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## **Dear Fellow Artists,**

It is August already and we've just completed the Annual Membership show at the main Peoria library in their beautiful gallery. It was a tremendous success with Bev Pullen and Carolyn Kyle in charge, so thank you, both! Thanks, too, to Sherri Burritt and Wayne Pullen for producing our beautiful program for the show. This year we had 44 entrants and over 100 pieces of art, with many of our new members entering. This was definitely one of our largest shows. Congratulations to all of our winners, and especially to Todd Snyder, our Best of show winner! Thank you to all those members who took the time to enter our show and to all who worked on this event, to make it such a great success!

We are on to the next event - Ignite Peoria! It is coming up quickly on Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup>. Gwen Bateman and Lynne Rettke are co-chairs this year and have been working on this event for months. This event, too, will be bigger than last year, as we have a double-sized booth to make sure we accommodate all of the would-be artists. If you were unable to come last year, please try to stop by. The event is really a lot of fun and you might even learn a tip or two from one of our wonderful demonstrators! Our booth is interactive, so the public has a chance to test their artistic skills and take home a reminder of the event. Please contact Gwen or Lynne to see if all of their volunteer slots have been filled. We all benefit from the volunteer hours that are put into these events. Thank you in advance.

On Tuesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>, we have our General Meeting at the Peoria Heights library. The meeting runs from 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. and is open to both members and guests. This is your opportunity to offer comments or suggestions and to ask questions about league events. We will be presenting the upcoming events between now and the end of the year, including our November/December Time Gallery Show and Sale.

Enjoy your August,

Leslie and Jackie

“Art is the only way to run away without leaving home.” Twyla Tharp

## **Upcoming Events**

August 13 – Ignite

August 23 – General Meeting

September – (potential) 2<sup>nd</sup> Jim Matarelli Drawing Workshop – Heights Library

September 13 – 16 – Elizabeth Robbins Oil Workshop - Morton

October 8 – Ken Clubb Watercolor Workshop – Saturday, 9 – 4, Heights Library

# Ken Clubb Watercolor Portrait Workshop

Saturday, October 8, 9AM—3 PM

Location: Peoria Heights' Library

Learn techniques in watercolor portraiture. Class is limited so sign up early!

I.A.L. Members: \$50 - Non Members: \$60 (class fee does not include lunch)

Box Lunch \$10

Send check and form by Friday, September 23

Make checks payable to I.A.L.

Send check and form to Sharon Somers, 134 Ojibwa Court, Hopewell, IL 61565

Supply list and lunch choices will be sent upon registration.

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## Ken Clubb Watercolor Portrait Workshop

Name \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) Member ( ) Non Member

Address \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) includes lunch



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### CONGRATULATIONS

#### WINNERS OF THE 2016 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP SHOW

**3 DIMENSIONAL :** 1<sup>ST</sup> Kay Bishop *Tropical Evening* watercolor/acrylic; 2<sup>nd</sup> Sherrie Copenbarger *Silent Breeze* fiber art painted

**PHOTOGRAPHY:** 1<sup>st</sup> Jackie Colgan *Mobile Meat Market-Cusco, Peru*; 2<sup>nd</sup> Barbie Perry *Paradise Lost*; 3<sup>rd</sup> Richard Kirchgessner *Relaxing on the River*; HM Michael Aldag-*Spring Tree*; HM Gwen Bateman *Twinspiration*; HM Jim Bateman *Union Station-St. Louis*; HM Darlene Jones *Butterfly at Rest*; HM Marjorie Schwebel *Rockford Japanese Garden*

**AMATEUR UNDER GLASS UG:** 1<sup>ST</sup> Jackie Colgan *419 Fulton Street* watercolor; 2<sup>nd</sup> Judy Ritchie *Seriously Conte & iron oxide*; 3<sup>rd</sup> Barb Shreffler *Oscar* mixed medium; HM Donna Boers *A Yellow Rose* watercolor; HMLinda Elder *Dreamin* watercolor

**AMATEUR NOT UNDER GLASS NUG :** 1<sup>ST</sup> Roberta Schwandner *Pair of Pairs* oil; 2<sup>nd</sup> Judy Ritchie *Smart and Sweet* acrylic; 3<sup>rd</sup> Lynne Rettke *The Red Barn* oil

#### SEMI PROFESSIONAL UNDER GLASS UG:

1<sup>ST</sup> Patricia Rudzinski *Giant Swallow* watercolor; 2<sup>nd</sup> Jane Inness Younquist *Just Relaxin* watercolor; 3<sup>rd</sup> Cheryl Madura *Bison* scratch art; HM Georgeanne Cassulo *Green Flower* colored pencil

#### SEMI PROFESSIONAL NOT UNDER GLASS NUG:

1<sup>ST</sup> Cathy Engberg *Treasure Hunt* oil; 2<sup>nd</sup> Ginger Sayles *Eden's Meadow* acrylic; 3<sup>rd</sup> John Bumgarner *Claire* oil

**PROFESSIONAL UNDER GLASS UG:** 1<sup>ST</sup> Sharon Somers *My Bleeding Heart* watercolor batik; 2<sup>nd</sup> Jean Fehl *Still Lifetemptra & ink*; 3<sup>rd</sup> Kathy Sherman *Korczak...again* watercolor

**PROFESSIONAL NOT UNDER GLASS NUG:** 1<sup>ST</sup> Mary Hildebrand *More Thana Pear* oil; 2<sup>nd</sup> Sherri Burritt *Porcelain and Fruit* oil; 3<sup>rd</sup> Terri Shockency *The Artist Garden* oil; HM Prabhakar Bhosale-*Faces, Figures and Forms-one acrylic*

#### BEST OF SHOW

**BOS** Todd Snyder *Evocation of Narcissus* oil



**TUESDAY AUGUST 23RD 5:30-7:00**

**PLAN TO ATTEND OUR GENERAL MEETING AT THE  
PEORIA HEIGHTS LIBRARY**

**Take an active part in your ILLINOIS ART LEAGUE !!**

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

**Curt Ribando** 9011 N. Locust Ln Peoria, IL 61615 692-6525/231-6564 cprib492@gmail.com  
He primarily works in acrylic, mostly wildlife and some landscape, however, also starting to dabble in pastel.

Please add him to your directory



- COLORED PENCIL WORKGROUP** Peoria North Branch Library *does not meet* during summer months. Resumes Wednesday Sept 7th Contact Karen Buenneke (309) 681-0168
- Thursday August 4th **COLORED PENCIL EXPRESSIONS** luncheon at 11:30 Donnelly's  
Theme "Open-whatever you are working on" Hostess: Mary Ellen Krum
- Monday August 8th **ACRYLIC PAINTERS GROUP** Peoria Heights Library **9:30-12:30** Jean Gronewold  
309-657-3874 or contact at jeangg38@gmail.com
- Saturday August 13th **IGNITE PEORIA CIVIC CENTER 9-5** Free Parking COME VISIT IAL BOOTH
- Thursday August 18th **PRAIRIELAND WATER MEDIA SOCIETY 1:00-3:00** Peoria Heights Library  
Theme: Paint with Video (bring supplies) Hostess: Jackie Colgan/ Kathy Johnson
- Tuesday August 23rd **IAL GENERAL MEETING PEORIA HEIGHTS LIBRARY 5:30-7:00**
- Monday August 29th **ALL ARTIST'S GROUP** at Humana Building 1:00-3:00 on Hale St. Pioneer Park.  
For additional info: Cindy Wamack 691-1677 cwamack@humana.com



Ignite Peoria will take place on Saturday, August 13th 9:00-5:00 at the Peoria Civic Center. Members please visit our booth. We will have member artists presenting a demo on a variety of mediums including colored pencil, pen & ink, alcohol inks, oil painting with a palette knife, watercolor, and editing digital photos. Gwen Bateman and Lynne Rettke have done an amazing job of organizing this event. Please stop by and tell them thanks! There is no charge for this event. The purpose of this event is to celebrate the arts of Peoria.

Come PARK FOR FREE

A call to ARTISTS!!

Michael Aldag shared this event in Bloomington, Illinois for Military Suicide Awareness month in September, and they are in need of artists willing to donate artwork that they can use to raise awareness and funds. They are looking for any size, any medium, any style or form of art. My only request is that your artwork contain a blue teardrop, as it is the VFW Auxiliary symbol for Military Suicide Prevention month. If you wish to use a quote or saying, the number 22 (which is the current number of military suicides a day), you can. If you want to gear it towards PTSD or the Veteran who may be suffering, you can, if you wish to gear it towards families who may have lost someone, you can! The art is your representation. Please share this, as I would like a wide variety of art on display. If you need further information contact Angie Ehrmantraut Britch [sunshinebritch@gmail.com](mailto:sunshinebritch@gmail.com) Thank you!

Sherri Burritt is assisting our group. 309-264-2077 if you wish to participate.



ATTENTION: APRONS NOW AVAILABLE WITH OUR NEW LOGO.

Available at the Prairieland Water Media meeting Thursday August 18th

or at our General Meeting Tuesday Aug 23rd \$20 each



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Garden Center

Landscape Design

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Seeking local and regional artisans and crafters, 18 and older, of varied disciplines for the 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration on Saturday September 24<sup>th</sup> 2016, from 9am to 5pm.

Hoerr Nursery is a beautiful, third-generation, family-owned and operated garden center, just north of the Shoppes at Grand Prairie in Peoria Illinois. To learn more about us, please visit our website [www.hoerrnursery.com](http://www.hoerrnursery.com).

Our events for the day include car Cruise-In (1-5pm), artisans and crafters selling their work, delicious home-baked items, live music, kid friendly activities, vendor talks, hotdogs and popcorn, fresh-picked Hoerr Nursery grown produce and introducing Mary Englebreit Fairy Gardens!

We will advertise through our website, social media, e-mail blast, direct mail, and local news sources.

We will promote this event in our mail piece, which will reach over 5000 people. We are an award winning garden center, placing in the top 100 Garden Centers in the nation, also winning first place in the Journal Star 2016 Best of the Best for Garden Center and Nursery.

All participants will be in our covered garden house. We will offer a 10x10 area, but can be flexible with size. Also provided are our plant tables for your display and two chairs. You may bring your own table if preferred. There is a \$15 fee to reserve your space. Multiple artists/crafters may share a space. Set up will take place from 7:30 – 9am. on September 24<sup>th</sup>. All entries must be made by the artist and sold by the artist during the show. All transactions are between artists/crafter and customer.

If you are interested in being part of our 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration, please e-mail a brief description of your work and photos to: [djones@hoerrnursery.com](mailto:djones@hoerrnursery.com). Submissions must be

received by 8 a.m. on Monday August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2016. All applicants

will be notified of the selection results by August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2016

\*Plein Air Painters are welcome that day as well. Painters can come anytime between 9-4. While painting at your location, please display a few art pieces for sale. If you are painting-there will not be a fee. Please see info below for confirmation.

Artisans and Crafters contact email address:

Darlene Jones

[djones@hoerrnursery.com](mailto:djones@hoerrnursery.com)



# GALLERY NEWS

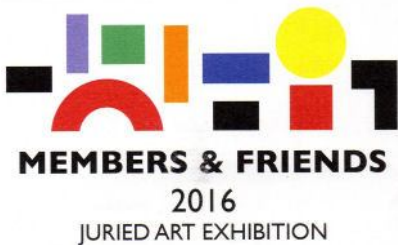
**Barb Unes** is currently exhibiting at Main Gallery 404 in Bloomington, IL It is located at 404 Main St. just off the downtown square. Hours are Wed, Thurs, and Fridays 10-5. Exception (1st Friday of the month open later). Saturdays is 10-4.

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**Lois McCoy and Sharon Somers** are the featured artists at the Time Gallery in the Levee District East Peoria. Exhibit opens August 1st and runs through Sept 30th. The artists reception is Friday August 5th 5-7 pm. 201 Clock Tower Pl, East Peoria, IL 61611

Exhibit open during banking hours Closed Sat at Noon.

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**GALESBURG CIVIC ART CENTER ANNUAL MEMBERS AND FRIENDS EXHIBIT AUG 12TH—SEPT 3RD. Opening reception Friday August 12 5-8 pm. Entry information can be obtained at [www.galesburgarts.org](http://www.galesburgarts.org) or call 309-342-7415**

**One entry per artist, GCAC member \$10, Friend \$15**

**Friends entering must live within a 50 mile radius, no limit for members.**

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**Mary Hildebrand** has a piece "Peaches" accepted in the Illinois State Fair Professional Fine Art Exhibit.

**Exhibit runs from Friday August 12th— Sunday August 21st.**

## IAL MONTHLY MEMBER EXHIBIT AT PEORIA HEIGHTS LIBRARY EXHIBITING FOR AUGUST IS JACKIE COLGAN AND CINDY WAMACK

For additional information contact **Roberta Schwandner** at 263-5143 or [raschwandner@aol.com](mailto:raschwandner@aol.com)



For as long as I can remember, I have always loved to draw! I decided to pursue that love further by joining the I.A.L. in July of 2013 and attending my first Water Media meeting that fall. In 2014 I took my first watercolor class at the lighthouse Art Center in Tequesta, Florida. I have since taken a number of workshops from a variety of instructors including: Stephen Blackburn, Elizabeth Robbins, Ken Clubb, Ed Burton, Connie Glowacki and Jim Matarelli. All of these wonderful I.A. L. workshops have proven to be challenging, but immensely enjoyable!

My love of travel is evident in the photographs I've taken, and offers my individual view of the world around us. I have thoroughly enjoyed the camaraderie I've experienced, as a member of the Illinois Art League, and I look forward to seeing our league grow in the years to come. My greatest desire is to continue my growth as an artist, long into the future. **Jackie Colgan-Co-President IAL**

I am a self-taught artist and have only taken a few workshops mostly because I work full-time and have a 16 year old son. I've started painting more in recent years since working at Humana where I lead a watercolor workshop with some very wonderful and sharing people. I've tried many art mediums over the years and enjoy acrylic and oil painting but my first love is watercolor. Despite the tendency of watercolor to do its own thing or maybe because of it I love the transparency and looseness of this medium. It has taught me patience and acceptance because of the many surprises it brings. I hope to continue to grow in this medium for many years and learn from other artists in the IAL. **Cindy Wamack-Secretary IAL**