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August 2022 NEWSLETTER

VAL Members Meeting



August Members Meeting Exploiting Shape and Value for Stronger Artworks

Guest Speaker: Kay Byfield
Tuesday, Aug. 9, 7 p.m.
Meeting in the Black Box Theater at the Lewisville Grand

Well-designed shapes and a thoughtful distribution of values are the keys to strong two-dimensional artworks. This month's presenter, watercolor painter, Kay Byfield, MFA, will define what a good shape is and give tips on how to create them in photographs, paintings, drawings, etc. by manipulating value. To bring home the point, she will show artworks in a range of media and analyze the way that the artists have composed their pictures so that they are eye-catching and memorable. This program is intended to enhance your understanding of value and shape as essential tools in your design toolbox.

Kay Byfield Bio

Kay Byfield began painting in watercolor more than 35 years ago and, after earning a Master of Fine Arts degree, she taught college art classes for ten years. The courses she taught included design, painting, photography, art appreciation and art history. When she left her faculty position at the community college in East Texas, she worked as a corporate marketer while teaching at the Creative Arts Center of Dallas,

<u>www.creativeartscenter.org</u>. In addition to introductory and intermediate watercolor classes there, she is available for workshops and group presentations. To find out more, check out the <u>ArtSpeaks Studio website</u>.

Fresh Ideas Show



VAL's premier show "Fresh Ideas" continues through Aug. 13 in MCL Grand Gallery. Winners were announced during the opening reception July 16. Congrats to the winners and participants. All work can be seen on the <u>VAL website</u>.



1st Place - "Breaks" Rebecca Jones





(above) 2nd Place - "Manifestations" Solomon Mahlatini

(left) 3rd Place - "The Look" Buck Buchheister

Honorable Mentions: David Mikitka - "GAIGA REIMAGINED", Mary Carradine - "Fantastic Voyage" and Maureen Cole - "DANCE, LIFE DANCE"

VAL Events

Upcoming Free Workshop! Cow Painting for Western Days Monday, Sept. 12 • 5-9 p.m. Lewisville Grand Classroom

Jose Angel Hernandez will lead a workshop on painting with water soluble oil paints. Attendees will paint a cow and attach a bell on a chain to the painting. The paintings will be displayed in the south display case in the Lewisville Grand for Lewisville's Western Days festival. This workshop is open to the public and all materials will be provided. Register on **Eventbrite.com**.

Art Trading Cards

Looking forward to a creative fun time, painting Art Trading Cards to trade with a friend or family.

Western Days Festival Saturday, Sept. 24 • 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Inside north corridor of MCL Grand, room 3. Free and open to the public.

Announcing upcoming Pan pastel Workshop in the Fall at The Grand in Lewisville

Sponsored by The Visual Art league of Lewisville. Mari-Ann Keyser of South Africa, but a Texan since 1995, Mari- Ann has taught many classes in Pan Pastel and enjoys teaching immensely. She will be teaching 2 days from 9-4 pm Oct 4th and 5th with the focus on Pan Pastels the first day and all things pastel on the 2nd day. She will provide all supplies, but students may also bring their own if they have them. The cost of the workshop is 150.00 for members for the 2 days and 185.00 for non-members with the option then to join at that price for 1 year and enjoy all the benefits, including many shows and member meetings, The Christmas party and all other opportunities for free workshops. Registration is open on the Visual Art League workshop under the section of More and go to visiting artists. For any questions contact Jackie Haugen, visiting artist workshop chair at



waterjourney@verizon.net or 972-672-0188.

VAL Shows

LIMITED PALETTE

Sept. 24 - Oct. 22 Call for Entries

Creating art with a limited palette means using only a few colors or paints and mixing them to achieve more colors. This creates color harmony and consistency. It also simplifies the art process and is less expensive, too. For this show, we are asking for artworks created using a limited palette. However, as always, the theme is open to interpretation as well.

All VAL members may put art in this show. There is no entry fee. No prizes will be given, but your art can be for sale. Curators for this show are **Diane Wright** and **Mundy Hendrickson**.

Please download and read prospectus for details: Limited Palette Prospectus

Display Case Show

You are invited to participate in the upcoming "It's Fall Y'All" exhibit in the North Display Case at the Lewisville Grand Theater. What comes to mind when you think of Fall? Ideas: leaves changing colors, gourds, pumpkin spice, scenic country roads, children jumping in to a pile of leaves, anticipation of upcoming family holidays, etc.

Theme: It's Fall Y'all

Exhibit Dates: Tuesday, Aug. 30 – Saturday, Oct. 29

Intake: Monday, August 29, 2022 Strike: Monday, October 31, 2022 Size: No larger than 16" x 20"

Interested in participating? Follow the steps:

- 1. Email Denise Holguin in advance to reserve your spot in the North Display Case. Provide a brief idea of what you plan to submit to rdholguin@yahoo.com
- 2. Send your name, title, media and price to Denise Holguin.

Thrive Display Wall

VAL members are invited to post 1 or 2 pictures on the display wall at the Lewisville Thrive Center. The people visiting the Thrive recreation center react very positively to our display. Those artists/members of VAL are interested in displaying their art should email Alfredo at

asantesteban@yahoo.com.

Area Events

VISUAL ARTS OF PROSPER Events

VISUAL ARTS OF PROSPER will meet on Thursday, Aug. 18 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. This is our regular date and time for our meeting but (SURPRISE!) we will meet at Boyer Park 401 East First St., Prosper. There is plenty of shade, and it will be cooling down to enjoy being outside. Tables will be provided but please bring a folding chair. We will be sipping on Happy Co. lemonade and Georgia peach iced tea! ALL ARE WELCOME!

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VISUAL ARTS OF PROSPER will have its ANNUAL ART WALK on Friday SEPT. 9th from 6;30-8:30 at FUSE, 130 N. Preston Rd., Prosper. Artisans will show and sell their works. There will be entertainment and refreshments served.



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Artist Opportunity

Children's Books

Have you ever illustrated a children's book? Would you like to? Send your name and contact information along with an image or two of your artwork to Diane Wright at dmwright75028@gmail.com. She will share your information with children's book authors looking for an illustrator.

2022 Shows

MAIN GALLERY

VAL Fresh Ideas 2022 • July 16 - August 13

The World As I See It • October 29 - November 26

NORTH CORRIDOR (HALL)

2021 Volunteer(s) of the Year

The more you volunteer, the more points you earn. The member(s) with the most points at the end of 2021 will get a solo show in the north hallway. **August 20 – September 17**

Limited Palette • September 24 – October 22

VAL DISPLAY CASE

It's Fall Y'All • September / October Winter Magic • November / December

2023 Shows

MAIN GALLERY

Abstraction • Sat. Jan. 7 - Sat. Feb. 4
Fresh Ideas 2022 Winner Rebecca Jones Solo Show • Sat. June 3 - Sat. July 8
Artist Retrospective • Sat. June 3 - Sat. July 8
Fresh Ideas 2023 – Annual Premier Juried Exhibition • Sat. July 15 - Sat. Aug. 19
Off the Wall • Sat. Oct. 7 - Sat. Nov. 4

NORTH CORRIDOR (HALL)

Slice of Life • Sat. Feb. 25 - Sat. Apr. 1 Artist Trading Cards • Tues. May 2 - Sat. June 24 Botanicals • Sat. May 20 - Sat. June 24 Small Works • Sat. Aug. 12 - Sat. Sept. 16 Chaos and Order • Sat. Sept. 23 - Sat. Oct. 21

VAL DISPLAY CASE

Artist of the Year • Tues. Jan. 3 - Sat. Feb. 25 New Members' Exhibit • Tues. Feb. 28 - Sat. Apr. 29 Angel Award Solo Show • Tues. June 27 - Sat. Aug. 26 The Collaboration Project • Tues. Aug. 29 - Sat. Oct. 28 Whimsical World • Tues. Oct. 31 - Sat. Dec. 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 MCL 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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