



The Villages Art League Newsletter

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President's Message

Hello Fellow Members ~

It's July! ~ time for our annual VAL Summer Arts Festival, Saturday, July 14th, 9 am – 3 pm, at Miona Rec Center ~ and I'm so excited!

Show Chair (and VAL VP) Janeen Whetstone and her team have been putting in long hours to ensure that this year's show is better than ever!

Ellen Hellwege and Diane Weekley have concluded the registration process and have filled all the available exhibitor spaces, as well as laid out the room arrangements, and are preparing the programs. Lisa Melcher has the publicity for the show well in hand. Announcements have already been listed in the Daily Sun Art Calendar, and Lisa has worked with the Parks & Recreation Department to design a media blitz, with a super graphics advertisement that you'll be seeing soon. On the day of the show all the Greeters and Monitors, as well as volunteers to man the VAL Information Table, will be orchestrated by Elaine Ring.

For the almost 70 of our members who are exhibiting, we appreciate all the hard work you put into your great exhibits! Although there is no way we can guarantee you lots of sales, I hope you can appreciate all the effort that the Show Team has made to make this a successful show for you. All of your fellow members wish you the best!

And all the rest of us have a role to play too. If you are in town on July 14th, I sincerely hope you will make every effort to support your fellow members by attending this fabulous show, admiring all the talent, and maybe even buying something!

Wishing you a healthy, safe and happy summer,

~ Bonnie



Bonnie Canning

Please note:

The next art exhibit change-out at the Eisenhower Rec Center is Monday, July 9, from 1-2:50 p.m.

Artist of the Month—Lydia Falletti

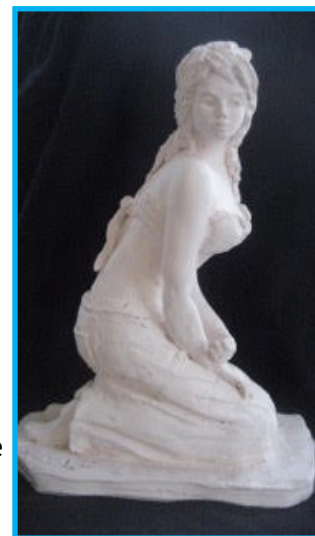


My artistic talent developed at an early age, but as fate would have it I was pointed in a different direction.

Instead of attending Art School, I was directed in the direction of Fashion Design, which I do not regret, however, my advancement in art took the long way around and slowed the pace for me. I however, continued to enjoy drawing, painting when ever I had the chance, between, working and raising a family.

I have no formal art education, I am self taught. My love of art has not diminished and I continued over the years to paint

different subjects, and sometime switched it up by using different surfaces to paint on, I have painted on tiles, wood, and even walls. I even have done sculpting, in clay and porcelain ! I now work mainly in watercolor and try to paint subjects that evoke some kind of emotion to the view and to hold their attention. This is what I try to achieve in all my works.



CONGRATULATIONS!

AcrylicWorks 6 Winners Announced: Arrachme is one of 122 artists selected for publication in North Light Books' latest acrylics competition, AcrylicWorks 6: Creative Energy! Her painting is titled "Falling Water Rising Tide."

For artwork displayed at **LaGalleria in June**, awarded were: 1st Place Nancy Ochal, 2nd Marge McQueston, 3rd Billie Edwards; Awards of Merit: Lee Asta and Doris Glapion; Honorable Mentions: Sally LaBaugh and Lois Kamp. Photography: 1st Place Eileen Sklon, 2nd Betty Eich.

Fee-based Art Workshops/Classes

Art workshop information is listed on our website here:

www.thevillagesartleague.org/workshops.html.

For inclusion and to update, send your info to
leda.rabenold@gmail.com.

Register for the Villages Enrichment Academy classes:
[online](#), call 352-674-1800, or at any regional rec center.

Free Art League Workshops

MONDAY 9:00-NOON SADDLEBROOK REC CENTER

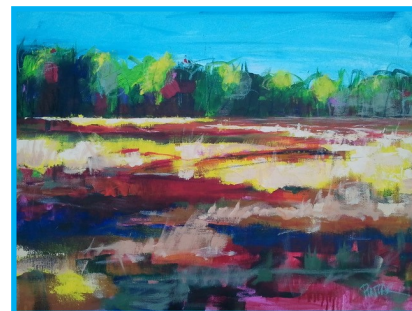
THURSDAY 1-5 PM MULBERRY REC CENTER

SATURDAY 8:30-11 AM PARADISE REC CENTER

Newsletter Submissions Deadline: 20th of the month
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July Program—Michael Pintar

Michael's bio information was printed in the May newsletter and is posted in that newsletter and the Artist-of-the-Month for May on the VAL website. Today he will show a process for developing a painting with acrylics that will include thoughts on composition, initial layout and subsequent build up to a final piece. Will cover using both brushes and palette knives to achieve desired results. Glorious color and pushing non-traditional color palette will most likely be used with a goal of showing loose, painterly style.



SUMMER ART FESTIVAL

Lake Miona Rec Center—JULY 14, 2018, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Our Summer Art Festival is just around the corner! The summer festival will be held at the Lake Miona Regional Recreation Center on Saturday, July 14th from 9am to 3pm. I hope that everyone has their registration in and all of their art work packaged and ready for sale. Lisa Melcher has done an excellent job with the publicity and getting the word out...so the show is sure to be well attended.

This year we are fortunate to have artists demonstrating their craft throughout the show. The following artists have volunteered their time to demonstrate their talents: Earl Forsyth, Annie Dotzauer, Steve Lang, Margie Picard, Susan Donahoe and Lois Kamp.

Questions or to volunteer, contact Janeen Whetstone at 352-459-1952 or janwhet@gmail.com





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

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Art League Places to Exhibit

Eisenhower Art Exhibit in the Eisenhower Regional Rec Center has a fine art exhibit that is not judged. Exhibit dates for 2018 are: Jan. 8, Mar. 12, May 14, July 9, Sept. 10 and Nov. 12.

La Galleria at La Hacienda from September to December.

Citizens Bank on Rt. 466, Rt. 441 or in Pinellas monthly exhibit. Also in Spanish Springs for the **Artist of the Month**.

Summer Art Festival held at Lake Miona Rec Center on July 14. **Artists' Showcase** held at Eisenhower Rec Center on October 27. VAL members can show and sell their artwork during these one-day events.

Florida Blood Center at Spanish Plaines Shopping Center has a 3-month exhibit open to all Village residents. It changes the first Tuesday of March, June, September and December at 9 a.m. For information call Fran Naughton 350-2169, Vivian Chaska 750-5367, Margie Picard 750-1965 or "Freddie" Venturoni 259-2577.