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# NEWSLETTER

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## FROM THE DRAWING BOARD....

Spring is right around the corner, or so we all would like to think. We have a lot of busy members. I am planning on sharing art related events and achievements in our monthly newsletter. I sent out a request for information and had a great response. Please continue to update me as you have art related information. I really appreciate all the photos, too. Another item I would like to add occasionally in our newsletter is "Artists' Studio" photos. If you have a studio space that you don't mind sharing we would love to see photos. I'll add them as space allows.

Sherri

Meet Barbie our newest board member:

### **Barbie Perry**

Barbie has been a member of the League for three years. Her current volunteer efforts with the League focus on Strategic Planning. She began self-study about four years ago. Her current practice mainly focuses on contemporary printmaking. Barbie was an Artist-in-Residency at the Prairie Center of the Arts in Peoria for 9 months and has recently transitioned into a Resident Artist with permanent status. She attends Illinois Central College to further her art education.

### **Survey**

Those of you having an email address will be receiving a Survey from the Planning Committee in the middle of March. Please take a few minutes to give us your thoughts and opinions on your experience and liking of the Illinois Art League. For those of you who do not have email, you will receive a survey through regular mail so please fill out and return. We hope to have all the surveys back by the end of March and look forward to reporting on the results. We'll use the results to help us plan for the best possible future development of the IAL. We want to hear your voice! Thank you.

The planning committee

## 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, Peoria North Branch Library 2-4 p.m. Bring a project to work on.  
Contact:  
Karen Buenneke 309-681-0168

### **Colored Pencil Expressions**

Thursday, March 1, 11:30 a.m.  
Avanti's (North)  
Hostess: Kay Bishop  
Theme: "Something Blue"

### **Acrylic Painters**

Monday, March 12, 9:30-12:30 p.m.  
Peoria Heights, Library, Fee \$2  
Melanie Picl, melpicl153@gmail.com

### **Prairieland Watermedia Society**

(NOTE: One time change of meeting place)

Thursday March 15  
Peoria Main Library 1:00 p.m.  
107 N.E. Monroe, Peoria, IL  
Contact: Ruth Inman and Maggie Martino, Bring your paints and practice "Negative Painting"

### **All Artist's (except Oil)**

Monday, March 26  
Humana Building, Westlake Shopping Center, 1-3 p.m.  
Contact: Cindy Wamack  
309-691-1677

## MEMBER EXHIBIT

The March exhibiting artists at the Peoria Heights Library are Darlene Jones and Rachael Wentworth. There are a few more exhibiting dates available in 2018. For more details contact Roberta Schwandner, raschwandner@aol.com 309-360-0455



Darlene Jones

## ART MARKET

The Art Market planning is in full swing for November 3rd, 9:00a.m-4:00p.m. at Weaver-Ridge. Spaces are limited and there are only a few left. Attached is an application and information. For any additional questions contact Barb Shreffler 309-369-8879 barbshreffler@gmail.com

## ARTBYTES



Mary Hildebrand

### **Congratulations**

Mary Hildebrand has been selected in the "Galex 52" Show. She was 1 of 111 artists with 379 pieces of art selected in the National Show.



Jim Walker

Jim Walker has won first place in two shows. Forest Park Nature Centers 14th Annual Nature Photography Contest and Chillicothe's Eagle Days Celebration's Eagles and Life on the Illinois River Photo and Art Contest.

### **Photography Exhibit**

Natalie Jackson O'Neal's photography show "Matters of the Heart" runs from January 24—March 3 at the Cinema Gallery, Urbana, IL.

### **Art Exhibit**

Dale Evans will be exhibiting his plein-air oils and watercolors, March 8-April 7 at the Lincoln Art Institute in Lincoln, IL.

### **New Members**

A big Welcome to our new members Linda Cherry, Miriam Olson, Kathy Jean, Rebecca Lehouillier and Holly Schuh.

### **Donate Art**

WTVP is looking for donations to support their Programming.  
<http://www.wtvp.org/auktion/donate>

## ART SHOWS & OPPORTUNITIES

### **Peoria Main Library**

"Seeking Light, Shedding Light" Judy Ritchie, Barbie Perry, Peg Toliver and Deb Rising are in a 4 person show at the downtown Peoria Public Library, March 2-29. Opening reception is Saturday, March 10, 2:00p.m. 4p.m.

### **Illinois Central College**

Anita Tuccillo, paintings  
February 14—March 9  
Gary Viviano, Mixed media  
February 21— March 16  
Phillip Carey & Ety Yaniv  
Mixed media  
March 21— April 13



Judy Ritchie

### **Prairie Center of the Arts**

"36th Bradley International Print and Drawing Exhibition" March 11—April 17  
Mid-Illini High School Art Exhibition, March 10—April 1

### **Contemporary Art Center of Illinois**

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

### **Galesburg Art Civic Art Center**

"Galex 52" March 2—31  
A National Juried art 2 Dimensional Art Show.

### **Time Gallery**

"Employee & Family Exhibit" Through March

### **Riverfront Museum**

"Celebrating Illinois" 200 Years in the Land of Lincoln.  
February 3— June 3

### **Foster Gallery**

"Stations of the Cross" February 14— April 1

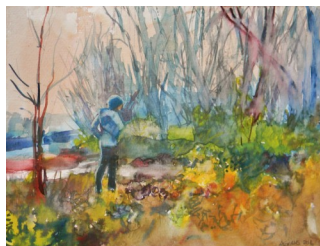
**IAL Members & Guests Meeting**

**Monday  
April 2  
6:30p.m.-8:00p.m.  
Peoria Heights  
Library**

## CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

### **Watercolor**

Dale Evans will be teaching a 6-week course at the McLean County Arts Center, 6:30p.m.-9:00p.m., March 22-April 26.  
<http://www.mcac.wildapricot.org>



Dale Evans

### **China Painting**

Illinois Valley Porcelain Art Guild meets the first Wednesday of each month. Next meeting is March 7, 10:00a.m., Fondulac Park Administration Building. Contact Jean Fehl for more information. 309-633-0737, [jeanfehl@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jeanfehl@sbcglobal.net)