



## Sketches...

Official Newsletter of your  
Lake County Art League

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October 17 live demo 7-9:00 pm at State Bank of the Lakes in Grayslake.

*David R Becker works in any medium, and true to his commercial background, he will use any medium and any paper that will let him work fast.*

For our demo David will be demonstrating the use of four different types of acrylic mediums on a variety of papers. Acrylic ink, fluid acrylic and acrylic gouache will be used like watercolor, and he will also use acrylic heavy body. He will be working on watercolor papers, both black and white, and a he will work on Yupo, a polypropylene "synthetic paper." His normal practice is to start with watercolor, or acrylics used like watercolor, but finishing with a more opaque acrylic. He will even show us a hand-held compressor for spray painting effects. Again and again David Becker will emphasize that acrylics suitably thinned with water are in fact transparent.



David characterizes himself as a "respected illustrator, fine artist and art instructor," and notes that since 1983 has spent most of his artistic life and career in the city of Chicago. He is the author of *Watercolor Composition Made Easy*, his first watercolor book published in 1999 by North light Books. *How to Sketch with Watercolor* is Becker's second book, which was released January of 2003.

Learn more about his wide range of experience and plans for the evening in Jeff Harold's YouTube interview at <https://youtu.be/b-HB1sMGo9Q>. David has several helpful Internet links to check out:

- See his website at <https://www.beckerart.net> and follow tabs to "Home, Artwork, Classes, Shop, Newsletter, About and Contact." Also see <https://www.beckerart.net/daily-painting-gallery>.
- Read an interview of David by Nita Leland at <http://www.nitaleland.com/profile/becker.htm>.
- On YouTube you can see 15 sessions from 2017 to current at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCmgopLUS4QI9TmMaLwTnOJg>. His byline there is "Trying to teach as many people as I can to draw and paint like a pro."

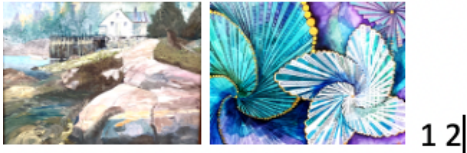
## Fall Membership Show

Our Fall Membership Show is small, with only 22 paintings, but our artists are experimenting with interesting new themes and new approaches. The quality of the art is exceptional. Our show catalog is the next page.

## Catalog: Lake County Art league

### 2022 Fall Membership Show

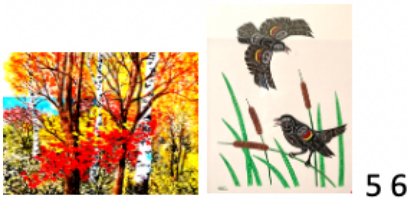
Showing through closing critique, November 21, 7-9:00 pm



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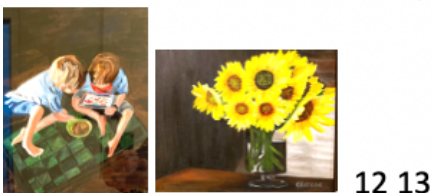
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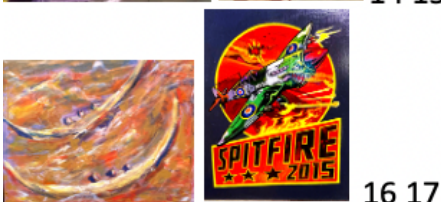
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#### 1 'Boat House' oil NFS

by Val Brandner isketchit@yahoo.com

#### 2 'Tango' mixed media NFS

by Fran Isaac fmisaac@aol.com

#### 3 'Gondola' watercolor \$200

by Norine Fendrich fendrychn@gmail.com

#### 4 'Wild Flowers' watercolor & ink \$175

by Bobbi Swisher bobbi\_swisher@outlook.com

#### 5 'Beautiful Autumn' watercolor \$400

by Pat King journeyking378@gmail.com

#### 6 'Territorial Dispute' ink \$260

by Charles Keller dr.ch.keller@gmail.com

#### 7 'Mom & Arthur' oil NFS

by Mary Haas maryhaas@gmail.com

#### 8 'Rose of Sharon' oil \$55

by Judy Williams jwilliamsdudley@aol.com

#### 9 'Rocket' acrylic \$200

by Tom Asma tomasma@sbcglobal.net

#### 10 'Bodhisattva Meditating' acrylic collage \$500

by Lisa Corbett leissette@gmail.com

#### 11 'Flower Boxes' pastel \$175

by Gail Gudgeon gaile.gudgeon@gmail.com

#### 12 'Their First Computer' watercolor \$85

by Leslie Nauta nautateam@comcast.net

#### 13 'Colored Light' oil NFS

by Clarese Ornstein socoro@comcast.net

#### 14 'On the Bayou' pastel \$195

by Debbie Kalinowski artbydebbiek@gmail.com

#### 15 'Moo' oil \$500

by Barbara Rogers barogers80@gmail.com

#### 16 '2 Came Back' oil \$450

by Denis Rogers denisandbarb@comcast.net

#### 17 'Spitfire 2015' acrylic \$500

by Roger Shule shuleart@aol.com

#### 18 'Fawn' oil \$450

by Aruna Sarode arunans@hotmail.com

#### 19 'Northern Fjord' acrylic \$750

by Thom Kapheim TKapheim@Gmail.com

#### 20 'Perspective' digital \$150

by Anne-Marie Bracken amabracken@gmail.com

#### 21 'Mia 3' watercolor \$200

by Chris Tanner chrisetanner@sbcglobal.net

#### 22 'Happy-Self Portrait' oil \$3800

by Linda Kollacks lindakollacks@gmail.com

## BIG NEWS...in 2024 the Lake County Art League will celebrate its 90<sup>th</sup> birthday and that is a BIG DEAL!

We want to celebrate the event with all who have ever been members of the Art League, and really for all of Lake County. Some thoughts for the celebration are to have a poster contest, special old fashioned art shows in different parts of the county, maybe art demonstrations in local libraries and malls, maybe events in schools, hopefully strong coverage in the papers, on radio, TV, and social media. (See the next article.)

To do these things we need all our members to get excited and involved in the celebration. We need your thoughts, your ideas, the contacts that you may have with local businesses, schools, politicians, churches, and any other group that you may know that might have an interest in celebrating with us. We need to form a committee that will decide what and how we will celebrate this great occasion. Basically, we need you and whatever you can do to make this event a true celebration for Lake County.

This will take work, but hopefully it will be FUN WORK. So think about it. Think about what ideas you might have. Think about the contacts that you have that can help us in this countywide celebration. Then talk to, call, or email our Art League President Jeff Harold and tell him you're committed to this celebration and want to be a member of the committee that will make our 90<sup>th</sup> birthday a fantastic success. We were born by a group of interested artists let us celebrate as a group of interested artists.

### 2024 fall show at Waukegan's refurbished Carnegie Library

Off the record, Ty Rohrer, Manager of Cultural Arts for the Waukegan Park District, said on October 8 that we will be able to have our 2024 Fall Membership Show at the newly refurbished Carnegie Library. Spring of that year may be a possible alternative. The library is at the top of the bluff at the northeast corner of Washington and Sheridan in Waukegan. The show will be the main room with a curved array of large windows that overlook the lake and the busy lakefront. Wall space is limited, but there will be plenty of floor space for display racks like those used at the Undercroft Gallery. This will be the first year following restoration, so there will be wide interest beyond our own publicity.

In August 2020, the Daily Herald wrote that "Designated as a Waukegan Historic Landmark and listed on the National Register of Historic Places, the Carnegie Library will become the new site for the Waukegan Historical Society's expanded history programming, archives, collections, exhibits and research library. The building will also be used by the Waukegan Park District for programs, classes, events and registrations. ... The Waukegan Park District and Waukegan Historical Society plan to transform the Carnegie Library into a dynamic education and cultural center."





## And ...

The Lake County Art League year runs from September through June, meeting 7-9:00 pm on the third Monday of these months. Meetings in January, February and probably March are done virtually to eliminate winter nighttime driving. Meetings in September, October, January, February, March, April and June include presentations, usually a demonstration. November and May meetings are the closing critiques for our popular fall and spring membership shows.

Finally, we take a holiday break in December. After December our newsletters will be sent only occasionally to members who have not paid their dues.

If you sense there is new way to bring fine art to Lake County, or you know how to improve the advantages of membership, please share that. Contact one of the members below.

### Schedule, LCAL 2022-23

Mon 17 Oct 2022, 7-9:00, for a live meeting and demo at the Grayslake State Bank of the Lakes.

Mon 21 Nov 2022, 7-9:00, for a live meeting and critique at the Waukegan Jack Benny Center.

Tues\* 17 Jan 2023, 7-9:00, for a virtual meeting and demo from any artist's studio anywhere.

Tues\* 21 Feb 2023, 7-9:00, for a virtual meeting and demo from any artist's studio anywhere.

Mon 20 Mar 2023, 7-9:00, for a virtual meeting and demo from any artist's studio anywhere.

Sat 1 Apr 2023, 10-1:00, for a "come and go" Spring Membership Show check-in at the Waukegan Jack Benny Center.

Mon 17 Apr 2023, 7-9:00, for our very first live and broadcast meeting and demo at the Libertyville Civic Center.

Mon 15 May 2023, 7-9:00, for a live meeting and critique at the Waukegan Jack Benny Center.

Tues\* 20 June 2023, 7-9:00, for a live meeting and demo at the Gurnee Viking Park, with a Libertyville Civic Center wet weather option.

\*Monday is a bank holiday

### Elected Officers

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