

Olympia Art League Newsletter

September 2016

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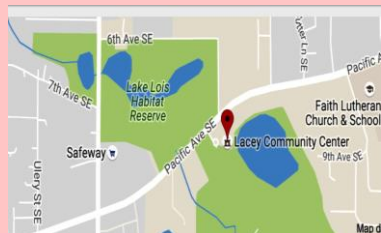
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MEETINGS—3rd Thursday of the month

NEXT MEETING: Sept. 15, 2016

NEW Location for Sept. only:



Lacey Community Center
6729 Pacific Ave SE, Olympia,
WA 98503

Time:

6:30 PM Socializing & Art Display
(stands available at the Dollar Store—bring some)

7:00 Business Meeting

7:30 Speaker Demonstration

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September Presenter....

JULIA CARPENTER

Our September presenter, Julia Carpenter, creates portraits of people and animals in oil,

watercolor, ink, charcoal, pastel and mixed media. Of her work, Julia says, "I am passionate about all types of art. I am a dynamic, charismatic and effective teacher and an excellent public speaker. As an artist my main subject matter is portraits, and I work primarily in oil. I am also an avid life drawing artist, and this is the subject I enjoy teaching most."

Her most recent paintings are in acrylic with Molotov markers followed by oil paint. "My process is intense application, removal and reapplication of paint in various methods to attempt to bring a certain order from chaos. I paint in a sort of rage of love, death, fear, pain and anger. There is a love of materials and a love of subject--most recently common North American birds." Before that her focus was on the human face.

Julia does demos and workshops for Daniel Smith Artist Materials and Kirkland Arts Center. In May of 2016 she taught a portrait workshop at Daniel Smith covering basic skull and face anatomy, drawing the face and head from different angles, and strategies for seeing and fixing errors in your portraits. She also scheduled a drawing workshop on Birds from Beak to Tail at Daniel Smith.

After receiving her Bachelor of Science degree in Art Education at the University of Wisconsin--Madison in 2000, Julia received her Master of Fine Arts Degree from Montana State University's School of Art in Bozeman, MT.

You can view Julia's website at--
juliacarpenterpainting.com
and reach her online at carpejulia@gmail.com.





Silent Auction a Success

OAL had another successful Silent Auction in May 2016. Our 4th annual auction raised \$1,277 for the 2016 Lakefair Juried Art show.

According to auction chair, Karen Bush, "We followed a different model this time to spread out the work load. Our members came through big time. OAL folks not only donated items, but also their organizational skills. As the items came in on auction night, our generous members helped by filling out bid sheets with descriptions. So very quickly and easily, the tables were laden with cool deals. Lots of our artists went home happy with new supplies, books and reservations for art workshops."

PAINT YOUR VISION

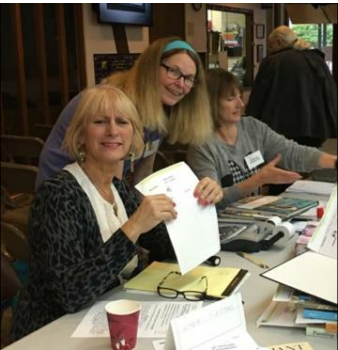
I have been part of many painting critiques over the years, and have often observed paintings that are a little "off." Perhaps it's an ugly red stop sign that distracts from the pastoral mood or a stand of trees all the same height that deadens the rhythm, or a color palette that's just too dull to hold the viewer's interest. When someone says, "Um, hey, gee, that part isn't really working for me," the artist responds with, "But that's how it looked in real life."

Painting real life can be tricky. As much as we may want to be faithful to the initial inspiration and to the outdoor painting subject in front of us we never have to paint exactly what's there. I think plein-air artists are particularly guilty of this. In the rush to get something down on canvas, we don't always take the time to analyze the subject and "edit" real life.

We always have the opportunity to change certain aspects of our subjects to improve upon the composition, especially when we're in the studio and even when we're working quickly en plein air. If there's a distracting element in your subject, leave it out. If there's a really boring section of your subject, find something nearby that would add interest and put it in. Make the contours of your shapes more varied, adjust the values to add more drama, and push the colors in a direction that supports the mood or idea behind your painting. Be creative in finding ways to make your subject better.

Art should not duplicate real life as it is. Art can and should reveal the artist's vision of life as it could be.

Roxana Caples



Thank you to, Anne-Marie Brown, Karen Bush, Deborah Henderson (shown at left), Joanne Sanford, John Luxton and Roxanne Caples for setting things up and checking folks

out with their purchases.



So many stepped forward to help, and then also bid on items to generate funds. It takes the whole OAL community to run an auction. We have auctions down!

Thanks from your auction chair,
Karen Bush

Thank you to the 144 entrants in the 2016 Lakefair Juried Art Show. Congratulations to the 72 entries accepted into the show by judge Joe MacKechnie. The show would not have been possible without the help of the many wonderful volunteers that make the event run smoothly. This year's award winners are listed below.

First Place: Olympia Federal Savings \$500.00:
La Donna Kruger "Fir Island Farm"

Second Place: Panarama City & OAL \$300.00:
Linda Lindner "Early Light-Days Inn"

Third Place: Timberland Bank \$200.00: Laraine Wade "Extract"

Fourth Place: The Artists' Gallery \$150.00: Cal Capener "Winter on the Delores"

Honorable Mentions:

Dick Blick Award 1: Mark Schult "SMILIN' BOB"

Dick Blick Award 2: Linda Selsor "Kabuki"

THE Poulakidas Award: Ed Schroll "Digging The Beach"

Thomas Architecture Award: Patricia Jollimore "Nothing Bubbles Can't Cure"

Art House Designs Award: Deborah Henderson "Last Light"

Olyphant Art & Media Award: Linda Parisi "Night Haul"

Olympia Framemakers Award: Anne-Marie Brown "Swing Away"

Daniel Smith Award: Kim Schult "Mmmm Zucchini"

Compass Rose Award: Celine Young "North West View"

Ampersand Award: JoAnne Sanford "Wynoochee Lake"

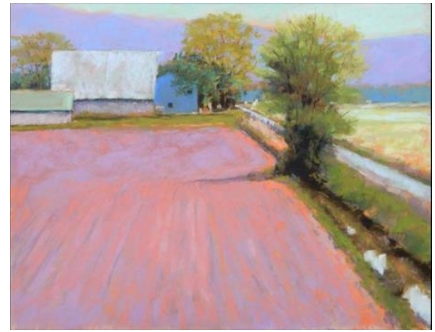
Thank you to all our sponsors and to Minute Man Press for their time, expertise and donation of the show programs and the Governor Hotel and helpful staff for hosting our show. Now get painting for July 2017!!!!



Show Chair Trisha Gooch & OAL President Roxana Caples announce winners



Joe Mac Kechnie, La Donna Kruger and first place winner "Fir Island Farm"



Second Place "Early Light—Days Inn" by Linda Lindner show at right with Joe



Laraine Wade with Joe Mac Kechnie and her third place winner "Extract"



See page 8 for more Lakefair pictures

GETTING ACQUAINTED... Each month we'll feature several of our members as a way to help get to know one another. If you'd like to be featured, contact Nicki Weber at (360)753-3040 or ednickweber@aol.com



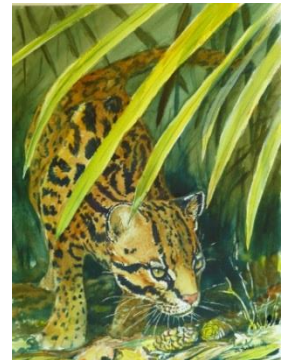
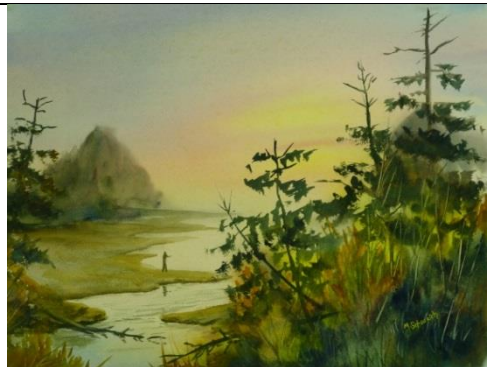
Judy Howard has been an OAL member since 2014. A generous helper, she has assisted with ribbons for the Lakefair art show and worked at the Thurston County Fair with Diane Fairbanks this August. Inspiration for her watercolor comes from many sources. A couple of workshops have contributed to her evolving watercolor skills. Kay Barnes's workshop last year awakened the freedom of

splashing as well as pouring paint. This summer our Lakefair Art Show judge Joe MacKechnie, inspired Judy and many fellow painters. His workshop used many supplies and techniques designed to have you enjoy the freedom of the medium. At one time her subjects were dominated by botanicals with an exacting, realistic style. As time and skills have evolved her realism has become more abstract. Moving here three years ago, she now lives and thrives at Panarama City and enjoys a very active life--participating in art socials, gardening in the Pea Patch, and in general savoring the beauty of life. jhoward@localaccess.com



One of our newest members, **Heather Mc Dougal Simons**, and her husband returned to the Olympia area after living in Nevada for 15 years. She has been attending OAL meetings since April, comes to the watercolor critique group, and helped with the Lakefair Art Show set up. Watercolor is Heather's medium of choice. She's mostly self-taught through books, experimentations, and practice and draws from her extensive graphic arts background. Her subject matter has evolved from Southwestern motifs to the

beauty of the Pacific Northwest. Heather currently focuses on the wild life and natural textures of our area--herons, whales, and woodland floors. Her favorite resource is "Watercolor Tricks and Techniques" by Cathy Johnson. She, like many of us, hopes to loosen up her style as she evolves.



Mike Scheurich's lifelong love of art dates back to the art instruction he received during his boarding school days at St. Martins HS in Lacey. The chemistry of his pharmacy profession inspired his curiosity about how paints mix on paper, dissolving in unexpected ways. Mike has been an active participant in OAL since he joined in 2005. "This organization is so encouraging and helps introduce me to new ideas." He helps set up the monthly meetings assisting with lights, tables, and the reflective mirror. Over the years photography has been one of his pursuits and has been of assistance in observing nature, shadow, symmetry, and pattern in a detailed way. His mediums are acrylic and watercolor. Aspiring to become more fluid in his painting, Mike is attempting to use larger brushes and hopes to enlarge his format. He has a display of up to 20 paintings during the month of September at the Unity Church of Olympia in West Olympia. You can reach Mike at mscheurik@comcast.net.

Starting Thursday, Sept. 8th

OAL EVENING PAINT-IN



Diana Fairbanks' Studio
Thursdays 6:30-8:30PM
1230 E 8th Ave Olympia

For more info contact :
Karen Bush 360-455-8176

"All mediums and people are welcome.
\$5 charged to help pay utilities."



Our next Think Tank will be Tuesday, Sept. 20th at 2:00 PM , Haggens (the old Top Food) on Olympia's west side. Note: It's the *third* Tues. this month.

Roxana will be there to greet and visit. Members are encouraged to socialize, talk art, and think up terrific ideas to make OAL a more amazing art club

Water Color Critique Group



The Watercolor Critique Group meets on the second Friday of each month. This month's meeting is **Sept. 9th from 1:00 to 2:30PM**. The location will be Timberline Baptist Church 6628 Mullen Rd SE in Lacey.

If you paint with watercolor, we invite you to join this helpful, supportive & often inspiring group. Bring current work or a 'problem child' that's been set aside waiting for resolution to present itself.

Questions? Call or e-mail: Jo Anne Sanford, 360-878-8225 san3jo@comcast.net

STARTING THURSDAY OCTOBER 6th.....

OAL MORNING PAINT-IN

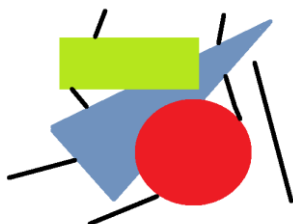
Join us at the Morning Paint Ins!

Time: The group meets Thursdays 9AM-Noon.

Location: Karen Crate's community clubhouse in Thunderbird Village 716 Dennis St. SE in Tumwater

Bring what you are working on and join other artists at work.

Call or email for more info: Karen Crate
wkcrate@comcast.net 360-943-1827



Abstract Critique Group

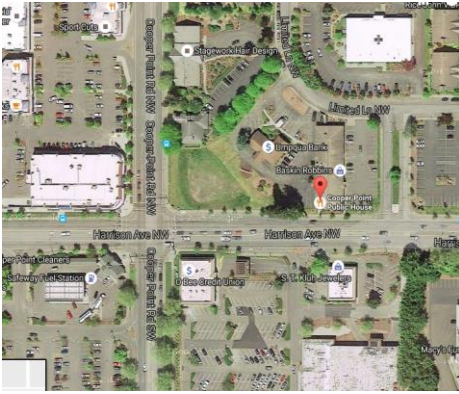
The next meeting of the Abstract Critique Group is **Wednesday, Sept. 21st from 1 PM to 3:30 PM** at Linda Selsor's home located at 4509 Prestwick Lane SE, Lacey. After brief introductions, we do a gentle critique of each other's work and share information about classes, books, artists or teachers that have inspired us. Bring a few works to share—all experience levels and mediums welcome. Contact Linda to RSVP and for more information about the group. You can reach her at 491-0377 or via e-mail at lselsor@msn.com



PLEIN AIR PAINT OUTS CONTINUING THROUGH SEPTEMBER

Weather permitting, OAL Thurs. morning plein air paint outs will continue through the month of September. Weekly notifications regarding locations and driving directions are sent out to registered participants throughout the season. If you want to be on that mailing list, contact either: **Jane King @ (360) 915.7866** (e-mail watercolor433@yahoo.com) or **JoAnne Sanford @ (360) 878.8225** (e-mail san3jo@comcast.net

**Chances to strut your stuff....
LOCAL OAL SPONSORED ART VENUES**



**Cooper Point
Public House
New Theme...**

Fall/Winter

We will be changing the art at the Cooper Point Public House **Wednesday, October 12th, at 9:30am**. With their new remodel we have room for 9 paintings. The theme for the next hanging will be 'Fall/Winter'. All paintings must have a wire on the back for hanging. Paintings should not be much bigger than 16x20 framed. The art will be hanging until next February.

If you have any questions, please contact Rick Drescher phone: 360-786-1958 or via E-mail: rickdartist@gmail.com Please support our patrons—Cooper Point Public House is located at 3002 Harrison Ave in Olympia.

TRA Medical Imaging

The first show went up May 17th at OAL's newest art venue, TRI Medical Imaging of Olympia, in their new Women's Health Center. Deborah Henderson, Jan Hansen and Linda Selsor participated in the show.



Jan Hansen & Linda Selsor by their work at TRI

The second show just went up August 19th. The next switch out will be in about three months. If you have questions or are interested in showing your art at the next show, please contact Jan Hansen at (360) 352-2751 or via e-mail at justjansue@gmail.com



Deborah Henderson beside her pastels

Please provide Jan with your name, the title of your artwork, medium and price. Jan will use this information to make cards for your art.



**Art Display at
Capitol Chiropractor
1728 State Ave NE, Olympia**

OAL members' art is on display at Capitol Chiropractor (near Ralph's Thriftway). The paintings usually hang for a few months at a time. If you are interested in displaying some of your work at our next switch out, contact:

Lone Moody
llmoody@comcast.net
360-357-5249

Please thank our sponsor with your patronage.

Bonsai Wok Teriyaki Art Display

Contact Anne- Marie Brown to find out about the next show and to make arrangements to pick up and/or drop off your work. Meanwhile, come see the art up at **Bonsai Wok Teriyaki** The restaurant is Tumwater at 408 Cleveland Ave. SE. (The same shopping center as Safeway.)

Please thank our generous sponsor by taking your family to eat at Bonsai Wok Teriyaki.

Contact Anne-Marie Brown if you want to participate at the next art refresh:
(360) 867-3270 or
anniebrownie123@yahoo.com

*Keep up on art happenings in
Olympia...*

Subscribe to Stephanie Johnson's **ART DIGEST** for upcoming local events. To join her e-mail list write to her at City of Olympia:
sjohns1@ci.olympia.wa.us



**OLYMPIA WATERCOLOR
CLASSES WITH ANN
BRECKON**

You are invited to join our fun classes this fall! These classes are for anyone interested in watercolor painting. We cover color, design and techniques while painting a variety of subjects.

All experience levels are welcome.

Mondays: Sept. 12, 26 / Oct. 10, 24 / Nov. 7 / Dec. 5
12-3 pm

Cost: \$35 per session

Location: First Christian Church at 8th & Franklin, Olympia

Themes: Under-sea art for September, Thomas Kincaid-Inspired scenes in October, ornaments for November and a Mt. Rainier sunset in December.

To register: e-mail Ann Breckon at annbreckon@gmail.com



**CAL CAPENER
OIL PAINTING
CLASSES
STARTING SAT.
OCT. 8TH**

Newcomers, beginners & advanced students are welcome.

Cost: \$60 with your own materials --\$65 if you use Cal's

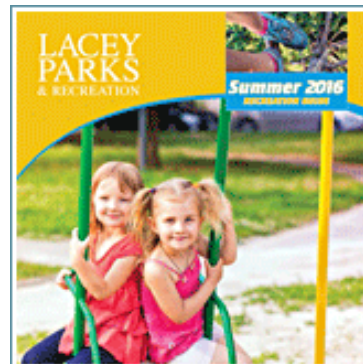
Location: Class is held at the Diane Fairbanks Studio, 1230 8th Ave., S.E. Olympia.

Contact: Call Cal at 360-491-0704 to register or contact him by email at: cccnac@msn.com

**NEW CLASSES STARTING IN
SEPTEMBER**



South Puget Sound Community College (SPSCC) Continuing Ed offers classes in the arts. Register online or call 360-709-2020. Venues: Arbutus Folk School, Mottman Campus, Shipwreck Beads, Larry Miller Woodshop, and the new Lacey Campus (4220 6th Ave SE Lacey, WA).
www.spscc.edu/cce



*Fall Quarter
2016
Registration...*

**LACEY PARKS &
RECREATION
PROGRAMS**

Fall Quarter registration will open online, in-person, and by phone, Wednesday, September 14th at 6:00 a.m. Registration will be available online 24/7 and during regular office hours Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Programs marked "Registering Now" will be available for registration on Tuesday, August 30th. Contact us today at (360) 491-0857 for your user ID and password, or to set up a new account. Then, enjoy the convenience of online registration throughout the quarter with your Visa or MasterCard.



**Olympia Parks, Arts & Recreation
offer great art classes:**

www.olympiawa.gov/experienceit
or call 360-753-8380

If you do not have a computer but would like to take advantage of online registration you can use one of our lobby kiosk computers at Lacey City Hall during regular business hours.



Linda Parisi was awarded the 4th Annual Nancy McLaughlin Excellence in Art Award presented by the Spokane Valley Arts Council. This award was named after Nancy McLaughlin (1932-1985) one of the top sculptors in the western art field. This honor is given to an outstanding woman artist and Linda was the 2016 honoree selected along with three other women by the board of the Spokane Valley Arts Council.

Let's make "Kudos" a regular feature for the newsletter. Have your tid bits about shows and awards ready for the October newsletter deadline!



Daryl Murray, Kathleen Guest, Becky Knold, and Christine Hawkins



Honorable Mention winner Celine Young & Cal Capener 4th Place winner



Joe & honorable mention winner Kim Schult with her winner "Mmmm Zucchini" at right



Lone Moody & Kerry Molineux



Honorable mention winner Mike Schult



Honorable mention winner Deborah Henderson



Janet Timms, Diana Fairbanks & second place winner Laraine Wade



Honorable mention winner and coordinator for Joe Mac Kechnie's workshop, Jo Anne Sanford



Join us for the
2nd Annual Panorama Arts Walk!

Thursday, September 8, 2016 at 10:00 am

Art • Music • Lunch • Theater • Ice Cream



This year's event is even bigger than last year! You can view the work of over 150 artists, including fabric art, oil painting, watercolors, colored pencil, woodworking, metalwork, literature, Zentangle, ceramics, basketry, and more. Be entertained by resident musicians and live theatrical performances. An extraordinary event not to be missed!

Join us!

Thursday, September 8, 2016

Arts Walk

10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Lunch - \$11.00

@ seventeen51 Restaurant & Bistro

11:00 am to 2:00 pm

Arts Walk Happy Hour

@ seventeen51 Restaurant & Bistro

3:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Panorama Hall

1751 Circle Lane SE

Lacey, WA 98503

For more information call: (360)456-0111

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The Artist Trust

The Artist Trust provides Washington State artists of all creative disciplines the necessary support to launch and sustain successful careers, through financial grants, career training and professional resources.

Find out more at:
<http://artisttrust.org/>

OAL Online Gallery

The online gallery is in the process of getting ready to publish. Anyone that wants to have a presence in the member gallery needs to send me three of their favorite artwork plus an artist statement of no more that 150 words. If you have a website or Facebook page be sure to include that information in the artist statement.

Send to me at rickdartist@gmail.com. if You have any questions, feel free to contact me and I'll help anyway I can.

Thanks,

Rick Drescher



DEADLINE OCT. NEWSLETTER

Please send your articles, photos, announcements & ideas to:

Linda Selsor at lselsor@msn.com

Due Date: September 25th, 2016

Visit [Olyphant Art Store](http://www.theolyphant.com) website for upcoming events:
<http://www.theolyphant.com/events/>

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Support the Olympia Art League with your 2016 membership if you have not already paid. Our low membership dues enable us to continue the fabulous programing that we enjoy in general meetings as well as other activities. **Please bring your \$30 check to the next OAL meeting or mail it to: Olympia Art League, PO Box 404 Olympia WA 98507**

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