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Fountain Hills Art League

October 2015

From the President

"Welcome back to another exciting art league season. There is a lot of news so I'll get right to the facts.

- We are inviting all members to participate **free** in the October Art Walk on Oct 3. Please send an email to Greg Axe (gregaxe@cox.net)...or myself if you wish to participate. (a business license is required by our permit.)

- I would like to make you aware of a new opportunity to meet in a small group setting to further challenge and encourage you to grow as an artists. Suzie Black, a new member, introduced the Mastermind Concept to several of us this summer. Barbara Drake, Angel Elquest, and I along with Suzie, Rhoni Moore and Kathy Fleming have been meeting Monday mornings for 90 minutes weekly with very positive results. Suzie will provide more information at the meeting. Plan to stay a few minutes after to discuss with Suzie further if you are interested.

- We have many talented artists in this league. I am initiating a question in the newsletter and an answer at the monthly meeting to share this information. I would like to ask you to submit questions to me each month to share what the rest of us may not know. For example:

- Which of our members sold two painting totaling over \$4,200 at last year's Tour?

- Which of our members has their art represented in the following 10 countries: Argentina, Australia, Spain, Germany, Brazil, England, Qatar, Poland, Mexico and at least 11 states in the USA?

- **Positions Expiring Dec. 2015.**

Please seriously consider volunteering your time as a board member for your art league. Take a look at page 2 & 3 of your membership book and decide which position you are willing to help with. Our positions are for 2 years and each one is necessary for the vitality of our league. Being president gives you great visibility as an artist in the community. **Ask yourself - is it my turn this year?** Please call me by Oct. 10 with your response, my cell at [480-467-9333](tel:480-467-9333). You are also invited to join our Oct 12 -- 10AM board meeting at Emerson Gallery. At that time, we will be discussing nominations for the positions that are open and if you are approached, **please say yes**. We have a lot of talent in this league and WE NEED YOU.

- The room we use for our monthly meetings is available from 5-6PM prior to our general meeting if you need a meeting room. It is already paid as part of our rental fee.

- Sher Dunshee-Menton will be exhibiting in the AAA Holland Gallery show. Look for more information in the Times or on the AAA website.

-Would you be willing to help a new artist in town hang some artwork in her home. She is asking for male assistance, if possible, and will compensate him reasonably. Contact Bonnie [480-467-9333](tel:480-467-9333) or bonnieken65@gmail.com if you would like to help.

- Be sure to vote on the summer project at the break.

1. *Bonnie Schweih*s



Next Meeting October 5

The meetings are the first Monday of the month...MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

6-6:20: Critique 6-6:30 p.m.: Sign in and set up of Artist of the Month, Social Time 6:30-6:45 p.m.: Meeting
6:45-7:45 p.m.: Program/Demonstrations 7:45-8:10 p.m.: Break 8:10-8:30 p.m.: Awards/Announcements.

NO Critique at this meeting.

The guest speaker and demonstrator will be local artist Vanessa Davisson. Ms. Davisson's accomplishments include being a Set Designer, a Graphic Designer, an Illustrator, a Painter, and an Art Historian. Please join us for an interesting evening and a "welcome back" gathering.

2016 Membership

We will be accepting dues for membership for 2016 beginning at the October 5 meeting. The dues of \$30.00 remain the same as last year. We prefer checks only as this makes bookkeeping easier and more complete. Thanks for your cooperation.

If you are paying your membership dues at the October meeting, please turn them in to Sandy Herbst if the Keenan's are not there. Application on the back page of this newsletter.

New Member

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Scottsdale, AZ 85259
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Email: Rhonimoore@gmail.com

E-Mail Change

Diane Carlisle - dcarlisle831dc@gmail.com

Sheryl Menton - artdeval@gmail.com

Summer Project

Remember to bring your Summer Project to our Art League October 5 meeting. Summer projects will be displayed and voted on for 1st Place (Monetary Award). The project should be a miniature not larger than 8"x10", frame can be a little larger.

New Web Site Manager

Lloyd Tarr has offered to assume responsibility for our website. As we all know Nick Toth has spent a lot of time over the last many years ensuring we have an informative, up-to-date and professional source of information. We are very grateful to Nick for his past dedication, and to Lloyd for offering to do this in the future. All future website requests should be sent to Lloyd. (lloyd@tarrs.com or 480-837-5593)

Emerson Art Gallery

An Invitation to "Meet the Artists" at the "Second Friday of a Month Meeting" on Oct. 9, from 5 to 7 p.m. A special exhibit of Oil paintings by Local Artist of the Month, Pat Serie, accompanied by students of his Art Classes at the Emerson Art School. Also, enjoy a huge selection of paintings, photography, sculptures and mixed media. Snacks, refreshments and musical entertainment will be provided.

Thank You from Angel

On Sept. 14th I started the Mastery Program at the Milan Art Institute, it is a 1-2 year specially designed program. It will refine and define my work and teach me not only to be gallery ready but how to market my work. The Milan's both have art degrees and are willing to help compact what you would learn in a 4 year art program into 1-2 years at a fraction of the cost. Anyone looking for more information can go to MilanArtInstitute.com and see about the program. They are in many galleries and are very good at marketing their work, they have big dreams and know how to accomplish them. I have had art training in college as well as from a variety of other artists. I just feel like now is the right time for me to advance with my art. I believe this is going to be a terrific opportunity.

I would like to say a big thank you to since the FH art league board voted to donate \$100.00 to 'Plant a Seed' towards a scholarship fund in my name. Anyone can go to their website and see the beautiful oak tree paintings John and Elli Milan have painted and are using for the fund raiser. I am sure they will make an announcement about what will be done with the Oak tree painting the art league will receive for the sponsorship. I will not be able to attend our monthly meetings due to classes Mon, Tues. and Thurs. I will be there from 3-8:30pm. so I can do this in hopefully one year instead of two.

These people are amazing at what they do. In return when I am finished with my classes I will do a free workshop on some of the things I have learned. I know I cannot consolidate all that will be taught in one workshop but I will come up with something good.

Thanks for all the support! *Angel*

May Artist of the Month



1st Place: Lloyd Tarr showing "Purple Lily". The photo was taken at the Mercer Botanic Gardens in Humble, Texas. It is a digitally enhanced photo made to look like a pastel drawing.



2nd Place Tie: Sally Allexan won for her published book illustrations. Mary Ann Grace showing her Acrylic Painting "Love of Color."

Tour d'Artistes

The Fountain Hills League is starting their fall schedule with a meeting at the Community Center on Monday, October 5th at 6:30 pm. New members and those interested in learning more about participating in the March tour are encouraged to attend as guests of the Art League.

The League invites local artists to sign up for the March Studio Tour to be held March 4-6, 2016. Registration closes October 4, 2015 for those willing to serve on a committee and have a reduced registration fee of \$50.00. Late registration will close November 3, 2015 for the full registration fee of \$100.00. Registration for the tour will close on November 3.

The public is welcome to visit the Community Center for a peek at the work of several artists who will be participating in the March Tour. Registration forms are available on the table in the Community Center lobby and on line at www.fountainhillsartleague.com. Artists are invited to open their own studio for visitors, or join with other artists at a studio on the tour. You can choose which option you prefer when you register.

Artists must show only their own artwork and must be a member of the Fountain Hills Art League. All Host Artists must live in Fountain Hills and not in a gated community. Artists signing up by October 5th with a \$50.00 registration fee are asked to attend a Studio Tour meeting on Tuesday, October 13th at 7:00 in the Bistro at Fountain View Village.

If you have questions or need additional information please contact: Elaine Tarr elaine@desertvistafiberarts.com or 480-837-5593 or Jan Friel jlfriel@cox.net or 602-499-3594.

Coffee at Fountain View Bistro

A reminder to all new members that there is a group of our artists that meets Wed. mornings at 8:30 a.m. for coffee at Fountain View Café. It is a good opportunity to learn more about what goes on within the art league. Friendship, Conversation and Coffee are Free.



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Yearly Dues Through Dec. '16: \$30 Per Person, \$40 Per Couple, \$20 Per Student (under 18)

Make check payable to: Fountain Hills Art League

Mail to: Frank Keenan, P.O. Box 18509, Fountain Hills, AZ 85269

Return payment and the completed portion of this application to address above.

Name: _____ Medium/Patron: _____

Address: _____ City/State: _____ Zip: _____

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Website: _____

It is requested that each member commit to 2 hours or more of volunteer service to the organization: Please check 1 or more...

I will assist with exhibitions I will serve on a committee I will help with membership

I will accept a Board position I will serve on a telephone committee I will help with publicity

I will plan a workshop I will teach a workshop I will demonstrate at meetings

I will help with refreshments I will help with a newsletter Other _____

Attached is: Check # _____ Cash Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

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