

January

- 6 Board Meeting 6:30pm
- 6-17 Cat Guardians-guest show
- 16-17 "Winter Wonderland"-
member show—drop off
- 17 CG reception 10am-1pm
- 23 4th Friday 7-9pm

February

- 3 Board Meeting 6:30pm
- 20-21 "Mixed Realities"-member
show-drop off
- "Winter Wonderland"-
member show-pick up
- 27 4th Friday 7-9pm

March

- 3 Board Meeting 6:30pm
- 20-21 "Top Secret"-member
show-drop off
- "Mixed Realities"-pick up
- 27 4th Friday 7-9pm

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.

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!

For details call 630.355.2530
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HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!



Board News from December 2025:

As we closed out another special year at Naperville Art League, the NAL Board of Directors reflected on all the positive vibes and creative happenings of 2025 and welcomed in an innovative, inspirational, successful new year!

2025 welcomed new members, hosted a great PAC exhibit, a spectacular 40th Riverwalk Fine Art Fair, a fabulous Fine Art Auction, a festive Holiday Gallery of Gifts Show, along with several Special exhibits, Guest Shows, Art Around Town Exhibits, Creative and fun Art camps, classes, workshops and programs. We are SO thankful for all the generous donations and grants received that help us to continue our mission to celebrate, promote, educate & support the arts throughout our community.

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Minutes are available upon request.

“CAT GUARDIANS” - GUEST EXHIBIT

41st Riverwalk Fine Art Fair will be Sept. 19 & 20 2026

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 DECEMBER 2025

Barfuss Family

Molly Durr

Sue Erdman

Juveria Inayath

Marian Swenson

Suzanne Werley

CONTACT US!

If you have information you would like to appear in the NAL Newsletter, please submit via e-mail at naperartleague@aol.com, 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.

Cat Guardians Art Exhibit at Naperville Art League

Cat Guardians, a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping cats in need, is exhibiting their artwork at the Naperville Art League Gallery through **January 17**.

Join us for their artist reception on **Saturday (01/17), from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.**, where you can enjoy the artwork, meet fellow art enthusiasts, and support a great cause.

Artwork will be available for purchase, with proceeds benefiting Cat Guardians. Thank you for your generosity and continued support of this wonderful organization.



MEMBER NEWS

Grants & Fellowships

Chicago DCASE Individual Artist Program (IAP):

Support for Chicago residents across disciplines; deadline Jan 9, 2026 (extended from Jan 15) for 2026 funding.

Illinois Arts Council (IAC) Fiscal Year 2026: Grants available for projects, apply 8 weeks before project start.

Exhibitions & Shows (Check for specific deadlines)

The Other Art Fair Chicago (Spring 2026):

For independent artists; applications open for April 9-12 event.

Black Creativity Juried Exhibition:

At Museum of Science & Industry (MSI); open to Black artists nationwide (Chicagoland teens too).

West Chicago Art Banner Exhibit:

Theme "Red, White, Blue"; seeks designs for public display.

Chicago Public Library:

10-week exhibits on 8th floor, Harold Washington Library Center; visual artists in Chicagoland.

Woman Made Gallery (WMG):

Hosts juried shows (e.g., "Seeds of Resilience" in April 2026); for women & non-binary artists.

Oak Park Art League:

Hosts themed shows, e.g., "Revolutions/Resolutions" (Jan-Feb 2026).



EXHIBIT NEWS & SALE

Our first member exhibit in the year of 2026 is called **"Winter Wonderland"**, which will decorate our beautiful walls between January 19th and February 20th.

Don't forget to get ready for the annual Public Art Competition called **"Legato"**. The deadline to drop off your art is April 7th, 2026.

Don't wait for the last minute!!!



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Six Seveeehn Sale!!

Come and get affordable art, prints, jewelry, frames, art supplies for **\$6.00-\$7.00 or less** in the classroom.

Bring your artist and art enthusiast friends who appreciate a **good bargain**.

See you while supplies lasts.



CLASSES

New and established classes:

- Acrylic/Oil Painting (mornings and evenings) with Chris Hughes
- Art Mediation with Michelle Rae Sobi
- Calligraphy with Beata Nowak
- Collage with Laura Lein-Svencner
- Creating Flow with Victoria Isikman
- Drawing for Adults (basic and intermediate) with Jake Jacobs
- Drawing for Children with Cherie Matousek
- Elements of Arts for children with Rose Calkins
- Intuitive Painting with Forouzan Shemirani
- Mosaic Workshop with Lisa Tolbert
- Paint Like an Impressionist with Karen Raidy

-Paint Landscapes for adults with Karen Raidy, and for teens with Rose Calkins

-Watercolor/Acrylic Painting (beginner, intermediate levels) with Carmelo Schifano

-Wednesday Open Studio in the evenings is open throughout the year with some holiday exceptions.

Please visit our website to browse for your favorite one.

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

- Calligraphy for beginners
- Collage with Laura
- Creative Flow
- Drawing for Beginners/Intermediates
- Intuitive Painting
- Landscapes Paintings
- Mosaic Workshops
- Painting Meditation
- Paint Like and Impressionists

CHILDREN

- Drawing Class
- Elements of Arts
- Landscape Paintings for teens

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

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