Lemont Artists Guild Newsletter



www.lemontartistsguild.org

Wednesday, February 19, 2020 7:00 pm

Glass Mosaics Presented by Dee Everson



The February 19th Lemont Artists Guild meeting, will begin at 7 PM at the

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

Deana "Dee" **Everson** will demonstrate and discuss glass cutting techniques and tools, glues and mortar, grouting, substrates, mosaic applications and how she does her 3D glass mosaic artwork. Dee's mosaics evolve out of her love and passion to experiment with a variety of textures, colors and sizes. She currently resides in Orland Park, IL and holds a degree in Graphic Design from the American Academy of Art (Chicago) and studied at the Chicago School of Mosaics. Dee states "There's such beauty in colored love all glass. I the textures, qualities transparent and colors... especially when the light pours through the pieces and my art comes ALIVE." Dee is also an art instructor for children and adults and explores all kinds of mediums, but is most enamored by colored glass.

Visit her website at:

www.artclassesbydee.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.

2020 Programs and Important Events

- **♣ Feb. 19: Glass Mosaics-Deana "Dee" Everson**
- **Thru Mar. 1: 2-Person Exhibit with Liz Connelly &**Josiah Bara at LCA (read below for more details)
- **★ 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!
- **♣ Sun, May 17: AFA Best of the Best Reception at DuPage Art Gallery, details TBA.**
- **May 20:** Art Journaling-April Schabes-Feel free to bring your sketchbook or art journal if you want!

President's Letter

Hi all,

Greetings for February everyone! It really has been an exciting year so far. LAG got off to a great start with our Show and Tell meeting in Jan. Everyone had such interesting artwork to talk about. It is such a great meeting to share what we are all doing in our own art worlds!

I hope you will visit the current display in the Homer Library's display case (located towards the back of the library). Currently, LAG member, Natalie Helberg has her Nature Photography in it and it is just gorgeous. Her artist statement really gives a great description of her work! Please take the time to check it out!

I have exciting news that I received an opportunity to show my artwork at the Lemont Center for the Arts! I am in a two person showing with a friend and fine artist, Josiah Bara. Our artwork is both on the abstract side but differs, hence the name of the show, "Divergent Parallels." Thank you to all who came out to the reception that was just this past Fri (Feb. 7). I will be volunteering at LCA on Feb. 16 if you want to visit the show when I am there. Otherwise it is up until March. 1st. More info. is on the next page.

Finally, stay tuned for more information on the Alliance of Fine Art's Best of the Best Show, that will be in May of this year at the DuPage Art League & Gallery. We will have 7 LAG members in it. I hope

Sincerely,

you'll be able to check it out! More info. to come on that next month, for now, mark your calendar for the reception on Sun. May 17.

In closing, I just want to say Happy Valentine's Day to our LAG family!

Líz Connelly LAG President

CONGRATS! Jan. Back of Hall Winners!

- **1st: Mike Preski** "Upon the Creation of Man, There Was I"
- **2**nd: Gene Mark "Portrait of Flower"
- **4** 3rd: Gina Rende "Honey"

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 Gene Mark and Lynn Rozycki for snacks and for drinks. (Please arrive early to set up.) Thanks so much!
- The door prize in January, Photo Notecards by Gene Mark, was won by Gina Rende.
- **Lemont Center for the Arts:**

CURRENT EXHIBIT:

DIVERGENT PARALLELS-Two person

showing with art by LAG President Liz Connelly and Fine Artist Josiah Bara, up through March 1st.

> 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.

DISPLAY CASE at Homer Library

We recently had LAG Member Barb Kelly's Watercolor Paintings in the display case! They were gorgeous! AND we currently have Natalie Helberg's Nature Photography in the display case! It is stunning! We hope you will check it out when you visit the library next! If you want to show, please contact Lynn Rozycki.





(Left:Barb Kelly, Right: Natalie Helberg)

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 Feb. 11, 2020. 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.

I think that an artist should be a skilled craftsman.

Shea Hembrey

The way we experience the world is a direct reflection of the world within us.

Gabrielle Bernstein

Art enables us to find ourselves and loose ourselves at the same time.

Thomas Merton