

# NEWSLETTER

March 2014

## Inspiring passion in the arts

#### CALENDAR

## March

1	Extended Deadline for Pub-
	lic Art Competition Drop Off
3	Hang Public Art Competition
4	NAL Board Meeting,
	6:30 pm at NFAC&G

5-8 Pick Up Fabulous Fakes
9 Public Art Competition
Reception 2:00–4:00 pm

12-15 Drop Off for Luck Be a Lady

15 Pick Up Public Art Competition

17 Hang Luck Be a Lady

Join us for Fourth Friday 7:00—9:00 pm

## **April**

- 1 NAL Board Meeting,6:30 pm at NFAC&G
- 12 Casino Royale Fundraiser 7:00–11:00 pm
- 9-12 Pick Up Luck Be A Lady and Drop Off Repurpose
- 14 Hang Repurpose
- Join us for Fourth Friday 7:00—9:00 pm
- 26 NAL Business Meeting 9:30–11:00 am

## Mark Your Calendars!

Fourth Fridays Are Back!

### 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

Dear Members and Friends,

The reception for "Grounds for Potential," our public competition, will be held this Sun., March 9 from 2:00-4:00 pm. The show is already in the gallery and is outstanding. This event is held in conjunction with our friends at Loaves and Fishes, a critically important organization within our community. We will be accepting donations of non-perishable goods for the pantry during the reception and throughout the "Grounds for Potential" show.

Our Casino Royale party on April 12 is coming into focus. I invite you to consider being a sponsor for this exciting fundraiser that is designed to further our much needed classroom improvements. We also need all levels of raffle prizes and would appreciate any help in that direction. Even greater is our desire to have you on our planning team. We need your help to finalize plans, get the word out and help set up the event itself and clean up after.

Together we will ensure the event runs smoothly, is an amazing time and we see financial success. You can RSVP for Casino Royale at eventbrite.com and receive a bonus "\$50" in chips to be used at the event.

Another important event for your calendar; On Saturday morning, April 26, we will gather at NAL for a Coffee & General Meeting. Coffee from 9:30 to 10:00 am and a General Business Meeting from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. This is a time for members to gather and hear about the current projects at NAL and about our fiscal health. The board members and our Executive Director all put a lot of heart and countless hours into making Naperville Art League an exceptional organization. Won't you please come hear about our current events and take the opportunity to share a word of thanks with those currently working to fulfill our mission?

Regards, Penny Coffman

## **BOARD NOTES**

Grounds for Potential: The reception is set for Sun., Mar. 9, 2:00-4:00 pm. Refreshments will be served. With Loaves & Fishes, as a partner, we will ask for donations of canned goods and non-perishables.

IndieBound: NAL again offered to host a monthly meeting. We will accept IndieBound

monthly meeting. We will accept IndieBound employee discount cards and offer a 10% discount on any merchandise (excluding classes/services), the percentage to be drawn from NAL's commission on the sale. Indie wants to do a cable TV commercial. Discussion ensued on the extent of our involvement. We will hold on the decision until investment is determined. NAL will continue to support other Indie Bound businesses with donations of \$25 gift certificates and NAL mugs for gift baskets as requested.

**Education Committee:** The first meeting is scheduled for Tues., Mar.18 at 4:00 pm at NFAC&G. The National Guild for Community Arts web site offers free resources that will be helpful

**NFAC&G Roof:** The severe weather has taken a toll on our roof, leaving shingle and soffit

damage. Our insurance company will be called and a determination will be made as to how to proceed.

Classroom Renovation: The signed contract will be delivered to Shiffler Builders within the next week. Working with scheduling conflicts, the project should begin most likely in May Elections: Board members are to commit to staying on the board or to submit their intentions to depart, leaving at least 3 openings. New members are to be recruited with attention paid toward the skill set of each nominee. Annual Financial Report Meeting: Set for Sat., April 26, the meeting will begin with a coffee social from 9:30 to 10:00 am and continue with a business meeting from 10:00 to 11:00 am. It will be advertised in the newsletter and through email blasts.

AFA High School Art Competition: Some thought was given to the possibility of hosting AFA's annual student competition at our gallery in 2015, thus providing a venue for the work to be exhibited and to strengthen our relationship with AFA.

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## AWARD WINNERS: FABULOUS FAKES



#### **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 newsletter and are accepted on a first come, first served basis as space is limited.

#### **BEST OF SHOW**

Neil Pradzinski — "Born to Run" (Pictured)

## BEST THEME

Valerie Lorimer - "One Blue Night"

#### MERIT AWARDS

Maxine Butcher - "Gothic Gaze"

Willard R. Smith — "After Evans"

Leon Krejci — "Washington"

Sally Sharp — "Lady at the Automat Stalked by 3 Men in Bowler Hats"

Xoandre Moats — "The Night Watch of the Doctor"

**JUDGE** 

Frank Tumino



#### MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

Charlotte Cziperle's oil painting, "Autumn at Mayslake" is featured in "The Art of Landscapes" section of Southwest Art Magazine, February 2014 issue. She also received a merit award for her oil Painting, "First Snow" at DuPage Art League's February exhibit, "Winter Wonderland."

Sally Sharp won a Special Merit Award for her cold wax and oil piece "Lake Ice" in DuPage Art League's February exhibit "Winter Wonderland."

Marilyn Dale was commissioned to design banners for Trinity Episcopal Church in Wauwatosa, WI (suburb of Milwaukee). They have been completed and installed for the Lenten season.

## JOIN US FOR OUR FUNDRAISER!



You are invited to NAL's Casino Night! Saturday April 12, 2014 7:00-11:00 P.M.

Register By March 15th & get 50 Extra Playing Chips! Call 630-355-2530 for details or go to eventbrite.com, click on find events & type in Casino Royale

Raise the stakes to bring art to the community!
508 N. Center St., Naperville, IL 60563
Help us upgrade our educational environment
Join us for a night of drinks, food
& Las Vegas style entertainment
Amazing Raffles Prizes
Admission is free!

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## **EXHIBIT & EVENT NEWS**

Fabulous indeed. The 2014 Fabulous Fakes show drew viewers and caused them to linger. discuss, and chuckle a little. Alas, we had to bid the art goodbye to make room for the next show. A big Thanks to new member Neil Pradzinski for the Gallery slideshow that made it to our website. He's agreed to do more of these for us. Thanks, Neil!

Public Art Competition. Over 40 entries to this year's exhibit now fill the Gallery. The theme: Grounds for Potential. Come to the artists' reception Sunday, March 9 from 2 to 4 p.m. You'll see a wonderful mix of 2D and 3D art, and witness the presentation of awards. The show runs through 3/15. If you are able, bring a donation of a non-perishable food item for the Loaves & Fishes food pantry collection.

Luck Be a Lady. The next show will coincide with NAL's Casino Royale fundraiser and is sure to be seen by many visitors, especially at the April 12 event. Drop off is March 12 to 15. If you're a new member and haven't yet exhibited, take the plunge and submit a piece.

CASINO ROYALE. Saturday, April 12 the Gallery and Classroom will be transformed. Think glitz. Think Bond. Gaming tables, delicious hors d'oeuvres & refreshments, music, decorations, prizes, & more. This fundraiser will appeal to everyone and you are encouraged not only to attend but also to bring friends. Who knows, you may even see a few celebrities there. The event is free (suggested donation \$10.) For info regarding tickets and sponsorship opportunities, go to

www.eventbrite.com. Extra playing chips are available to those who register online by March 15. Proceeds from the event will go to NAL's classroom renovation fund. No gambling will take place. Tables are for entertainment only.

Thanks to Valerie Lorimer for creating a NAL ad for the Clay3 National Ceramic Exhibition program booklet. The event was presented by ClaySpace.



Shop local. Here's a snapshot of IndieBound-Naperville, of which NAL is a member. IndieBound-Naperville is a local movement whose purpose is to

encourage people to support local, independently-owned businesses, organizations and shops. Doing so benefits our community in a number of ways, one of which is that money spent with local independents stays in the community. By supporting local independents, we also embrace Naperville's uniqueness and help make us a destination. Another is that member organizations and businesses can share best practices and ideas. Behind the scenes, NAL has benefitted from this affiliation in a number of ways. Look for bright red signs that proclaim "Support local independent businesses." For a list of IndieBound-Naperville members go to www.IndieBoundNaperville.org.

THEMES FOR UPCOMING EXHIBITS

March: Luck Be a Lady May: It's My Passion April: Repurpose June: Sparse

## NAL CLASSES

Beginning & Intermediate Watercolor-Adult \$150

Instructor: Carmelo Schifano

Thurs., Mar. 20-Apr. 24 10:00 am - 2:00 pm (Note: Apr. 3 class meets at 1:00-3:00 pm) Register through NAL at 630.355.2530

Nuno Scarf Class-Adult \$45 + \$15 supply fee

Instructor: Cynthia Boudreau Mon., Apr. 7 9:00 am-1:00 pm Register through NAL at 630.355.2530 Making Sense of Your Camera-Adult

Instructor: Frank Jackowiak

April 8 6:30-9:30pm

Special Rate \$49 (Regular price \$99) Call 708-965-3688 to register

Portraits in Amazin' Glazin'-Adult \$100

Instructor: Geri Greenman

Date to be determined 1:00 pm-3:00 pm Register through NAL - 630.355.2530

Shibori Silk Dying Class-Adult \$30 + \$15 Supply Fee Instructor: Cynthia Boudreau Sat., May 2 12:30 pm-3:00 pm Register through NAL at 630.355.2530

More classes are being planned! Please check the web site for details and more info. Watch for Intermediate Watercolor, Scrap Booking, Pastel Workshop and more!

#### WELCOME **NEW MEMBERS**



Save the Date: Fourth Friday March 28, 7:00 pm Jammin' with Charlie & the Band!

#### **BOARD MEMBERS**

President: Penny Coffman Director of Publicity: Open Directory of Programs & Hospitality: Cynthia Boudreau Director of Education: Michelle LeBlanc Director of Exhibits: Linda VanderKolk Director of Member Services: Open Secretary: Marilyn Dale Treasurer: Bob Stolarczuk Board Member at Large: Lela Luetger Executive Director. RFAF Executive Director, Newsletter Editor: Deborah Venezia



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