



# The Villages Art League Newsletter

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## Message from our Co-President - Jeanne Willette:

Dear VAL Members,

Fall is quickly advancing and our September meeting plans are on the way, too. Our summer meetings and July Art Show were all well attended. Now we are joyfully preparing for the October 22 show at Lake Miona, as well as the "Inspired By the Masters" show at Lattacienda Galleria on September 10.

In addition, we have our Artist of the Month, muralist Judee Norton, and a demo to present by Eileen Sklon showing how to create better reference pictures with your cell phone. Plan to be here for coffee and a nice brunch.

We will be presenting our \$500 scholarship to the Leesburg Arts Association for Children's art experiences.

Fran and I are busy correlating all the information and plans with the Recreation Department. Many exciting things to look forward to!

Artfully yours,

Jeanne and Fran

PS Thanks to Gail Latta, Chair, and her committee for the extraordinary fine job they all did to put the July Art Show together! Isn't it fun to volunteer?!!



2022 VAL Co-Presidents  
Fran Naughton & Jeanne Willette



Kathy Mantel,  
Program



August meeting photos



Susie Schreiber,  
Artist of the Month

## Artist of the Month—Judee Norton



My name is Judee Norton, I live in Fernandina. My art journey has taken me through many twists and turns. I moved to the Villages from Tellico Village in Tennessee where I lived for seven years. My hometown was Grosse Ile, Michigan. I have never had formal training in art and consider my ability to paint and be creative a gift from God.

At the age of 22, I started sign painting and in those days it was a male dominated occupation. Breaking into that was a little difficult to say the least, so I taught myself. I had my own beauty shop back then, work which I also loved. So I've been blessed with two great careers. While in Michigan I painted many signs and murals, then when I moved to Tennessee I continued to paint and retired from the beauty shop. While in Tennessee I was asked to paint for a new Child Advocacy Center and other charities near Tellico village. That was a real blessing to me to be able to give back to my community.



Not long after moving to Florida I was asked to paint for a women's prison near Ocala, so again I was able to give back my gift of art to so many people who I know really appreciated it. To be able to put color into their surroundings and see what it meant to them was so rewarding. Now I am Painting Golf Carts, motorcycles, interior and exterior walls, clothing, furniture and other projects. I also teach art at Colony recreation center on Tuesday, nine to noon in acrylic and watercolor. Someday I hope to take more time out to do PleinAir oil painting. I also like doing people portraits and pet portraits in oils and acrylic. Drawing has always come easy and that helps so much with large Murals. So when I leave this wonderful world, I hope to have a paintbrush in my hand. Blessings to all of you wonderful artists. Art makes our lives a happier place.



### Eisenhower Exhibit News:

A new Eisenhower exhibit will hang on September 12, 2022. The deadline for registration is September 9, 2022. All information and forms are in the VAL website. Please follow the rules. All paintings must have wire to hang. If you have a painting in the current show, please remember to pick up your painting on September 12 at 1:00 pm.

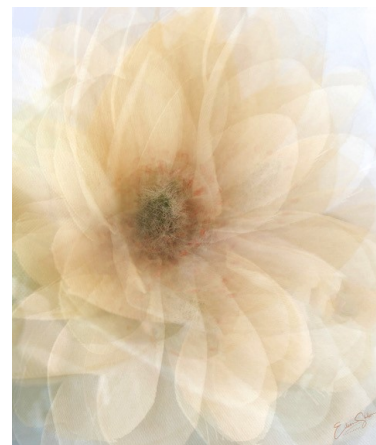
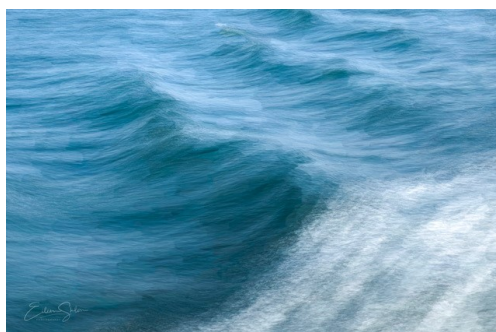
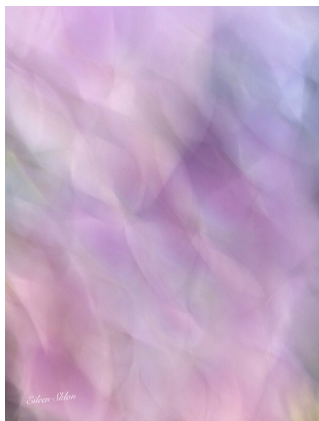
- Chairperson, Lois Kamp



## Program—Eileen Sklon

“Artists Using A Cell Phone” I will show how to create better reference images, and how to scan your artwork for sharing on the web. Also I will show how to use different Apps to create Impressionist images, Multiple Exposures and how to edit them on your phone.

I’m originally from NY but have lived in The Villages for 18 years. I’ve been a photographer for over 40 years. I’ve been teaching iPhone for artists, Impressionistic images using ICM (Intentional Camera Movement), and other programs at clubs around Florida. I am an instructor for Jackie Kramer Workshops for the last 5 years. I also do Pastels, color pencil and watercolors. I enjoy making my images look Impressionist using many different techniques. I enjoy sharing my love of Photography and iPhone Photography with others.



Our **Fall Fine Art Show** will be held at the Eisenhower Regional Rec Center on Saturday, October 22 . All VAL artists who are current members may enter. The show is open to 2D and 3D artists that meet requirements of eligibility (rules are on page 2 of the Registration Form). This is our Fine Art Show - no crafts will be allowed.

Members of the show team are: Janeen Whetstone, Chair; Annie Dotzauer, Registration; Lisa Melcher, Publicity; Ellen Hellwege, Day-of-Show Volunteer Coordinator; Laura Bonhage, Program.

The Registration Form will be posted on the website on September 12. Early registration for members who have volunteered throughout the past 2 years may register on September 19; general membership on September 26. Registration will be closed on October 14.

### Sunshine Report from Charlene Sasto

No cards were sent out this month.

*Every child is an artist. The problem is how to remain an artist once we grow up...Picasso*



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Business Meetings: 9-11:30 am the first Monday of the month at the Saddlebrook Rec Center.

## OFFICERS

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## Art League Places to Exhibit in 2022

- ♦ **Eisenhower Art Exhibit** in the Eisenhower Regional Rec Center has a fine art exhibit that is judged and ribbons awarded. Exhibit dates for 2022 are: Jan. 10, Mar. 14, May 9, July 11, Sept. 12 and Nov. 14
- ♦ **La Galleria** at La Hacienda Rec Center, the Masters Exhibit from September 10 to December 10.
- ♦ **Summer Art Festival** on July 9 at Lake Miona Rec Center. The **Fall Art Show** on October 22 at Eisenhower Rec Center. VAL members can show and sell their artwork during these one-day events.