

Olympia Art League Newsletter

April 2018

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MEETINGS—3rd Thursday of the month

Next Meeting:

Thursday, April 19, 2018

Location:

Faith Lutheran Church
7075 Pacific Ave SE
Lacey, WA 98503

Time:

6:30 PM Socializing

7:00 Business Meeting

7:30 Silent Auction

APRIL MEETING FEATURES SILENT AUCTION

At last Spring has arrived and with it comes the instinctual need for Spring Cleaning. You can help us and we can help you! The Olympia Art League would like to help you relocate all your unused art supplies, books, and CD's to grateful artist members and friends. Your studio will get organized and the money we make will help fund our ArtsWalk Juried Art Show.

We did not have this event last year, but a membership survey was positively in favor of a repeat performance. So grab a box or two, and sort through your cupboards and drawers to find items to **donate** for our auction. We will be e-mailing you the "how to" instructions. For now, just grab a box and de-clutter your art space. For those members who cannot attend the April 19th meeting we can arrange to have your art contributions picked up.

Our ArtWalk Juried Show is becoming a favorite with Olympia's art loving public. With the prizes, reception, printed materials, venue and juror fees our show costs about \$3,000. The last two silent auctions generated more than \$1,000 each time. It is amazing how someone else's unneeded materials becomes another artist's treasures.

Donations should be in good condition. Some artists will be donating a mini-workshop. If you are comfortable sharing your art skills, you might consider offering a class. Art easels, books, paper cutters, brushes and paints are good. Frames and mat board do not sell well. Please do not include your own art as we don't want to discount your artistic value!

We are looking forward to another adventurous silent auction for our April General Meeting. Thank you in advance for making this meeting a fun and prosperous event. Because we will be using all the space for our auction, we will not be sharing art before the meeting begins.

For more information contact Karen Bush (360) 455-8176, kbush35@comcast.net or Roxana Caples roxanacaples@comcast.net (360) 280.7161.



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DEADLINES

All of us face the challenge of meeting deadlines in one form or another. Did I write the column for the month, paint a new watercolor, pay my bills, exercise, read my books for my book clubs, plan the dinners, and clean my house? I'm retired and yet there is so much to do. I know many of you are employed and I am in awe of your burning desire to fit creativity into your life. Your yearning will keep that flame burning; you will find the time.

For me, the love of art keeps me studying the Old Masters as well as the emerging art of today. This interest in art has infused every aspect of my life. We seek out art shows, museums, and galleries when we travel. You can do the same right here in Olympia. Have you been to the galleries in our town, the museums in Tacoma, Seattle, and wherever you might be? Each time you observe art you expand your awareness of our world. It keeps life exciting and challenging.

I sign up for Workshops whenever I can afford the time and money. Why?--because new input is helpful and fun. It helps me progress in my art efforts. Our OAL has workshops during the year; the most recent will be the Amanda Houston session studying composition. We plan to have more during the year if there is a demand. Daniel Smith Art Supplies has a full schedule of artists presenting workshops from one to four days. How do you find out about these opportunities? You can find them in the OAL newsletter, Daniel Smith newsletter, the Watercolor Magazine and other art magazines. Best of all, you can simply start and see where it leads you. You know, is it "cart horse" or "horse cart"? In other words, every journey is different. I wish you Godspeed as you move forward in your attempts and accomplishments.

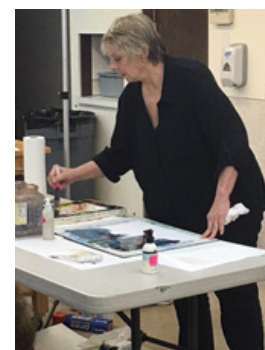
Mary Schumaker Shared the Wonders of Yupo

Mary Schumaker was an inspiration for Olympia Art League Artists. Many of our members have not had personal experience with the enigma of YUPO. Who knew that a single piece of Yupo could provide an artist a painting surface for the rest of their painting career!



While Mary produces art on many types of surfaces, she concentrated on the possibilities of Yupo for her delightful presentation for our March general meeting. Mary was relaxed and entertaining as she led us through the possibilities of creating art with water media on Yupo. With Yupo, there is no paper buckling and the paints dry brighter because the pigment is not pulled into the surface. Yupo requires patience. Artists need to stand back and enjoy watching the paint create beauty as it dries. Paint can be lifted right back to the white surface with a stiff damp brush and a gentle swipe with a soft brush allows glazing.

Mary shared her important Four T's for working with Yupo: Tilt / Transparency / Thickness / and Timing. Let Roxana Caples know if you think we should invite Mary Schumaker down to Olympia to offer a one day workshop.



Opportunities to paint, play & learn together...



OAL EVENING PAINT-INS

Meet Thursday evenings
6:30—8:30 PM
Diana Fairbanks Studio
1230 E 8th Ave. Olympia

For more information contact Karen Bush at 360-455-8176 or via email kbush35@comcast.net

"All mediums and people are welcome."



THINK TANK TUESDAY meets the second Tuesday of each month. The next meeting is on **Tuesday, April 10th** at 2:00 PM at Haggens on Olympia's west side off the intersection of Black Lake and Cooper Point. Nicki 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.



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 13th from 1:00 to 2:30 PM.

New Location: – Lacey Fire Station #33, 6500 Mullen Road SE (Entrance is side door to right of front door.)

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

Morning Paint-Ins

Time: Thursdays 9 AM – Noon

Location: Thunderbird Village Community Club House, 716 Dennis St SE in Tumwater

Join other artists at work.

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



Abstract Critique Group



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.

New Time: The third Wednesday of each month. The next meeting is April 18th from 1:30 PM to 3:30 PM

New Location: Lacey City Hall, 420 College St. (next door to the library) To find the room, enter through the middle door; the Community Room will be on your immediate left.

Contact: To RSVP, for directions, information contact Lindsey Ford at lindsey4d@comcast.net or (360) 789-7860.



Pastel Critique Group

Time: Meets first Tuesday of the month. This month's meeting is Tuesday, April 3rd from 12—2 PM

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

Focus: Bring a painting or two to share.

New Facilitator Needed: This will be the last Pastel Critique Group under the current facilitators. If someone is interested in facilitating the Pastel Critique Group please contact an OAL Officer. Thank you for your participation over the last year!

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



Artists' Breakfast Club... Enjoy breakfast with your fellow artists at Cooper Point Public House, 3002 Harrison Ave. on the Westside, at 9:30 AM on the fourth Monday each month—next one is April 23rd. This is a totally social Breakfast Club get together. Contact: Rick Drescher at 360-786-1958, e-mail: rickdartist@gmail.com



Drawing Critique Group

Focus: Bring your drawings for a friendly critique. You can leave them in sketchbooks if you like.

Date and Time: The first Tuesday of each month, April 3rd, 3—4:30 PM

Location: Rainier Room at Capital Medical Center, 3900 Capital Mall Drive SW, Olympia. The Rainier Room is just past the information desk in the main lobby, first door on the left.

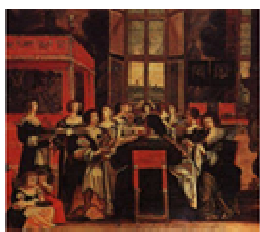
Contact: Rick Drescher at Phone 360-786-1958 or via E-mail:

Upcoming art change out at... OAL SPONSORED ART VENUE



TRA Medical Imaging of Olympia is located in the Medical Arts Building at 500 Lilly Road NE, Suite 160 (across from St. Peter's Hospital). This lovely venue is offered for art display and works well for all types of art including large pieces and sculpture. The next "hanging" will be **May 22nd**. For information about how to include your art, contact Jan Hansen at 360-

352-2751 or at justiansue@gmail.com.



Join us for a lively discussion...

OAL's Art Salon

When: Tuesday, April 17th from 3 PM to 4:30 PM

Where: Haggen's Grocery Cafe on the Westside at the corner of Black Lake and Cooper Point

What: We'll discuss favorite paintings. Choose a painting by one of your favorite artists and share the identifying characteristics that make it appeal to you.

RSVP: Lynne Ferguson via e-mail markandlynn@me.com

*The artist is not a different kind of person,
but every person is a different kind of
artist.*

Eric Gil



ACRYLIC SUPPORT GROUP

Date & Time: The fourth Friday of the month, April 27th from 1—3 PM

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

Program: We'll have a mini-workshop on color mixing using only three primary colors. Also, bring a painting to share with the group – something on which you would like friendly feedback. This could be a completed work or a work in progress.

Contact: Anyone wishing to attend who isn't already on our list should contact Karla Fowler at nwnxart@comcast.net for the latest schedule and location information. Anyone interested in acrylics is welcome!



GETTING ACQUAINTED Introducing Lenora Andres



Lenora and her husband moved to Jubilee two and a half years ago from Fox Island. Lenora joined OAL late in 2017.

"I took some art lessons at our club house two years ago and got hooked. I've always loved art, but hadn't done anything since junior high. I especially love watercolor, and enjoy sketching and playing around with acrylics. I have only shown my art at Jubilee, but recently hung a barn painting at Cooper Point Public House. "

"Last year I was inspired by barns and chickens. I have always enjoyed the outdoors, and love trees, flowers, the sky! Since taking art lessons, 'I see clouds from all sides now!' I get so inspired just coming to the meetings and seeing everyone else's art, and meeting so many fun, kind people. "

If you'd like to be featured in Getting Acquainted contact Lindsey Ford at lindsey4d@comcast.net or (360) 789-7860



Workshops and classes...

Olympia Art League Sponsored Workshop featuring...

AMANDA HOUSTON

A Two Day Workshop On

“COMPOSITION AND DESIGN”



Dates: Tues. April 24th and Wed. April 25th

Times: 10 AM to 5 PM Both Days

Location: First Christian Church, 701 Franklin St., Olympia

Fee: \$295

Class Limit: 13 Participants

To Register: Call JoAnne @ (360) 878-8225 or e-mail san3jo@comcast.net

Deadline for payment: April 17, 2018

Make check payable to Olympia Art League and mail to JoAnne Sanford, 7039 41st Ave. SE, Lacey, WA 98503



CAL CAPENER OIL PAINTING CLASSES

*Newcomers, beginners
and advanced
students welcome!*



WATER COLOR CLASSES

WITH ANN BRECKON

Time: Saturday, April 21st, 9 AM – 3:30 PM (half hour break for lunch)

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

Focus: We will be painting landscapes with a focus on mountains—Rainier, Baker, Shuksan, Olympics etc. We will explore various brush and knife techniques, compositions, and color mixing.

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

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

Focus: May's class we'll focus on a quaint garden setting featuring fields of iris blooms in front of a perfect northwest farmhouse. In June, we'll celebrate the patriotic month by painting a garden flying an American flag and have fun painting flowers and shrubs.

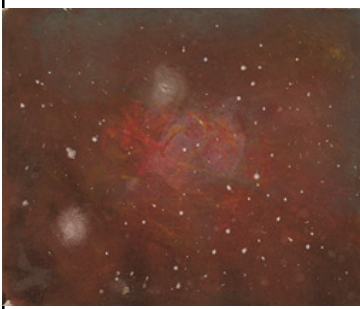
Dates & Time: May 7th, June 11th, both 12—3 PM

Location: First Christian Church 701 Franklin St. SE, Olympia

Cost: \$35 per session

Contact: Please e-mail Ann if you plan on attending or would like to be included on her e-mail list.—annbreckon@gmail.com

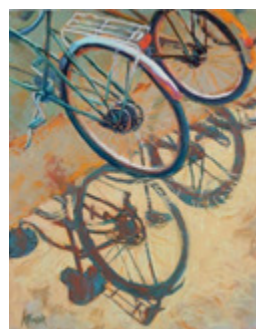
Kudos and shows...



Lois Beck has a solo show featuring her "Night Skies Series" at the Gig Harbor Campus of Tacoma Community College, 3993 Hunt St., Gig Harbor March 26th - June 15th. Her monoprint *Nebula* is featured here.



Two works by **LaDonna Kruger**, "Labor of Love" and "Contemplating Conservancy", will be showing in the upcoming Northwest Pastel Society's International Exhibition at American Art Company in 1126 Broadway, Tacoma. The show hangs from May 5th—June 16th. The Artist Reception is on May 5th from 2-4 pm.



LaDonna's painting, "Reflector", was selected to be included in the 32nd International Association of Pastel Societies Juried Exhibition. It's highly unusual for this annual international exhibition to be near enough to see in person. This year it is held right here in Tacoma at American Art Co., 1126 Broadway Plaza, Tacoma! It hangs March 16th through April 28th, with the

Reception April 7th, 2-4 pm. You can see the entire exhibit on the IAPS website.... http://www.iapspastel.org/exiaps_previous.php

Teresa M. Staal-Cowley's "Latin Guitarist" was accepted in a juried show for The Healing Gallery at Grays Harbor Community Hospital, 915 Anderson Dr., Aberdeen. The show will be up for 6 months and is open to the public.



The Thurston County Family Juvenile Court in Tumwater is looking for artists to exhibit their work for May through August and September through December. Artists need approximately 15 to 20 framed works of art. The exhibit is open to the public. Contact Teresa at [tere-samarie4art@gmail.com](mailto:teresamarie4art@gmail.com) to find out details of exhibiting.

Olympics West Members Show...



Rick Drescher with Roxana Caples first place People's Choice Award winner



Alice Liou with her second place People's Choice Award winner.



Our third place People's Choice Award winner Lee Nugent .



At right , OAL VP Rick Drescher with Member Show Co-Chair Lindsey Ford



A sampling of the delicious buffet provided by Olympics West for the show reception.



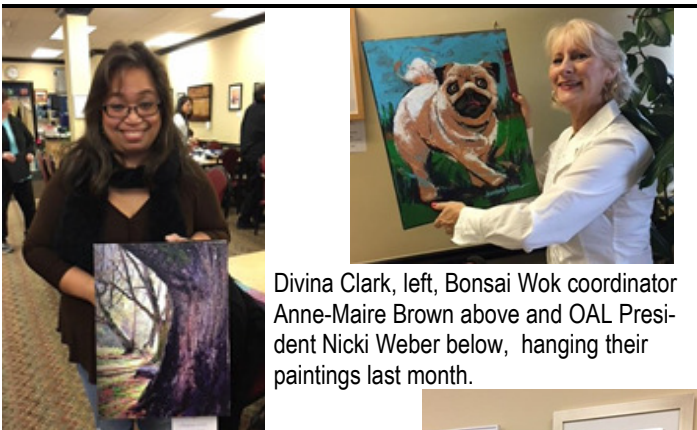
Members Teresa M. Staal-Cowley and Gemma Casanas enjoy the food and good company.

The Olympia Art League would like to extend its thanks to **Olympics West** for hosting our Members Only Show last month. We are grateful for the warm welcome and lovely reception. It is a highlight of our program year.

MAY NEWSLETTER DEADLINE APRIL 24TH
Please send your articles, photos, announcements & ideas for the **May** newsletter to Linda Selsor at lselsor@msn.com.



OAL Members at March's **Think Tank Tuesday**. Join us April 10th for a lively discussion at Haggen's on the Westside starting at 2 PM. It's where many new ideas for the art league are born!



Divina Clark, left, Bonsai Wok coordinator Anne-Maire Brown above and OAL President Nicki Weber below, hanging their paintings last month.

Members hung their art at **Bonsai Wok Teriyaki** last month at the last switch out. Haven't shown your work yet? Try one of AOL's sponsored venues.



Pack up your easel and paints...

MORNING PAINT OUTS COMING



Weekly "Morning Paint Outs" resume **Thursday May 24th**. Each Thursday join fellow artists from 9 AM to noon for a fun, free art adventure. These non-instructive sessions are open to all artists working in any medium. Bring your own supplies, snacks and camera. Sessions will be cancelled if it's raining or if it's very cold out. **SHOW & TELL at Noon**. Afterward, it would be fun to gather for lunch someplace close and socialize. Questions? Contact Rick Drescher—(360)-786-1958

May 24th-- Marathon Park, Deschutes Parkway Olympia. Directions: from downtown, take State Ave (one-way westbound.) Stay in LEFT lane. After a curve it is a two-way road, 4th Avenue W. Turn LEFT at stoplight (Simmons St), corner of Bayview Market. Go one block and turn RIGHT onto 5th Avenue W, continuing around lake. Roadway becomes Deschutes Parkway. Marathon Park is at the railroad tracks.

May 31st --Barn Nursery 9510 Old Highway 99 SE Tumwater . Directions: from Olympia, go SOUTH on Capitol Blvd SE (turns into Old Highway 99 SE). The Barn Nursery is three miles past the intersection of Capitol Blvd SE & Tumwater Blvd SE, on the LEFT. View red barn building, water features, statuary, plants, etc. Rain or shine, as they have a large covered area. Park in front of the building to the left of the Nursery.

The full summer schedule will be in next month's newsletter and will be posted on OAL's website.



Sea Level Rise Community Art Workshop

Interested in a fun, creative way to learn about climate change and sea level rise? Join Stream Team, guest speaker Andy Haub (City of Olympia) and guest artist-educator Carrie Ziegler (Earth Art) for a fun, educational workshop.

Ever want to participate in the Procession of the Species, but didn't know what to do? Here's your chance! We will create art wraps to look like pilings at low tide. Finished wraps will be displayed at Arts Walk and used in the Procession. For more information, contact Michelle Stevie at mstevie@ci.olympia.wa.us

Sea Level Rise Community Art Workshop

Saturdays: March 24, and April 7 & 14

10:00 a.m. – Noon

Procession of the Species Art Studio

406 Water Street, Olympia

Register at www.streamteam.info

PENINSULA ARTS ASSOCIATION

**27th Annual
SPRING
ART SHOW**

April 6, 7, 8

Long Beach Depot
102 3rd NW & Pacific Hwy, Long Beach, WA
10 to 4 pm daily...Admission is FREE!

*Public invited to see Art Demos & vote
for PEOPLE'S CHOICE Ribbon!!*
Raffle sales fund PAA's Scholarship & Art
Enrichment programs
Artist Reception & Awards @ 3pm Sunday

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OAL Sponsored Shows:

Members Only Art Show: Heather Simons, Lindsey Ford

Artswalk Juried Show: Roxana Caples, Janus Innes, Sherié Nation

County Fair Art Show: Diana Fairbanks, Kay Tolles

Local OAL Art Show Venues:

Bonsai: Anne-Marie Brown

Capitol Chiropractic: Lone Moody

Cooper Point Public House: Rick Drescher

TRA Medical Imaging: Jan Hansen

Painting Get Togethers:

Paint Out: Rick Drescher

Paint In Day: Karen Crate

Paint In Night: Karen Bush

Critique & Support Groups:

Abstract Critique Group: Lindsey Ford

Acrylic Support Group: Karla Fowler

Drawing Support Group: Rick Drescher

Pastel Critique Group: Debra Hansen, Anna Hess

Watercolor Critique Group: JoAnne Sanford, Ruth Fuller

Art Salon: Lynne Ferguson



Gems from Roxana..

The most important and, ironically, counter-intuitive part of being an Artist: Belief in yourself. Read your art history — every artist has wrestled with this one. I have always believed that humility and hubris must walk hand-in-hand; you must have humility to receive the world, yet have the ego to face a blank canvas and believe that you can add something to it.

Make a conscious choice to surround yourself with authentic words, music and art to remind you of what is possible. Above all surround yourself with those who love and believe in you. Growth is always on the edge of uncomfortableness.

Be grateful, be humble, be open and create without fear,

Joe Paquet

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ArtsWalk 2018

Juried Art Show

April 23 - 28, 2018

Olympia Community Center

222 Columbia St NW
Olympia, WA

Selected Entries' Reception

April 26, 2018
6:00 - 8:00 PM
Awards at 7:00 PM

Open

8 AM - 10 PM Monday - Friday
8 AM - 5 PM Saturday

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