

Wednesday, Oct. 9, 2024
7:00 pm IN PERSON AT THE LIBRARY*

Botanical Drawing Talk

with Kimberly Mullarkey

***RSVP is REQUIRED, SEE LINK AFTER THIS DESCRIPTION**



On Oct. 9, 2024, in partnership with the Homer Township Public Library, the Lemont Artists Guild is pleased to present, at the library, **Artist and Instructor at College of DuPage, Kimberly Mullarkey, who will give a talk on Botanical Drawing** which depicts the form, color, and details of plant life. Kimberly's

presentation, consisting of a slide show and her actual artwork, will touch upon the history of botanical illustration and her exploration of nature – both in an expressive manner and more scientific drawings. Botanical drawing is not only a beautiful art genre, but its roots go back to the first century when scientists wanted to start documenting how plants look and their medicinal purposes.

Kimberly Mullarkey has a Bachelor's degree in Fine Art from the University of California-Santa Cruz with an emphasis in Printmaking and Drawing and a Master's of Fine Art degree from Northern Illinois University with an emphasis in Drawing and Painting. She is an instructor of Drawing and Graphic Design at the College of DuPage and also teaches Botanical Art at The Morton Arboretum and the Chicago Botanic Garden. To study early Northern Renaissance painting techniques, she lived in France for six months and studied under Patrick Betaudier in Monflanquin. Her artwork is included in the published book series "Best of Colored Pencil" and is also in The Morton Arboretum art collection. Kimberly was also an Artist-in-Residence at Isle Royale National Park in Michigan in Lake Superior. She recently finished a large commission, of 34 paintings for The Clearing in Door County, WI.

PLEASE REGISTER TO ATTEND

AT: <https://www.homerlibrary.org/botanical>

**OUR MEETINGS ARE CO-SPONSORED AND
TAKE PLACE AT:**

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

www.homerlibrary.org

708-301-7908

2024-25 Upcoming Events

Most are at Homer Library unless indicated otherwise:

Remaining 2024

✦ **Wed. Oct. 9, 7 pm: Botanical Drawing with Kimberly Mullarkey, register at:**

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

✦ **Mon. Oct. 28 (4th Mon), 1 pm-3 pm: Create and Chat**

✦ **Sun. Nov. 3, 1 pm-3pm: LAG Member Exhibit Reception at Gallery Seven in Lockport, IL**

Note: Drop-off dates & Pick-up dates for members

✦ **Drop off artwork:***

Sat. Oct. 26 from 12 pm - 5pm, or

Sun. Oct. 27 from 12 pm-3 pm.

✦ **Pick up artwork:***

Saturday, Nov. 30 from 3 pm to 5 pm

or Sunday, Dec. 1st, from 12 pm - 3 pm

More exhibit details to be mailed to LAG Members soon!

✦ **Wed. Nov. 13, 7 pm: Urban Sketching with Wes Douglas, register at:** <https://www.homerlibrary.org/urban>

✦ **Mon. Nov. 18, 1 pm-3 pm: Create and Chat**

✦ **December 2024: Holiday Party, TBD**

✦ **Mon. Dec. 16, 1 pm-3 pm: Create and Chat**
2025

✦ **Wed. Jan. 8, 7 pm: Annual Show and Tell, register at: TBA**

✦ **Wed. Feb. 12, 7 pm: Art on Napkins as a Traveling Journal with Robert Morris, register at: TBA**

✦ **Wed. Mar. 12, 7 pm: Macro Pictures using Cell Phone with Nancy Uznanski, register at: TBA**

✦ **Wed. April 9, 7 pm: Program TBA, register at: TBA**

✦ **Wed. May 14, 7 pm: Program TBA, register at: TBA**

✦ **2025 Create and Chat Dates TBA**

Dates and events are also listed on our website at

WWW.LEMONTARTISTSGUILD.ORG

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President's Letter

Hello! It is great to be writing the October President's letter and reflect on our upcoming fall events and a bit crisper weather in the Midwest! As we move forward in our fall programming, I want to note a time adjustment for our Lemont Artists Guild monthly Wed. night meetings:

Important note and time update: In an effort to have adequate time for our speakers and be able to clean-up and exit the library before 9 pm, we are now going to be starting our speakers promptly at 7 pm. If you

would like time to socialize before the meeting, please plan to arrive around 6:30 and we will be starting our announcements at 6:45 pm.

Another important update, I just sent out an email to our LAG Membership regarding the upcoming Member Exhibit at Gallery Seven in downtown Lockport this November. We are excited to see our members' artwork on display! I will be sending out soon, via US Mail, information about entering the exhibit. I also will be sending out our annual renewal letter and renewal form to our members, so please be sure to check your mailboxes in the next couple weeks! Thank you for your patience and support!

And finally to all LAG Members-Please remember to bring an artwork to our Monthly Wed. Meetings that can be voted on in our "Back of the Hall" Competition. We have recently not had a lot of work being shown and I thought I would remind you. I need to remember to bring something myself! ☺

We had a fun meeting in Sept. with Sandie Bacon demonstrating for us the Golden Products Acrylic paints and mediums that can be used with them. Thank you Sandie and to all those who attended!



We also were asked to make scarecrow for the Lemont Library's entry into the Lemont Junior Woman's Club Annual Scarecrow Trail and Contest. You can see Dewey on display, along with the other scarecrows at the Lemont Township Community Center at 16300 Alba Street, Lemont, IL. And, since it is a contest with prizes, you can vote for

"Dewey the Scarecrow" or your favorite here:

<https://www.lemontjuniorwomansclub.org/scarecrow-voting>

Happy Halloween to those who celebrate! I hope you have a fun-filled October!

Sincerely, Liz Connelly, LAG President

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Let your smile change the world... But don't let the world change your smile.

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<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100047747719705>

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

SEPT. 2024 BACK OF THE HALL

Congratulations to:

- ✚ 1st: Lynn Rozycki, "Small Stream" white paint pen on black watercolor paper
- ✚ 2nd: Kathy Birch, "Oh, Really" Acrylic
- ✚ 3rd: N/A

See the monthly 1st place winners on our website at:

<https://lemontartistsguild.org/back-of-the-hall>

Gallery Room at Pollyanna Brewing curated by the Art and Culture Commission of Lemont/Lemont Center for the Arts:

Address: 431 Talcott Ave, Lemont, IL

Pollyanna's hours are: Tue-Thu: 3p-10p / Fri: 3p-11p / Sat: 12p-11p / Sun: 12p-7p

Current Exhibition: If a Hurricane Doesn't Leave you Dead: The Art of Mary Ann Asan

Show Duration: Sept. 11-Oct. 21, 2024

Facebook Event

Page: <https://www.facebook.com/events/488012517493399/?ref=newsfeed>

Upcoming Exhibition:

Grin and Bear It: The Faces of JAG III, Artist John Giemzik

Show Reception: Saturday, Oct. 26, 2024, 6 pm - 8 pm

Show Duration: Oct. 26 through early December, 2024

Facebook event

page: <https://www.facebook.com/events/3203035119832029/?ref=newsfeed>

Saying to Inspire You:

Don't cry over the past, it's gone. Don't stress over the future it hasn't arrived. Live in the present and make it BEAUIFUL!

Life is a journey to be experienced, not a problem to be solved.