



The Villages Art League Newsletter

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Message from our Co-President - Fran Naughton:



Fran Naughton / Eileen Sklon

Hello fellow members,

Eileen and I hope you are all doing well and staying safe and still creating.

We have an important meeting on Zoom this month, so try to attend at 9 am on November 2nd. We have a slate of officers and we will have an election at this meeting. We still need a secretary, so please think of doing this job.

Leaving you with a quote:

"I'm always learning that which I cannot do, in order that I may learn how to do it."

- Pablo Picasso



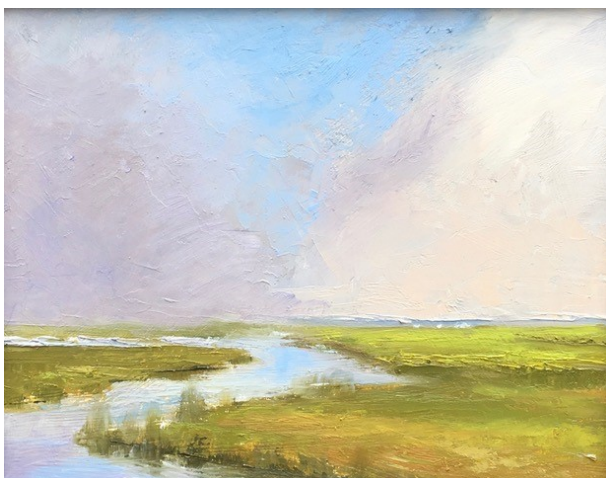
Artist of the Month—Nancy Jarvis



I moved to the Villages last August from Massachusetts. Much of my work is done on site in plein air and I also have been working on more abstract mixed media pieces. Since moving to the Villages I continue to paint out of doors, mostly in oil and look for subject matter in and around the Villages. Since I was a child, I have always been interested in art and was

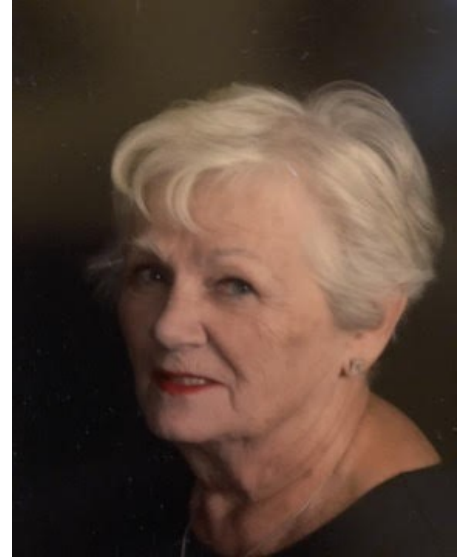
fortunate to attend art school and completed a BFA in painting from Boston University. My art journey was put on hold while I worked in healthcare. At the end of my work career I returned to

painting after taking several workshops. This past September I participated in the Strada Easel Challenge which involved painting from life every date in September and posting the painting on the Strada website.



November Program—Kathy Hansen

Art has always been my first love! As a child of the depression, I recall spending hours creating paper dolls and dresses for myself and my three sisters to color and cut out. It was such cheap entertainment! After graduating high school, I was awarded a four year scholarship to Milwaukee-Downer Women's College, where I majored in Art and English. Upon graduation, I was hired by Whitman Publishing Company of Racine, Wisconsin to join their Creative Editorials staff. We edited Boy-Girl fiction (Nancy Drew) and planned layouts for Disney and Hanna Barbera artistic for their coloring books and cut-out dolls. We even researched potential board games sent in to us by people from the outside. A fun way to spend the afternoon, tossing dice!



After leaving my fun job to get married and raise six children, my free time for art plummeted drastically. However, now I have the best of all worlds here in the Villages where art opportunities are all around us. I still paint with water colors and acrylics, but I've recently gotten hooked on stained glass. It is much more labor-intensive and time-consuming but I love to hang my creations in my windows. My favorites are the patterns that reflect my Irish heritage: "Earth and Sky" and "Story Teller."

Kathy is going to talk about how to cut and grind the pieces, then wrap with foil and solder the pieces.



November Isolation Artwork by VAL Members



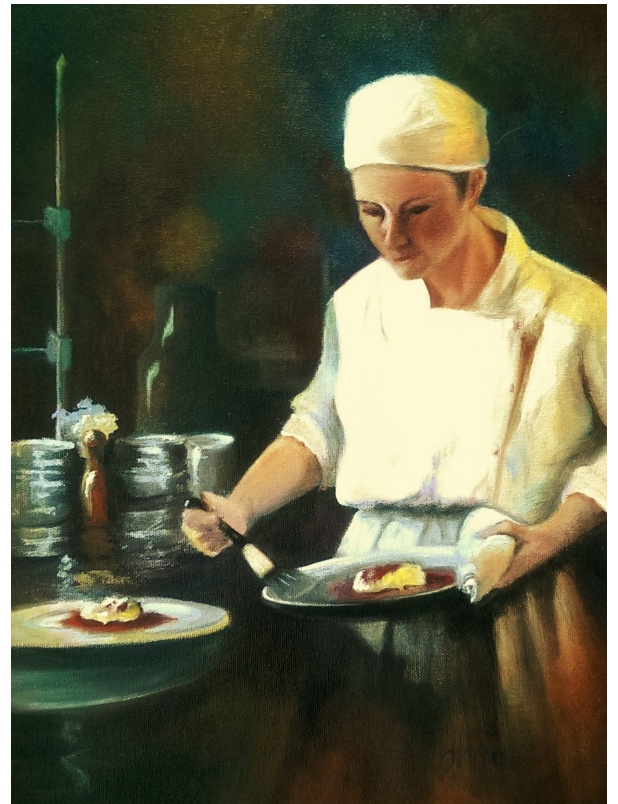
Cheri Ptacek-WC "Floridian Cottage"



Mary Ann Goniea-Ink, paper, fabric, beads
"Three Sisters"



Steven Friedman-Digital Art "Dawn Return"



Wanda Boyd-Acrylic "Pastry Chef"

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Eileen Sklon—Photography “Wave”



Kathy Scott-Acrylic Pour “Blue Crash”



Jan Smith-Fused Glass “My Sailing Regatta”



Leda Rabenold-Acrylic “Saddlebrook Scenery”

November Isolation Artwork by VAL Members



Colleen Farrell-Acrylic "Remembering John"



Janice Tindall-WC "Sicilian Roof Garden"



Charlene Sasto-Acrylic "Nightfall Voyage"



Betty Waisanen-WC on Yupo "Basket of Love"

November Isolation Artwork by VAL Members



Diane Weekley-Acrylic "Favorite Flowers:"



Lisa Melcher-Acrylic "One Eyed Mary"



Rollin Williams-Fused Glass
"November's Floral Vase"



Tom Bray-Oil "Three Pair of Pears"

November Isolation Artwork by VAL Members



Dave Boege-B&W Photography "Creative Hands"



Phyllis Speicher-Porcelain painting
"The Rose Garden"



Maureen Terrien-Photography "Egret on the Lake"



Greg Smith-CP "Toucans Too Many!"

November Isolation Artwork by VAL Members



Robert Jellinick-Oil "Pumpkin Truck"



Helen Poor-Photography
"No, I Won't Come Out and Play"



Jean Patterson-WC "Days of Wine and Roses"



Fran Naughton-WC "Rainy Day in Italy"

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Ellie Leshinski-Oil "Fall Birch Trees"
