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JUNE 2025
NEWSLETTER

VAL Events



JUNE

MEMBER MEETING + ART TALK



Guest Speaker: David Chalker
Topic: Business Basics for Artists

June 10

100 N. CHARLES ST.
LEWISVILLE, TX 75057

7 P.M.

FREE + OPEN TO PUBLIC

June Member Meeting + Art Talk

Speaker: David Chalker

Topic: Business Basic for Artists

Tues., June 10 • 7 p.m.

Meeting at the Lewisville Grand, 100 N. Charles St., Lewisville

Our June monthly meeting will feature award winning photographer and Realtor David Chalker who will be presenting on "Business Basics for Artists".

Topics to Be Covered:

- Am I a business or a hobbyist?
- Business Entity Types
- Registering Your Business
- Sales Tax
- Accounting
- Expense Tracking and Tax Reporting
- Selling Your Work

Artist Bio:

David Chalker, a native of Abilene, Texas, discovered his love for photography at the age of 18, inspired by his mother, who was a photographer herself. This early exposure to the art of capturing moments ignited a lifelong passion that has driven him to excel in the field. Over the years, David has developed a unique style that blends technical expertise with an artistic eye, allowing him to produce stunning, evocative images. His dedication to his craft has earned him prestigious recognition, including First Place in the 2022 Texas State Fair Professional Photography for Black and White and First Place in Photography at the 2022 Visual Arts Guild of Frisco Juried Show "Artrageous." His work reflects a deep commitment to capturing not just scenes, but stories that resonate with viewers.

Though David also pursues a career in real estate, where his keen eye for detail and understanding of visual appeal benefit his clients, his heart remains with photography. His passion for creating art through the lens continues to be his driving force, and he takes pride in building a legacy of impactful work. Whether he's photographing landscapes, portraits, or real estate, David strives to create images that connect with people on a personal level, ensuring that every shot is meaningful and thoughtfully composed.

Event Details:

- This event is free and open to the public.
- Visual Art League of Lewisville members are encouraged to bring a piece of artwork for the Artist of the Month. First and second place awards will be given.
- Non-members and guests are welcome to attend and learn more about the Visual Art League of Lewisville! Artists of all skill levels and visual art mediums are welcome.
- If you are a new member and have questions about upcoming exhibitions, hanging requirements, terminology, etc - this is your opportunity to meet a board member and ask for assistance.



Dynamic and Direct Painting
- *Alla Prima Approach*
with
Contemporary Impressionist
Robin Cheers



Slow Market Day

June 19 - 21, 2025
9 am - 4:00 pm

VAL Members: \$450
Non-VAL Members: \$475

All skill levels welcome!

Register Now!
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June Workshop
Dynamic
& Direct Painting

Instructor: Robin Cheers

Date: June 19-21, 2025

Time: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., with 1 hour lunch break

Price: VAL Members: \$450, Non-VAL Members: \$475

Location: Lewisville Grand Theater, 100 N. Charles Street, Lewisville TX 75057

Break free from rendering details to create painterly paintings full of light and color. Learn to quickly capture your first impression with an alla prima approach to organizing your painting and working wet on wet. Trust the power of suggestion to simplify and make more expressive, dynamic paintings.

This three-day workshop with Robin Cheers is designed for students of all skill levels. Robin will do a short presentation and demo each day and then spend the remainder

working with students individually at their level.

For details including the materials list and to register, [click here](#).

Thank You!



Visual Art League of Lewisville

thank you!



Dulce Ruqué

Thank you for your decades of service to the VAL as Webmaster. We wish you the best and look forward to seeing all your creative endeavors!

After decades of service to our organization, our Webmaster, Dulce Ruqué has made the decision to step down effective immediately. Denise Holguin and Tore Bellis are now in place to take over and maintain our website.

The VAL is grateful to Dulce for her dedication and decades of service to VAL. In addition to being our long-time webmaster, Dulce has held the positions of: VAL 2nd VP, board director, curator, newsletter editor, special events co-chair, fundraising co-chair, as well as contributing her talents as an artist to VAL.

Dulce, thank you! We wish you the best and hope you will enjoy your free time creating art and enjoying life.

Volunteer Needed



Do you like to plan and organize workshops? Do you excel at building relationships, working as a team and serving the community? The Visual Art League of Lewisville has an open position available for the **Free Workshop Chairperson** role.

Summary of duties:

- Identify opportunities for VAL members to offer free community workshops.
- Plan, schedule and organize the community workshops.
- Number of workshops a year: 3-4

Benefits:

- Help the VAL in its mission to serve the community through the arts.
- Contribute to the success and growth of the organization
- Make new friends, build relationships
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The Visual Art League of Lewisville is a non-profit, ALL volunteer organization. The Free Workshop Chairperson must be an active member of the VAL for 1 year or more. Training and support will be provided.

For more details, contact VAL President Lisa Chittenden: lisa.chittenden@yahoo.com

Welcome New Members!

Welcome to our new members who have joined last month!
Akiko Anzai • Himanshu Patel • Lisa Collins • Alan Lay

VAL Events

CALL FOR ART

Artist Trading Cards (ATCs)

Theme: "Famous" Days in July and August



Exhibition Dates: July 1 - August 23

Curators: Denise Holguin + David Mask

Location: North Display Case

Review Prospectus for Details

Call for Art: Artist Trading Cards (ATCs)

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[View the Prospectus](#) for submission details.



Call for Entries: Nouveau West 2025

A Visual Art League of Lewisville Member Show Lewisville Grand Theater North Corridor

What is your vision of the Nouveau West? Is it Big Sky or skyscrapers? Gold rush or golden statues? Cattle and cactus or diamonds and denim? Show us your vision of what was, what is or what may be in your Nouveau West!

Curator Rita Ford

Questions: ritabford@msn.com

IMPORTANT DATES AND TIMES

Exhibition Dates: July 19-Aug. 16

Submission Deadline: July 11, 11:59 p.m.

Intake: Wed., July 16 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Hanging Art: Thurs., July 17

Strike: Mon., Aug. 18, 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

Review the Prospectus for complete details for submitting artwork. [Click here](#) to download the prospectus.



Call for Entries: All Natural

A Visual Art League of Lewisville Judged Member Show Lewisville Grand Theater Main Gallery

Theme Prompt: Let the theme "All Natural" take you to the great outdoors or deep inside yourself. All Natural can be a physical representation or a concept or feeling. How will you depict All Natural?

Curator: Chuck Hendrickson **Questions:** chuckh816@gmail.com
Judge: Kay Byfield

IMPORTANT DATES AND TIMES

Exhibition Dates: (Gallery Hours: Tues. - Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.), July 12 – August 9

Submission Deadline: Friday, July 4 at 11:59 p.m.

[Review this Prospectus](#) for complete submission requirements

Intake: (Watch for email to sign up), Wed., July 9, 11 a.m.–4 p.m.

Hanging Art: Thursday, July 10, 10 a.m.

Judging: Friday, July 11

Opening Reception: Saturday, July 12, 7-9 p.m.

Conversations with Artists: What were they thinking?: TBD**Strike:** (Watch for email to sign up), Monday, Aug. 11, 11 a.m.–4 p.m.**AWARDS****1st Place: \$250****2nd Place: \$150****3rd Place: \$100****Honorable Mention: 2 @ \$50 each*****Geraldine McKay Expressions Award: \$100*****Rachel LeCompte Humanity Award: \$100*****Strathmore Papers Award: art supplies**

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Main Street Cafe

Artists showing work at Main Street Cafe are Sheeba Mathew, Kimberly Dietrich and Darla Bostick.

Exhibition	Location	Dates
Upcycle Recycle	North Display Case	Apr. 29-June 28
Abandoned	Gallery	May 3-31
Portraits	North Corridor	May 10-June 7
Artist Trading Cards	North Display Case	July 1-Aug. 23
Nouveau West	North Corridor	July 19-Aug. 16
Fresh Ideas 2024 Winner (Denise Lindgren) Solo Show	Gallery	July 12-Aug. 9
All Natural	Gallery	July 12-Aug. 9
Alphabet Soup	North Display Case	Aug. 26-Oct. 25
Fresh Ideas 2025-Annual Premier Juried Exhibition	Gallery	Aug. 16-Sept. 13
New Member Exhibit	North Corridor	Nov. 8-Nov. 22
Angel of the Year	North Display Case	Oct. 28-Dec. 27

About VAL

**The Mission of the Visual Art League
of Lewisville**

The Mission of the Visual Art League is to promote the visual arts through education and exhibitions for the enrichment of the individual and the community. The Visual Art League supports the visual arts by providing the facilities for instruction in wide-ranging aspects of the arts such as drawing, painting, sculpture, and fine crafts, and providing gallery space for exhibitions in a variety of media.



The Lewisville Grand is made possible through the generous support of the Greater Lewisville Arts Council and the City of Lewisville.

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To get into the rotation for the Main Street Cafe (formerly Tierney's) please contact Darla Bostick: darlabostickart@gmail.com

If you have news about your art - exhibits you're in, prizes you've won for your art or any other news you'd like to share with VAL members, email Ricky Sanders at VALMemberNews@gmail.com

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