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From the drawing board...

What inspires you?

We all, as artists, look for inspiration. We might have our favorite books, our favorite teachers, a video we enjoy, or we may look to nature. But I was reminded this past week that it is people who inspire me the most. I take inspiration from what my fellow artists are creating, the tools they are using, and their methods. I take inspiration from, and find it astounding, hearing that some artists paint daily. I feed off of that enthusiasm. And, being a bit of a recluse (due to location and circumstances of life), it is not always easy for me to be with people.

And that is where we are so very lucky to be a part of the Illinois Art League. We have monthly groups meeting in different mediums, sharing their work, sharing their enthusiasm. I encourage you, no matter what your level of expertise; get engaged with a group or two or three! Colored Pencil, Acrylic, Water media, Plein Air; we have it all! And if we don't have a specific group that interests you, by all means, start one!

I was also reminded this past week, with the passing of Greg DePaw of Metamora, that if a paraplegic can somehow make art, (beautiful, astounding art, at that!) what in the world is holding me back?!

Sharon Somers

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

WORKSHOP Sunday May 21st from 2:4:00 pm **(NO COST)**

Barb Shreffler and Brandon Wickwire from Frames Plus in Willow Knolls Complex is offering **FRAMING OPTIONS A-Z** They will cover mounting, matting, and framing and [what you should know before framing your picture.](#)

Maximum participants 12. contact: Barb Shreffler at 309-369-8879 or barbshreffler@gmail.com

GREAT NEWS!!!

ART MARKET AT WEAVER RIDGE

Saturday Sept 30th 2017

Checkout page 4 and 5 of newsletter for details


For questions contact Barb Shreffler 309-369-8879 barbshreffler@gmail.com

Things to do and places to go

- Monday April 10th **ATTENTION: IAL Acrylic Painters, you** are invited on the 2nd Monday of each month to a “Open Studio” at Peoria Heights Library 9:30-12:30 Contact Jean Gronewold 309-657-3874 jeangg38@gmail.com Bring your own project acrylics only
- Tuesdays April 11, 18th, 25th **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.
- Wednesday 12 and 19th **ALL INTERESTED IN COLORED PENCIL.** A workgroup meets at the Peoria North Branch Library 2-4. Help available for anyone needing assistance. Contact Karen Bueneke at 309-681-0168 for more info. Bring your own project to work on. Group does not meet on the last Wednesday of the month. Does not meet during summer months.
- Thursday April 20th **PRAIRIELAND WATER MEDIA SOCIETY** 1-3:00 Peoria Heights Library Hostesses: Jackie Colgan and Leslie Walsh informative video and hands on painting. Bring your supplies.
- Monday April 24th **ALL ARTIST’S GROUP** at Humana Building on Hale St. Pioneer Park. For additional info: Contact: Cindy Wamack at 309-691-1677. cwamack@humana.com
- Thursday May 4th **COLORED PENCIL EXPRESSIONS** luncheon Hostess: Georgetanne Casullo Theme: Mother’s Day Ideas 11:30 Location to be announced 309-472-1910 gafromdunlap@comcast.net

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Translations From the Heart



Sherri Burritt **Mary Hildebrand**

YOU ARE INVITED TO AN ARTIST RECEPTION

FRIDAY APRIL 7th 5-8pm



Exhibit runs April 1st thru April 28th

TIME GALLERY EXHIBIT

*Crowns of Empowerment
by Natalie Jackson O’Neal*




Exhibit on view April 1– May 31st 201 Clock Tower Dr Levee Dist East Peoria

IAL MONTHLY MEMBER EXHIBIT

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

EXHIBITING FOR April is: **Leslie Walsh**

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

53RD ANNUAL RENNICK ART SHOW

MAY 4TH- MAY 30TH AT THE PEORIA PUBLIC DOWNTOWN LIBRARY

You are invited to participate in this show presented by Peoria Historical Society/Peoria Public Library

Artist may submit oil, watercolor, pen&ink, pastel, colored pencils, charcoal, mixed media, acrylic, photography, fiber art, print-making, porcelain, or sculpture. Your piece must depict a scene within 100 mile radius in the tri-county area. All artwork must be an original completed within the last two years. Entry fee \$15 for first, \$10 for each additional with a limit of 5. Bring art Monday May 1st to the library between 10:30-5:30. No pre-registration needed.

Call: Marjorie Schwebel chairperson for the event 309-672-2363 for an application/forms.

DONATE YOUR ART TO WTVP AUCTION TO SUPPORT PROGRAMING

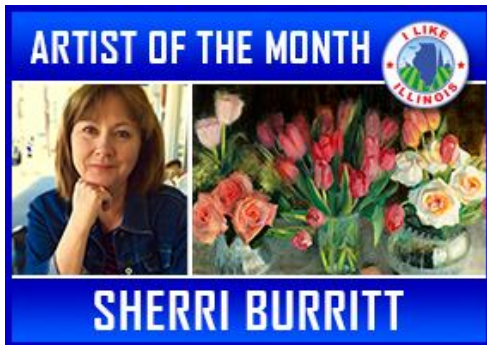
ART & ANTIQUES - Showcase your talent by creating a work of art for the WTVP Auction or donating a piece from your collection. WTVP will promote your art work and antiques on-air as well as through special and exclusive displays.

- The 2017 WTVP On-Line Auction starts April 10 and ends April 30.
- The 2017 WTVP Broadcast Auction will be live on air April 27 through April 30.

If you would like more information on the WTVP Auctions, please visit the WTVP Auction Web site - <http://www.wtvp.org/auction/> Thank you!

Don Stedman - On-line Auction Chairperson
Luann Claudin - Auction Director, 309-495-0547

ARTIST IN THE NEWS



ILLINOIS ARTIST OF THE MONTH

Sherri was selected as an Illinois Artist of the month by I Like Illinois
www.ilikeillinois.com

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Sherri Burritt is an artist based in Morton outside of Peoria. For three decades she created works mainly with watercolor until about six years ago when she started experimenting with oil paints, enjoying the flexibility of the medium. Her works focus on impressionistic style still lives as she plays with light and texture to create not just a scene but an emotion and feeling.

TWO IAL Artists are Published and available for purchase

Dawn Maloney and PK Bhosale

They have published adult coloring books.

Books can be purchased by contacting Dawn at 309-472-6067 maloney.dawn@gmail.com

PK Bhosale at 309-692-6140 ssaibu@gmail.com www.artwanted.com/pkbhosale

Welcome New Members

1. **Laurie Moore** 1118 Pembroke Dr. Peoria, IL 61614 530-913-0742 lauriejsims@gmail.com
2. **Reid Hansen** 217 E. Hanover Pl, Peoria, IL 61614 309-696-9176 runreid@yahoo.com
3. **Ginger Jacocks** 440 E. High Point Dr. Peoria, IL 61614 309-689-1158 mikginja@mtco.com

Art Market at Weaver Ridge

Saturday, September 30, 2017

Welcome to a brand-new, indoor, fine art market!

Market Details:

Date: Saturday, September 30, 9AM – 4 PM

Location: Weaver Ridge, 5100 N Weaverridge Blvd, Peoria, IL 61615

Set-up: Friday, September 29, 4 – 8 PM, Saturday, September 30, 7 – 8:30 AM

Applications: All applicants will be juried. Applications should include a self-addressed, stamped envelope with postage.

After August 1, there is a \$10.00 non-refundable administration fee in addition to the booth fee.

Booths: 8' Space INDOORS. Each 8' space comes with a skirted 8' table, **unless you do not want a table.**

Fee: \$50 per 8' space. **Illinois Art League members with PAID membership, \$40/space.**

Refunds: No refunds after August 31, 2017.

Advertising: Weaver Ridge and the Illinois Art League will be advertising this event, but it is imperative that you invite your clients and special guests!

Food: Light finger-food will be provided throughout the day. Cash bar is available. Meals are available for sale in the café. NO FOOD OR BEVERAGES (including water) will be allowed brought in.

Qualifications:

1. All work shown must be the artist's own creative, original concept, design, and execution, and must be personally exhibited. Prints are allowed. If any work does not fit these criteria, you will be asked to remove it from your space.
2. Along with application, ALL applicants must submit three (3) photographs representing the work to be shown at the market. Online application is encouraged with photo files attached. Applications submitted by mail which are not accepted, will have photos returned by mail. Artists who are selected to participate will have their photos returned to them at the event.
3. Exhibitors are responsible for setting up and attending their own booths.
4. Each artist must provide everything needed for displaying their work, other than tables and chairs.
5. Artists must be present and have booth open for business during all hours of this event. No early tear down. Artists sharing a space may take turn manning their space.

Art Market at Weaver Ridge

Saturday, September 30, 2017

9 AM – 4 PM

Artist Application

Name: _____ Business Name: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Reserve: _____ 8' Space at \$50 per Space (Illinois Art League member with PAID Membership \$40 per space)

_____ 8' tables needed

Total Enclosed: \$_____

Please indicate your art form

Oils Acrylics Watercolors Sculpture Drawings Prints Pastels

Photography Jewelry (must be handmade) Ceramics Wood Glass/Fiber/Metal Mixed Media Other (Specify) _____

The undersigned hereby releases and forever discharges Weaver Ridge, The Illinois Art League of any and all responsibility and liability of whatever kind of loss or damage to the undersigned's property in connection with this exhibition. After August 1, 2017, there is a \$10 non-refundable administration fee in addition to the Space Fee. No refunds after August 30, 2017.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

Check List: Signed Application Form Self-addressed, adequately STAMPED business ENVELOPE

A Check for the Space Three Photos representing Work **\$10.00 late fee after August 1st**

Make checks payable to: Illinois Art League, ATTN: Art Market, PO Box 3532, Peoria IL 61612-3532

Questions: Call Barb Shreffler, 309-369-8879