

AAEGV Artists Association of Elk Grove Village

December Newsletter - 1 December 2023



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I. 2024 Membership Dues Information

Dues are \$30 for the year (second member at the same address is \$20). Please complete the attached form and return it with your payment. Please remit it by the end of the month if you have not yet done so.

Fee Structure	Members	Non-Members
Annual Membership Dues	\$30	---
Family/Couple Discount	\$30 -1st/ \$20-2nd	---
Juried Art Show Entry Fee	\$30	\$60
Tree Exhibit Entry Fee	\$15	\$20

II. Welcome to the 2024 Board:

The new **2024 AAEGV Board** was ratified at the November meeting.

Officers

President- Mary Kay McMahan

Vice-President - Marie Bass

Secretary - Marilyn Knebel

Treasurer - Nancy Muklewicz

Chairman Positions

Exhibits - Tammy Haman

Programs - Sandy Schmidt

Hospitality - Jane Frey

Publicity - Bruna Srb

Membership Tech - Jan Elbert

Membership Greeter - Steve Moritz

Newsletter/Historian - Chris Deger

III. Our 3rd Annual Christmas Party

Our annual Christmas Party will be held on **Wednesday, December 13th** from **7:00-9:00 pm** at the **Al Hattendorf Center -- 225 East Elk Grove Boulevard** in EGV. This has been a delightful event over the past few years and well attended! Enter at South door (the one to the left as you face the front of the building).




a) Please bring a pot luck food item for the party: finger foods, appetizers, salads, nibbles, light dessert, fruit, etc. that can be shared. Beverages will be provided.

b) Bring a piece of art to share for the grab bag: something about 6 x 6" or so: your choice of medium: acrylic, oil, watercolor, colored pencil, pastel, etc. -- a creation by you that reflects a holiday theme (though you are not bound to this). Wrap it up (holiday/gift wrap) for the swap.

III. Upcoming Exhibits Information

A) Future AAEGV Library Exhibits - Monthly Themes

These exhibit themes for members can be interpreted in any manner you wish. If you have work you would like to exhibit and it does not quite fit the theme, that's okay, bring it in!

- 1) December 2nd -- Winter Blues (drop-off, pick-up Honor Our Veterans pieces -- 9:15-10 am).
- 2) January -- My Favorite Things
- 3) February -- Farm Life
- 4) March – Our Natural World Exhibit at The Empty Corner in Arlington Heights (EGV Library: Children’s Exhibit) – Information to soon follow.
- 5) April -- Juried Show: Tree Exhibit    /// Reimagined – see Section V-B. below, TBA
- 6) May -- Going Green

B) Upcoming Demo Information --

- 1) On Wednesday, January 24th, 2024 we will have our first demo of the new year with our very own Jack Mitchell! Come watch and learn about oil portraiture with Jack from 7-9 pm in the Pavilion Art Room.
- 2) Our March Art Demo meeting will be changed to Wednesday, March 20th at 7pm in the Art Craft Room in the Pavilion.

IV. Social Media Information

If you would like to showcase work in our Instagram account, please forward a picture of the artwork, the artist’s name, size, material, title, and your Instagram information (if you have it). Send the information via text to Bruna Srb at 847-308-0048.

V. Upcoming Events with Our Members

A. Sunday is Fun Day!

What is Sunday is Fun Day? It is open studio time at the Pavilion Craft Room (due to EGPD party rentals) where you can bring your own supplies and work on anything you would like. It is available as a perk for members of AAEGV only. Share conversation, suggestions, and skills during some relaxed studio time. Hope to see you there! The next dates are on the calendar for Sunday: December 3rd, January 7th (Gelli Plate Printing with Tammy Haman demoing the technique), February 4th, & March 3rd from 1:00 – 3:00 pm.

B. “Reimagined”-- a Collaboration with the Elk Grove Historical Museum in April, 2024

“Reimagined” will be a collaboration with the Elk Grove Historical Museum celebrating the early history of EGV. They have gathered 30 photos for us to choose to use as inspiration for a painting. The exhibit will be at the Elk Grove Historical Museum (next door to the farmhouse on Biesterfield) and we will have a reception. It is open to all artists. Just let Tammy know at aaegvexhibits@gmail.com that you would like to participate. She will send you a Google file with all the photos that you can choose from. Let her know which one you would like to recreate. We will be keeping track because we are going to limit 2 artists per photo max.

C. “Best of the Best Exhibit”

On February 3rd through the 27th, 2024 -- The Best of Best Exhibit sponsored by the DuPage Art League will feature seven (7) of our award winning artists who will be exhibiting at the Art League Gallery in Wheaton. Our members to be featured are: **Audrey Freson**, **Jane Frey**, **Paula Kuehl**, **Mary Kay McMahon**, **Ric Pass**, **Tom Rybarczyk**, and **Tom Warnke**. The gallery is located at 218 West Front Street – Wheaton, Illinois 60187. The DuPage Art League phone number is 630-653-7090. Times for the exhibition will be posted in a later newsletter.

D. Members' Input for the Newsletter

If any of the AAEGV membership has news of exhibitions to enter, upcoming exhibitions of work, equipment for sale, information on classes, etc. and would like to put it in the newsletter to alert our community, feel free to send the submission to Chris Deger at cldeger@gmail.com by the 29th of the preceding month. We will try to get it into the newsletter and reserve the right to edit the submission for its relevance to the association.

AAEGV Calendar at a Glance

<i>December</i>			
Sat	12/02	9:15 – 10:00 am	Drop-off <i>Winter Blues</i> art / Pick-up <i>Honor Our Veterans</i>
Sun	12/03	1:00 – 3:00 pm	Sunday Fun Day – Art Craft Room in the Pavilion
Wed	12/13	7:00 – 9:00 pm	AAEGV Holiday Party at the Al Hattendorf Center in EGV
<i>January</i>			
Sat	1/06	9:15 – 10:00 am	Drop off <i>My Favorite Things</i> , pick up <i>Winter Blues</i> – EGV Library
Sun	1/07	1:00 – 3:00 pm	Sunday Fun Day – Pavilion Art Craft Room (Gelli Plate printing with Tammy Haman)
Wed	1/24	7:00 – 9:00 pm	Art Demo – Art Craft Room in the Pavilion – Jack Mitchell: oil portraiture
<i>February</i>			
Sun	2/04	1:00 – 3:00 pm	Sunday Fun Day – Pavilion Art & Craft Room
Wed	2/28	7:00 – 9:00 pm	Art Demo – Art Craft Room in the Pavilion – Kasia Lynch: pastel landscapes
<i>March</i>			
Sun	3.03	1:00 – 3:00 pm	Sunday Fun Day – Pavilion Art & Craft Room
Wed	3/20	7:00 – 9:00 pm	Art Demo – Art Craft Room in the Pavilion -- Karen Sako: cold wax

Arting Shots:

- "I found that I could say things with color and shapes that I couldn't say any other way—things I had no words for," - Georgia O'Keefe
- "An artist is not paid for his labor but for his vision." - James McNeill Whistler
- "Painting is easy when you don't know how, but very difficult when you do." - Edgar Degas