

# **NEWSLETTER**

December 2017

### Inspiring passion in the arts

#### CALENDAR

#### **DECEMBER**

NAL Board meeting 6:30pm
 Last day of Gallery of Gifts
 Pick up holiday show items
 No Fourth Friday

#### **JANUARY**

9 NAL Board meeting 6:30
5-6 Drop off Lightbulb Moment
6 Cat Guardians fundraiser
9-27 Lightbulb Moment show
26 Fourth Friday 7 to 9 pm
27 Pick up/Drop off Sounds
30 Sounds show opens

### **FEBRUARY**

6 NAL Board meeting 6:30pm 16-17 Pick up/Drop off Double Vision (see pg 3 of newsletter for explanation.) 20-3/10 Double Vision show

#### REMINDER:

Please pick up your work from the gallery after the monthly show. Work left for more than 10 NAL business days will be considered property of NAL.

Go to napervilleartleague.com for classes for adults and children.

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

As I look back on another wonderful year at the art league I think of the benefits of collaboration.

Consider our cultural connections with other entities in Naperville. Our Riverwalk Fine Art Fair, for example, weaves many organizations into one event. It is an opportunity for the DuPage Symphony and Chicago Sinfonietta to be heard. It's a place where Sister Cities can show art from other countries and explain their role. Century Walk, Kiwanis Club, Cat Guardians, DuPage Children's Museum, our sponsors and others come together to portray Naperville at its best to thousands of visitors.

Our cultural ties reach to other art leagues and beyond through our participation in the Alliance of Fine Art (AFA), Arts DuPage, and other organizations that work for the good of all.

Consider also the collaboration we experience within our organization. The Gallery of Gifts holiday sale is an example of members working together to accomplish something significant. Over 50 volunteers have helped staff and promote the show. Over 40 artist participants have brought in art. Our staff has welcomed guests and processed sales. Our Director of Exhibits oversees the event and, thanks to our 2 chairpersons, Chris Jacobson and Kathy Szeszol. things have flowed smoothly and efficiently.



Gallery of Gifts sale

We hired 2 new employees this fall, Erin and Alison. Learning the details of running NAL has been a challenge I'm sure, as has been their work in laying the groundwork for process improvements. Members have been helpful as the Board oversees transitions.

Through these and many other efforts, we move ahead together. The benefits are mutual. The friendships developed along the way are lasting. And lessons learned contribute to future growth.

Thank you members and friends for representing NAL in an inviting manner and with a shared interest in art and culture.

**Happy Holidays!** We look forward to a great new year,

Linda VanderKolk

## **BOARD NOTES**

There will be **no Fourth Friday in December.** Fourth Friday social events resume January 26, 7 to 9pm.

End of year, tax-deductible donations will be used to complete the classroom closet and essential building repairs and renovations, website revision, promotion of classes and possibly scholarships.

**Directories** are available: electronic or print versions. Contact the front desk.

Winter class schedule is nearing completion. Thanks to Penny Coffman for helping with this during Sally Sharp's temporary leave.

Open: Director of Marketing & Communications

**Surveys.** Information gathered will be used in the development of an updated strategic plan.

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# Shop at our Naper



#### **CHECK OUT OUR CLASSES!**

All Ages / All Skill Levels Day & Evening

#### FIGURE DRAWING

Adults: Sundays \$15 9:00 am-Noon

#### ONGOING OPEN STUDIO

Adults: Wednesdays 6:30 pm—9:00 pm \$5/session—discounts available

Grades 2-5: Thursdays 4:00 pm-5:00 pm Grades 6-12: Thursdays 5:00 pm-6:30 pm \$20/class or \$98 for 6 classes

For More Info Go to www.napervilleartleague.com and click on Classes

## CHECK OUT OUR WEB SITE!

Keep up with the latest events, classes, art work & more!

Don't want to maintain your own web site? Set up a gallery on ours. Need help? Let us know!

Already on our web site? Time to update your photos!

For details call 630.355.2530 www.napervilleartleague.com

#### **CONTACT US!**

If you have information you would like to appear in the NAL Newsletter, please submit via email at Naperartleague@aol.com, by fax at 630.355.3071, call 630.355.2530 or send it to the gallery at 508 N. Center St., Naperville, IL 60563. Items must be received by the end of the month in order to appear in the next month's newsletter and are accepted on a first come, first served basis as space is limited.

## GALLERY OF GIFTS

Shop at our Naperville Fine Art Center & Gallery. Wonderful items!

Door prize drawing which includes a \$25 NAL gift certificate will be the morning of the 23rd.

The Gallery will be closed the afternoon of December 23, December 26 and 30.



# MEMBERS IN THE NEWS/ NEWS FOR MEMBERS



Bee Smith was honored by the Ho-Chunk Indian Nation for her detailed clay ornaments depicting tribe symbols.

(shown: Sun and Bear)

Savas Arazbey, Kirk Kerndl, Robert Koch, and Sally Sharp are among those with art at North Central College's Schoenherr Gallery Winter Wonderland juried show which runs through January 14. Linda VanderKolk was among 16 participants in "God's Storyboard" art project on display at Good Shepherd Church in Naperville.

Our **Off-Site Exhibits** program needs a few more member artists. Contact the art league or Ariana Poe, coordinator.

**Arts Dupage.org** offers many opportunities for artists as well as information on events throughout the county.

**SURVEY** Please complete and return the survey at the end of this newsletter.

**Cat Guardians** seeks donations of art for the annual fundraiser to benefit their no kill shel-

ter. The silent auction will be held January 6 at the Naperville Fine Art Center & Gallery.

Upcoming NAL show themes:

January Lightbulb Moment February Sounds

Feb/Mar. Double Vision
March Nuances

#### **BOARD MEMBERS**

President:
Linda VanderKolk
Director of Marketing & Communications:
open
Director of Programs & Hospitality:

Chris Jacobson
Director of Education: Sally Sharp
Director of Exhibits: Patricia Melekus
Director of Member Services:
Kathy Szeszol

Director of Building & Grounds: Bob Zuranski

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Executive Director: Erin Schneider

RFAF Director: Debbie Venezia Administrative Associate: Alison Philp Receptionist & Off-Site Exhibits:Ariana Poe Page 3 DECEMBER 2017

## **EXHIBIT & EVENT NEWS**

We are wishing you all a successful, creative, and inspiring New Year.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Geseënde Kersfees en 'n gelukkige nuwe jaar Gëzuar Krishtlindjet e Vitin e Ri Честита Коледа! Щастлива Нова Година 3 Новым годам і Калядамі

聖誕節和新年快樂 [圣诞节和新年快乐] Sretan Božic i uspješna Nova godina Veselé vánoce a šťastný nový rok Glædelig jul og godt nytår Prettige Kerstdagen en een gelukkig nieuw jaar Häid Jõule ja õnnelikku uut aastat Hyvää joulua ja onnellista uutta vuotta Zalig kerstfeest en gelukkig Nieuwjaar Joyeux Noël et bonne année

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## CHILDREN: FIND THE GRINCH

The "Grow Your Heart Three Sizes" promotion involves starting at Anderson's Bookshop where children receive a "bingo type" card. Each time a Grinch image is found in a business, the child earns a stamp or signature on the card as proof. Find 12 Grinches (one at NAL) return the card to Anderson's and be

### MEMBER BENEFIT

Our Best of Show winners from 2017 will be invited to participate with their winning piece in the "Best of the Best" show presented by the Alliance of Fine Art. Best of Show winners from all AFA member art organizations are displayed at the event and awards are presented. The next "Best of the Best" show will be held in April at Gallery 7 in Joliet. You must be a member to be eligible.

eligible for the final raffle of prizes. The end of the Grinch hunt will be on Christmas Eve. Visit the IndieBound Naperville website for details.



Join Naperville Art League by calling 630-355-2530 or visit the Gallery.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

## DOUBLE VISION MEMBER SHOW Team up for the end of February show.

The February 20 to March 10 show offers two options:

Submit art in our traditional "Fabulous Fakes" format. These will be displayed in one section of the Gallery. It's an opportunity to base your art on a masterpiece and add a twist, humorous or other. It's the artist's responsibility to abide by copyright laws.

#### And/or....

Team up with someone and do a joint piece or pieces using any theme you choose. You can both work on one piece, or.... each start a piece and swap the art, so the other person completes it.

We're trying something new with this exhibit. Hope you have fun with it. If you need a partner, call the front desk. We'll help match teams.

Each member can submit up to 2 pieces per show. So, you could do both options.

#### **New Gallery hours**

Tuesday through Friday 10am to 5pm; Saturdays 10am to 4pm.

During the holiday show we are also open Thursdays until 7pm and Sundays noon to 4pm.



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## Your input is sought.

## **SURVEY**

Please take a minute to provide your thoughts about the Naperville Art League. Return this by December 20 to:

Naperville Art League 508 N. Center St Naperville, IL 60563

Or to ... naperartleague@aol.com Subject: survey