

Ars longa, vita brevis est!

So, there I was at 1:30 in the morning, wide awake and thinking about a quote from my cousin Todd. I tried the usual tricks to get back to sleep, like cookies and listening to a “Boston Blackie” old time radio show. Nothing was working, so I surrendered to thinking about what Todd had said. This all started when I sent Todd a picture that was drawn by my grandfather in 1902. Grandpa Harold was 13 years old at the time. It was a picture of a robin on a tree branch that he was obviously proud of because he signed it “Copyright 1902 by Herman Harold”. Grandpa Harold was never an artist in later life so the picture was an interesting insight into his childhood.



Todd had responded, thanking me for sharing the picture with him and my other cousins, but he also ended with “Ars longa, vita brevis est!”. Knowing that he studied Italian literature and worked for several major universities archiving and teaching Italian literature, it was easy to find the English translation. “Art is long, life is short”.

I think that one important way that people view their children is as a way of reaching into the future and leaving something of their own to say “Hey, look, I was here”. But as an artist with no children, I’ve come to look at my art as the something that I leave to the world as my way of saying “Look, I was here”. There are many reasons we create art: because we enjoy the act of making art; we have something to say with our art; to help us heal from some crisis; or to leave something of ourselves for the future; or for some other personal reason.

So, there you have it. Every time I sell a piece, I’m happy that someone liked it enough to buy it. But I also hope that sometime in the future, when I’m no longer here, someone will enjoy that picture and maybe wonder about the artist that created it, just as people do with the old masters of art. After all, I’m enjoying and thinking about a picture that Grandpa Harold made 120 years ago.

Whatever your reason is for creating your art, keep creating it. Art is long, life is short. If you have a story or thought that you would like to share with our other members, please pass it on to Chris Tanner, Anne-Marie Bracken or myself. We would love to have our members share their thoughts and experiences. You never know where an inspiration will come from.

Jeff Harold

September 2022 LCAL Art Show at the Starline Factory

LCAL will be having an October art show at the **Starline Factory in Harvard**. All members are invited to participate and can enter **three (3) pieces** (if we have too many works to display, the committee hanging the show will determine which pieces are shown). If you want to join in the show, send the information below to jeff@jeffharoldphotography.com.

Info Required for Submission: Please email the following to Jeff Harold

- 1) Photos of the work you are submitting (these don't need to be fancy)**
- 2) The unframed size of the work**
- 3) The medium**
- 4) The selling price (all work must be for sale)**
- 5) The title of the work**

When: The show will run from right after the Starline September 4th Friday Event (23rd) through the October 4th Friday Event (28th).

Art Dropoff: There are three options for dropping off your work. (Make sure your artwork is wrapped to safely travel.)

- 1) Bring it to the September members meeting on 9/19. We will be collecting the work starting at 5:30pm.**
- 2) You can drop off your work at the Starline Factory in Harvard (waiting on date and time from Starline).**
- 3) Drop off your work at Jeff Harold's house in Antioch (work must be dropped off by Thursday, 9/22 - Please call to arrange drop off date and time – 847-361-1153).**

Art Pickup: Waiting for info from Starline but will be shortly after the 4th Friday.

Art Pickup Location: Art can be picked up at the Starline Factory (day/time will be available shortly), at the November LCAL meeting, or at Jeff Harold's house (call to arrange pick up – 847-361-1153).

By entering the show, you agree to hold harmless any LCAL member transporting your artwork from accidental damage or lost. If you have any concerns about damaged or lost artwork you should have it insured. You will also be required to sign a hold harmless form for Starline that will be available during drop off of your artwork.

Successful LCAL August show at AFAF Art Gallery

For most of the month of August, the Lake County Art League art was featured at the new downtown gallery of Antioch Fine Arts Foundation. Art was to have been displayed on a 38-foot wall and a smaller interior wall, seen here



showing with about 30 paintings.

As it worked out, our 22 members submitted twice that many paintings plus three pieces of jewelry, and a third wall had to also be used. The Saturday August 13 reception was a very nice and well attended, and the show resulted in Beth Engle, Deb Edmunds and Roger Shule selling items. Beth's was jewelry, Rogers was one of his popular matchbooks, and Deb's was this yellow Prairie Coneflower.

Phil Schorn's Colored Pencil Drawing & Illustration Class

Starts Monday September 12th , 2022



Course Description: In this 6-week course Master Illustrator Phil Schorn will teach his amazing colored pencil techniques including layering, blending, and color theory. Ideal for botanical subjects, Phil's work and instructions also delve into architectural and animals, including pets!

Skill Level: Students with any level of art experience are welcome. No previous art experience necessary, but if you do have experience, Phil will take your technique to a whole new level. Recommended for ages 14 to adult.

Days & Time: Monday evenings, 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm (6 weeks)

Location: Perkowitz Art Studio, 116 S. IL Route 83, Grayslake, IL 60030

Class Size: This class is limited to 8 students.

Cost: \$200 / 6 weeks, not including supplies.

Covid Precautions: Proof of full vaccination required. Masks optional.

Instructor: **Phil Schorn** has over 30 years of experience as a professional graphic artist. He focuses on achieving through the detailed use of colored pencils.

Contact: For more information call the **Perkowitz Art Studio** at 847-372-0451

Phil's Upcoming Shows

September 10th – 11th, Art on the Fox, Algonquin,

<https://amdurproductions.com/event/2022-art-on-the-fox-algonquin/>

September 24th – 25th, Art in the Barn, Barrington, [http://www.artinthebarn-](http://www.artinthebarn-barrington.com/)

[barrington.com/](http://www.artinthebarn-barrington.com/)

Pat King's New Watercolor Class

Pat King will be starting an August watercolor class at **Perkowitz Art Studio, 116 S. IL Route 83, Grayslake, IL**. The class is scheduled to begin on **Saturday, August 20th** and will meet for **6 Saturdays from 2:00 - 4:00 pm**. Details about the class can be found on the Perkowitz website: <https://perkowitzartstudio.com/watercolor-painting-class.html>.

All levels accepted.

Clarese Orensen's Activities

Clarese Orensen has a watercolor in the **Drawn From Nature Exhibition** in the **Joutras Gallery** in the **Regenstein Center** at the **Chicago Botanic Gardens**. This exhibit closes September 11th. <https://www.chicagobotanic.org/exhibitions>

She also donated an art piece for “**The Benefit of Art**“, an Art Harvest and Fundraiser for Art Impacts Project. The event will be held at the **Brushwood Center in Riverwoods, IL** on **September 10th, 4:30 - 7:30 pm**. Enjoy food, drinks, music, and the art sale.

www.brushwoodcenter.org

She will be volunteering to co-lead an art project for vets with **Art Impacts** as well.

Beth Engle at the Mundelein Arts Festival

Beth Engle will be participating in the Mundelein Arts Festival on September 10th and 11th, 10:00 am – 5:00 pm, at Kracklauer Park, 116 N Lake Street, Mundelein. <http://www.mundeleincommunityconnection.org/art-festival-general-information.html>



Mainstreet Art Gallery Receptions



Please join **Mainstreet Gallery** for our monthly gallery receptions!

In **September Artists' Reception** on **Friday, September 9th from 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm** at **16 E. Main St. in Lake Zurich's Main Street District**. In **November**, we'll be hosting a **Holiday Show Reception** on **Saturday, November 12th from 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm**. We exhibit and sell contemporary fine art, including paintings, works in clay, glass, wood, jewelry and gift items from local artisans. Come appreciate art, sip some wine, and join us for a wonderful night supporting our local community of artists and artisans.

Our regular hours are **Wednesdays and Thursdays, 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm; Fridays and Saturdays, 1:00 pm – 7:00 pm, and Sundays, 12:00 pm – 5:00 pm.**

Display your artwork at Mainstreet Gallery

Mainstreet Gallery in Lake Zurich's Main Street District is a new Fine Art Gallery exhibiting work from local and regional artists. The gallery represents artists in many different media and is always looking for new work to keep the gallery fresh. If you're interested in filling out an application to jury into the gallery please contact **Kari Johnson**, at kari@mainstreetartcenter.com, Phone: 847-550-0016, 20 E. Main St. Lake Zurich, IL 60047, www.mainstreetartcenter.com



Linda Kollacks in NOAPS Best of America Exhibit

Congrats to **Linda Kollacks** who was accepted into the juried show NOAPS "Best of America" 2022 exhibition being held in Jackson, Wyoming. The piece is entitled "Snow Palace" and it's a variation on an actual house in Libertyville.



Anne-Marie Bracken's Solo Show

Anne-Marie Bracken will be holding a one-person exhibit, **October 1st – 30th**, at the **Undercroft Gallery**, which is in the lower level of the **Christ Episcopal Church, 410 Grand Avenue, Waukegan, Illinois 60085**.

For a viewing appointment, please call Ali: 224-381-0321.



There will be a reception on Saturday, October 1st, 2:00 - 4:00 pm.

Acoustic music will be provided by Tim Bracken.

Light refreshments will be offered.



Artist Quote



For inclusion in a future *Member News*, please send your news of exhibits, classes, awards and art-related comments to: **Anne-Marie Bracken**, amabracken@gmail.com.