

AAEGV Artists Association of Elk Grove Village

May Newsletter - 1 May 2024



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I. 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! Due to increased membership, bring up to two (2) pictures.

- 1) **May -- Going Green** -- *Tree Pick-Up/Drop-Off Saturday, May 4th (9:15-10 am @ EGV Library)*
- 2) **June – Abstract** -- *Drop-Off Saturday June 1st (9:15-10 am @ EGV Library)*
- 3) **July – Pantone Color of the Year: Peach Fuzz**
- 4) **August – Drawing Pen & Ink**
- 5) **September - Bikes, Trikes, and More**
- 6) **October – Annual Juried Art Show** (New for 2024 Show: only 2 entries per artist).
- 7) **November – “Storytime”** Let your art tell a story (either about the artwork or the artist) and include a typed story to be hung with your art.

B) Other Opportunities Coming Up for Our Membership

1) Art & Culture in the Park

Be a part of the [Elk Grove Park District's Art & Culture in the Park Event!](#) This event will highlight Chicagoland culture as we feature stunning artwork, talented performers, and creative activities in the heart of our Elk Grove Village community on the Village Green (located at the Clock Tower between the Municipal Bldg. and the Library) SE corner of Biesterfield Road and Wellington Avenue). Applications are due [Saturday, May 18, 2024](#). Applications can be emailed to the Arts and Special Events Manager, Deanna Rafidia, at drafidia@elkgrovecparks.org. Space is limited, so apply early. **Booth Space:** each exhibitor is provided an 8' table and 2 chairs; **Tent:** a 10' x 10' tent can be added for an additional cost. The artist is responsible for providing their own display materials. Arrangements must be made through the Elk Grove Park District if rental pegboards or if an easel are needed.

Booth spaces are determined by the Elk Grove Park District staff. We are unable to ensure any booth requests. You will receive set-up details in the confirmation letter. **Fees:** Booth space is \$30-AAEGV Member or \$60/Non-Member. A tent and/or pegboard can be added for an additional \$10 each. Please note that tented space is limited and on a first come, first served basis. [Checks should be made payable to the Elk Grove Park District](#). The fee is required in order

to process the application. Refunds for cancellations will not be honored. An application is attached with the newsletter.

2. "Our Creative Spirit"

An Art Exhibition Sponsored by [St. Simon's Church](#) June 21st – 23rd on 717 W. Kirchhoff Road in Arlington Heights (just N of NW Community Hospital). Submit by June 4th either by USPS or email—office@saintsimons.org. Our Creative Spirit art exhibition presents an opportunity for artists within the St. Simon's community and their friends and colleagues to share their works of art. The exhibition opens with a festive reception on Friday, June 21st: 6:00-8:00 pm; continues Saturday, June 22nd: 11:00- 2:00 pm and Sunday morning - June 23rd following the church service. There will be no admission fee. Information about this exhibition has also been attached to the newsletter.

II. Upcoming Demo Information

Michael Latala will be our last demo artist for the spring-summer months. Michael is a graduate of the American Academy of Art and was a storyboard illustrator for the Draft FCB and Ogilvy & Mather ad agencies. He has studied with Dan Gerhartz, Romel De la Torre, and Richard Schmid. Please come and watch Michael demonstrate painting with gouache (an opaque watercolor medium). This should be a real treat! Wednesday, May 22nd @ 7 pm in Art Room of the Pavilion. His website is latataart.com

III. 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.

IV. Upcoming Events

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: **May 5th**, **June 2nd**, & **July 11th** -- from 1:00 – 3:00 pm.

B. Prairie Arts Festival – Schaumburg

The **35th Annual Prairie Arts Festival Fine Art & Fine Craft Exhibition and Sale** will be held over Memorial Day Weekend outdoors on the grounds of the **Robert O. Atcher Municipal Center** located at 101 Schaumburg Ct., Schaumburg, IL 60193. Saturday, May 25th &

Sunday, May 26th from 10 am to 5 pm. More info: www.prairiecenter.org

C. Workshop Opportunities

Tara Riley is offering small group workshops in her Arlington Heights garage/studio in May and June. **Silk Scarf Painting:** Learn the ancient art of painting on silk & paint your own silk scarf. Previous art experience is helpful but not necessary. May 31st: 1:00-4:30 pm. **Gel-Plate Mono Printing:** This is a fun, easy printmaking technique that teaches creative mark-making tools to make texture, patterns, prints for collage, scrapbooking, gift wrap, note cards, and finished art. June 14th: 1:00-3:30 pm. Details and registration at tararileyart.com/events.

V. Newsletter Deadline

Items for the June, 2024 newsletter must be sent by Wednesday, May 29th at 6 pm for inclusion in the June Newsletter. Send the info to Chris Deger at cldeger@gmail.com. We reserve the right to edit the piece for space.

Pickles by Brian Crane 4/24/24



AAEGV Calendar at a Glance

May			
Sat	5/04	9:15 – 10:00 am	Trees Pick-Up, Going Green Drop-Off @ EGV Library
Sun	5/05	1:00 – 3:00 pm	Sunday Fun Day – Pavilion Art & Craft Room
Sat	5/18	3:00 pm	Art & Culture in the Park applications due – EGPD
Wed	5/22	7:00 – 9:00 pm	Art Demo – Michael Latala: Gouache demonstration @ Pavilion Art Room
June			
Sat	6/01	9:15 – 10:00 am	Going Green Pick-Up, Abstract Drop-Off @ EGV Library
Sun	6/02	1:00 – 3:00 pm	Sunday Fun Day – Pavilion Art & Craft Room
Sun	6/09	12:00 – 4:00 pm	Art in the Park – between the Library and the Municipal Center

Arting Shots:

- "If I could say it in words, there would be no reason to paint." - Edward Hopper
- "Painting is just another way of keeping a diary." - Pablo Picasso
- "An artist is not paid for his labor but for his vision." - James McNeil Whistler
- "The position of the artist is humble. He is essentially a channel." - Piet Mondrian
- "A work of art which did not begin in emotion is not art." - Paul Cezanne