



December Newsletter

December, 2015

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www.newbraunfelsartleague.org

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No NBAL Meeting in December

Please read this newsletter! There is important information about 2016 special shows including Artoberfest, docent assignments, donation opportunities, fee changes, Greater New Braunfels Arts Council call for art, and a list of newly juried members.

New NBAL Board Members 2016

President- Arlene Rhodes
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From the Editor

If you do not get this newsletter via email, please consider doing so. We only print 4 pages for mailing. This means that some of you are missing information and exciting news. If you do not have a computer, consider getting it from a friend or relative who has internet access.

2015 Classes at NBAL

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

Linda C. Jacobson, 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 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm Call 830-629-6836.

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

Gaye Sekula, Oil Painting Classes

Cost: Six week class is \$153 plus studio fee

Beginner: Monday, 9 am – 12 noon

Intermediate to Advanced: Monday, 1-4 pm

All classes are limited to 10 students Call [210-259-3233](tel:210-259-3233), or e-mail sekulastudio@gmail.com.

Vie Dunn-Harr, Painting and Problem Solving, in medium of choice, 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month from 1:00 pm to 4:30 pm and 6-9:30 pm. \$70 plus \$4 in studio fees per month for either afternoon or evening session. Call 210-532-8036, or e-mail vie@dunn-harrstudios.com.

Trace Guthrie, Clay Sculpture, weekly sessions on Thursdays for 4 session commitment. Cost: \$80 + \$8 NBAL studio fee for 4 consecutive sessions. Next set of sessions drops to \$70/ 4. Time: 2:00 - 5:00 - Back room studio, 830-609-6196 tguthrie7@gmail.com

Gaye Sekula, Facilitator, Portrait Group, 2nd Tuesday of each month, 1-4 pm, 210-259-3233

Teri Dauk, Open painting Group, 1st Tuesday of each month, 10 am-3pm, 830-515-0330, tdauk@satx.rr.com

See www.newbraunfelsartleague.com

For more information on workshops or classes.

2015 Workshops at NBAL

Ron Rencher, "Landscape Painting in Plein Air" December 4-6, 2015 \$330, \$100 Deposit, 9:30 - 4:30 All skill levels welcome

Vie Dunn-Harr, "Watercolor Collage Expedition" January 22-24, 2016, NBAL Members: \$360 Non-Members: \$390, \$100 Deposit 9:30 - 4:30 All skill levels welcome

Myra Knapp, "Landscape Painting from Start to Finish" Creating Atmosphere, Space and Light, February 26-28, 2016 NBAL Members: \$380 Non-Members: \$410 \$100 Deposit 9:30 - 4:30 All skill levels welcome

Carol Nelson, "Experimental Acrylics and Mixed Media" March 11-14, 2016 NBAL Members: \$440 Non-Members: \$470 \$100 Deposit 9:30 - 4:30 All skill levels welcome

Go to **Website** for more information:

www.newbraunfelsartleague.com

also look on Facebook: **New Braunfels Art League**, click on "events"

Workshop Contact for Deposits and 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**.

Check the Art League's website for more 2016 Workshops

www.newbraunfelsartleague.org

There will be a slight increase in show entry and classroom fees effective January 1, 2016.

Classroom fees will increase from \$2.00 to \$3.00 per event.

Show entry fees will increase from \$15.00 to \$20.00 for one entry, \$20.00 to \$25.00 for two entries and \$25.00 to \$30.00 for three entries. These changes are a result of increasing operational costs to NBAL.

Upcoming Meetings and Events

December

No NBAL meetings in December

Dec 31 Pick up unsold work from **"Small Works..."**

January

Jan 2 9 am – 1 pm submission for "Artist of the Year" show

Jan 3 1-3:30 pm reception for show Naming of Artist of the Year

Jan 19 NBAL meetings

Jan 30 submission for "Kids..." Show

Jan 31 hanging "Kids..." show

Jan 31 Pick up unsold art from "Artist of the Year" show

February

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

Feb 16 NBAL meetings

Feb 26 pick up work from show

Docent/Member Notices

NBAL meetings are the third Tuesday of each month (except no meeting in December).

No meeting this month

Executive Board 10:30, Team Board 12:30, General Meeting 2:00

Artist Sales Report

30 Artists had sales of 53 pieces for total sales of \$4,006 in October, 2015. Top 10 sellers were Pat Delta, Anita Chouinard, Cheryl Christopher, Kathy Carey, Laura Allee, Jeanette Vacek, Cindy Jennings, Rosemary Barta, Leola Jahns and Sandra Wait. Congratulations to all artists who had sales in October.

Artist Sales	October 2014	\$6,716	Total YTD \$67,009
Artist Sales	October 2015	\$4,006	Total YTD \$41,375

The average price in October was \$75 for 53 pieces of art sold. Highest sales item was \$375.

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

When sending in your 2016 membership renewal, please fill out a new form! We are developing a new process for the yearbook and need that information! AND if you would like to qualify for Artist of the Year in 2016, you must have your membership renewed on or before Dec. 31, 2015. Also, we are now accepting credit card payments for membership at \$35. If you pay cash or check you get a reduced price of \$30. What a deal!!!



Notice to Displaying Docents

If you wish to move your work day to another date, please let me know before **Tuesday, December 15**. No moves will be authorized after that date. "Make certain you have renewed your membership before this date to insure you retain your present work date."

Thanks to Rita Ball, we now have in place a method for finding a substitute. When you need a substitute contact her at [830-964-3533](tel:830-964-3533) or ricanyon@gvtc.com. She will contact ALL displaying docents with your request along with your contact information. If you are able to substitute, you have all the contact information you need.

When substituting, enter the day that you are working, on your assigned work date. Example: You have swapped with Pat, working her assigned Jan. 20 day. You enter Jan. 20 in your Jan. space. Pat works on your work date, Jan. 9. She places her initials and Jan.9 on her Jan. work space.

Thanks again for all the generous docents who worked more than necessary this year. That is the culture of NBAL.

Thanks for all your help,
Darryl

Message from NBAL President

Artists,

It has been my pleasure to serve as your president the last few years. I want to thank you all for making this such a wonderful experience. As most of you know, I stepped in to serve as President, when our elected President had an accident and was unable to serve. I would never have volunteered for this job and shame on me, because it has been one of the most rewarding experiences of my life. If you are thinking about volunteering for a position in this organization or another organization that is dear to your heart, take the leap.

As we near our 2015 year end, please consider making a donation to the art league. This has been a difficult year for us, financially. The weather has impacted our sales and we have had some extra overhead. Even last year when we had record sales, we finished the year with a \$23.00 deficit. It takes a lot to run our old building, plan and support our shows and our artists. We have money in the bank for a rainy day, but because of the finances this particular year, we really should take steps to raise some money. If you are thinking of making a donation to a nonprofit, we would certainly appreciate it if you would consider the art league. You all know about the workshops and classes we offer, as well as scholarships for children to take art classes. We have an outreach for Alzheimer's patients and, most importantly, we have a community of artists who support each other through thick and thin. Celebrating a new grandchild? We will celebrate with you. Facing a cancer diagnosis? We will stand by you with encouragement and friendship until you are well. If you are able, help us maintain this wonderful organization.

Thank you, Barbara Blaschke

OPPORTUNITY FROM THE GREATER NEW BRAUNFELS ARTS COUNCIL

“ART – LIFE’S INSPIRATION”

Jan. 24, 2016

THEME

Art works should reflect on whatever gives the artists inspiration for their creations, whether it be the beauty of nature or manmade creation, religion, politics, ethnic or heritage ties, love, etc.

SHOW CALENDAR

Sun., January 3, 2016 **9am to 12 noon** Submission of work in the NBAL lunchroom

Sun., January 3, 2016 **1pm to 3 pm** Pick up of non-winning submissions

The winning art will be displayed from Dec. 20 to Jan. 20 in the New Braunfels Art Gallery, as well as at the Dinner with the Arts. If you cannot bring in your work during the prescribed time, you may arrange for early submission by contacting Joanne Tschoepe [830-609-2509](tel:830-609-2509) or Darryl Patrick [830-899-5783](tel:830-899-5783).

AWARDS

First Place \$100 Second Place \$ 75 Third Place \$ 50

ARTIST ELIGIBILITY

Open to any Comal County resident over the age of 18, or anyone who belongs to an art organization in Comal County.

GUIDELINES AND RULES

- A. Entries must be the original work of the artist. If working from photographs, the photographs used cannot infringe on copyrights.
- B. Each artist may enter up to three pieces. 2-dimensional art, if framed, must be properly framed and equipped for hanging. No saw-toothed hangars or clips will be allowed. Photographs on a substrate other than paper are exempt from the framing rule.
- C. Maximum size (W + H of outside edge of frame or photographic work) must not exceed 84 inches. This applies to both 2-D work and 3-D work.
- D. The New Braunfels Art League will retain 25% commission on all sales.
- E. The Greater New Braunfels Arts Council shall have the right to use any submissions in advertising, promoting, or otherwise supporting the goals of the organization.

LIABILITY

Although the NBAL Art Gallery will exercise due care in handling works submitted, the New Braunfels Art League, including any member acting on its behalf, is NOT responsible for any loss or damage to any work of art.

Need for Photos

As most of you know, photos and information about NBAL are posted daily on facebook by Karen Cruce. There is a need for photos of artists and their art, particularly during the receptions. Photos of art in the shows are great too. Karen has discovered that people “friend” NBAL more often when a person is in the photo with the art. Send to newbraunfelsartleague@gmail.com They will be used as needed.

**NEW BRAUNFELS ART LEAGUE
P.O. BOX 310325
NEW BRAUNFELS, TEXAS 78131-0325
RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**

Congratulations to "Small Works..." 2015 Award Winners !!!!!!!



Best of Show: Diana Hentges - "A Whimsical Tale"
1st Place: Darryl Patrick - "Old Marina"
2nd Place: Leila Reynolds - "The Love Letter"
3rd Place: Anne Brennan Vela - "Yellow House"
1st H.M.: Jean Crow - "Winter Pods"
2nd H.M.: Tom Bender - "You First"
3rd H.M.: Margi Uniacke - "Winter's Coming"
4th H.M.: Larry Alford - "Rat Rod"
5th H.M.: Wendy Volpe - "Dicliroic Odyssey"





Congratulations to All the Artists Who Were Approved on Jury Day 2015!!

New Artist to New Braunfels Art League who are now NBAL Displaying Members:

Bevelyn Tomek- fused glass
Richard Lopez- jewelry
Justein McHenry- oil & acrylic treated as oil
Franz Strosche- oil & acrylic treated as oil and water media
Debbie Cooper- jewelry
Daniel Okorodudu- drawing media
Annette White- water media
Margaret Johnston- water media

NBAL General Members who are now Displaying Members:

Lynn Gabenski- water media
Arlene Rhodes- water media
Ralph Nordenhold- photography
J. R. Couser- oil & acrylic treated as oil
Mary Reeves- drawing media
Brooke Treadwell- oil & acrylic treated as oil
Veronica Primeaux- photography
Norma Freeman- oil & acrylic treated as oil
Gretchen Goode- photography
Tilo Schmidt- photography
Jane Freestone- water media
Joe Eby- jewelry
Regina Eby- sculpture and oil & acrylic treated as oil
Joanna Burch- oil & acrylic treated as oil, water media, and hand-painted china
Gail Graham- fused glass
Kay Primer- sculpture
Jeff Bartels- oil & acrylic treated as oil
Florence Landsteiner- photography

NBAL Displaying Members who are now approved in another media:

Molly White- oil & acrylic treated as oil
Karen Scherrer- oil & acrylic treated as oil
Mary Riddle- water media
Sherry Haynes- oil & acrylic treated as oil
Gloria Garcia- photography
Tamara Van Horn- water media
Gina Cumberland- oil & acrylic treated as oil

Hello Everyone,

NBAL Special Shows need HELP. The Special Show Schedule for 2016 is almost ready to be posted but I still need two or three people to chair the Artoberfest show for next year. The main responsibilities of the chairpersons are as follows:

Find a judge to make the selection of winners

- Email Treasurer with the name of the judge so that they can cut a check
- Play host to the judge on submission/judging day... work with them as they make the selections and/or possibly take them to lunch
- Pay the judge with NBAL check
- Oversee the hanging of the show... you can hang yourself or tell the submission team how you would like it
- Write-up the judge's comments to be posted with the winners and presentation information for the reception don't worry I have forms for all of this that you just basically fill in the blank
- Call the winners (but don't tell them what they won) to come to the reception
- Write information onto ribbons
- Play host and help with presentation of awards at reception

Because this Artoberfest,(a 2 day submission event and a juried show), you will need to be at the gallery on submission day to oversee the hanging for the judge. Then you will be back on the judging day to host the judge and call the artists who did not get into the show to pick-up their work.

If you would like to see a detail listing of how this submission is run, please email me. I will send you a **NBAL Special Show Co-chair Task List** so that you may see how the whole submission day is laid out... it is really easy and I will be right beside you to help you get through it. The main task is to contact a judge and set up the date for them to judge. **Because Artoberfest is a juried show the judge will be paid \$300.**

The date and time for Artoberfest is:Fri, Sept 30, 10 AM - 3 PM (submission), Sat, Oct 1, 9 AM -1 PM (judging); 3 PM-5 PM (pick-up for works not accepted)

Thank you, Mary K. Hammond

2nd Vice President

mkhstudios16@gmail.com

Dear NBAL members,

Canyon Lake Art Guild is delighted to offer you, NBAL members, an open invitation to join CLAG. It is a growing presence of Artists who live around Canyon Lake and beyond. The membership dues are \$25.00 and are due, just like NBAL's, December 31, 2015. Please take this opportunity to join CLAG and participate in the March Contract Special Show called Lasting Impressions (CLAG members only). There are prizes and a lovely reception planned. All of this happens at the NBAL Gallery in March of 2016. Besides the March Lasting Impressions Show, this CLAG also participates in the Troutfest in February (or March because of the weather), other show opportunities and one day workshops during the year. The meetings are held at the Tye Preston Memorial Library on the Dam Access Road, Canyon Lake, on the second Wednesday at noon; a light lunch is served at noon by CLAG hostesses followed by a business meeting at 1:00 and a demonstration at 2:00. The next meeting is December 9. If you would like to attend this December meeting, let me know and I will send you the latest newsletter.

Please send your dues (\$25 for 1 membership or \$30 for family, who live with you) to CLAG, 1885 Hwy 2673, Canyon Lake, Texas 78133 or bring it to the Dec. 9th meeting and label it MEMBERSHIP DUES 2016. Take this opportunity to showcase your work for one more month at NBAL.