

The Villages Art League Newsletter

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President's Message

Hi Fellow Members ~

Even if you are not an exhibitor, I hope you are all excited about our **Fall Fine Art Extravaganza** at the end of this month \sim on Saturday, October 27th, 9:00 am to 3:00 pm, at Eisenhower Rec Center.



Bonnie Canning

This is the second year that we will be staging the Fall show at Eisen-hower. Last year we had a huge turnout of attendees! I think moving the show from Savannah Rec Center to Eisenhower worked out very well!

The Show Team has been hard at work ~ especially Diane Weekley on the floor layouts and program, and Ellen Hellwege on Registration, which is now open. If you want to register to exhibit please check out the VAL web site at www.thevillagesartleague.org/val-shows.

Although I will not be exhibiting, I'll spend the whole day at the show visiting the tables of our fellow members admiring their art work, and asking many of them, "How did you do that??" We have such amazing talent in The Villages Art League! This is a great opportunity to see your fellow artists' fabulous work!

I hope to see you at the show too!

~ Bonnie



Artist of the Month—Irene Wantroba



I was born in Lewiston, Maine. I attended nursing school in New Haven, Connecticut where I met and wed my husband Vin. We have three children. After a 45-year nursing career, we retired to The Villages in 2001 where I have been able to follow my interest in art, learning whatever I can through workshops and friendly critiques.





I have been doing small mixed media journals.





Congratulations, Jim!

"In the Shadows of the Cross: An Artist/Educator Shares His Symbolism and Spirituality" by Jim Zatlukal. Jim has been working on his book for about 10 years. It is filled with his artwork and is available for purchase through Amazon and Barnes & Nobel via ISBN-13: 978-1-54393-221-8.

Congratulations, Lois! Lois Kamp won Second place in the Pastel Society of Central Florida 's exhibit, Color Symphony: Movements in Pastel at Leesburg Center for the Arts.

Congratulations, Inspired by the Masters winners!

On display in La Galleria from Sept. 8 through Dec. 8 is the 6th Annual "Inspired by the Masters" exhibit containing art of 37 VAL members. Miss Vicki Prichard, Judge, was very impressed with everyone's work. Awards presented: Best of Show—Helen Poor. First Place—Susan Jane Donohoe, Second—Greg Smith, Third—Frances Naughton. Honorable Mentions—Agnes Brown, Betty Eich, Nan Kohr, Sally La Baugh, Marge McQueston, Catherine Sullivan and Jeanne Willette. First Place Photography—Diane Pattie.

October Program—Janice Barone

My interest in art began at age 6 through my neighbor who was a landscape oil painter, and continued throughout my life. I loved the 2-dimensional work and took a 3-D sculpture course to improve my drawings. I fell in love with sculpting—portrait busts and small figures. When my husband suggested that I take an art course at night, I went to the Pittsburgh Center for Arts and signed up for Portraiture. The 3-hour evening class was wonderful, and I would alternate between figure drawing and portraiture, with Saturday mornings devoted to drawing.

I prefer realistic art. My love for realism goes back to my undergraduate study of the classics. In spending one month at the American Academy in Rome, most of the study was devoted to art and architecture, with little on history.







I will demonstrate how to draw a portrait from a live model using charcoal and graphite, with emphasis upon creating a realistic portrait. Shading of lights and darks to create the roundness of the features, a light grey placed over the entire portrait and then, little by little, the darks will be added, starting with the darkest of darks. As a finishing touch, a white charcoal or chalk will be used to pull out the highlights.



Fall Fine Art Extravaganza

The Villages Art League will be hosting our annual fall art show on October 27th at the Eisenhower Regional Recreation Center. Please save the date for this exciting and fun event. All VAL members are invited to participate in this event; exhibiting artists and volunteers.

The fall show is our 'Fine Art' show that includes both 2 and 3 dimensional art. All art must be designed by the artist using raw materials that have been made into an art object. For example, clay made into art objects, jewelry that is made from gems, stone, glass, wire that has been cut, polished and put in the setting made by the artist and not manufactured. Craft items are not allowed in this show. The registration is open for all VAL members through to October 12th.

If you are not going to be exhibiting at this event, we still need a few more volunteers for the event. We depend on our volunteers throughout the day to help ensure that the event is a success. If you are interested in volunteering or have questions about the show, please contact Janeen Whetstone at (352) 459-1952 or janwhet@gmail.com.

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.

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



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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

and Irene Wantroba

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.

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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.