New Braunfels Art League

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If you are not reading this from your computer, you are missing out on pages 3 and 4. There is much information and news on those two pages! Everything is in color, including photos!



Lynette Clauser November Artist of the Month

I wish I could say I was an artist from an early age, but I didn't start drawing until I was 12. I used to redraw the models from the Vogue and McCall pattern pamphlets, combining the hair from this one with the angle of the head from that one. My parents discouraged art. Their thinking: If you can't make a living from it, what use is it? I stuck with it though, and in high school won an art contest. The prize - oil portrait lessons - no supplies, just lessons. My grandmother came to the rescue with a wooden paint box filled with all the painting supplies I needed. (About a week's pay for her!) I used that



paint box for many years and even after I gave up oils, I kept it as a cherished memento. Through the years I kept busy with a variety of pursuits; sewing, needlework, quilting, jewelry making and when my children entered school, I opened a stain glass shop. We built multi-panel works for churches, and specialty restoration services for antique and one-of-a-kind windows. We offered lessons in leaded, foil, etched, fused, mosaic and lamp worked glass.

After 20+ years, I retired from my stain glass business and I went back to my first love of drawing. Fate brought me to the New Braunfels Art League and a wonderful teacher named Mary Johnson. She introduced me to working with pastels, and I've never looked back. While I still do some work in a variety of media, creating with pastels best expresses my soul. I may have no formal art education, but I am eternally thankful for NBAL, its instructors like Mary, the many workshops NBAL offers, and the Art League members who always seem willing to share their knowledge with others.

Kathy Perales Demo at the November Meeting

"Wow Sister, I can hardly see the numbers anymore!" A true compliment from Kathy's brother Andy; especially since knowing that, as a child, she started painting with a paint- by- number set. Now, as a retired teacher, she is able to spend her time with any art medium that sounds exciting.

Katherine Kenagy Perales has been fascinated with art all of her life. She studied education and art at Southwest Texas and while teaching school, was awarded a Masters of Education from UTSA. She is an artist and an art educator.

The only limitations with Mixed Media are the artist's imagination! Being able to use what is at hand becomes exciting and leads the way to new adventures. Kathy has experimented with a broad variety of media while teaching art in elementary school and when she retired to begin artistic endeavors full time, mixed media was always a possibility. It is a genre that gives the artist leeway to try anything that works and also opens the door for lots of failures. That just gives the artist the ability to make better choices. Doing what you love with any media makes the project worthwhile. Don't give up or get frustrated...just find a new way of getting to the finished project.

Kathy works in oil, watercolor, acrylic and mixed media. Open the realm of possibilities by trying some new techniques and projects. The November demonstration by Kathy will be about Mixed Media.

Classes at NBAL

<u>Angie Banta Brown</u>, *Watercolor*, Wednesdays from 9:00am to 12:00pm. *Oil Painting*, Thursdays, from 9:00am to 1:00pm. Call 830-609-2581.

Mary Johnson, Pastel & Oil, Live Models, Wednesdays from 1:00pm to 4:00pm. Call 210-618-8321.

<u>Linda C. Jacobson</u>, Children's Art Classes (ages 5 -13), in painting, drawing and other mediums, Call 830-624-5302 or visit online at www. casadelinda.com for a complete schedule.

Anne McCoy, Watercolor, Mondays from 6:00pm to 8:30pm Call 830-629-6836.

<u>Julie McCollum</u>, *Experimental Painting*, 4th Tuesday of each month from 10:00am to 3:00pm. Call 830-223-5018.

Nan Netherland, Mixed Media Painters, Fridays from 1:00pm to 4:00pm. Call 830-625-4374.

<u>Leila Reynolds</u>, Painting on Silk. Second Tuesday of each month from 10 am to 3pm. Supplies for student's first class will be provided. Call (830) 643-1372

Lynda Medore, Jewelry, Mondays from 1 pm to 3:30 pm. Call 830-358-0186

Sherry Wooley, Oil Painting, Tuesdays from 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm, Call 830-964-2808

See www.newbraunfelsartleague.com

for more information on workshops or classes.

2013 Workshops at NBAL

<u>Vie Dunn-Harr</u>, Oil Painting Workshop, January 23-25, 2014 Skill Level: All Cost \$325

<u>Kay Reinke and Filomena Booth</u>, "Selling Your Artwork on Line." Feb 7, 2014, 9-3, Skill Level: All Cost: \$95

Casey Klahn, Pastel Workshop, March 15-17, 2014

Skill Level: All Cost \$325

<u>Jared Wilson</u>, Primacolor Pencil Seminar, May 16-18,2014 Skill Level: All Cost \$275

Workshop Contact and Deposits:

Website for more information: www.newbraunfelsartleague.com

Contact & Registration:

Sandy Oberg, 1400 Greystone Dr., New Braunfels, TX 78132, 210-861-0751,

email: oberglabs@aol.com

Make checks payable to NBAL and be sure to indicate on the check which workshop you will be taking, along with a **phone number and email address.**

All Members

<u>Read the newsletter!</u> Information, important to everyone, is included in each newsletter. Members need to know changes, news, and critical updates that will appear in <u>your</u> newsletters!

Election Information- List of Officers To Be Voted On by Membership at November Meeting

President: Barbara Blaschke, 1st Vice President: Tom Bender,

2nd Vice President: Mary K. Hammond, Treasurer: Flora W. (Flo) Biggs,

Asst. Treasurer: Lynn Gabenski, Secretary: Arlene D. Rhodes,

Parliamentarian: Vickie Smith

Nominations accepted from floor, with prior approval of those nominated.

Myra Knapp's painting "Subtle Differences," 12 x 16 oil, won second at the Kerrville, Texas Outdoor Painting Event.





"Antler Bouquet"

By Jean Crow



"Gypsy in Italy" By Denise Beard SOLD at NBAL Gallery



"Fall Foliage" By Julie McCollum

<u>Social Media Corner – Tips and News</u>

Send any images you have for ArtoberFest or the Holiday show to newbraunfelsartleague@gmail.com. In subject line type: ArtoberFest image or Holiday show. Save your images as follows:

Title.YourName.jpeg.

Art image wanted for 2014 NBAL Donation Project:

Each year the Art League selects a two-dimensional art image to make prints to donate to organizations for charity events. We are in the process of selecting an art image for 2014 donation project. Please submit your artwork image to be juried in a competition for this project. A print of the winning entry will be given to organizations who ask for an art donation from the Art League during 2014. A print will also be given to the winning artist. The winning artist will take the responsibility to conduct the contest in the fall of 2014 and to distribute the art donation for the following year (2015).

This competition is open to all NBAL members in all styles of two-dimensional work. Each artist is allowed one entry. All artwork should be submitted in digital file by E-mail. Images should be submitted in .jpg format, RGB color, no larger than 300dpi, and 800x1200 pixels in either dimension. **Deadline for entries is November 8, 2013.** Your submission should include your name, E-mail address, and phone # with a digital file of artwork including title, dimensions, year completed and medium. E-mail your submission to Janet Chang at ichang3@satx.rr.com before November 8, 2013. The winning artist will be announced in our General Meeting in January 2014.

Texas Watercolor Society 65th Annual Juried Show

Info at www.texaswatercolorsociety.org

Sky Painting Tip

When using yellows (e.g. raw sienna) and blues in painting skies, you can avoid getting greens by using a tiny amount of red (eg permanent rose) added to either of the two colors.

Saving Old Brushes

To get dried oil paint off a brush [with natural hairs], soak it in nail-polish remover for a minute or two, after that you wipe off what remains and clean your brushes with soap and water as usual. Remember that nail-polish remover is basically the same as lacquer thinner sold in hardware stores and can melt the glue that holds the fibers and will melt synthetic brush hairs.

What NOT To Say About Artwork

- 1. What is it? (You're supposed to know and if you can't tell, keep it to yourself as it might not be intended to a representation of an object.)
- 2. Do you paint like this because you don't know how to paint real things? (The belief that realism is the only valid form of painting was discredited over a century ago.)
- 3. My sister or brother or mother or father or second-cousin-twice-removed also paints and their things are very beautiful. (No-one wants to be compared to a stranger.)
- 4. Can you do me one like this in [insert color]? (They're not an artist in a sweat-shop churning out copies of paintings. Every painting is an original.)
- 5. Show it to me again when it's finished. What are you still planning to do with it? (Always assume it is finished unless you've been specifically told otherwise.)

Upcoming Meetings and Events

November

Nov 13 Artoberfest ends
Nov 14 pick up unsold
work from Artoberfest
Nov 19 NBAL meeting election of
officers
"Small Works..." show
Nov 15 Submission 9am-1pm
Nov 17 Reception 2-4 pm

Note new date and time

December

No NBAL meeting in December Dec 29 "Small Works..." ends Dec 30 Pick up unsold art

January

Jan 2 Submission for
Artist of the Year
(closed submission)
Jan 3 reception 5-8 pm
Jan 21 NBAL meetings
Jan 31 Artist of Year
Closes
Feb 1 pick up unsold work

February

Feb 1 Pick up unsold work from AOM show

Jan 31, Feb 1 Submission for "Kids have a Heart..."

Feb 7 Reception for "Kids..."
5-7 pm

Feb 18 NBAL meetings

Feb 28 Pick up "Kids..."

work

Important Artist of the Month Information !!!

Anyone who participates in the Artist of the Month competition, MUST submit photos and bio to the newspaper editor (kayreinke@gmail.com) by the indicated due date or the following will be on the first page of the newsletter: "The Artist of the Month has elected not to submit information."

Docent / Member Notices

Docents, if you wish to change work days for 2014, Dec. 15 is the **deadline** for letting Darryl Patrick know. No changes will be honored after that date without a Dr.'s signature outlining the reason for a change. It is on a first-come first-served basis. **darryllpatrick@gmail.com** 830-899-5783.

Docents, please remember to sign in when you work. Also, you may bring an extra piece of artwork to display on the day you work! Also, please sign the sheet that lists the tasks to be completed when you work.

NBAL meetings are the third Tuesday of each month (except no meeting in December). November meeting: Tues, Nov 19
Executive Board 10:30
Team Board 12:30
General Meeting 2:00

Sales Report

Artist Sales Report for September

31 Artist had sales, the top 10 sellers are Trace Guthrie, John Lenker, Susan Raines, Mary Riddle, Angie Banta Brown, Julie McCollum, Bob Cook, Sandra Wait, Margi Uniacki, and Mary Shepard. Congratulations to all who had sales.

The average price was \$94.00 with 53 pieces of art that sold.

Status of NBAL Sales ending September 30, 2013

Artist Sales September 2012 \$1,609 YTD Monthly Avg. \$4,535 Artist Sales September 2013 \$5,050 YTD Monthly Avg. \$5,283

Thanks to all docents for the dedication and hard work.

A report of the Art League balances are furnished to the board each month and are available to anyone upon request.

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Vacancy on the Executive Board

We will vote on adding this to the bylaws at the November meeting so we have a succession plan in place in case of a vacancy.

"Any vacancy occurring in the Executive Board shall be filled by the affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining officers though less than a quorum of the Executive Board. An officer elected to fill a vacancy shall be elected for the unexpired term of the previous officer. Any office to be filled by reason of an increase in the number of officers shall be filled by election at an annual meeting or at a special meeting of members called for that purpose."

Congratulations to the "Artoberfest" award winners

Oil/Acrylic: 1st Angie Brown, 2nd Jean Crow, 3rd George Rhys, HM Kathy Perales, Susan Raine, Julie McCollum

Watermedia: 1st Rosemary Barta, 2nd Linda Bateman, 3rd Denise Counley, HM Teri Dauk

Sculpture/Pottery: 1st Andre Bally, 2nd James Barta, 3rd Roger Betschler, Pastel/Drawing: 1st Denise Beard, 2nd Sherry Kelley, 3rd Cindy Morawski, HM Jodie Taylor

Photography: 1st Darryl Patrick, 2nd Tom Bender, 3rd Larry Alford, HM Flo Biggs, Robert Anschutz

All Other Media: 1st Wendy Volpe, 2nd Ivan Hentschel, 3rd Barbara Blaschke, HM Patty Smithers, Sandra Wait

Congrats to **Rita Kirkman** for receiving 1st place award at Quick Draw event during "Paint the Town" in Marble Falls. Also congrats to **Brenda Briggs Shannon** for winning for winning the "Edgar B. Davis Wildflower Award" during the Reflections of Texas Art Exhibit at the Central Texas Oil Patch Museum.

The <u>annual jury process</u> for new displaying members will be on Saturday, November 2, 2013 from 9am to 11am. Forms and information are available at newbraunfelsartleague.com or at the gallery. Be aware that displaying members have the obligation to commit a minimum of 12 days per year to NBAL as either a gallery docent or other duty. Darryl Patrick will be on hand that Saturday to answer questions regarding this obligation.