

# NEWSLETTER

**July 2015** 

## CALENDAR

## July

7 NAL Board Meeting,6:30 pm

15-18 Pick up "Missing Piece" and Drop Off "Mirage"

20 Hang "Mirage"

24 Fourth Friday 7:00—9:00 pm

## **August**

4 NAL Board Meeting,6:30 pm

8 NAL Parking Lot Sale

15-18 Pick Up "Mirage"

Hang Hedy Dawson'sOne Woman Show

Fourth Friday 7:00—9:00 pm

## Mark Your Calendars!

See You on Our Fourth Fridays!

### 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.

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

There's a phrase: "Art washes away the dust of life." So do friendships. When one has art friends, there are double benefits. Collectively, "we" are good, in part because of the support and encouragement of fellow artists. Listen to the conversations at our Fourth Friday social gatherings and you'll experience it.

NAL has a high percentage of active volunteers working together. Consider the Riverwalk Fine Art Fair, where every slot gets filled and, as a result, our fair is rated among the top in the country. Awesome. Our volunteers find they leave the fair with new NAL friends. That applies to the holiday show, the parking lot sale, and any other event NAL holds. So when the call for volunteers goes out, please respond. It's guaranteed you'll benefit.

Forming and developing committees are among the Board's current top areas of focus. Teamwork helps us accomplish more, and fosters relationships that make our organization stronger. If you have a particular interest in serving, contact the front desk or me.

For example, a committee is being formed to develop a process for welcoming and assimilating new members. This falls under the umbrella of Member Services. Contact the front

desk to learn more and to volunteer.

Also, if you have an idea you'd like to share, please do so. Those ideas, along with member involvement, help keep NAL a vibrant part of the Naperville area community.

Speaking of the community, during July, NAL is again participating in IndieBound Naperville's "Where's Waldo" program. Children of all ages are invited to find the image of Waldo in participating businesses and become eligible for prizes. Find out more at www.IndieBoundNaperville.com.

On Wednesday, July 22 plan to go to Colonial Cafe (Washington and Gartner Sts.) anytime from 4:00 to 10:00 pm: NAL gets 15% of whatever you spend. (Have you tried their ice cream?) Just show a printed or electronic version of the fundraiser flyer available on page 2 of this newsletter or on our web site when you pay. Give/send a copy of the flyer to friends and family and encourage them to have dinner out that night.

There's always something happening at our Fine Art Center & Gallery. Thanks for being a part of an active community of artists!

Linda VanderKolk

## **BOARD NOTES**

2015-16 NAL Board plan was presented. Step 1 is to address administrative/infrastructure needs including establishment of committees, documentation of procedures and more. A Compensation Committee has been formed. Job descriptions are being updated/developed.

The Riverwalk Fine Art Fair (RFAF) planning is proceeding. An additional ad placement for the event was approved for inclusion in Positively Naperville.

The next phase of classroom renovations will involve fundraisers to supplement the grant funds.

The Treasurer reported income is slightly lower from a year ago due to decline in class income.

NAL class offerings are expected to grow as new teachers are being sought and classes are promoted. Living Social internet promotion for Seriously Fun Art and Teens & Tweens Drop-in Classes is being tested.

Door prizes at Fourth Friday events will be continued.

Events: July 22—Colonial Café fundraiser; August 8— Art Sale in parking lot (there is a participant waiting list). NAL participating in "Where's Waldo" IndieBound Naperville program during July.

Call for Committee Volunteers: Member Services committee; Marketing & Communications committee; Holiday Show Chairperson(s).

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## AWARD WINNERS: MISSING PIECE

# N A P E R V I L L E ART LEAGUE FINE ART CENTER & GALLERY

#### CHECK OUT OUR CLASSES!

All Ages / All Skill Levels Day & Evening

### ONGOING OPEN STUDIO

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

Grades K-5: Thursdays 4:00 pm-5:00 pm Grades 6-12: Thursdays 5:00 pm-6:30 pm \$20/class or \$96 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 Debbie at 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.

### **BEST OF SHOW**

Gary Schirmer: "Lunar Rover"

### **BEST THEME**

Ariana Poe: "City in Pieces"

### MERIT AWARDS

Michael Del Valle: "Waves of Music"

Khrystyna Kozyuk: "Ornament"

Eric Dinse: "Green Pieces"

Joe Eddy Brown: "Audition"

Valerie Lorimer:

"Piece Me Together With String"

Judged by: Carolyn Finzer



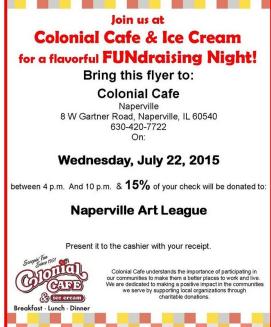
"Lunar Rover" by Gary Schirmer

## MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

The work of **K.Remahl Steere** will be featured at Gallery 200's "Feathers and Foods," July 2 - July 26, 2015. An opening reception is scheduled for July 3, 6:00 - 9:00 pm. Gallery 200 is located at 200 Main St., West Chicago, IL. Gallery Hours: Thurs. & Fri.: Noon - 8:00 pm, Sat. & Sun.: Noon - 4:00 pm. For more info please call 630.293.9550.

At DuPage Art League's June exhibit "Down to the Sea in Boats," the following NAL members earned recognition: Best of Show went to Khrystyna Kozyuk for "Coastal Travel," acrylic; a Special Merit Award went to Robert Yurgaitis for "Sailing," oil; Merit Awards went to Linn Eldred for "After the Storm," mixed media; Joan Kalmankek for "A Peeling Boat," photography; Cynthia Boudreau for "Boating Ensemble Shawl," fiber; and Doris Bettin for "Oregon Waters," watercolor. The Blick Award went to June Padovani for "Wonderful Waves." oil pastel.

In August, **Terry Musclow** will be the featured artist of the month in DuPage Art League's Gallery II, 218 W. Front St., Wheaton. For more info call 630.653.7090.



# Celebrate Art!

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## **EXHIBIT & EVENT NEWS**

RFAF is coming! One of the premier, awardwinning art fairs in the nation is the one we plan and host in downtown Naperville along the Riverwalk. Over 130 artists will be exhibiting in this juried show which draws thousands of visitors each year. Mark your calendars for Sept. 19-20 and watch for volunteer opportunities in the August newsletter. WE NEED YOU!

Pickup for "Missing Piece" / drop off for "Mirage" Wed.-Sat., July 15-18.

Please keep in mind:

- artwork must not be more than 2 years old (unless otherwise specified)
- your work needs to be protected when transporting it to avoid damage
- every 2D piece needs to have a wire hanger screwed into the frame (sawtooth hangers, wires stapled to frames, and wires attached to any kind of spring clip are not acceptable)
- wall space is limited if you bring two large 2D pieces, one may be displayed in the classroom due to space constraints
- plastic frames are not allowed

# Art Sale



## Saturday, August 8th

8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Naperville Fine Art Center & Gallery parking lot (or indoors in case of rain) 508 N. Center St., Naperville

Naperville Art League Members work!

\* Paintings

\* Ceramics

Many one-of-a kind items \* Jewelry/Accessories

Priced to sell!

\* Wearable art

www.napervilleartleague.com

\* Art supplies and more!

NAL is hosting a Fundraiser at Colonial Cafe, Naperville Plaza Shopping Center, 8 W Gartner Rd, Naperville, IL. 15% of the sales will be donated back to NA so please bring your family and friends and enjoy a dinner (and/or dessert)

Our Fourth Friday event will be held on July 24, 2015 from 7:00-9:00 pm and it will include a door prize and/or silent auction item. A \$5.00 donation is suggested.

NAL is hosting a Parking Lot Sale on August 8. 2015 from 8:00 am-1:00 pm. For more information call 630-355-2530.

Also planned is a one woman show featuring the work of long-time member Hedy Dawson. Please join us at Fourth Friday on the August 28 where we will recognize the work and dedication of Hedy Dawson, an NAL past president, Honorary Lifetime Member and award-winning artist. The show runs from Aug. 26 to Sept. 5.

Enjoy your summer and be safe,

Patricia Melekus Director of Exhibits

In conjunction with the local farmers' market, NAL's parking lot will be converted to an outdoor art venue on Sat., Aug. 8. NAL members who would like to sell their work are welcome to participate. A fee of \$10 will cover the cost of a 6-ft. table space along with some screens for hanging art.

If you would like to participate, call the gallery at 630.355.2530 or e-mail NAL at Naperartleague@aol.com. Jewelry, ceramics and wearable fiber items sell well! Past experience shows that this has been a fairly profitable venture for those artists involved. In the event of rain, the sale will be in the classroom.

If you are not participating, please stop by NFAC&G on Aug. 8 to support your fellow artists and while you are here, be sure to see the Gallery show that day.

September: Celebrate Art!

## **HELP NEEDED!**

## Wanted: 2015 Holiday Show Chairperson (s)

Seeking motivated individual(s) to oversee NAL's Annual Holiday Show. There's a system in place with easy-to-follow steps. Most work happens before Thanksgiving. Meet new people. Volunteers are always eager to help. Contact naperartleague.com.

## **UPCOMING EXHIBITS**

July: Mirage

August: Hedy Dawson One-Woman Show

### WELCOME **NEW MEMBERS**

## **Fourth Friday!**

Music by Joe Eddy Brown & Friends Friday, July 24

## **BOARD MEMBERS**

President: Linda Vander Kolk Director of Marketing & Communications: Bob Stolarczuk Directory of Programs & Hospitality: Lori Tucker Director of Education: Penny Coffman Director of Exhibits: Patricia Melekus Director of Member Services: Rachel Bryan Director of Building & Grounds: Bob Zuranski Director of Development: Open Secretary: Roy Grundy Treasurer: Bob Bosanac Board Member at Large: Lela Luetger Executive Director. RFAF Executive Director, Newsletter Editor:

Deborah Venezia



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115 East Ogden #115 Naperville, IL 60563 630.355.0703 info@artandframenaperville.com

## Cadillac of Naperville

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### Main Street Promenade

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