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Dear Fellow Artists,

We hope everyone is staying cool, June was an unusually hot humid month. July is starting out to be far more pleasant. We will get our Plein Air group going again soon. In the meantime, for all who have wanted to try it, come out to Hoerr's Nursery on July 11th from 9:00 to 5:00. Let Sherri Burritt know and plan to spend some time painting outdoors. Check this newsletter for more information.

Our IAL board would like everyone to know we have a new logo! It's exciting and you should start seeing it on our forms, brochures, etc., we hope you like it.

July has always been a busy month for our league and this July is no exception. Our annual membership show is at the main library downtown in the gallery. It runs from July 16th to July 30th with the reception on July 21st from 3:00-5:00 p.m. Bev Pullen has generously agreed to chair this event along with Carolyn Kyle. We do want to thank them for taking on this project. This will be the first time we've been able to sell our art at the library. In addition, the artists will be selling small paintings and notecards. A small percentage (20%) will go to the Friends of the Library organization so everyone benefits. The sale days will be July 29-30th and we need volunteers to take shifts at the library, please let Leslie or Jackie know if you can help. Thank you, in advance.

Saturday morning, July 16th, will be the judging by David Seay, (pronounced Sea), David is a local artist and past president of the IAL. Please refrain from visiting our show until after David has finished judging and awarding prizes and ribbons at 1:00 p.m. We hope to see all of you at this show, we have so many talented artists in the league. Please come and support your fellow artists.

Enjoy the rest of your summer,

Leslie and Jackie

"Inspiration does exist.....but it must find you working." Pablo Picasso



TUNE IN FOR INTERVIEWS ON JULY 5TH

IAL Co-Presidents Jackie & Leslie will be doing 2 interviews back to back about the League on Tuesday July 5th. First WMBD News at 6:40 am and the second interview will be with WYZZ-News Fox between 7:10am - 8:30.

Vin Luong Exhibit

June 30th-July 30th

At Speakeasy Art Center 353 Court St. Pekin, IL

Fantastic opportunity to view his beautiful paintings in the main gallery at the Speakeasy.

Vin Loung was born in Saigon, Vietnam in 1966. The son of Chinese painter Siu-Hong Luong, Vin learned traditional Chinese painting techniques at a young age, which he later built upon with an education in Western art as a teenager. Vin immigrated to the US in the later 1980's and settled in Peoria where he lived and painted for more than twenty years. He passed away on March, 2013 at the age of 46. Many of you remember him.

OPPORTUNITIES

ICC Adult Community Programs

Here is your big chance to win a \$50 check! ICC will be using their facebook page to promote classes and share their experiences. Every person who "LIKES" or "SHARES" that page will be entered into a drawing for one class through ICC adult community programs.

Several of our IAL members are art instructors through the programs.

Check out all that ICC Adult Community Programs has to offer! icc.edu/acp

DATES & TIMES

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP SHOW Peoria Public Library Main Branch

<i>Art drop off Thursday July 14th at the lower level gallery</i>	<i>12:00-5:30 pm</i>
<i>Judging (Saturday 9:00-1:00) Show opens Saturday July 16th</i>	<i>1:00 pm</i>
<i>Reception Thursday July 21st</i>	<i>3:00-5:00 pm</i>
<i>Art Sale Friday July 29th and Saturday July 30th</i>	<i>9:00-4:00 pm</i>

ART PICK UP SATURDAY JULY 30TH

NOON-4:00 PM

***NOTE: ALL ART MUST BE PICKED UP BY 4:00PM.
(LIBRARY HAS NO STORAGE AVAILABLE)***

Remember to visit the Time Gallery in the Levee District East Peoria 2nd floor during bank hours featuring the painting collection of ***Barb Unes and Susan Carson***. Exhibit runs through July 30th.

The League would like to thank the family of Karen Buenneke for their generous donation on behalf of Karen's birthday!!

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

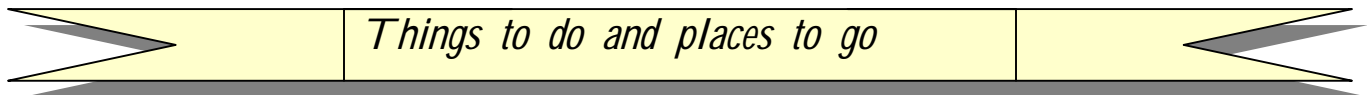
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PLEASE ADD THEM TO YOUR DIRECTORY

PEORIA HEIGHTS LIBRARY MEMBER EXHIBIT

NEW EXHIBITOR FOR JULY ARE JEAN FEHL AND PAT WITHERS

For additional information: contact Roberta Schwandner at 309-263-5143 or raschwandner@aol.com



COLORED PENCIL WORKGROUP Peoria North Branch Library *does not meet* during summer months. Resumes Wednesday Sept 7th Contact Karen Buenneke (309) 681-0168

Thursday July 7th **COLORED PENCIL EXPRESSIONS** luncheon at 11:30 Donnelly's
Theme "American Indian" Hostess: Kay Bishop
Monday July **NO IAL Board Meeting until August**

Monday July 11th **ACRYLIC PAINTERS GROUP** Peoria Heights Library **9:30-12:30** Jean Gronewold
309-657-3874 or contact at jeangg38@gmail.com

Thursday July 21st **PRAIRIELAND WATER MEDIA SOCIETY 1:00-3:00** Peoria Heights Library

Monday July 25th **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

July 11th, anytime between 9-5. HOERR'S PLEIN-AIR DAY

Hoerr's has offered their gardens to area artists to paint for the day. They will have complimentary tea, coffee, lemonade, and water. Just show up bring your painting gear and pick out a place that inspires you. You can bring a couple of your paintings to sell too! (no commission) If you have never tried Plein-Air....this is your chance!! Please invite any of your artist friends and add them onto my event invite if you can. This is not an exclusive IAL event but an opportunity for us to possibly interest some area artists to join us. I'd like to give Hoerrs an estimate of how many artists will be painting. Hope you can make it! Contact Sherri Burritt 309-264-2077 or sburritt.art@gmail.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 people of Peoria, spark their creativity and inspire innovation by giving them a chance to try new experiences!

If you are willing to help in any way or have questions or ideas please contact us. We still need some folks to help with the interactive activities that day, just for a couple of hours.

Thank You!!!

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PLAN TO ATTEND OUR GENERAL MEETING AT THE PEORIA HEIGHTS LIBRARY

TUESDAY AUGUST 23RD 5:30-7:00

Bring your questions, comments, and suggestions!