



Lemont Artists Guild Newsletter

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Wednesday, April 13, 2022

7:00 pm (via Zoom, ends before 9 pm)

**Carol Yasko-Public Art Muralist-Lemont,
Chicago, and Beyond**

On April 13, 2022, at 7 PM, in partnership with the Homer Township Public Library, the Lemont Artists Guild is pleased to present, via Zoom, Caryl Yasko, who will talk about her career and life as a Mural Artist in Lemont, Chicago, and beyond. Amongst other murals, Caryl will discuss "Lemont Quarry Workers" mural in downtown Lemont. It was completed in 1975 and refurbished again (for a third time) in 2021.

In developing this mural, she



worked with the community to honor Lemont's history of limestone cutting. Caryl graduated from Dominican College with a bachelor's degree in art in 1963. When her husband was awarded a Fullbright scholarship in 1968, the couple moved to Japan with their three young sons. She was influenced by the Japanese brush and ink technique, which she incorporated into her trademark style. In 1970 she moved to Chicago's southside where she met and started working with her mentor, community artist William Walker. She was a founding artist in the Chicago Mural Group and taught public mural techniques at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago and many colleges and universities, mostly in the Midwest. Caryl also works in cement, metal, fresco and wood. She developed a concrete fresco technique and a line-drawing system for public participation that follows her passion that art should be for the people:

"We started the mural movement because we believed that art should be available to everyone. We broke the barrier between the artist and the viewer and collaborated with people on the street and in communities to reflect what they wanted to say about what was important to them at the moment."

– Caryl Yasko

OUR MEETINGS ARE CO-SPONSORED
BY THE:

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

708-301-7908

Spring 2022

Please note that our events with the library are taking place on the 2nd Wednesday of the month via ZOOM

- ✚ April 13: Caryl Yasko-Mural Artist-Lemont, Chicago, and Beyond
- ✚ May 11: Richard Lee-Art and Science

Caryl has won numerous awards and is published internationally in books and featured in films. She has held over 50 artist-in-residence positions. Caryl Yasko has inspired countless individuals to develop their ideas and express their voices. You can view her website at <https://sites.google.com/site/carylyaskoartist/home>

REGISTER AT:

<https://www.homerlibrary.org/yasko>



President's Letter

Hi All,

YAY, its April! March sure flew by fast and it was fun to see some LAG Members at Lewis University's Wadsworth Family Gallery where we saw Printmaker Artist Benjamin

Calvert's Exhibit and he did a personal talk with us. He did an amazing job presenting at our March 9th meeting as well. After this letter, I have listed the link for that meeting and also our Feb. 9th meeting with Mark A. Nelson if you are interested in seeing the recording of them. Also listed are some links to Lewis University's spring exhibit! They have a beautiful gallery space and it is worth the trip over to Romeoville to check it out!

We have not been able to post a date yet for Emily J.B. Christian's "Celebration of Life" For now, if anyone has something they can tell me about their friendship with Emily and/or a picture they have of/with her, I ask you to send it to our email address (listed below) and just put "Emily" in the subject. I am compiling some memory/picture boards.

I want to mention some exciting news for LAG Members, Gina Rende and Michael Preski. They entered an online exhibit and won an honorable mention! Michael did the original line drawing and Gina colored it beautifully! Here is a link to see the winning artwork: "EAT 2022" Award Winners — J. Mane

Gallery <https://www.jmanegallery.com/eat-2022-award-winners>

Link to whole online show:

<https://www.jmanegallery.com/#/eat-2022/>

[If you have any showing news to share, please email Betty or our LAG email and we would be glad to share it!]

Finally, LAG just sent out an email to our members for submissions for our 7th Online Virtual Member Show! We hope you will participate!

Please be sure to register for the April Meeting! It will be exciting to hear Caryl speak about her mural painting experiences in our own backyard of Lemont and beyond!

Wishing everyone a beautiful April!!

Sincerely, Liz Connelly, LAG President

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Notes from the Editor: Information for the LAG newsletter should be given to Betty Kirk by the first of the month (630) 257-0565, or bettykirk321@gmail.com

LINKS TO CHECK OUT:

<https://lemontartistsguild.org/call-for-artists>

3-9-2022 Woodblock Relief Paint Demo with Benjamin F.

Calvert III Recording: <https://youtu.be/ML8vRuB0SAc>

2-9-2-22 Mark Nelson Illustration/Comic Art Demonstration

Recording: <https://youtu.be/H8oCo1XLC2E>

Lewis University Wadsworth Gallery Info:

April Exhibit: President's 14th Annual Art Exhibition
April 1-22, 2022

Awards and Reception: April 7, 2022 at 7 pm

Gallery Talk: April 21, 2022, 2-3 pm

Gallery Hours 9 am – 9 pm Daily

Visit their links below for more information:

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/lewisartgallery/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/LewisuArt>

Gallery Website: <https://www.lewisu.edu/artgallery/>

Sayings to Inspire You:

Be someone you look up to.-Emily N. Kansas
Don't worry about how you 'should' draw it, just draw it the way you 'see' it.-Tim Burton
Inhale the future, exhale the past.-Layne R., Ohio

Lemont Center for the Arts (LCA):

Come visit on a Friday, Saturday or Sunday from Noon to 4 PM. (Always Free Admission)

1243 State Street, Unit 10, Lemont, Illinois 60439, 630-243-7375, Current Exhibit:

The Paintings of Ina Cygaite Nicewander
March 4 - May 1, 2022

Closing reception Sunday, May 1, 2022 1 - 3 p.m.

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

Alliance of Fine Art (AFA)

Congratulations to Hanna Rasmussen and Alexis Churchhill. They are the two students entered from Lockport Township High School for this year's AFA Student Scholarship Competition, Hanna won one of the 4 prizes given, a \$500 scholarship award. The show is online:

<http://www.allianceoffineart.org/2022-student-scholarship-competition-gallery.html>

Link to view the student winners:

<http://www.allianceoffineart.org/index.html>

The next AFA meeting will be Tues, April 12, via Zoom at 6 pm. If you want to participate, please check with Liz. The AFA website is www.allianceoffineart.org.

Arts Guild of Homer Glen Will County Barn Quilt Tour:

The Arts Guild of Homer Glen was founded in the fall of 2018 and their goal is to foster community by the support of area artists. They are having an event on **June 11, 2022 showcasing their "Barn Quilt Tour Project"**

View the barn quilts throughout Will County, join in on family activities, and end the day at the Manhattan Round Barn Park for live music and square dancing.

Quilt Tour Website: <https://www.willcountybarnquilts.com/>

Visit their Facebook page at:

https://www.facebook.com/ArtsGuildofHomerGlen/?ref=page_internal

Website: www.artsguildofhomerglen.org

Email: ArtsGuildOfHomerGlen@gmail.com

More Sayings to Inspire You:

My time is best used making art, not worrying about whether it's good or bad.-Unknown