

AAEGV Artists Association of Elk Grove Village

September Newsletter - 1 September 2025



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I. Upcoming Exhibits Information

Library Exhibits Info -- Themes for the 2025 Year Library Exhibitions

- 1) September – “Series of Three” (*a group of three related pictures*) (Drop-off; Sat 9/06 9:15-10 am/Pick-up for “Pet Friends”)
- 2) October – 42nd Annual Juried Show (Pick-up for “Series of Three” will be Sunday, October 12th from 12:45-2:45 pm – *note the change from the usual Saturday pick-up!*)
- 3) November – “Visual Treasures”
- 4) December – “Joy”

II. Juried Art Show for October, 2025 --- Deadline September 6th!

The 42nd annual Juried Art Show is an exhibit and sale to promote and expose the community to fine art by local artists held at the Elk Grove Village Public Library. This exhibition is open to the Artists’ Association of Elk Grove Village Members. To become a member, complete the Form on the aaegv.org website. A form has been attached to this month’s newsletter.

Categories: Oil ~ Acrylic ~ Mixed Media ~ Watercolor ~ Pastel ~ Sculpture

Calendar of Events:

Entry Deadline: **September 6, 2025 (3:00 pm when the counter closes at The Pavilion)**

Drop off Art: Thursday, October 16, 2025 - 10am - noon or 4pm - 5pm

Art Reception: Friday, October 17, 2025, 6-8pm

Public Art Exhibit: Saturday & Sunday: October 18-19th

Entry info: Entry fee is \$30 per artist. Jury fees are non-refundable. You may enter up to 2 pieces of art. Work must be smaller than 30” on any side including the frame. Entries must be received by the Elk Grove Park District by **September 6th, 2025 {3:00 pm}**. Complete the Entry Form and submit payment at the Pavilion or mail to:

Art Centre 2025

Attn: Kean Powell

1000 Wellington Avenue

Elk Grove Village, IL 60007

Send an Email to aaegvexhibits@gmail.com with the images of paintings and info from Entry Form. All entries will be notified of acceptance by email.

About the Artwork: All artwork must be for sale. The work must be original, completed within the last 2 years, framed or gallery wrapped (ready for hanging with the wire ends taped on

back). Any work that has been previously exhibited either in a juried show with the AAEGV or any work that has already received an award, does not qualify for entry. The AAEGV reserves the right to reject any art that does not meet our expectations nor conform to the norms of the community.

Sale & Display: All artwork must remain up for the duration of the Juried Art Show until released from the exhibit by the club. 20% commission will be charged on all sales. All commission proceeds will directly benefit art programming.

Liability: By entering this show, the artist agrees to hold harmless the Artists' Association of Elk Grove Village, the Elk Grove Park District, and the Elk Grove Village Public Library for any copyright infringement or loss/damage to any work exhibited.

Judge: Mr. Bob Holmes

III. Area Shows & Special Notices

A. The Empty Corner – Plein Air Festival

Plein Air painting/drawing in any medium created outdoors from direct observation of the subject matter. Registered artists can submit up to three (3) pieces for consideration for the exhibition no later than September 14th. (Artists who participate in the Farmers Market Paint-Off Event are welcome to submit four (4) total pieces for the exhibition.)

All artwork must be created from on-site observation within the boundaries of Arlington Heights (60004/60005). Artwork will be displayed at The Empty Corner (214 E. Grove Street, AH). Registered artists must pick up their registration from The Empty Corner on Tuesday, September 2nd between 10 am – 6 pm. All canvases/boards/papers that will be used for final submission must be stamped at The Empty Corner.

Each artist must pay a \$40 registration fee. Each artist must complete the online registration form at bit.ly/ah-pleinair-2025. A juried exhibition of artwork will be on display at The Empty Corner from September 12th to the 21st. An opening reception will take place at The Empty Corner on Friday, September 12th from 7-9 pm. Cash prizes will be awarded to first, second, and third place entries chosen by our panel of judges. Artists may make their artwork available for sale through the exhibition at The Empty Corner.

Questions: contact emptycornergallery@gmail.com.

B. Greener Good

The [Greener Good](http://greener-good.org) is a new local not-for-profit that sells Art Supplies and Teacher Supplies- they are having their first Art Auction/ Fundraiser “**Reimagined Art & Craft Auction**” - work does not have to be made with repurposed materials. The Greener Good is looking for Artists to donate works by September 20th. Contact them email: info@greener-good.org or 847-250-7185.

IV. September's Art Demo

Our guest artist for September will be Kathleen Reitz who is a mixed media artist and educator. Her abstract and floral themed paintings are the culmination of her inward responses to

the colors, light, shapes, textures and sensations she experiences in nature. Kathleen's paintings are collected nationally and internationally. Kathleen has won national and regional awards for her art, and has been featured in publications such as *Create Magazine*, *International Artist* and *Voyage Michigan*.

Kathleen graduated from the American Academy of Art with a degree in commercial art and spent 3 decades as a freelance designer in the home decor, apparel, publishing and gift industries. She spent 5 years as a product development manager, overseeing projects from ideation through delivery by overseas vendors. These experiences laid the foundation for Kathleen to venture off on her own creative journey as a painter, apparel designer and educator. Kathleen lives and works in her studio located in Schaumburg, IL, with her husband artist, Kevin Lahvic.

V. Newsletter Deadline

Items for the October 2025 newsletter **must** be sent by Monday, September 29th at 6 pm for inclusion in the October Newsletter. Send the info to Chris Deger at cldeger@gmail.com. We reserve the right to edit the piece for space.

AAEGV Calendar at a Glance

September			
Sat	9/06	9:15 – 10:00 am	Drop-Off for "Series of Three"/Pick-Up for "Pet Friends" -- EG Library
Sat	9/06	3:00 pm	Deadline for 42 nd Annual Juried Art Show Exhibition
Wed	9/24	7:00 – 9:00 pm	Art Demo – Kathleen Reitz – Artistic Florals @ the Art Centre in the Pavilion
October			
Sun	10/12	12:45 – 2:45 pm	Pick-Up for "Series of Three" – EG Library
Thu	10/16	10am-Noon, 4-5 pm	Drop-Off for the 42 nd annual AAEGV Juried Art Show – Elk Grove Library
Fri	10/17	6:00 – 8:00 pm	42 nd annual AAEGV Juried Art Show Reception – Elk Grove Public Library
Sat	10/18	9:00 am – 5:00 pm	42 nd annual Juried Art Show open to the public – Elk Grove Library
Sun	10/19	12:00 – 3:00 pm	42 nd annual Juried Art Show open to the public – Elk Grove Library
Wed	10/22	7:00 – 9:00 pm	Art Demo – Laura Lein-Svencner – Mixed Media Collage @ the Art Centre
November			
Wed	11/19	7:00 – 9:00 pm	Steve Puttrich – Oil Painting @ the Art Centre in the Pavilion

Arting Shots:

- "Great art picks up where nature ends" - Marc Chagall
- "To create one's own world takes courage." - Georgia O'Keeffe
- "In art the hand can never execute anything higher than the heart can imagine." - Ralph Waldo Emerson
- "Have no fear of perfection, you'll never reach it." - Salvador Dali
- "Painting is a means of self-enlightenment." - John Olsen