



The Villages Art League Newsletter

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President's Message

Happy New Year Fellow Members!

We have two important events coming up in January.

First of all, the January meeting features another one of our popular **Member-To-Member Art Shows**, in lieu of our usual demo. All attendees are asked to bring one of their art pieces to show off to fellow members. Only about 25-30% of us exhibit at our two annual shows, so this is a fantastic opportunity to see the unique and varied types of art produced by our fellow members.

Please bring a piece of your art to share! (Don't forget a card with your name and item title to identify your piece, and a table easel, if necessary.)

Secondly, January kicks off the process for our annual election of officers ~ President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. Former President Jeanne Willette will be heading up the Nominating Committee, which will be putting together a slate of nominees for these positions. **Elections will be held at the February meeting.** If you are willing (or may be interested) to serve in one of these positions, please contact Jeannie at willetteart@gmail.com or 352-205-1054 for more information. Although the term of office is for one year, the VAL By-laws do not allow an officer to hold the same position for more than two consecutive years. **All four positions are open for nominations and election.**

In general, the President presides at the monthly meetings, and any special meetings of the officers. He/she also appoints any committee chairs, such as Membership, Refreshments, Program, etc. The Vice President presides at monthly meetings when the President is not available to do so. Of course, the Secretary takes the minutes at each monthly meeting, and the Treasurer keeps the books and handles any payments or other financial transactions.

Looking forward to seeing you at our January meeting, with your artwork!

Bonnie



Bonnie Canning

Artist of the Month—Darlene Hayes



I was born in St. Paul, Minnesota and grew up on a small farm. Not liking the cold weather of Minn., I moved to San Diego in 1960 and consequently raised three children. Later I moved to New York and lived there. It was not until 1998 that we moved to Florida where I lived in Harbor Hills for 17 years. Golf was my favorite pastime. We decided to move to the Villages in 2013. It was here that I discovered how much fun painting was and I have been doing it ever since. Taking various classes here has helped me develop as an artist. I am most grateful to all the wonderful teachers in The Villages and am pleased to share my accomplishments with you.



NOTE: The Eisenhower exhibit change-out is January 14—1:00-2:30 p.m.

Congratulations Artists!

On December 9 at **Spanish Spring's Artists Round the Square (ARTS)**

Peoples Choice Awards were given to:

First place Judy Roach, 2nd place Charlie Clayton, 3rd place Betty Eich.

Honorable Mentions: Maureen Terrien, Kathy Hanse and Diana Crow.



January 7—Member-to-Member Exhibit

It's All About You!

You are invited to bring a piece of 2D or 3D art, in any medium, finished or unfinished, to show what you are doing. (It does not have to be framed.) Please come a few minutes early to set up your work, and bring an easel to display it, if necessary. It will be set on a freestanding table. And please bring a small index or other card with your name on it to display with your piece. There will be plenty of time to view and enjoy everybody's artwork after the business meeting, in lieu of the usual demo.



VAL MEMBERSHIP DUES

A reminder that VAL dues run from January to December. Many of you have already paid your dues, but if you haven't, this is a reminder that dues need to be paid at our next meeting. Dues are currently \$15.00, cash or check made out to VAL. Members who joined in October-December are paid for 2019. Members who are current on their dues qualify for the upcoming art shows. I will be at the front door, ready to take money in hand. If you are not able to attend the January meeting you can mail me a check at: 1812 Naples Place, The Villages, FL 32162.

Dore Via Dumas , Membership Chair

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.

Newsletter Submissions Deadline: 20th of the month—
leda.rabenold@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 2019 are: Jan. 14, Mar. 11, May 13, July 8, Sept. 9 and Nov. 11.

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 13. **Artists' Showcase** held at Eisenhower Rec Center on October 26. VAL members can show and sell their artwork during these one-day events.

Florida Blood Center at Spanish Plains 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.