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from President Barbara Blaschke, on  
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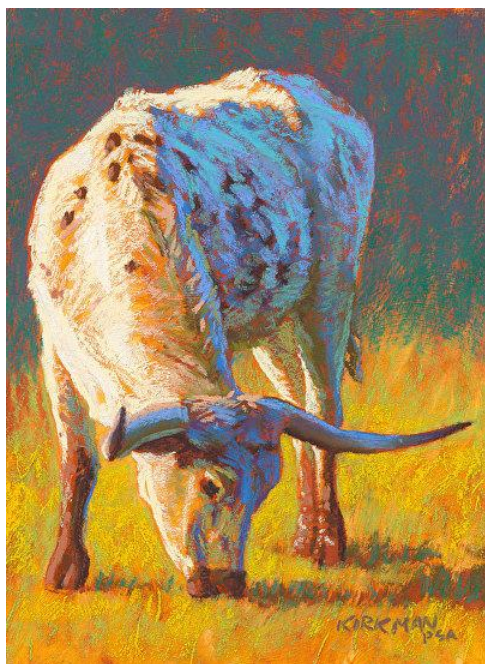
# November Newsletter

November, 2015

Happy  
Thanksgiving

## November Demo by Rita Kirkman

Rita Kirkman has been using pastel since she was 11 years old. She received her BFA in 1988, and has improved through workshops with renowned pastelists including Richard McKinley, Desmond O'Hagan, and Maggie Price. Since 2003 Kirkman has consistently won major national and international awards. Her work has been published in art magazines and featured in the Pastel Journal. She is a Signature Member of the Pastel Society of America and an IAPS Master Circle member. In 2011 Kirkman joined the Daily Painting movement and has posted hundreds of paintings on her blog, [ritakirkman.blogspot.com](http://ritakirkman.blogspot.com)



## 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](http://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, Oils for Beginners**, Mondays, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, and **Oils, Intermediate to Advanced**, but all mediums welcome and Mondays, 1:00 pm to 4:00pm. Cost for either morning or afternoon session: \$110 (includes studio fee) for 4 classes per session. Call [210-259-3233](tel:210-259-3233), or e-mail [sekulastudio@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:tguthrie7@gmail.com)

**Gaye Sekula, Facilitator**, Portrait Group, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month, 1-4 pm, 210-259-3233

**Teri Dauk, Open painting Group**, 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month, 10 am-3pm, 830-515-0330,

[tdauk@satx.rr.com](mailto:tdauk@satx.rr.com) **New**

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For more information on workshops or classes.

## 2015 Workshops at NBAL

**Thom Ricks**, "Sketching and Watercolor" November 13-15, 2015 9:30-4:30 Cost: \$275 \$100 Deposit Required All skill levels welcome

**Rita Kirkman**, "Speedy Pocket Pastels" or "How to Paint Small and Fast" November 20-22, 2015, \$300, \$100 Deposit 9:30 - 4:30 All skill levels welcome

**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

**Douglas House** "Impressionist Landscape Painting" February 4 - 7, 2016 Studio Master Class - Soft Pastels cost: NBAL Members \$475 Non-Members \$505 \$100 Deposit Required Hours: 9:30 - 4:30 All skill levels welcome **PLEASE NOTE: Enrollment deadline for this workshop is January 15, 2016**, 3 weeks prior to the start of workshop with a minimum of 8 students.

**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](http://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](mailto: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**.

### Displaying Members

Did you miss the docent training session this spring? If so, there will be two others, one on **Saturday, Nov 14** from 9 am until 12 noon and another on **Wed, Nov 18** from 5:30-8:30 pm. For those who missed the previous one and consequently could not display, this is an opportunity to get your art work back in the gallery! The newly juried artists will attend this session also. We will have the jury process **Saturday, November 7th** from 10 am-12 noon.

# Upcoming Meetings and Events

## November

- Nov 5 Sidewalk sale contact  
Pat Classen for details
- Nov 7 **Jury Process**  
**10 am – 12 noon**
- Nov 12 Pick up unsold work  
from **Artoberfest**
- Nov 13 Submission for “**Small Works...**” **9 am – 1 pm**

- Nov 14 **Docent Training**  
9 am -12 noon
- Nov 15 (Sunday) reception for  
show 2 -3:30 pm
- Nov 17 **NBAL meetings- Officer  
Elections**
- Nov 18 **Docent Training**  
5:30 – 8:30 pm

## December

- No NBAL meetings in December
- Dec 31 Pick up unsold work from  
“**Small Works...**”

## Docent/Member Notices

NBAL meetings are the third Tuesday of each month (except no meeting in December).  
**November meeting: Tues, Nov 17**

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

### Artist Sales Report for October 2015 Newsletter

19 Artists had sales of 28 pieces for total sales of \$2,394 in September, 2015. Top 10 sellers were Erin Walsh, Trace Guthrie, Ursula Kerr, Brent McCarthy, Judith Nicholls, Mary K. Hammond, Wendy Volpe, Teri Dauk, Joyce A. Real, Karen Cruce. Congratulations to all artists who had sales in September.

Artist Sales	September 2014	\$8,321	Total YTD \$60,293
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Artist Sales	September 2015	\$2,640	Total YTD \$37,369
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The average price in September was \$94 for 28 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. Several people have asked about a new credit card machine to accept the cards with the chip. We are researching companies to service this and will be getting a new machine in late November or early December.

**Membership renewal is upon us! 2016 will be here before we know it!! If you would like to qualify for Artist of the Year in 2016, you must have your membership renewed 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!!!**

### Officer Candidate Slate for 2016

President- Arlene Rhodes  
1st VP- Roger McBee  
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Secretary- Terrie Leyton  
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Congratulations to  
**Gaye(Liz) Sekula** for being  
appointed Texas  
Ambassador to the Portrait  
Society of America.  
What a well deserved honor!  
Their website is:  
<http://www.portraitsociety.org>

## 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

<b>Sun., Dec 20, 2015</b>	<b>9am to 12 noon</b>	Submission of work in the NBAL lunchroom
<b>Sun., Dec 20, 2015</b>	<b>1pm to 3 pm</b>	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
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### 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

- Entries must be the original work of the artist. If working from photographs, the photographs used cannot infringe on copyrights.
- 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.
- 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.
- The New Braunfels Art League will retain 25% commission on all sales.

### 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.

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

**Congratulations to Artoberfest 2015 Award Winners !!!!!!!**

**Oil/Acylics** 1<sup>st</sup> Angie Banta Brown, 2<sup>nd</sup> Joanna Burch, 3<sup>rd</sup> Linda Jacobson,  
HM Barbara Anderson, Anne Brennan Vela

**Water Media** 1<sup>st</sup> Julia McCollum, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jolene Oyer, 3<sup>rd</sup> Kay Reinke,  
HM Angie Banta Brown, Pam Pohl

**Drawing Media** 1<sup>st</sup> Gaye Sekula, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vicki Smith, 3<sup>rd</sup> Jodie Taylor,  
HM Virginia Carruth, Nana Carrillo

**Photography and Digital Art** 1<sup>st</sup> Larry Alford, 2<sup>nd</sup> Darryl Patrick, 3<sup>rd</sup> Barbara Coulter,  
HM Gretchen Goode, Rene Carrillo

**3 Dimensional** 1<sup>st</sup> Lisa McPike Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> Wendy Volpe, 3<sup>rd</sup> Anita Chouinard,  
HM Roger Betschler, James Barta