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**MEET YOUR BOARD MEMBERS**

Maggie Martino is a watercolor and photography artist. She is also the head of the Education Committee. This team of people really rose to the challenge to provide educational programs and opportunities during the Covid-19 pandemic. Making great use of Zoom, including some instruction on how to use Zoom, they hosted interesting and informative All Member Meetings. Maggie and the Education Committee continue to explore Zoom and other methods to help us increase our artistic skills!

**NOVEMBER ALL MEMBER MEETING**

The Education Committee is having a special November All-Member Meeting just in time for the holidays. It will be held on Monday, November 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm via Zoom. They will demonstrate 4 methods of decorating 4x4 ceramic tiles – Alcohol Ink, Acrylic Pour, Stamping, and Transferring Images.

The Education Committee is Maggie Martino, Ruth Inman, Sharon Somers, and Kathy Sherman. This special meeting is our way of saying Thank You to all our members who have continued to participate during this difficult time and who have been willing to get out of their comfort zone and learn Zoom.

**PEORIA HEIGHTS LIBRARY EXHIBIT**

The Peoria Height Library has a new exhibit for November! This month features the husband and wife team of Rick and Melanie Picl. The hours are Monday through Friday 9AM to 5PM and Saturday 10AM to 2PM. Please wear a mask and stop by soon to see the new exhibit!



Melanie Picl  
 Acrylic and Mixed



Rick Picl  
 Photography

**ART SHOWS**

Time Gallery – 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
 Fondulac Bank- East Peoria  
**Art With A Few Friends**  
 Show runs through January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021  
 Featuring the artwork of  
 Central Illinois artists!



**ANNUAL DINNER - CANCELLED**

Due to the need to maintain social distance and for the protection of our members, the Board has regretfully decided to cancel the 2020 Annual Dinner.

We continue to monitor the guidance from local health providers and hope to have a celebration of some type once the situation improves.

Thank you for your continued support of the Illinois Art League! We look forward to seeing everyone soon!

## AREA CLASSES

Check out the websites for information on small groups and on-line classes!

### Ruth Inman In Studio Classes

Friday, Nov 6<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> (combo class) - Paper Making and Mixed Media- 10 am

Saturday, Nov 7<sup>th</sup> - Let's Paint (Acrylic) - 10am

Tuesday, Nov 10<sup>th</sup> - Getting Your Paint On! - 10 am

Tuesday, Nov 17<sup>th</sup> - Junk Mail Art - 3pm

Wednesday, Nov 18<sup>th</sup> - Mixed Media in Art Journaling - 1pm

Thursday, Nov 19<sup>th</sup> - Painting Alcohol Ink Tiles - 1pm

Saturday, Nov 21<sup>st</sup> - Let's Paint (Acrylic) - 10am

For more information or to register visit:

[www.RuthInmanArt.com](http://www.RuthInmanArt.com)

### McLean County Arts Center- Mandy Roeing

Painting the Midwest Landscape in Pastel

Saturday, November 7<sup>th</sup> 10:00am to 3:00pm

<https://mcac.wildapricot.org/event-3936960>

### Peoria Art Guild Small Group Classes

Monday, Nov 16<sup>th</sup> and Nov 23<sup>rd</sup> (separate classes) -

Pysanky Snowflake Ornaments - 6pm

Saturday, Nov 21<sup>st</sup> - Print Room Orientation - 10am

Saturday, Nov 21<sup>st</sup> - Print Room Open Studio - Noon

To see a complete class listing, get more information on classes above or to register visit:

<https://www.peoriaartguild.org/currentclasses>

### Yvonne Ham Online Classes

<https://www.yvonneham.com/workshops>

### Illinois Art League Website

If you would like your artwork on our League's website, contact Brandon Wickwire at [dynamitedesignhouse@gmail.com](mailto:dynamitedesignhouse@gmail.com)

## ARTISTS NEEDED

Each month two artists display their work at the Peoria Heights Library. If you are interested in displaying your artwork in 2021, please contact Cris Potthoff at [cris.potthoff@gmail.com](mailto:cris.potthoff@gmail.com).

Please let her know which month you would like to choose and she will confirm if the slot is open. At this time, most months are open with the exception of April. If you've never displayed your work before, this is a great opportunity for a show!

## ART GROUPS

### Praireland Watermedia Society

Thursday November 19, 2020 1:00p.m. to 3:00p.m.

Watercolor Accordion Booklet

Meeting online through Zoom

Host: Ruth Inman

Ph: 309-635-7946 [E-mail: artworksbyruth@gmail.com](mailto:artworksbyruth@gmail.com)

Who knows all the uses for a **Watercolor Accordion Booklet**?

Make one and discover your answer. We'll use 9 x 12 watercolor paper, watercolor paints, a large brush for washes, medium round brush (8 or 10 or 12), water, paper towels, scissors and ruler (or a paper cutter), **glue stick** (no wet glue), 2 paper or binder clips, and, as an option, seasonal rubber stamps. Your tracing or drawing ability will come in handy, too. Accordingly we will have fun.

If you have not received an e-mail about PWS before and want to get the invitation to this meeting, please send your request and e-mail to Deborah Christman at [queendfr@comcast.net](mailto:queendfr@comcast.net)

### Plein Air

On Hold Until Spring 2021

Contact: Leslie Walsh 309-240-8363 [Booklady2404@yahoo.com](mailto:Booklady2404@yahoo.com)

### Drawing, Mixed Media & Acrylic

Currently on hold, but working on a safe, alternative location. To be included on the mailing about meeting times, please contact Melanie Picl at [Melpicl153@gmail.com](mailto:Melpicl153@gmail.com)

### Colored Pencil Workgroup

No meeting November

### Colored Pencil Expressions

No meeting November

### Urban Sketchers

Currently on hold

The Illinois Art League is setting up a YouTube channel. We will be recording our All Member Meetings and other events to post to this channel. Stay tuned for more information!

## OPPORTUNITY

Lettering Works has started a Facebook Group "Six-Figure Arts Business" for any artists who would like to connect with other professional artists, ask questions, and share accomplishments and knowledge.

Request to join the group at [facebook.com/groups/sixfigureartsbusiness](https://facebook.com/groups/sixfigureartsbusiness).

If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to Chelsie at [hello@letteringworks.com](mailto:hello@letteringworks.com).

## ART SALE

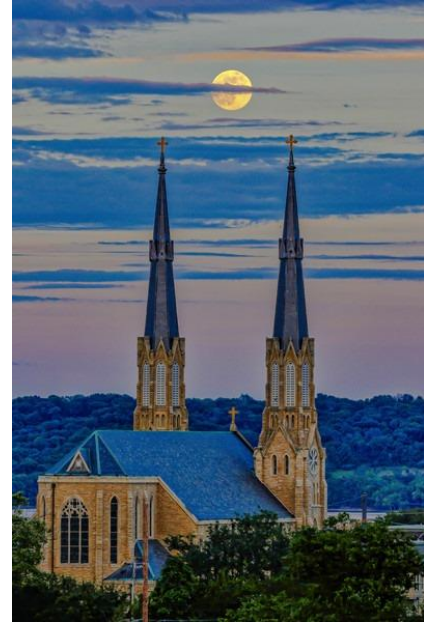
The Peoria Art Guild will be having a Crimson Door Sale on Friday, December 4<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup>. The sale will feature local artists. To help keep everyone safe, you must sign up for a time to come to the show. For more information visit the Peoria Art Guild at <https://www.peoriaartguild.org/>

## PAUSE FOR APPLAUSE

Micheal Aldag's photo, "Church at 10:30" (2020) was juried into the Shrode Photography Competition and Exhibit. The show runs through January 3, 2021 at the Shrode Art Center at Cedarhurst Center for the Arts 2500 East Richview Road Mt. Vernon, IL. For more information visit their website at <http://www.cedarhurst.org/>



Congratulations to Jim Walker! His photo of St. Mary's Cathedral received First Place in the Discover Peoria Photo Contest - a joint project with the Peoria Area Convention and Visitors Bureau and Arts Partners.



Kirk Perry has written and published a book, *Melik Nightcat and the Elven Prince: The Key of Brundag*. This is the first in a trilogy. The artwork was done by local artist, Jeremy Berkley and marketing was done by Chelsie Tamms. If you're interested in ordering the book, visit Kirk's website [www.jkirkperry.com](http://www.jkirkperry.com)



**Newsletter** If you have any art related events, awards, classes or items you feel might enhance our membership, email me at [cris.potthoff@gmail.com](mailto:cris.potthoff@gmail.com)

**DEADLINE: The 23<sup>rd</sup> of each month prior to the next month. I will try to get in late items as time and space allow.**

Join the IAL Facebook Group at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1851959941728569/>  
Share your artwork with others!

You can also follow us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/illinoisartleague/>

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