

VAL Nov. 2024 Member Newsletter

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VAL Events



November Member Meeting + Art Talk

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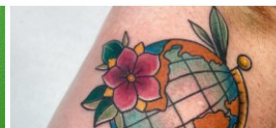
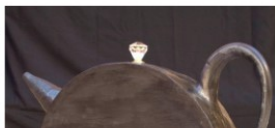
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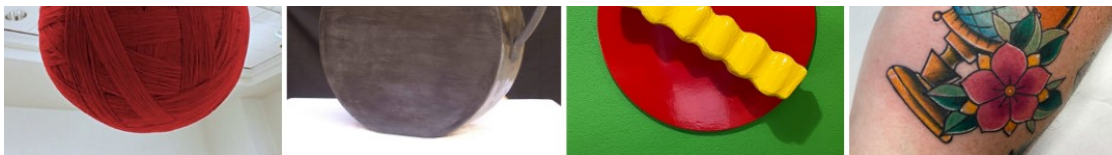
Date: Tuesday, November 12

Time: 7 p.m.

Location: Lewisville Grand Theater

Free + Open to the Public
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Big Ideas!

Meet Ruthie Partin, a sculptor, tattoo artist and business owner who makes larger-than-life sculptures

Ever wonder how art can lead to something bigger, something unexpected? Join us as Ruthie Partin, sculptor, tattoo artist and owner of Avant Garde Tattoo, shares her story of how a pivotal moment connected her to a bigger art community.

When asked about her preferred medium to make her sculptures she enthusiastically says, "gosh, anything I can find!" She uses everything from wood, fiberglass and resin to polystyrene, enamel and metal to create large scale and "normal size" sculptures. Ruthie will discuss the variety of materials and tools she uses to create her art.

When not metalsmithing her latest sculpture or running her successful tattoo business in Gainesville, she is pursuing her Master of Arts Management degree at the University of Oklahoma.

If you've ever wondered about the fabrication process or have wanted to dabble in sculpture making but don't know where to begin – you'll gain valuable information from this art talk. Plus, Ruthie will share insight into arts management and her goals for the future. Her journey will inspire you and may also help you on your own artistic path.

More about the Speaker:

Ruthie Partin, hailing from Gainesville, Texas, is the proud owner of Avant Garde Tattoo and has been creating stunning tattoos for over two decades. Her expertise in the field is widely acclaimed.

Ruthie earned her Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from East Central University in Ada, OK, where she discovered her passion for sculpture. After taking a couple of years off to build their family and make some amazing humans, Ruthie and her husband (Charlie) are diving back into beautifying public spaces.

Currently, she's in the final stages of completing her Master of Arts Management degree at the University of Oklahoma. This program is designed to equip artists with the skills needed for careers in creative industries, arts management, cultural tourism, and leadership roles in arts-centric organizations.

Over the years, Ruthie has contributed to non-profit art organizations including the GAVA (Gainesville Area Visual Arts), public art installations, and assisted with large-scale sculpture initiatives. She and her husband's dedication to enhancing public spaces not only elevates the environment but also fosters cultural and community development, creating a strong sense of connectedness.

Public Welcome

Tuesday, Nov. 12 at 7 p.m.

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



Join us for this exclusive Sunday Event!

Conversations with Artists: What were they thinking?

Exhibit: New Member Exhibit

Sun., Nov. 17 • 3-5 p.m. • Lewisville Grand Theater

Everyone is invited to attend an informal and inspiring “chat” session in **the North Corridor of the Lewisville Grand Theater**. Visual Art League of Lewisville members with art in the **New Member Exhibit** will be speaking about their art.

PLUS, there will be awards!

Lasting Impressions Award: \$50

Inspiration Award: \$50

For more details, email [Denise Holguin](mailto:Denise.Holguin@val.org).

Fresh Ideas



Curator: Christi Martin

EXHIBITION DATES

Curator: Christa Martin
Juror: Amy Werntz

EXHIBITION DATES
Sept. 21 - Oct. 19

People's Choice Award

Vida Tayari | Wild Beauty



100 N. Charles St. | Lewisville TX 75057

Lewisville Grand Theater Artist Call

GIFT of ART



8th Annual Gift of Art Exhibition and NEW Holiday Tree Ornament Sale

The holidays are just around the corner! 'Tis the season to help us bring the holiday spirit

to the Lewisville Grand Theater with the Gift of Art.

Now in its eighth year, the Gift of Art is a holiday art sale exhibition intended to encourage local art purchasing by the public. Although this is a holiday art sale, it is not required that works be holiday-themed.

In conjunction with the 8th Annual Gift of Art exhibition, the Lewisville Grand Theater is asking for submissions of original, handmade ornaments to adorn trees in the Lewisville Grand Theater Art Gallery to complement the Gift of Art holiday art sale exhibition. Ornaments must be for sale. The City of Lewisville encourages the celebration of all cultural holidays of this season: Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, Bodhi.

Important Dates

- Submission deadline for both calls is Friday, Nov. 15, 5 p.m.
- Delivery of Art and Ornaments, Wednesday and Thursday, Dec 4-5
- Exhibition Dates, Dec. 6-20

[Click here](#) for more information.

Volunteers Needed

[The call](#) has gone out for the Gift of Art, and many of you will submit art and participate in this great event put on by the city of Lewisville. Something you may not know is that VAL is responsible for helping with intake and hanging.

If you have never volunteered before, this is the event for you! If you are experienced at intake and hanging, this event is for you! Hanging will be done on rods, so it should be fairly quick and painless.

Intake: Wednesday, Dec. 4, 1 p.m.- 8 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 5, 10 a.m- 3 p.m.

Installation: Dec. 5-6, to be done by Lewisville Grand Theater Staff and Volunteers.

Please email [Crystal Nelson](#) to volunteer.

Become a Label Maker!

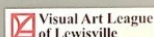
We are looking for a volunteer to add to our team of Label Makers in 2025.

- The Label Maker will be responsible for making and printing the labels that are placed next to artwork in the North Corridor and Gallery exhibitions.
- The Label Maker will need to drop off the labels on or before Intake Day for their assigned exhibition. *The label maker is not responsible for placing the labels next to artwork.*
- The volunteer label maker will be part of a team of two individuals who alternate exhibitions throughout the year. The first exhibition for the new label maker will be May 2025.

Please email [Crystal Nelson](#) to volunteer.

Lewisville Playhouse

Lewisville Playhouse



On view during
Puffs Stage Play 10/4-20



VAL's Art Exhibit at the Lewisville Playhouse during the Puffs Stage Play included artworks by Tina Alvarez, Diane Wright, Thea Morton, Nicole Howard, Sandra Tarno and Jose Ange Hernandez. Thank you to all the artists and Lewisville Playhouse for supporting the Visual Art League of Lewisville.



Call for Art!

VAL Art Exhibit and Sale Lewisville Playhouse

December is a month full of joy and Holiday spirit. Share your artistic talent with Lewisville Playhouse Playgoer Patrons. Art makes a memorable gift. To submit to this art call, email your image and details to Jose: contactjoseangel@gmail.com

VAL Workshops

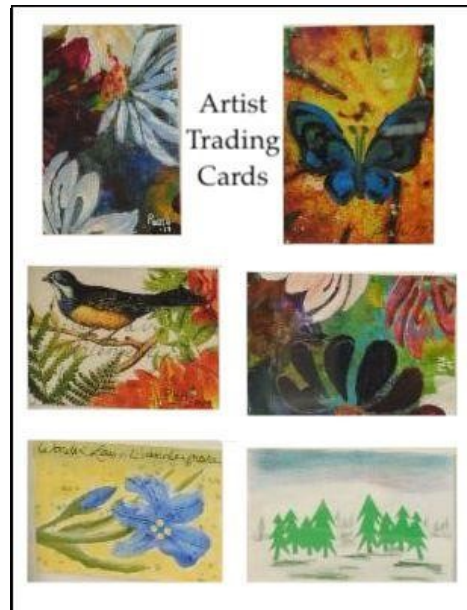




Have Fun and... Do a Good Deed to Help VAL!

Art Bonanza Workshop

Attend the Art Bonanza workshop hosted by our own David Mask who will teach you all you need to know about volunteering to help out at a Lewisville festival event art booth sponsored by VAL. You'll learn how to help children create holiday ornaments at the Holiday Stroll and Art Trading Cards at Colorpalooza and Western Days. The City of Lewisville needs trained volunteers to man these booths, so please attend the workshop then sign up to volunteer at a booth.



Holiday Stroll (ornaments) 12/7/24

Colorpalooza (art cards) 4/26/25

Western Days (art cards) 9/27/25

The Art Bonanza workshop will teach you the art-making skills and tricks needed to make these events a success!

VAL gets a grant from the City of Lewisville each year. Our involvement in the City's festivals is a feature when we apply for the grant. Volunteering brings art opportunities to our community and it helps VAL too!

Saturday, Nov. 16, 1-3 p.m., Lewisville Grand Classroom 2

Please [sign up](#) to attend this workshop.

VAL 2024 Shows

Main St. Cafe

At Main St. Cafe, we have artwork hanging from artists Wanda Grice, Darla Bostick and Cheryl Cornelius.

Show	Location	Dates
New Member Exhibit	Gallery	Nov. 9 – Nov. 30

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

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