug. 31-Sep. 1	Sep. 28-29
October	Food, Fabulous Food	Sep. 28-29	Oct. 26-27
November/ December	Yuletide Treasures		

The June show is reserved for volunteers who gave of their time during the past year. Consider volunteering to help DuPage Art League become a wonderful place for artists and art patrons to gather and share the love of art. This show is not judged, and the artwork in this show can be shown again later in a juried show.

# Friend: It's just a get-together you don't have to dress to impress

Me showing up:





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