



The Villages Art League Newsletter

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Message from our Co-President - Eileen Sklon:

I hope this finds you all healthy and happy. We are thrilled to be starting up in-person meetings. June 7th will be the first in-person meeting. You will need to register, as we are limited to the amount of members we can have. Please contact Diane Timperley at timperleydiane@gmail.com to register. Save your space now! Masks will be required and there will not be refreshments as of yet. You can bring your own drink if you want. We will be collecting dues at this meeting. The program will be Members Show & Tell. So bring a piece of art that you want to talk about. We look forward to seeing you there!



Co-Presidents

Diane Cita Timperley and Eileen Sklon

I want to thank Leda Rabenold for all the work she did with our "Isolation Art" in our newsletter. She did a great job adding them to the newsletter and all your Isolation Art gave us beauty during a dark time. So, thanks to all of you for sharing your art work.

I also want to thank Phyllis Speicher for all her hard work helping our presenters with the Zoom platform. She went above & beyond! I know using Zoom was not ideal, but it helped to give us some community and see some fabulous presentations. Remember to check out our Facebook page -The Villages Art League.

Let's hope that as things get better with the pandemic, we can start to get back to a more normal life. In the meantime we have to go with the flow and hope for the best!

Stay safe & keep creating!

Co-President Eileen

"I paint flowers so they will not die."
— Frida Kahlo



Artist of the Month—Kathy Karol



I moved to The Villages in 2016 from the Lake Norman area in NC and currently reside in the Village of Pine Hills with my husband of 30 years, Ed, and our pup Micky.

I had a wonderful career as a Nationally Certified Interpreter and Transliterater for the Deaf in AZ, NJ and NC. I had my own business and freelanced so it was always busy, varied and challenging and I loved it.

After a surgery that left me in a brace and on crutches for 9 weeks I decided that I rather enjoyed being home and

made the decision to retire. That freed up my days to delve deeper into my new passion of acrylic painting that I had stumbled upon after picking up a paint by numbers kit to keep me occupied while recovering from surgery. I found a local group of artists who welcomed me and offered plenty of advice and tips and I thrived. After moving down here I picked up pastels after being introduced to them by Harriet Dobbins and haven't put them down since. I've learned a lot from Harriet and I continue to learn through workshops and demos with pastel artists such Karen Margulis, Alain Piccard, Christine Swann and Rita Kirkman.



June In-Person Meeting - Show & Tell

The program will be Member-to-Member. Please bring a piece of artwork that you want to share with the members. Bring a small table-top easel, if you have one, to display it.



On May 1st these **ANNEX ART EXHIBIT** awards were given: First place—Susie Schrieber for “Lake Sumter Bridge”; Second—Vera Kasberger for “There’s a Salad Somewhere”; Third—Bill Skiezius for “Silverware”; Honorable Mention—Alexander Turnbull for “Reflections”; Award of Merit—Lois Kamp for “Florida Big Sky”; Photography—Helen Poor for “Teresa in the Manner of Maltese.”



On May 8th these **LAGALLERIA ART EXHIBIT** awards were given: First place—Susie Schreiber for “3’s a Crowd”; Second—Kathleen Karol for “Contemplating Onion Soup”; Third—Ruth Ann Maury for “Life Force”; Award of Merit—Billie Edwards for “Seascape 1”; Honorable Mention—Diane Pattie for “Mystical Flamingo in Purple Haze” Photography.



Sunshine Report from Charlene Sasto:

I happily have nothing new to report!

“Art gives soul to the universe, wings to the mind, and flight to the imagination.” - inspired by Plato



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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 2021 are: Jan. 11, Mar. 8, May 11, July 12, Sept. 13 and Nov. 8.
- ♦ **La Galleria** at La Hacienda Rec Center, the Masters Exhibit from September 11 to December 22.
- ♦ **Citizens Bank** monthly exhibit on Rt. 466 (3430 Southern Trace Blvd.), Rt. 441 (1500 Banderas Ave.) or in Pinellas Plaza (2420 Burnside Blvd.). Also in Spanish Springs for the **Artist of the Month**.
- ♦ **Summer Art Festival** held at Lake Miona Rec Center and **Artists' Showcase** held at Eisenhower Rec Center (dates TBA). VAL members can show and sell their artwork during these one-day events.