Lemont Artists Guild Newsletter



www.lemontartistsguild.org

Wednesday, October 16, 2019 7:00 pm

Alcohol Inks Presented by Deborah Spertus



The October 16th Lemont Artists Guild meeting, will begin at 7 PM at the Homer Township Public Library, 14320 W 151st St, Homer Glen, IL. Deborah Spertus will give a demonstration working with the

fascinating medium of alcohol inks. Her abstract work is meant to evoke emotions. She will have alcohol ink and small pieces of paper for participants to experiment with and try out the medium. She is an accomplished abstract surrealist artist and has her BFA in Art History, an MA in French and did an internship at the Musée des Arts Décoratifs in Paris. She has studied at the Art Institute of Chicago, Lill Street Gallery, the Evanston Art Center and also learned from working with artists in their studios. She had a ten-year career as a muralist and decorative artist where she needed to learn multiple styles, techniques and materials. She likes "creating pieces that have enough complexity and interest that the viewer continues to discover something new about them over time." Visit her website at www.spertusstudios.com

OUR MEETINGS ARE HELD AT AND CO-SPONSORED BY THE:

Homer Township Public Library 14320 W 151st St, Homer Glen, IL

Visit www.homerlibrary.org for directions or call 708-301-7908.

2019 – 2020 Programs and Important Events

- **Exhibit Thru Sun Oct. 27: The Photography of**William Uznanski-A Retrospective Spanning over
 25 years at the Lemont Center for the Arts
- **♣** Oct. 16: Alcohol Inks-Deborah Spertus
- **Nov 20:** Flower Collage Effects w/Watercolor-Elizabeth Waddington
- **Learning Street Street December: Holiday Party-Mon. Dec. 9 at Cog Hill 2020**
- **↓ Jan. 15:** Annual Show and Tell-bring your artwork or project you are working on to discuss with the group. Great meeting to get to know each other and what we do!
- **♣** Feb. 19: Glass Mosaics-Deana "Dee" Everson
- **↓** Mar. 25*(4th Wed): Discovering Art Fraud with Microscopy-Joseph Barabe
- **♣** April 15: Figure Drawing-Ellen Rottsolk-Please bring 8.5 x 11 or larger paper, pencils, & Eraser if you want to draw along with Ellen!
- **May 20:** Art Journaling-April Schabes-Feel free to bring your sketchbook or art journal if you want!

President's Letter

Hi all,

Hope everyone is enjoying a wonderful October! We enjoyed the reception that was on Sunday, Sept. 22, of the outstanding photography of the late Bill Uznanski, aka, "The Handsome Photographer" at the Lemont Center for the Arts. This retrospective of his photography spanning over 25 years, will be on display at the Lemont Center for the Arts thru October 27, 2019. I hope you will check it out if you have not been able to see it yet. Thank-you to all those who could attend the reception!! And, due to the press releases we sent out about it (Thank you Betty Burian Kirk), we also were approached by the Herald News of Joliet. The reporter, Denise M. Baran-Unland, will be writing a feature about Bill Uznanski and the exhibit in her column, "An Extraordinary Life." We will send the article link out once it goes out, which should be an upcoming Monday in October, before the show is down. How exciting! Speaking of LCA, I know everyone is busy, but if you can give up a Fri/Sat/or Sun in the fall, they are always looking for volunteers at the gallery. Their information and gallery hours are following in this newsletter. They will be having a Holiday Artists Bazaar. If you would like to be a part of it, rsvp to lemontcenterarts@gmail.com by Oct. 13. The bazaar sale takes place during gallery hours from Nov. 1 to Dec. 21. Speaking of the holidays, LAG will be announcing our annual holiday party information sometime this fall.

Hope to see you at our October meeting. Alcohol inks are becoming a popular medium to work with and we are excited to shed some light on them.

Happy Fall and Halloween to all! Sincerely,

Líz Connelly LAG President

CONGRATS! Sept. Back of Hall Winners!

- **1**st: Michael Preski, "About as Enjoyable as a Mechanical Ice Cream Cone"
- **↓** 2nd: Diane Harn, "Bold Presence"
- **4** 3rd: Mary Kodl Truesdale, "Peaceful Moment"

LAG ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY

We have booked the holiday party at Cog Hill Country Club in Lemont for Monday, Dec. 9, 2019 at 6:30 pm

We'll send out more information about it soon!

Notes from the Editor:

- ♣ Information for the LAG newsletter should be sent to Betty Kirk by the first of the month (630) 257-0565, or bbkirk@sbcglobal.net
- ♣ Our Hostesses for this month's meeting are Shirley Sobol for snacks and drinks. (Please arrive early to set up.) Thanks so much!
- ♣ The door prize in September, photo notecards made by Natalie Helberg, was won by Diane Harn.
- **Lemont Center for the Arts:**

Lemont Center for the Arts 1243 State Street, Unit 101 Lemont, Illinois 60439 630-243-7375

Hours: Friday & Sunday noon - 4 p.m. & Saturday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. (Always Free Admission)

They always need volunteers during their open hours, please call them at the number above or email lemontcenterarts@gmail.com if you are interested in volunteering.

DON'T FORGET FOR EACH MONTHLY MEETING:

- ♣ Your Artwork for the Back of the Hall Competition if you're a LAG Member.
- ♣ Bring donations for the Lemont Food Pantry. (Thank you!)
- ♣ Create your own Nametag!! We will keep it for you to use at each meeting.
- Alliance of Fine Art (AFA) The AFA meets at 7 pm on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at the People's Resource Center, 104 Chestnut Ave, Westmont, IL 60559. Upcoming meeting is Oct. 8, 2019. LAG members are welcome to attend these meetings and volunteer to help out AFA. (Let Liz know if you want to attend.)

The AFA website is www.allianceoffineart.org. (Check out what all the other local guilds are doing as well at the AFA site, there are links to over 10 guilds on their website!)

The perfect age to begin is whatever age you are now. Eleanor Brown

Accept what is, let go of what was, and have faith in what will be.

You are the artist of your life. Don't give the paintbrush to anyone else.

To develop a complete mind:
Study the science of art;
Study the art of science.
Learn how to see.
Realize that everything connects to everything else.
Leonardo DaVinci