

## August

- 5 Board Meeting 6:30
- 15-16 "Reflector" drop off  
"East Meets West" pick up
- 22 4th Friday, 7-9
- 25 FAD meeting 1-3

## September

- 2 Board Meeting 6:30
- 12-13 "Silence & Sound" drop off  
"Reflector" pick up
- 19-20 RFAF
- 22 FAD meeting 1-3
- 26 4th Friday, 7-9

## October

- 3-4 "Silence & Sound" pick up
- 7-10 Silent Auction
- 10 Silent Auction reception at  
Judd Kendall VFW, 6:30-10
- 14 FAD-guest show opens
- 24 4th Friday, 7-9
- 27 FAD meeting 1-3
- 31 "Stars & Stripes" drop off  
FAD pick up

### RE M I N D E R

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.

### CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE!

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

Don't want to maintain your own website?  
Set up a gallery webpage on ours for **\$25/year**.  
Need help? Let us know!

Already on our website? Time to update your photos!

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# NEWSLETTER

August 2025

## NEWS

### Lesley Brown

With heavy hearts, we share the sad news of the passing of our beloved Lesley, cherished wife of Joe Eddy Brown.

Lesley was a radiant presence at the Naperville Art League's 4th Friday socials—a warm, gracious soul whose kindness and spirit touched all who had the pleasure of knowing her. Her absence leaves a profound void in our community.

We extend our deepest sympathies to Joe Eddy and to both of their families during this difficult time.

A celebration of Lesley's life is planned for October 2025.



### Board News from July 2025:

The July meeting was held July 1 via zoom. Reports were given by each director and discussions of up and coming Events/Exhibits discussed.

Lynne Kornecki reported on new classes for fall and special Hokusai DPAL/NAL event. Proposed fused glass November event with Jim Braun.

Jeri Davis reported on Grants and upcoming press releases.

Beata Nowak reported on Art Around Town and special events to come.

Debbie Venezia gave us the low down on RFAF.

And Jennifer Hauser gave us the latest on the NAL Auction to be held in October.

Rose Calkins discussed upcoming gallery exhibits.

Minutes are available upon request.

Next meeting will be August 5 via zoom.

## BOARD MEMBERS

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**RFAF Director:** Debbie Venezia  
**Art Around Town Coordinator:** Beata Nowak

## “EAST MEETS WEST” - MEMBER SHOW

### 40th Riverwalk Fine Art Fair will be Sept. 20 & 21 2025

The mural on the south side of our building, called *World's Greatest Artists*, is part of Naperville's Century Walk. Informational brochures are available at our Gallery.



### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS IN JULY 2025

Crystal Beach  
 Matt Blackmar  
 Mike Connors  
 Kenneth Kucera  
 Karen Raidy  
 Pamela Shanley  
 Kriste Sveen  
 Richard Vacco Jr.

#### Best of Show:

Robert Koch “Farmyard Pike-County”

#### Best of Theme:

Patricia Melekus “South Meets North”

#### Merit Awards:

Taiwo Owoniyi “Beauty of Nature 2”

Lisa Kanellos “Chinese Lanterns”

Jennifer Hauser “Sunset”

Beata Nowak “Cherry Blossoms”

Beverly Morgan “Indian Plumeria”



Judge: James Krauss

## MEMBER NEWS

### Upcoming Art Rotation at Main Street Promenade

The next art rotation at the Main Street Promenade is scheduled for **September 8, 2025**. Artwork pick-up will begin at **10:00 AM**, and drop-off of new pieces will follow at **11:00 AM**.

The deadline to submit new work for consideration is **August 11, 2025**. Artists may submit up to **eight pieces** for this prestigious exhibition opportunity.

For submission guidelines and a downloadable application, please visit our website.

Additional details will be shared via email as the date approaches.



The 40th Annual Riverwalk Fine Art Fair is in full swing, and we invite you to be part of its continued success by volunteering.

Your support plays a vital role in making this award-winning event a memorable experience for all. To sign up, please visit our website or contact us directly at: 630.355.2530 — we're happy to assist you with registration.

Member Donald Ramey was awarded **BEST OF SHOW** in the Waterstreet Fine Art Fair July 13, 2025. Congratulations!!

**BEST of the BEST 2025** Fine Art Exhibit is at DuPage Art League, Wheaton, IL. August 2-26, with Reception Aug. 10, 2-4pm. NAL Participants are: Lisa Kanellos, Sally Sharp, Chris Hughes, Alice Sulinski, Pat Mroccka, Jim Braun, and Jennifer Hauser.

## EXHIBIT NEWS

The **Cabinet Door Project** continues to be displayed throughout the summer. If you haven't seen it yet, make sure you check it out soon!

The new member's show themed "**East Meets West**" is up in the gallery, and can be seen until August 15, 2025.

Drop off of the next exhibit is scheduled on August 15 & 16, and is themed "**Reflector**". You are welcome to drop off your artwork before the deadline, but not after.

As always, we display **original** artwork in the gallery exhibits, which must be for sale. No giclées or prints are permitted..

Please read the *Exhibit Rules* on the website to refresh the latest requirements.

The **Awakenings Project** will be holding a "Healing Through Art" workshop at NAL with Licensed Counselor and Art Therapist Dianne Samp, on September 6,13,27 & October 4th, 1:30-3:30pm. For Adults of all artistic skill levels seeking stress relief, creative expression, personal growth, go to:

[www.AwakeningsProject.org](http://www.AwakeningsProject.org) for more info.



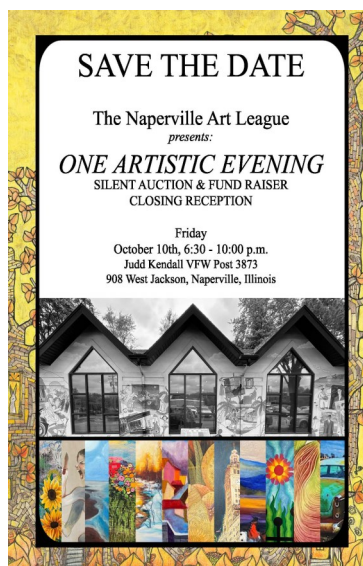
## SILENT AUCTION IN OCTOBER 2025

This fall, NAL will be hosting an online silent auction featuring NAL members' artwork. Open call is now until September 5th, followed by online bidding, and final closing gala. The "**One Artistic Evening**" gala will be held at the **Naperville VFW Hall on October 10th, 2025 (6:30-10pm)**.

The event will feature cocktails, appetizers, and all the fabulous art.

Your donation is a great opportunity to be part of a curated show, get your work out in front of a number of area art enthusiasts, and make an impact on NAL.

Please contact Jennifer Hauser, Director of Member Services for more information:  
[jennifer@snoringclown.com](mailto:jennifer@snoringclown.com)



### CHECK OUT OUR ONGOING CLASSES!

**OIL PAINTING/ACRYLIC**  
Adults: Tuesdays (see calendar for dates)  
10:00 am—12:00 pm  
3week class \$84

**OIL PAINTING/ACRYLIC**  
Adults: Tuesdays (see calendar for dates)  
6:30—8:30 pm  
3week class \$84

**ONGOING OPEN STUDIO**  
Adults: Wednesdays  
6:30 pm—8:30 pm  
\$5/session—discounts available

**WATERCOLOR PAINTING**  
Adults: Thursdays  
11:00 am—1:00 pm all levels  
4-sessions \$120

### NAL & NPD Classes

#### ADULTS

- Collage with Laura
- How to Create a Mandala
- Mosaic Workshops
- Rosemaling

#### CHILDREN

- Elements of Arts Camp
- Not your Grandma's Art Camps

We are constantly adding new adult and children classes. Please check out our website for a current class schedule.

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