



Collage

Fountain Hills Art League

March 2015

From the President

We are pleased to welcome 14 new members this year.



I would like to say thanks to our hard working board and chair members for so many things; putting together our membership book; publishing this newsletter; taking minutes and distributing our board meeting info and keeping us informed; our treasurer who deposits your \$\$ and pays our bills and keeps those records; all the tour committees; our vice-president for bringing us these wonderful demos; the workshop opportunities; the open studio and town hangings; the website - the Tour website is beautiful!; the juried and all member shows; our field trips; and our historian--did you know we have a historian for articles you think the league should keep? --just to name some things that make our league successful. We can't do it without participation from all of you. Be thinking about what you will volunteer for in the coming year.

Having said that, we haven't had anyone come forward for **hospitality**. Please bring your own beverage to our meetings if you want one, and feel free to bring finger food to share.

We also need one of the **Arizona Art Alliance** juried artists to be our league rep and attend quarterly meetings at AAA. This is a new requirement from AAA for continued participation.

I've been informed that there is low participation in the Town Hall hangings. We will discuss discontinuing this show at our next board meeting.

A note on Artist of the Month guidelines for old and new members: Each Artist of the Month winner can only win once per year. If you enter a piece after you have won, you will automatically be eligible only for 2nd place. Our chair will keep this list of prior winners for reference. We vote at our December holiday gathering for Artist of the Year. Additional info is on the back pages of the membership booklet.

Bonnie Schweih

Next Meeting March 2

The meetings are the first Monday of the month...MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

6-6:20: Critique 6-6:30 p.m.: Sign in and set up of Artist of the Month, Social Time 6:30-6:45 p.m.: Meeting
6:45-7:45 p.m.: Program/Demonstrations 7:45-8:10 p.m.: Break 8:10-8:30 p.m.: Awards/Announcements.
The Critique at 6-6:20 is done by Michael Roberts; this is for unfinished or finished art, this does not include Artist of the Month projects.

The next Art League meeting will be held March 2 at 6:30 in the Community Center. Fiber Artist Shelly White and her husband Dan Mayer will be the guest speakers. Dan is a well known book artist who also creates public art. He designed the two huge bridges connecting the Sky Train to Terminal 4 at Sky Harbor. The design has architectural glass with hand painted ceramic glazes and screen printed float glass. The public is welcome to join us.

Art in the Park

Remember to visit on March 7....check out your fellow artists!

2015 Membership

We will be accepting 2015 membership fees at all meetings. The dues have not changed - \$30.00 for 1 person, \$40.00 for 2 person household. You may also send them to Frank Keenan, application on back of newsletter.

Additional members are listed on separate page, please copy and add to your 2015 book.

Tour d'Artistes 2015

Less than a month to go. Everything is arranged. If you haven't picked up the maps to pass out please contact Mindy Kocchi at 602-882-8064 and if you need flyers please contact Barbara Drake at 602-320-1827. We are ordering more of the above as we are running out of both.

Anyone that is not displaying at Emerson Gallery and are on the tour, you have an opportunity of take in a small piece that will hang during the tour days. Please take in your piece to Barbara Zahno at Emerson on Wednesday March 4, 2015.

Check out our Web page about the tour. If you need a map you can download it from the Web page. Also see the face book pages.

There will be a prize drawing for any one visiting all the studios and get their passport stamped at each venue. A drawing will be made shortly after the tour for the winners. You can see the prizes on the web page.

A voluntary donation box will be at each studio. The monies collected will be used to fund art for the schools in Fountain Hills.

I want to thank everyone who took on one of the duties this year. You all did a great job.

Lastly I need someone to take over the TOUR for the 2016 year. It doesn't have to be just one person. A couple of people could share the duty. I have all the chair people set up to do all the jobs, so you mostly just have to delegate the jobs and oversee their progress. I have done it for 4 years. If no one will take on this chairmanship the next tour will not happen. That would be a shame because it has been so successful. This year everyone that stepped up did a fabulous job.

Thank you, thank you to them all. *Michelle Williams Tour d'Artistes 2015 chairperson.*

March Show Information

First of all, the **All Member Show**, is hung Mon. March 2 between 9 and 10 a.m., if you cannot absolutely make it at that time, please let me know. I am sure I can help out. We don't leave at 10, we have to hang the items.

Either before arriving, or when you get there, we need forms filled out. The Hold Harmless for the Art League and the Hold Harmless for the Community Center. The other form is the information about you, how to get a hold of you and your paintings, which we attach to the back of your art. Take down for this show is Mar 31, all day.

This show is FREE, you can bring 2-3 pieces. It is a chance for you to show what you've done. It does have to be something within the last 3 years, and it does have to be in hanging form. (WITH WIRED BACKS TO HANG).

So take advantage of the free hanging and bring your art.

PLEASE IF THERE ARE QUESTIONS ,,,, don't hesitate to contact Diane Czernicki.

Next is the **Juried All Member Show**: This is a \$25 fee. All the same forms have to be filled out, so if you did it once , we will have that in our book, no need to do it again. What you do need is the entry form filled out, with the check made out to the FHAL, in my hands by Feb. 27. I live at the Village at Towne Center, if you want to stop by. If you have a form that says All Member and need Juried, just add that to the top and use it for the Juried.

We need your information on file at the Community Center, which is kept in a book. If you need to take something out for the Tour just sign it out at the desk, and bring it back if you don't sell it.

These art pieces will be judged Mar 2, during our meeting. So you need to drop them off at the art room in the community center between 4:30 and 6 p.m. we will not accept anything after 6, so don't wait .

This show is also taken down on March 31, anytime during the day. Sign them out.

At our break, in the meeting, we will have the juror come in and explain their judging.

Our **awards night** is Wed. March 18. 6-8. With awards given out at 7 pm We will be giving money and ribbons.

This is a DESSERT Reception. Anyone interested in baking or bringing, please do. We rely on our members to help contribute to our table. Thanks in advance!

1st Place February Artist of the Month

The Fountain Hills Art League members voted Gwen Jones as Artist of the Month for her Fiber Art creation. The piece, titled "Leaf Bouquet" is a suede cloth experiment using a mock trapunto technique.



2nd Place

Diane Carlisle won with her oil painting of a wood carver.

Jenny Willigrod was the February presenter and will have a Pastel Workshop March 23 at the Community Center.



Workshops

Attention Members, there is still some time and spaces left in our workshops being offered. If you are interested please call me, Nancy Dini at [224 628 0422](tel:2246280422) or text me at nancydini@gmail.com

Here are the workshops being offered:

Michael Roberts: Perspective workshop March 10th, Tuesday \$25, Emerson Gallery

Angel Burch Elquest: Mixed Media March 16th & 30th, Tuesdays \$25 for 2 sessions, Community Center

Jenny Willigrod: Pastels March 23, Monday from 1 to 4:00 pm \$35 Community Center

Plein Air: On March 24, Tuesday, at 9:00 a few of us are painting out at the ranch near Rio Verde. We will meet at the community center parking lot. Join us for a few hours of out door fun. Let Nancy know if you are interesting in joining us so we can car pool.

Angels Class Supply List

Supplies: Canvas, water containers, scissors, glue (I use mat medium), gels if you want to try adding some textures acrylic paint, pallet, brushes even sponge brushes are great, collage papers, fabrics, lace, strings, wires, tissue papers, recycle birthday cards, old maps, pics from magazines, your own photos, etc..... beads, jewelry, keys, and other embellishments be creative.

Think about the demo we just had in January with a painting and then all the collage interacting in the painting. The subject is your choice. This will be two part class it will allow us time to be more relaxed and to have fun. If more people would rather we could just do an abstract painting adding gels and mediums as a second option.

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Make check payable to: Fountain Hills Art League

Mail to: Frank Keenan, P.O. Box 18509, Fountain Hills, AZ 85269

Return payment and the completed portion of this application to address above.

Name: _____ Medium/Patron: _____

Address: _____ City/State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____ Fax: _____

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It is requested that each member commit to 2 hours or more of volunteer service to the organization: Please check 1 or more...

I will assist with exhibitions I will serve on a committee I will help with membership

I will accept a Board position I will serve on a telephone committee I will help with publicity

I will plan a workshop I will teach a workshop I will demonstrate at meetings

I will help with refreshments I will help with a newsletter Other _____

Attached is: Check # _____ Cash Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

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