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Dear Fellow Artists,

It's November already and we are fast approaching the end of the year. We finished out October with a wonderful watercolor workshop taught by Ken Clubb. Not only did Ken's workshop sell out, it was a great way to spend a Halloween Saturday!

With the help of Sharon Somers, we have designed new I.A. L. canvas art bags. These large, two-pocket bags will be available for purchase for \$22 at the Annual Dinner and then again at the Time Gallery reception, on December 3rd. This brings us to the December show/sale at Time Gallery in the Clock Tower in East Peoria. The show is called "**Anything But Ordinary**". We think that title says a lot about the quality and diversity of work produced by our art league members. You will find all the registration information for this show, once again, in this newsletter. Please get your forms filled out and sent in to either Leslie or Jackie, no later than Friday, November 13th. With the Thanksgiving holiday, we need that extra time to get the artwork I.D. tags and the show program completed.

Please, if you find yourself with a little extra time on your hands, we do need volunteers to help with the show preparations. Whether it's bringing a baked good for the opening reception or an offer to take a shift during our 'sale' days, your time is needed and greatly appreciated! Please contact Leslie or Jackie if you are available to help with this show. **Please fill out the Artist Contact Information Form (found in this newsletter) if you'd like potential buyers to get in touch with you by email or phone, after our weekend sale ends.**

May your Thanksgiving be blessed with the joy of family and friends!

Leslie and Jackie

Upcoming Events:

Tuesday, December 1 – art drop-off for Time Gallery show and sale – “Anything But Ordinary”

Thursday, December 3 – Time Gallery Opening Reception – 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, December 4 and 5 – Time Gallery Artwork Sale

Thursday, Dec 10th– No pen and ink meeting at North Branch Library.

~~ **PLEASE RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2016 MEMBERSHIP FORM ATTACHED** ~~

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THE PEORIA RIVERFRONT MUSEUM

Exhibition "Making Their Mark, Illinois Women Artists 1940-1960 Oct 17-Jan 17th.

Jean Gronewold, wearing clothing from a 1965 cocktail party, will be playing the part of artist Ellen Lanyon (1923-2013), at the reception on November 7th from 6-8pm. at the museum. This date was chosen because this was the year Lakeview Center for the Arts and Sciences opened. *This will be their 50th anniversary celebration!*

- **Monday Nov 2nd IAL Annual Dinner 6:00 Weaver Ridge**
- **Thursday Nov 5th COLORED PENCIL EXPRESSIONS luncheon at Biaggi's located in Westlake Shopping Center 11:30 Theme: I'm truly thankful for... RSVP: Bev Pullen (309) 385-2501 or bcpullen@hotmail.com**
- **Wednesdays on Nov 4, 11, and 18th. No meetings in December. COLORED PENCIL WORKGROUP North Branch Library 2-4 All welcome bring something to work on. For more info Karen Bueneke 681-0168 Anyone wanting instruction for beginning colored pencil contact Karen. We have several members at the workgroup at no cost. Will resume on January 6th.**
- **Thursday Nov 12th PEN & INK GROUP North Branch Library 1:3 No December meeting.**
- **Thursday Nov 19th THE PRAIRIELAND WATER MEDIA SOCIETY Peoria Heights Library 1:00-3:00 Hostess: Carol Romanowski and Jackie Colgan. Christmas Exchange. Bring a small piece of art to exchange.**
- **Monday Nov 30th- ALL ARTISTS GROUP 1:00-3:00 Humana Building Hale St. Pioneer Park.**
- **Now through Nov 15th 31st FINE ART EXHIBIT at the First United Methodist Church lower level gallery 70 local and regional artists including Barb Unes, Jo Rutter and others. Sunday 9:30-12:30, M-F 11-3pm.**

Nancy Medina Fine Art 2016 Workshop

Date: March 17, 18, and 19, 2016 Location: Morton, Illinois, 349 W. Birchwood St. --- "Freedom Hall" Morton Park District Cost of three day workshop \$395.00 Payment holds your space in the workshop.

Checks should be mailed to: Florence Gaffney, 3 Oakcrest Drive, Pekin, Illinois 61554-9757

Questions: Florence Gaffney—309-253-0807 or Sherri Burritt – 309-264-2077

Cancellation 75 to 31 days prior to workshop, refund of fee will be paid less \$50 cancellation fee.

Cancellation 30 days or less prior to workshop, no refund will be made unless there is someone on the wait list who fills the vacated spot. If the vacated spot can be filled, there will be a refund, less \$50 cancellation fee. We understand that circumstances a rise causing changes in your plans. We sympathize and will do our best to help when such situations occur, however, we must adhere to policy as our financial and contractual commitments for the workshop has been finalized. If you need to cancel your reservations, please contact **IMMEDIATELY BY PHONE OR EMAIL: Florence Gaffney, 309-253-0807 or Florence200@comcast.net**

IAL MEMBER EXHIBITS

IAL PEORIA HEIGHTS PUBLIC LIBRARY ON GOING MEMBER EXHIBIT

Those exhibiting in November are: Judy Ritchie and Barb Perry

A big thanks to Carol Romanowski for her managing IAL Exhibits this year. We welcome Roberta Schwandner new chairperson for the Peoria Heights Library Exhibit. Anyone wishing to exhibit contact her at: (309) 263-5143 or raschwandner@aol.com.

Judy Ritchie

In 2010 my daughter gave me a camera and reignited my interest in the beauty that surrounds us. A variety of classes led to a deeper understanding of how to capture and appreciate that beauty digitally. In the past year I've become interested in painting and drawing, taking online courses and through self study. And I have renewed a passion for artistic expression through drawing left behind in childhood, a passion that is now leading to much personal satisfaction.

My current focus lies in creating still life, landscapes and portraits through use of acrylic paints and photography. And of course, refining my artistic skills. My primary artistic goal is to achieve works that bring a sense of joy, happiness and satisfaction to the viewer as well as to myself.

Joining the IAL in May 2015 I hope to continue my growth as an artist and meet new people along the way.

Barb Perry

"My expressions of beauty or chaos erupt in a variety of mediums: mainly, photography, painting and clay. The tension created by fear i.e.failure, rejection, or awkward self-revelation and love i.e. the thrill of creating and discovery, is a personal challenge that fascinates and compels me."

"We may nurture and empower ourselves as well as the people with whom we share work. Disciplining myself to learn new techniques, processing my life experiences through the creative process and the potential to allow others' artistic expressions to affect my being, are the driving forces which keep me motivated and encouraged to share my love of texture, form and color."

Barbara is a native of Peoria and works in her home studio in Metamora, Illinois.

TIME GALLERY

201 Clock Tower Dr Levee District East Peoria

Watercolor and pastel artist **Mary Ellen Carver** of Canton is exhibiting at the Time Gallery through November.

The gallery is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

FIVE POINTS LIBRARY GALLERY

Exhibit for BK Pullen, Deborah Schmitt, Elaine Koch, Marjorie Schwebel, and others will run until November 9th. Sponsored by Washington Fine Arts Society. Open during library hours.

IAL Time Gallery Membership Show/Sale
201 Clocktower Place, East Peoria, IL
“Anything But Ordinary”
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Show opens Thursday, December 3
Opening Reception, December 3, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.
Closes Thursday, January 28, 2016

The following dates are for art in-take and art pick-up:
Receive art Tuesday, December 1 (**10:00 - 2:00**)
Art pick-up on Friday, January 29, 2016 (**10:00 – 2:00**)

The deadline for registering is Friday, November 13, 2015.

There will be no registration at the time of setup. Everyone must pre-register.

Please mail, email, or hand deliver form A to Leslie Walsh, 2404 W. Chandler Ct., Peoria, IL 61615 or Jackie Colgan, 12822 N. Georgetowne Rd., Dunlap, IL 61525. **Attach form B to the back of your artwork.** **No age limit on artwork and no fees for this show.**

Although all caution will be taken, the ‘Time Gallery’ and the IAL assumes no responsibility for the work submitted. Insurance is the **exhibitor’s responsibility**. Furthermore, the exhibitor shall indemnify the organization and hold this organizer harmless against all loss, damages, claims, and costs, including reasonable attorney fees, etc.

I agree to the above terms: _____

Please complete these forms and return this entire page for our records.

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Art pick up will be on Friday, January 29, 2016 from 10:00 – 2:00.

The I.A.L. WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ARTWORK NOT PICKED UP. IF YOU CANNOT BE HERE TO PICK UP YOUR ART, PLEASE MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR A FRIEND OR FAMILY MEMBER TO COLLECT YOUR ARTWORK.

Due to limited gallery space, we are setting the following limits:

3 pieces per artist, **no larger than 24" x 36"**, the remaining two must be smaller. Registration forms for this show are due NO later than Friday, November 13, 2015. This allows us sufficient time to type up the identification tags, as well as the program for our show.

We need everyone's help to make this show a success. Please submit your entries on time and **contact Leslie or Jackie** to help with this event. Thank you for your participation in the show.

Please cut out and attach the forms below to the back of your artwork.

Form B

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FOSTER GALLERY

(for Christianity and Fine Arts at First United Methodist Church in Peoria.)
116 NE Perry St. Peoria, IL

SHARON SOMERS PRESENTS : *WOVEN IN THE SPIRIT*

Water Color Paintings
October through November 15th.

Opening reception Friday November 6th 5-9 pm. Live music between 6-8pm.

Congratulations

Michael Aldag

His photograph "Spring Tree" (2015) was juried into this year's annual Shrode Photography Competition and Exhibit. The show is held at the Shrode Art Center at Cedarhurst Center for the Arts in Mt. Vernon, IL (www.cedarhurst.org). It is on display October 18, 2015 - January 3, 2016.

CONDOLENCES

William Hardin



PEORIA - William F. "Bill" Hardin, 89, of Peoria passed away on Tuesday, Oct. 13, 2015, at his home in Peoria with his family at his side. Bill was a professional portrait painter. He began with landscape painting and after taking seminars in New York, developed a love for portrait painting. Every year for the last 13 years, he has printed calendars with 12 of his paintings and their descriptions

Shirley Feather

DUNLAP - Shirley Feather, 78, of Dunlap, Ill., passed away Sunday, Oct. 25, 2015, at her home.

Born April 16, 1937, in Sims, Ill., to Frank D and Della Mae (Sons) Richison, she married Glen N. Feather on Aug. 15, 1955, in Fairfield, Ill., and he survives. She was an international traveler and shopper, having lived in Japan and Belgium for four years each. Shirley's favorite hobby was painting and she was very supportive of the Illinois Art League.



Remember: Submit your requests and announcements
for publication in the newsletter

to

Bev Pullen, Jackie Colgan, or Leslie Walsh



Contact Information for Private Sales of Artwork Time Gallery Show at Clock Tower

Fellow Members,

If you are interested in selling your artwork, after our Clock Tower sale ends on December 5th, please fill out the form below with your contact information. This information will be available to visitors to our show and potential buyers, for the duration of the show, from December 4 – January 28th.

Please email this completed form to Jackie at tncolgans@comcast.net or Leslie at booklady2404@yahoo.com as soon as possible, so that we can compile this list.

Thanks!

Jackie

Artist's name _____

Phone # _____ and/or

Email _____

No home addresses will be listed on this Contact Sheet.