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### From the drawing board...

These are your winners from our Annual Membership Show. A Special Thanks to our 44 participants who contributed 106 pieces of art. This is a GRAND EXAMPLE of what the members of the Illinois Art League have to offer. **Thank you Debra Mielke and everyone who made this show possible.**

3 DIMENSIONAL: 1st **Crystal Potthoff** *Spring*, 2nd **Kay Bishop** *Western Royal*,  
3rd **Pat Rudzinski** *A-Musing*.

PHOTOGRAPHY : 1st **Richard Kirchgessner** *At the Vineyard*, 2nd **Jim Bateman** *Roseate Spoonbill*,  
3rd **Jim Walker** *Riverboat City*, HM **Darlene Jones** *Backyard Moonlight*.

AMATEUR UNDER GLASS: 1st **Leslie Walsh** *The Great Escape* watercolor, 2nd **Darlene Jones** *Zack at 21*  
watercolor, 3rd **Vicki Burmood** *Old School* watercolor,  
HM **Leslie Walsh** *Islamorada Fish Co.* watercolor.

AMATEUR NOT UNDER GLASS: 1st **Roberta Schwandner** *Roses in Bloom* oil, 2nd **Curt Robando**  
*Like it Rare* acrylic, 3rd **Lynne Rettke** *Abandoned* oil, HM **Francis Reeves** *A Touch of Color*  
acrylic, HM **Curt Robando** *Watching* acrylic.

SEMI-PROFESSIONAL UNDER GLASS: 1st **Georgeanne Cassulo** *Chicken Dave* colored pencil,  
2nd **Jackie Colgan** *Butterfly Blues* watercolor, 3rd **BK Pullen** *Ryan's Round Barn*  
watercolor, HM **Melvin Turner** *Rainbow* colored pencil.

SEMI-PROFESSIONAL NOT UNDER GLASS: 1ST **Debra Mielke** *Misty in Seattle* oil, 2nd **Judy Ritchie**  
*Poseys* oil, 3rd **John Bumgarner** *A Yellow day* oil, HM **Florence Gaffney**  
*Ginger Jar with Fruit* oil, HM **Kay Bishop** *Eagle Eye* acrylic.

PROFESSIONAL UNDER GLASS: 1st **Sharon Somers** *Soaring Sycamore* watercolor batik, 2nd **Barb Unes**  
*Golfing Images* acrylic on paper, 3rd **Kathy Sherman** *Sizzlin Sunflowers* watercolor,  
HM **Lois McCoy** *Still Life* watercolor.

PROFESSIONAL NOT UNDER GLASS: 1st **Cathy Engberg** *Outside looking in* oil, 2nd **Laurie Moore**  
*After a Cleansing Rain* oil, 3rd **Sherri Burritt** *Crab Tree Farms* oil, HM **Michael Aldag**  
*City on a Hill* Mixed Media, HM **Sherri Burritt** *Crimson Vase & Fruit* oil, HM **Kathy Sherman**  
*Korczak: Pondering the M.* pen & ink.

### **BEST OF SHOW**

**Barb Shreffler** *The Happy Jungle* mixed media



*Things to do and places to go*

- Tuesdays in July      **PLEIN AIRE GROUP** Meets on each Tuesday afternoon from 1-3:00 pm. Meets currently at Luthy Botanical Garden. Contact Leslie Walsh at 309-240-8363 or booklady2404@yahoo.com for additional information. Bring your own supplies. Contact Leslie for locations.
- Saturday July 15      **Natalie Jackson O'Neal** *Crowns of Empowerment* Exhibit reception 6:30-8:30 Contemporary Art Center
- Thursday July 20      **PRAIRIELAND WATERMEDIA SOCIETY** 1-3 Peoria Heights Library  
Hostess: Donna Boers and Kathy Johnson. Theme: Concepts of the Color Wheel. Bring painting supplies.
- Saturday July 29      **MEMBERSHIP SHOW**      [PICK UP ART Noon-4](#)



**IGNITE PEORIA August 12, 2017**

**9:00 am – 5:00 pm Peoria Civic Center**

Thanks to those of you who have volunteered and said "YES" to helping with Ignite this year!

**VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED**

This is a fun day, with art activities for visitors to take part in. <http://www.ignitepeoria.com/>

**FOR EACH 2 HOUR SHIFT, WE NEED:**

Demonstrators to share their artwork

Helpers to help adults and children with crafts (supplies provided)

Ambassadors to invite visitors into our booth, tell them about IAL and OFFER THEM an information/ membership brochure

To volunteer, please call or email

Lynne Rettke      309-989-7104      rettkelyne@gmail.com

Gwen Bateman      309-580-4146      gwenbateman@gmail.com

***ART MARKET AT WEAVER RIDGE SATURDAY SEPT 30TH!!***

Spaces are limited for Art Market at Weaver Ridge. Reserve your space today.

For application see attachment to email or enclosed in mailing.

**ALL MEMBER MEETING TO BE HELD ON MONDAY AUGUST 7TH**

**AT THE PEORIA HEIGHTS LIBRARY**

**MEETING BEGINS 6:30 REFRESHMENTS SERVED**

## IAL MONTHLY MEMBER EXHIBIT

Peoria Heights Library 816 E Glen Ave, Peoria Heights, IL 61616 Open 9-6

EXHIBITING FOR July **Jean Fehl and Nancy Nufer**

For additional information contact Roberta Schwandner at 263-5143 or raschwandner@aol.com  
THERE ARE STILL MONTHS AVAILABLE FOR EXHIBITING THIS YEAR. CALL FOR INFO

### Time Gallery

***Oil and Water*** Fine Art Exhibit featuring

Oil painter Sherri Burritt and Watercolor artist Kathy Sherman

Exhibit closes July 28

201 Clock Tower Drive E. Peoria Gallery hours Mon-Fri 10-5

### EXHIBIT AT THE HIVE

**Georganne Cassulo** is exhibiting during the month of July located at 305 SW Water St. Peoria. Her pictures on display will be all colored pencil medium. The Hive is in the building with the Rhythm Kitchen.

### EXHIBIT AT THE CONTEMPORARY ART CENTER

PHOTOGRAPHY BY

**Natalie Jackson O'Neal**

*CROWNS OF EMPOWERMENT*

ARTIST'S RECEPTION SATURDAY JULY 15TH  
6:30-8:30



## CONGRATULAIONS

**John Bumgarner** won *Best of Show* at the Sugar Creek Arts Festival Held July 8-9th in Normal, IL

## OPPORTUNIES FOR LESSONS!

**Laurie Jean Moore** is offering these classes: She will be teaching at **Michaels** registration for all classes is \$25 PLUS supplies It meets in the classroom next to the cashiers. You can call the store (309-740-9347) to register or register online (<https://classes.michaels.com/OnlineClasses/control/dateView?storeId=5081&zipCode=61615>). Skill level is beginner - drawing Roses July 25 - drawing - Row boat on the lake Aug 1 - drawing - Lighthouse Aug 8 - drawing - Cornfields with birch tree Supply List: 9X12 drawing paper, 2B, 4B, 6B Pencil, kneaded eraser, tortillon for smudging. If you have these items you would need to bring them.

**Pekin Academy of Fine Arts** registration for the class is \$15.00. if you need supplies I will have paper and charcoal for \$5.00 per person. If you want to buy before you come, you will need a 9x12 drawing tablet, 2B, 4B or 6B pencil, kneaded eraser, and vine and compressed charcoal. Skill level is Beginner to intermediate. July 13 - Still Life Drawing - Composition I July 27 - Still Life Drawing - Composition II Aug 10 - Still Life Drawing - Composition III Aug 24 - Still Life Drawing - Composition IV To register use this URL: <https://pekinacademyoffinearts.com/login.php>. Once your are there you will need to fill out your email address and make a password. Click login. on the next screen click on See public calendar. Click on the class you want and fill out registration form.