



**Illinois Art League**  
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# ARTNEWS

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Art Shows - Art Workshops - Art News - Keeping You Informed

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## President's Corner

Dear Members,

*“Consider your light source” is a fundamental artistic concept. It draws attention to the main event, giving it shape and depth. Without it, contrast would be meaningless, dull and uninviting. Well you my dear friends are the light! You as artisans have stretched your knowledge of the art form and have been willing to teach and share. Whether in homes, studios, or monthly gatherings, let us know what you are doing so that we can inform others what is available. The Prairieland Watermedia had an awesome meeting as reported by the enclosed article. Even those who meet without organized instruction are committed to a routine of painting and drawing. These groups are: the Wednesday Colored Pencil Workgroup, the Friday Morning Oil/Acrylic group, and the Thursday Plein Air group. I hope my prompting has sparked a little light of your own.*

*Would you like to be instructed in the art of watercolor, but don't know how to get started? Or, perhaps you would like a more advanced study. Maybe watercolor is not your forte, but would like to explore and expand the potential of acrylics. Well, our member taught Super Saturday has it all for you! On Sat. September 14<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 to 4:00, Pat Rudzinski, Beginning Watercolor; Neva Townsend, Advanced Watercolor; and Patty O'Kane, Acrylic are eager and excited to present to you a day of learning and fun at the Peoria Heights Library. You all should have received the registration form, or use the one included and reply soon.*

*If you would like to be a part of the Illinois Art League Women Artists Past and Present Exhibit, (October 15 - November 15) and are able to be present for the reception, October 25<sup>th</sup>, 3-5pm you can contact Rose Sullivan (692-7766) or me (bkpullen@hotmail.com / 385-2501). OLLIE is offering five guided gallery tours during this celebration time. Details are included in this newsletter.*

*Concluding our 2013 year is the Annual Dinner Meeting, Monday, November 4<sup>th</sup>. We will hold the festivities at Childers Banquet Establishment and we are delighted to have Lizabeth Pearce, owner/artist of Pearce Gallery as our speaker. So, mark your calendars with all these IAL dates and I hope to see you soon.*

Bev Pullen

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**“That is what the title of artist means: one who perceives more than his fellows, and who records more than he has seen.” - Edward G. Craig**

## **Did you know?!**

Did you know that you can go to the Illinois Art League's website for this newsletter, membership applications, history of our league and so much more?! Just log in at: [www.illinoisartleague.com](http://www.illinoisartleague.com)

## **EXHIBITS AND GALLERIES**

### **Illinois Art League Women Artists Past and Present**

**Description:** The Illinois Art League will show paintings by women artists who worked early in the League's history and works by some current members.

**Place:** Peoria Heights Library

**Dates:** Oct. 15-Nov. 15

**Opening reception:**  
October 25, 3-5pm



Anita Willets Burnham,  
"China Grandmother and Child,"  
c1928, watercolor on paper.  
Collection of Carol Dearborn.

### **Bonus Study Group Announced!**

**OLLI** (Osher Lifelong Learning Institute from Bradley University)

Join in a discussion about contemporary and historical women artists from Peoria and around the country in "Celebrating Women Artists in Peoria," a bonus Study Group developed by Channy Lyons and Carol May.

Participants will visit five gallery locations in Peoria, where artists and guides at each location will discuss the exhibited artworks.

The galleries and guides are: Prairie Fiber Arts Guild with art teacher Maryruth Ginn and fiber artist Joan Quigg; the Contemporary Art Center with artist/director William Butler; Heuser Gallery on the Bradley University campus with art history professor Sarah Glover and gallery director Erin Buczynski; the Peoria Historical Society exhibit at the main branch of the Peoria Public Library with PHS collection curator Bob Killion; and the CIAO (Central Illinois Arts Organization) exhibit at the Prairie Center for the Arts with artist members of CIAO as guides.

In addition, during the Bradley campus visit, Sarah Glover will give a talk about the challenges and achievements of women artists.

Participants will be responsible for their own transportation to each location and reading a brief preview about the artwork they will be viewing.

**Dates:** Tuesdays, October 15 - November 5

**Time:** 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. Cost: \$44 per person

**Website:** please visit [www.bradley.edu/olli](http://www.bradley.edu/olli)

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS:**

- IAL Board Meeting Monday Sept 9<sup>th</sup>
- Sept 14<sup>th</sup> Member Taught workshop
- Oct 7<sup>th</sup> Board meeting
- Oct 15<sup>th</sup>-Nov 15<sup>th</sup> IAL Women Artist Past and Present Exhibit-Peoria Heights Library
- Oct 25<sup>th</sup>- IAL Women Artist Exhibit Reception 3-5 pm- Peoria Heights Library
- Nov 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Dinner- Childer's Banquet Facility

### **Colored Pencil Expressions-**

Luncheon is Sept 5th 11:30

Hostess: Elaine Koch

Maria's Tea Room Washington, IL

Theme: Fur

### **The Wednesday Colored Pencil Workgroup-**

Sept 4, 11, and 18 2:30-4:30

Peoria Public Library North

(By Menard's Pioneer Park)

Contact person: Karen Buenneke

309-681-0168

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### **Plein Aire Group -**

Days: 2nd & 4th Thursdays

Time: 10 AM - whenever you want to quit. Bring a sack lunch. No reservations necessary. Just come prepared to paint/draw! Please contact Terri Schockency at 309-673-6925 or [terrishockency@yahoo.com](mailto:terrishockency@yahoo.com) Or Rose Sullivan, 309-692-7766 or [rosenbob@att.net](mailto:rosenbob@att.net)

### **Prairieland Watermedia Society--**

All meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of the month unless otherwise noted. Bring art to share.

**Date:** Sept 19<sup>th</sup>- Hostesses: Kathy Sherman and Rose Sullivan

**Place:** Peoria Heights Library

**Time:** 1:00-3:00

We wish to thank **Linda Sprouse** and **Loretta VanHoorekeke** for the excellent lesson last month on watercolor batik! What fun we had learning a new way of painting with watercolor and wax! Thank you both for your extra efforts!

### **Oil and Acrylic Workgroup -**

Meets at Hobby Lobby in Peoria

Every Friday 9:30-12:30

Contact: Shirley Feather (309) 243-1660

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# ILLINOIS ART LEAGUE

MEMBER TAUGHT  
SUPER SATURDAY

One-day, Saturday-September 14, 2013

Peoria Heights Library  
816 E. Glen Ave.  
Peoria Heights, IL  
Class time: 9:30-4 pm

This is our annual fall workshop taught by IAL members. We are excited to offer this opportunity to come out for a workshop. Please register either by email or mail and your return confirmation and supply list will return to you in like manner.

1. Pat Rudzinski .....Watercolor 101  
(Beginning watercolor)
2. Neva Townsend.....Advanced Watercolor
3. Patti O’Kane..... Acrylic

Fee: IAL members ( \$25.00 for class only) or (\$35 class with lunch)  
Non-Members,( \$35.00 for class only) or (\$45 class with lunch)

A supply list for the classes will be sent to participants upon receipt of registration fee.  
DEADLINE IS SEPTEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>



## APPLICATION FOR IAL FALL WORKSHOP

**Name..... Phone.....**

**Address.....**

**Email address:.....**

**City..... State..... ZipCode.....**

**Class choice: 1<sup>st</sup> Choice #..... 2<sup>nd</sup> Choice #.....**

**Fee enclosed \$..... Are you an IAL member? ....yes ....no**

**Do you want lunch? ....Yes .....No**



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