

Lemont <mark>A</mark>rtists <mark>G</mark>uild Newsletter

Wednesday, April 12, 2023 7:00 pm IN PERSON AT THE LIBRARY*

Art Journaling presented by April Schabes

*RSVP is REQUIRED, SEE LINK AFTER THIS DESCRIPTION



On April 12, 2023 at 7 pm, in partnership with the Homer Township Public Library, the Lemont Artists Guild is pleased to

present April Schabes who will demonstrate how Art Journaling is a fun and creative way to capture the wonderful and cherished moments in life. Just by jotting words, sketches, doodles or collaged media on the pages of one's journal, a story can emerge and capture the precious moments in life that pass us by

Forever interested in all art forms, as a young adult, April studied at Moraine Valley Community College. She continued her studies by joining art classes and creative activities at The Center in Palos Park, IL. She also took a collage class at LaGrange Art League and Gallery in LaGrange, IL, in which she says about that class, "it won me over and became dearest to my heart." April always loved working with paper, even as a child, she remembers how much she enjoyed the art and play of paper dolls. She takes that interest playing with paper all over again as an artist and instructor! She presently teaches Collage and Art Journaling at The Center. She has always enjoyed journaling and making notes of her days and teaching this art to others is something she loves and finds fun and joyful!

Attendees, please feel free to bring along your own sketchbook or journal to take notes and follow along during the program!

Please Register in Advance at:

https://www.homerlibrary.org/event/art-journaling

OUR MEETINGS ARE CO-SPONSORED AND TAKE PLACE AT:

Homer Township Public Library 14320 W 151st St, Homer Glen, IL

www.homerlibrary.org

708-301-7908

2022-2023 Upcoming Events

Remaining Programs on 2nd Wed. of the Month:

- **April 12-7 pm:** April Schabes-Art Journaling
- **May 10-7 pm:** Pat Mroczka-Botanical Art Zentangle Style
- **♣** Create and Chat Artists Meet-up* in Conference Room at Homer Library

Monday April 17-1:00pm - 3:00pm Monday May 15-1:00pm - 3:00pm

- **August 2023:** LAG Member Exhibit at Gallery Seven in Lockport, IL-More details to come to our Members but mark these dates:
- Reception-August 4th-6-8 pm
- **♣** Drop-off Artwork on Sat. July 29 from 12-5 pm <u>OR</u> Sunday July 30th 12-3 pm
- **♣** Pick-up Artwork on Sunday Aug. 27 from 3-4 pm only (Absolutely NO EARLY PICK-UP!!!) OR Thurs. Aug. 31 from 12-4 pm

Visit <u>www.lemontartistsguild.org</u> for detailed information on our events.

Visit and "Like" our Facebook Page!

Look up Lemont Artists Guild

President's Letter

Hi All,

I hope this letter finds you well and ready to "hop" right into April! I don't know about you, but things have just been really busy for me between personal and professional obligations. I am making it all work though and so glad to be seeing signs of spring! It is hard to believe three years ago we were slowing everything down because of the Pandemic. I am so very grateful that things are mostly back to normal and there are lots of things happening this spring and upcoming summer for the Lemont Artists Guild! I have some wonderful news to share, Shirley Sobol, who has been a longtime LAG member, has announced the arrival of her grandson Matt and his wife Katie's identical twin girls! Their names are Vivian and Vanessa. The twins will be in hospital care for several weeks before they can go home. Please keep them all in your thoughts! Shirley has been unable to attend our meetings, but is doing well. If you want to get in touch with her, please let me know and I'll get you her contact info!

We had a great time in March with Phil Schorn who showed us lots of great tips on using Colored Pencils! Thank you Phil and to all those that attended!

Please remember to bring along your journal or sketchbook if you want to follow along with April as she

shows us some of her wonderful Art Journaling Techniques on April 12!

We're also looking forward to our May 10 meeting with award winning artist, Patricia Mroczka, who will be discussing her Botanical Art with Zentangle Style! Our meetings have been filling up, so if you are interested, I suggest you sign up in advance! (More information is listed after this letter.)

We can't wait to show our artwork at Gallery Seven this summer in Lockport, IL. In the Upcoming Events box I listed some important dates. All current LAG Members will be receiving information on participating in this show. I have to gather my thoughts on getting the form and informational sheet all set to send out, but hope to have that out in April sometime.

Finally, please go visit the Lemont Library to check out a beautiful display of photography in their display case that I worked with some of our members who had pictures of Lemont. Shannon Kazmierczak who is the Lemont Library's Outreach Services Manager, kindly invited us to display with the theme of Lemont celebrating 150 years! She also has coordinated a program taking place on April 27 at Lemont Library that is being presented by the Lemont Art and Culture Commission. So exciting! (See more information about these events after this letter.)

Wishing all those who celebrate Easter a wonderful Easter and wishing everyone a wonderful April! Thank you,

-Sincerely, Liz Connelly, LAG President

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Notes from the Editor: Information for the LAG newsletter should be given to Betty Kirk by the first of the month (630) 257-0565, or bettykirk321@gmail.com

We did not have BACK OF THE HALL in March, but we plan to have it in April so bring your artwork if you are an LAG Member!

LAG Program: May 10, 2023 at 7 pm

Botanical Art with Zentangle Style with Pat Mroczka
We have been fortunate to have great attendance at our meetings! We suggest you register as soon as you can if you are interested in our May 10 program!
Register at:

Pat Mroczka is an award winning artist who uses watercolor and mixed media to depict botanic art using her decorative style.

https://www.homerlibrary.org/event/botanical

Village of Lemont's 150th Anniversary

The Village of Lemont is celebrating 150 years this 2023! Visit the Lemont Library to see their Display Case (by entrance) with Photographs of Lemont by Matt Kosic, Gene Mark, and William Uznanski (William's submitted by Nancy Uznanski).

Lemont Library 50 E. Wend Street, Lemont, IL 60439

And, on Thursday, April 27 at 6:30 pm the Lemont Art and Culture Commission (also known as the former Lemont Center for the Arts) is going to be doing a presentation "From Murals to Mosaics: A History of Public Art and Beyond in Lemont at Lemont Library. More information here at: https://lemontlibrary.libnet.info/event/8172085

Visit <u>www.artlemont.org</u> for any updates on the Lemont Art and Culture Commission/Lemont Center for the Arts.

Sayings to Inspire You:

If you want to be good at something, you must first be willing to be bad at it.

Be like a tree: Stay grounded. Connect with your roots. Turn over a new leaf. Bend before you break. Enjoy your unique beauty. Keep growing.

Joann Raptis

You have to be odd to be number one.

Dr. Seuss