



The Villages Art League Newsletter

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President's Message

Dear Fellow Members ~

Last month's VAL **Fall Art Extravaganza** was a great success, filling the Eisenhower Rec Center with a steady flow of attendees all day! Of course, kudos go to our very hardworking Show Team. The team was led by Show Chair Janeen Whetstone, who always seemed to be on top of every detail. She was ably assisted with all the registration logistics by Ellen Hellwege and Diane Weekley, including room layouts, processing registration sign-ups, and the show program. Meanwhile, Lisa Melcher worked with many media outlets to provide publicity for the event. For the day of the show, Annie Dotzauer arranged for refreshments for artists and volunteers, and Dianne Knight coordinated shifts of support volunteers. On behalf of our VAL, I offer my thanks and congratulations to the Show Team, and everyone who participated in this great show! Also, I'd like to commend all of you who supported your fellow artists by attending the show. I personally took the opportunity at the show to do a little Christmas shopping!



Bonnie Canning

Looking to the future ~ We have three important events on the horizon: our annual **Holiday Party** at the December monthly meeting (look for your invitation in an upcoming email), where you can donate unused art supplies for our elementary school art outreach program; our next **Member-To-Member Art Show** at the January meeting; and the annual **Election of Officers** for 2019 which takes place at the February meeting. Stay tuned for further information about these events!

~ Bonnie

Artist of the Month—Freddie Venturoni



“Freddie” was educated in Glen Ellyn, Illinois, and received a scholarship to Harrison Commercial Art School. She also attended Art Institute of Chicago and the Indiana-Purdue University Fine Arts program for seven years. She studied with Carl R. Krafft whose works are featured at the Art Institute.

During WWII she married Charles and they raised six children while living in the Chicago area, Ft. Wayne, IN, and Keowee Key, SC. Well traveled in the USA, Aus-

tralia, South Pacific and Europe, her art has met with much success, reaching as far as the UK, Germany, Holland, Ireland, Australia as well as the Caribbean. Now widowed and living in The Villages, Freddie has explored many mediums but favors Pen and Ink architectural sketches.

An eternal optimist, this artist finds beauty everywhere!



Congratulations Artists!

Those awarded ribbons in the **October 6 art exhibit at the Annex** were: First place Lois Kamp, 2nd place Steven Friedman, 3rd place Ruth Ann Maury; Award of Merit Victoria Peterson; Honorable Mentions Mike Daley and Leda Rabenold. Photography First place Helen Poor.

Ribbon winners on **October 14 at Brownwood's Arts Round the Square (ARTS)** were: First place Mike Daley, 2nd place Leda Rabenold, 3rd place Cheryl Gates; Honorable Mentions: Maureen Terrien, Diana Crow and Doris Glapion.

**NOTE: The Eisenhower exhibit change-out is
TODAY—November 12—1:00-2:30 p.m.**

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

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 art classes: [online](#), call 352-674-1800, or at any regional rec center.

November Program—Lisa Woodward

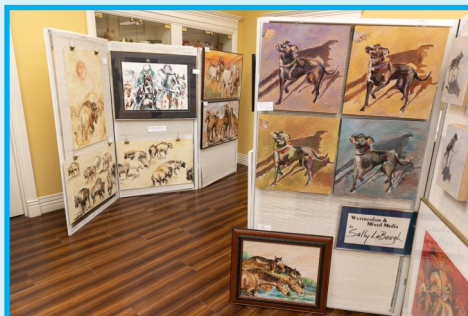
I have been creating art consistently for the last 20 years. I consider myself a colorist. I began working in oil and watercolor but now use many media to create including acrylics, collage and alcohol ink. I started painting silk scarves several years ago and have taught this process at Gallery East and All About Art in Belleview. Experimentation is what I love to do most. Silk scarf painting and alcohol ink painting satisfy this desire since they are both “loosey goosey” mediums. I have reached the point in my life where if it isn’t fun I don’t want to do it.

My demonstration will show several styles of art on silk scarves. The finished product is washable and lasts forever. These are wonderful gifts for mailing. I really enjoy sharing these techniques because no two scarves are ever the same.



From Fall Extravaganza Show Chair Janeen Whetstone:

As they say, it takes a village (literally...) and I want to thank the entire show team that coordinated our Fall Fine Art Extravaganza on October 27th! I feel that we had a great response from The Villages community and the rooms seemed teeming with art lovers looking for something fun and new to purchase. What an amazing show team!! Have you seen the photos taken by Dave Boege? Here are just a few—to see all of them click the link on the VAL website’s Home Page: www.thevillagesartleague.org





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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.



Please mark your calendar for this
festive celebration of friends and creativity



Village ART League's 2018 Holiday Brunch

December 3, 9:00 a.m.

Saddlebrook Recreation Center

FUN, FRIENDS, FOOD, SONG, CHEER

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SPREADING JOY: DONATING ART SUPPLIES

(in lieu of exchanging gifts, please bring new art supply donations for area students)



SPECIAL ENTERTAINMENT

Provided by Sentimental Reasons: Lynn Albers & Joe DiLeo

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MEMBERS BRING BRUNCH FOOD TO SHARE

Last Name: A-K please bring a Main Dish*

L-O please bring Fruit or Vegetable*

P-Z please bring Sweet Treat*



**Please bring label listing possible allergens such as nuts, celery, etc.*

Willing to share your family's culinary secret?

Bring the recipe so delighted cooks can take a photo!