

Olympia Art League Newsletter

April 2017

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MEETINGS—3rd Thursday of the month

Next Meeting:

April 20, 2017

Location:

Faith Lutheran Church

7075 Pacific Ave SE

Lacey, 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



April Presenter...

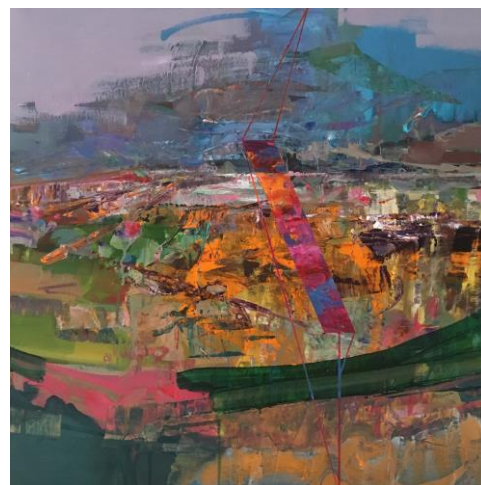
Abstract Painter Jeff Pasek

While earning his BA in Philosophy in the mid 90's, Jeff began to turn to painting with a serious energy and devotion. After many years as a dedicated, largely self-taught painter, he earned his Master of Fine Arts degree from Kent State University in December, 2013.

In 2014 he moved from Ohio to Olympia to continue his artistic career in the Pacific Northwest. Inspired by the beauty of this region, he enthusiastically creates, shows and sells his work. Jeff also teaches painting and drawing courses at South Puget Sound Community College's School of Continuing Education.

In his artist's statement Jeff says, "Every moment is improbable and strange... in these energetic abstracted landscapes, I seek to convey the deep mystery beneath human experience. I depict spaces containing a chaotic energy – a field from which enigmatic forms emerge and evoke a sense of presence. These paintings hint at sublime forces not directly seen, yet which underlie every conscious moment."

He calls this body of work *UnLands* which will be featured in an upcoming one man show at the Washington Center, May 19th – June 26th.





"Roxana" by Ed Weber

Inspiring Your Happy Artist

Are you a Happy Artist? The kind of happy that makes you smile when you put your head on your pillow at night. That subtle feeling of contentment. That feeling that you've contributed something unique to the creative conversation. If not, perhaps these 5 suggestions will help you get there.

1. *Feed your Inner Artist:* Take time to study and absorb the works of masters in your field. Discover what you like, and what does not work for you. Visit galleries, view videos, read technique books, take a workshop. Think about how you can add the elements you like to your arsenal of creativity.

2. *Practice your Craft:* It's not just about getting better or creating more stuff, it's also about doing what you were meant to do. It's about honoring that little creative voice inside of you that refuses to be buried beneath the incessant demands of everyday life.

3. *Put your Work out there:* It's not enough to paint something and then toss it in your attic. You have to share what you create. In this day and age of blogs and social media and OAL opportunities, there is really no excuse not to get your work out there.

4. *Connect and Inspire:* As important as it is to get your own work out there in order to receive feedback, you also need to find a way to provide feedback to other artists as well. This is a two way street and you'll soon discover that the amount of feedback you receive is equal to the amount of feedback and encouragement that you offer to others.

5. *Share, then let it go:* Don't worry if it's good enough or whether it's better or worse than what you've done before. Your job is simply to create it, put it out there, and then move on. Your work is your work; it's not who you are or what you might become. It's not the final word on your creative potential; it's simply the next milepost on your creative journey.

March Presenter Ron Stocke Blends Charm and Inspiring Technique



Ron Stocke was a huge hit with Olympia Art League artists when he joined us at our March general meeting. His style, loosely representational, included techniques that many of our artists aspire to.

Ron started at the top of the paper and worked his way down, preserving dynamic shapes and targeting great value changes. He likes working back and forth between warm and cool colors and advised us to "keep the corner boring" so the viewer's interest would stay in the painting. Ron likes to paint city scenes which include people and have a brightly contrasting light source.

Ron Stocke will be the judge for our ArtsWalk Juried Show at the end of this month. He will also be teaching a two day workshop on the Tuesday and Wednesday preceding our Juried Show.

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."



Think Tank Tuesday meets the second Tuesday of each month. The next meeting is on **Tuesday, April 11th** at 2:00 PM at Haggens on Olympia's west side off the intersection of Black Lake and Cooper Point.

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.

Join us at the ...

Morning Paint Ins

Time: Thursdays 9 AM – Noon

Location: Karen Crate's community club house in Thunderbird Village, 716 Dennis St SE in Tumwater

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

For more information: call or e-mail Karen Crate
wkcrate@comcast.net (360) 943-1827



Watercolor

Critique Group

Join this helpful, supportive and often inspiring group. Bring a work for gentle, constructive feedback.

Time: The second Friday of each month. This month's meeting is April 14th from 1:00 to 2:30 PM.

Location: Timberline Baptist Church 6628 Mullen Rd SE, Lacey.

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



Abstract Critique Group

Time: The third Wednesday of each month. This month's meeting is on April 19th from 1 PM to 3:30 PM

Location: Jo Anne Sanford's home at 7039 41st SE, Lacey

We do a gentle critique of each other's work and share information about classes, books, artists or teachers that have inspired us. All experience levels and mediums welcome.

Contact: To RSVP, for directions and more information about the group contact Linda Selsor at 491-0377 or via e-mail at lselsor@msn.com



Pastel Critique Group Up and Running

Come help kick off OAL's newest critique group.

Time: Tuesday, April 4th, 4 – 6 PM

Location: Lacey Timberland Regional Library at 500 College St. SE off Abby Way.

Focus: We'll have a designated topic each month focusing on the 5 Essentials in Every Powerful Painting by Ramon Kelley. Our April meeting is about color.

Contact: Debra Hanson & Anna Hess are co-facilitating. Contact Debra at 360-259-5713 or via e-mail at debh.dh76@gmail.com



New OAL Sponsored Event--Art Salon Get Together 4

If you are a person that enjoys talking about art almost as much as doing art, there's a new group for you! Thanks to an idea new member Lynne Ferguson ran by folks at a recent Think Tank meeting, OAL is launching an Art Salon. We'll meet monthly around an agreed upon topic--such as, color theory, a chosen artist, or possibly a specific art period/movement. Before each get together, members will spend some time reviewing a chosen topic and then through a facilitated discussion share their observations, ideas, and insights.

It's kind of like a book club but you won't prepare for it by reading a book. You'll prepare by picking out something you're interested in that fits the agreed upon topic. It should prove to be lively considering the passion that Art League members share. Lynne will lead our inaugural, organizing meeting **Friday April 14 from 1-3PM** at Linda Selsor's home located at **4509 Prestwick Lane SE, Lacey**. To RSVP and for directions contact Linda at (360) 491-0377 or lselsor@msn.com.

Check out the shows and support... OAL SPONSORED ART VENUES



Bonsai Wok Teriyaki offers the entire restaurant for display of OAL member art. The restaurant is located in Tumwater at 408 Cleveland Ave. SE.

New works went up Sat. Jan. 28th. 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 via e-mail at anniebrownie123@yahoo.com



OAL ONLINE GALLERY

To share your work online, send **Rick Drescher** three of your favorite works and an artist statement of no more than 150 words. Include your website or Facebook page in the artist statement to Rick Drescher at rickdartist@gmail.com.

Cooper Point Public House is located at 3002 Harrison Ave. on Olympia's West side. Check out the "Spring" show and enjoy a great meal. The next show will go up in June. If you have questions please contact Rick Drescher:



Phone 360-786-1958 or via E-mail: rickdartist@gmail.com



MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Please consider renewing your membership today. Your support through our low membership dues enables us to offer the fabulous programming we enjoy at general meetings as well as other activities. Please mail your \$30 check to: Olympia Art League, PO Box 404, Olympia, 98507. You can also bring it to the next meeting. **New members welcome!**



The Women's Health Center at **TRA Medical Imaging of Olympia** on Lilly Road offers space for display of OAL member art. This lovely venue works well for large pieces and sculpture. *New art will go up in early May.* For more information contact Jan Hansen at 360-352-2751 or at justjansue@gmail.com. TRA is located at 500 Lilly Road NE Suite 160 (opposite St Peter Hospital).



SPREAD THE WORD!!

Artist Trust's Grants for Artist Projects is now open!

60 Washington State artists will receive \$1,500 towards a new project, studio time, travel – the possibilities are endless. Learn more and apply now: <http://bit.ly/1dWXHle>



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The new show went up at **Capitol Chiropractor** (located across from Ralph's Thriftway) on February 2nd. The staff and patients always look forward to the new art. The art will hang until early

May when we will change it again. If you'd like to be included in the new show contact **Lone Moody** at lmood@comcast.net or 360-357-5249.

Only a few slots left!

RON STOCKE, NWS, AWS
April 25th & 26th Watercolor Workshop



Time: 10 AM to 5 PM (both days)

Location: First Christian Church, 701 Franklin St – Olympia

Cost: \$225, Check payable to Olympia Art League

Registration: Call JoAnne Sanford, 360-878-8225

Mail Check to: JoAnne Sanford; 7039 41st Ave SE – Lacey WA 98503

Deadline for payment: **April 18, 2017.** Materials List will be provided

Hand Painting Glass Class Offered
by Marina Kuran



Explore the magic of hand painting on glass! It's a very fluid and organic way of making your creations come alive with color and light. Your finished pieces will look like they're either stained glass or fused and slumped glass but without the hassle & expense of cutting tools, soldering, extractors, grinders or a kiln.

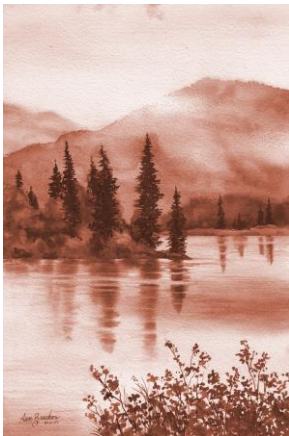
When: Saturday, May 6th, 9 AM to 1 PM

Where: Marina's studio in the quiet and peaceful countryside just outside McCleary (20 minutes west of Olympia). Directions will be provided at time of registration.

Fee: \$85, which includes beverages and ALL supplies except glass

Level: All

Contact info: Phone Marina at 360-918-2198 or email her at makai32@outlook.com for more information and registration details



OLYMPIA
WATERCOLOR CLASSES
WITH ANN BRECKON

Painting Around
the Color Wheel

"Students of all experience levels welcome"

Mondays: April 10th & 24th from 12 – 3 PM

Cost: \$35 per session

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

Themes: For the month of April, our two classes will concentrate on landscapes with water. Think serene lake scenes with reflections and moody clouds. We will be learning about the extended monochromatic color scheme while working with the unusual color of red-orange.

To register: Call or e-mail Ann at 425-644-4245 or annbreckon@gmail.com



CAL CAPENER
OIL PAINTING
CLASSES

Newcomers, beginners and advanced students welcome!

Time: Saturday, April 22nd, 9 – 3:30 PM (half hour break for lunch)

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

Focus: We'll cover color mixing, composition, and brushwork.

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

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

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

This month we're introducing two of our new members...



Josiane Tchoukaline was born in Paris and began drawing at the Paris Art School. She moved to the United States in 1967 and loves her adopted country.

She first settled in Georgia, but came to Seattle where she worked at Virginia Mason as their Medical Graphic Designer. While at Virginia Mason, Josiane designed bilingual signage for international visitors and continuing education students.

In 1971 she moved to Olympia. Her art loves include pen and ink, acrylics, iconography, portraits and florals. She is also an avid and adventurous cook.

Her phone number is 360-704-9922
email josietchou@aol.com

Linda King moved to the Northwest three years ago to be near her parents and family. She now calls Jubilee her home and has become an active member of that community where she chairs the Jubilee Fine Arts Committee.

Prior to her move here, Linda had a successful 40 year career as an art director, set and production designer in the film industry. Her film credits include film and TV. In Washington she applied her talents to an Amazon project that resulted in an Emmy nomination for Outstanding Production Design.

Now she is focusing on art, developing her acumen in acrylics, watercolor, and Urban Sketching. Her favorite subjects are landscapes and portraits in one or all of the mediums.

You can reach Linda at marinalinda@me.com or (360) 456-1264



Two upcoming shows featuring OAL members of The Artists' Gallery...

**The Artists' Gallery
Exhibition**

Showing: March 20 – May 15
Reception: March 28 at 6:00 PM

GALLERY HOURS: By Appointment
M-F 12 – 4 PM
please call: (360) 753-8585

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THE CENTER GALLERY

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**Local Fine Art
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**The Hub @
Ricardo's Restaurant**

Friday April 7 3:00-7:00
Saturday April 8 3:00-7:00
Sunday April 9 10:00-3:00

On Woodland Loop off 6th Avenue
No-Host all day Happy Hour
Great food and drink
Plenty of parking

**The Hub is at Ricardo's Restaurant
on Woodland Loop off 6th Avenue, Lacey, WA**

CALL TO ARTISTS *for...*

The Washington State Department of Commerce's Art Show

The Visual Word

Celebrating words in the visual arts

Date of Show: May, June, July 2017

Show Location: 1011 Plum St SE, Olympia
Washington State Department of Commerce

Application deadline: April 17, 2017

Submit the Terms and Conditions Form & image
of art via e-mail to

artcommittee@commerce.wa.gov

Notification of acceptance: by **April 24, 2017**

Artwork intake: May 2, 2017, 2:00 – 3:30

or by appointment 1011 Plum Street SE,
Olympia, WA 98504 Washington State
Department of Commerce

Artists' Reception: July 25, 2017,

12:00 – 1:00 pm, 1011 Plum Street SE, Olympia,
Washington State Department of Commerce

Questions? Please contact Trisha Smith at

artcommittee@commerce.wa.gov.

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TRA Medical Imaging: Jan Hansen
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 Paint In Day: Karen Crate
 Paint In Night: Karen Bush
 Recruiter: Roxana Caples

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ArtsWalk 2017

Juried Art Show

April 28 - April 29, 2017

OLYMPIA COMMUNITY CENTER

222 Columbia St NW
 Olympia, WA

Open
 8 AM - 10 PM Friday
 8 AM - 3:30 PM Saturday

Selected Entries' Reception
 April 27, 2017
 6:00 - 8:00 PM
 AWARDS AT 6:30 PM




Acrylics Critique Group Forming

The first meeting of the new Acrylics Critique Group will be held **Friday, April 21 from 1:30 to 3:00PM**

Location: Karla Fowler's home studio, 6350 Leprechaun Drive NW, Olympia 98502. Email Karla for driving instructions (nwnxart@comcast.net).

Agenda: Get acquainted, paint critiques (please bring a painting on which you would welcome feedback), future meetings.

"If I could say it in words there would be no reason to paint."

Edward Hopper

MAY NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

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

Linda Selsor at lselsor@msn.com

Due Date: April 25, 2017

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

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