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# NEWSLETTER

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## FROM THE DRAWING BOARD

Your board of directors has been hard at work these past months planning for the future of the Art League. The planning committee, in particular, has spent many hours researching the past so that they can plan for our future. Some of our best blessings are our volunteers. They spend countless hours planning and putting on events that benefit everyone. Our membership is well over 100 people. Our volunteers only number 15 people.

We need our membership to be more involved. In order to grow our organization, in order to improve the league, in order to add valued events, we need you. Come to our all member meeting. Hear what is going on. Lend your voice in ideas and inspiration and even criticisms. But most of all, volunteer your time and your talents to help us make the Illinois Art League THE place all artists in our communities want to belong. -Sharon Somers

### Survey

The planning committee is sending a survey to understand how the Art League can better serve its members. Members with email addresses have already received a separate email containing the survey. Members without email will find it enclosed with this printed newsletter. Please return by mail or email your survey asap. We will share the results when tallied.

## Art Groups

### Plein Air

Tuesdays 1-3 p.m., Luthy Botanical Garden. Must call ahead.  
Contact: Leslie Walsh  
309-240-8363  
booklady2404@yahoo.com

### Colored Pencil Workgroup

The first 3 Wednesdays of each month, 2-4 p.m. Peoria North Branch Library. Bring a project to work on.  
Contact: Karen Buenneke  
309-681-0168

### Colored Pencil Expressions

Thursday, April 5 11:30 a.m. at TGIF.  
Hostess: Kathy Johnson  
Theme: Water  
Contact: Kathy Johnson  
309-693-2982  
Kbj-rljii@juno.com

### Acrylic Painters

April 9, 9:30-12:30 p.m. at Peoria Heights Library.  
Open Studio  
Contact: Jean Griffith  
309-657-3874  
jeangg38@gmail.com

### Prairieland Watermedia Society

Thursday, April 19, 1-3 p.m.  
Peoria Heights Library  
Hostess: Phyllis Pryde and Sharon Bruell.  
A "Swap and Sale" and a program on composition.

### All Artist's (except Oil)

Monday, April 30, 1-3 p.m.  
Humana Building, Westlake Shopping Center  
Contact: Cindy Wamack  
309-691-1677  
cwamack@humana.com

## SPRING WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP

Creating and Using Textures  
in Watercolor  
with Watercolor Artist  
**Carol Boerckel**

Saturday May 19th  
9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.  
\$60 for members  
\$70 for non-members  
Box lunches are available for  
an additional \$10.  
Attached is your sign up  
sheet.  
Limited to 20 participants

## MEMBER EXHIBIT

The April exhibiting artists are Dale Evans and also Laurie Moore. Dale is often found plein air painting. He'll be showing many of his watercolor paintings. Laurie paints in oil. She has mostly landscapes but does still life as well. Each exhibit is held at the Peoria Heights Library.

There are more dates available for other artists in 2018.

For more details contact:  
Roberta Schwandner,  
raschwandner@aol.com  
309-360-0455

### Dale Evans



### Laurie Moore



## ART SHOWS & OPPORTUNITIES

### Studios on Sheridan

Combined Artist Reception  
Jessica Ball (painting) and  
Brandie Fislar (cold glass),  
Main Gallery  
Noah Otten (painting) will also be in  
the Jessica Ball studio.  
Friday, April 6, 5 pm.-9 p.m.

### Foster Gallery

Unseen Voices  
A juried show Application deadline is  
April 21.  
The show is May 27-July 8.  
[fumpcpeoria.org/about-us/foster-gallery](http://fumpcpeoria.org/about-us/foster-gallery)

### Riverfront Museum

Celebrating Illinois  
200 Years in the Land of Lincoln  
February 3-June 3  
[peoriariverfrontmuseum.org](http://peoriariverfrontmuseum.org)

### Foster Gallery

Circles of Light, Suzette Boulais  
April 8-May 20

### Peoria Historical Society

54th Annual Rennick Juried Art Show  
May 4-May 30  
Peoria Public Main Library  
Bring artwork May 1.  
For more information  
[www.peoriahistoricalsociety.org](http://www.peoriahistoricalsociety.org)

### Peoria Art Guild

Nude Attitude, Opening event Saturday,  
April 21. 7 p.m.-11:00 p.m.

### Contemporary Art Center of Illinois

"Hot CIAO Member Exhibit"  
Preston Jackson Gallery  
March 9-April 20  
Juliet Holland  
Ceramic sculpture and mixed media

### Time Gallery

Landscapes of Illinois by  
Emily Jacob-Rudesill, April.  
[emilyjacob.zenfolio.com](http://emilyjacob.zenfolio.com)



### Prairie Center of the Arts

"36th Bradley International Print and  
Drawing Exhibition" March 11-April 17  
[prairiecenterofthearts.blogspot.com](http://prairiecenterofthearts.blogspot.com)

For more events please see  
[www.artspartners.net/events](http://www.artspartners.net/events)

## CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

### Painting and Drawing

Pam Miller, Thursdays  
10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.  
at Michaels.  
[classes.michaels.com](http://classes.michaels.com)

### Portrait Workshop

Ken Tiessen, April 21-22,  
9 a.m.-3 p.m., at The Mill,  
Work from life.  
Contact: Ken Tiessen at  
309-369-2979 or  
[kentiessen@comcast.net](mailto:kentiessen@comcast.net)



### Mixed Media

Jean Griffith, Fridays 9:30 a.m.-  
11:30 a.m., April 6-27 at ICC North  
Campus. Contact: ICC Adult Com-  
munity Programs @  
<http://cce.icc.edu/acp>

### Hand Lettering

Chelsea Tamms, Tuesday, April 10,  
5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m.  
Saturday, April 14, 1:00-2:30 p.m.  
at The Nest Coworking. Contact:  
[www.letteringworks.com/workshops](http://www.letteringworks.com/workshops)



## ARTBYTES

### In the News

Julie Dodge Photography is now  
at the Studios on Sheridan.

### Dale Evans

Will be demonstrating water-  
color at ICC's Fine Arts Fair  
Wednesday, April 18th.

### Pam Miller

Will be painting at ICC's Fine  
Arts Fair on Tuesday, April 17,  
12:00 p.m.-3 p.m.

### Member Show

July 2018  
Time Gallery, East Peoria, IL

### Volunteers Needed

Workshop Planning  
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