



OPEN CANVAS

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE LEAGUE OF MILWAUKEE ARTISTS

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March 2024 President's letter

Happy March!

We are encouraging you to bring a friend who is considering joining LMA to this Saturday's meeting. One of the biggest benefits of being a member of LMA is our excellent programming. Every month we are treated with an artist demo or an art related talk. Usually, we ask that visitors pay a \$10 fee for joining us, but that will be waived this Saturday. Please make your guests aware that our next jury for new members is March 19th.

The jurying of new members is done electronically. LMA requires jpeg 3 - 4 images of an applicant's work as well as PDFs of the applicant's artist's statement and art resume.

Please enjoy our Saturday meeting with painter, Becky Borman Lloyd.

Respectfully,
Judy Gahn Murphy



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LMA Meeting Information

Where & When We Meet:

Gerhardinger Center - Room GC109 Mount Mary College
2927 North 92nd Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53222

Upcoming Meeting Preview: Saturday, March 9th

Please **invite a friend to the March meeting** as we will be waiving the \$10 fee for non-members to attend. This a great chance to show your fellow artists what LMA is like and the benefits of membership....and hopefully they will become members!

Beki Borman will be our guest speaker at the March 9th meeting, sharing about her art, love of landscapes, and doing a pallet knife painting demonstration.

A little about Beki -

Beki Borman was born and raised in the Milwaukee area of Wisconsin. She attended the Milwaukee Institute of Art & Design where she received her BFA in painting in 2004. Since graduating, Beki has exhibited both locally and nationally. Her current paintings are done primarily with a palette knife. These "Chromascapes" focus on color relationships within the subject of landscape. Some of Beki's influences include Vincent Van Gogh, Wolf Kahn, and Wayne Thiebaud. She currently works out of her studio in the Waukesha Springs Gallery/Studios.

For Beki the landscape is the most accessible subject of the natural world. In response to landscape compositions, she layers thick and thin applications of acrylic paint using knives, rollers, rags, and brushes. Her interest is not in recreating the scene but rather in learning from its aesthetic. She emphasizes bright colors, areas of contrast, and patterns in mark making.

You can find out more about Beki at her website <http://bekiborman.com/>

Here are some samples of Beki's works:



Member Doings

Here I'll post exhibits you are in, awards, or special recognition you have received. I'll also be happy to post "Marketplace" art items you may be wanting to sell. I do not post about current LMA shows except for the award winners. Go see them in person!

Please remember that all submissions to the newsletter need to be sent directly to me at jtsmith5@sbcglobal.net

If you submitted some news to me and don't see it below, there's a reason. I had established a policy when first writing "The Open Canvas" that I would put your news item in it one time and not repeat it. I do this for two reasons. One is to save me work, and another is that when reading the newsletter, I hope that people make a note about an event they would like to attend. I'm also encouraging all members to read the news (so they will have seen your announcement already!) Please contact me if you have a comment or concern regarding this policy.

Jack Pachuta's mixed media collagraph, "Winter Snack", has been juried into the 34th Annual Midwest Seasons exhibit at the Center for the Visual Arts in Wausau. The show in the Caroline S. Mark Gallery is on display until March 16th.

Carolyn Simpson was juried into "Create for a Cure," an art auction premiering at the Blue Jeans and Bling Gala on April 12th and the MKE Gallery Night Exhibit on April 19th and 20th at the Eagleknit Building in Walkers Point. Funds raised will benefit Susan G. Komen Wisconsin.

The Arts Page, a Milwaukee PBS weekly series, featured art classes at the Hart Park Senior Center in Wauwatosa. The show was originally shown on February 1, 2024. Carolyn Simpson spoke about her art experience along with many other seniors who attend classes taught by Laura Easey Jones and Nancy Lohmiller.

Ken and Ruth Vonderberg both have work juried into the Wisconsin Visual Artists, Southeast Chapter "Go Figure" exhibition at the Plymouth Arts Center, 520 East Mill Street, Plymouth, Wisconsin. From Friday, March 8 - Friday, April 26. Opening reception Friday, March 8, 5:00 - 7:30 PM

Erica Lambrecht will be showing two paintings in the "Go Figure" show at the Plymouth Arts Center, March 8th-April 26th.

Tom Smith is one of 40 Wisconsin artists invited to show at the "Shorewood Hub presents FRESH 40" exhibition to be held from April 11-14th.

May Klisch is the Imprint Award Artist for Professional Dimensions 2024. She is in the process of creating the artwork to honor the award recipients Dr Vicki Martin

and Catrina Crane, as well as one for the permanent gallery for Professional Dimensions housed in the Sister Joel Reed Rotunda at Alverno College. In case you're interested in attending this March 27 Artist Reception, please register at www.ProfessionalDimensions.org

Artist Opportunities

Enter LMA'S first show of 2024!

"Spring Renewal" will be at the Polish Center of Wisconsin from April 17th to June 21st, 2024.

Online submission deadline will be midnight, April 1st.

The Awards for the show will be from the Polish Center and LMA

- Best of Show – \$150.00
- First Place – \$100.00
- Second Place – \$75.00
- Third Place – \$50.00
- Honorable Mention – \$25.00

Gary Kenney will jury the show.

The Opening Reception will be on April 17th from 4:00 to 7:00 pm. The award presentation will take place at the reception.

To enter, go to the exhibitions page of our website at

<https://milwaukeeartists.org/exhibitions>





It's our 80th Anniversary Year!

To celebrate, LMA will be having a special exhibition in the place it all started: The Charles Allis Art Museum. The exhibition will be held in "The Great Hall" at the Allis.

The dates scheduled are September 5th - November 15th, with an Opening on Thursday, September 19th 5:00pm -7:00pm. Details are being worked on but start planning now! We will sending details as soon as they are set! Happy Anniversary to us!



The Charles Allis Art Museum

Enter the Art in the Door 2024 Competition, for art inspired by Door County. To enter, use this link:

https://artist.callforentry.org/festivals_unique_info.php?ID=13236

The Cedarburg Art Museum is excited for the upcoming juried exhibition, "The Life of Water". Online applications will be accepted during the month of March. The exhibition will be on view May 25 to September 24, 2024.

Please see <https://www.cedarburgartmuseum.org/callforart> for more details.

The Funny Page

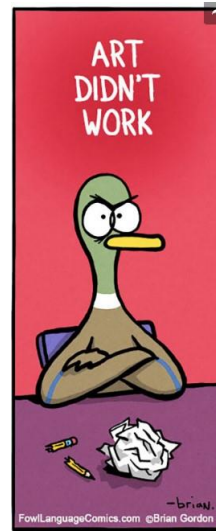
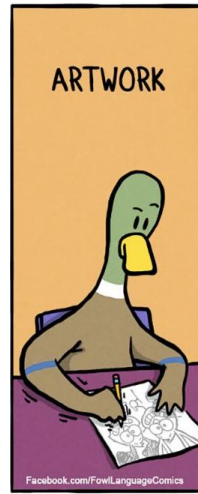
Things that do not make you an artist



Things that make you an artist



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How I usually see my art:



When I compare my art to others:



Last Page Stuff

Exhibit Opportunities

- You must be an LMA member in good standing.
- **ONLY WORKS THAT HAVE BEEN CREATED WITHIN THE LAST 3 YEARS AND HAVE NOT BEEN PREVIOUSLY EXHIBITED IN ANY OTHER LMA SHOW WILL BE CONSIDERED.**

**** Go to our website for more info on any upcoming exhibits! ****

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Our next show will be "Spring Renewal" at the Polish Center of Wisconsin. Go to <https://milwaukeeartists.org/exhibitions> To enter!

Know an artist friend who should join LMA? Tell them to go to our website to find out how to join! The submission links for 2021 are on our website here:

<https://milwaukeeartists.org/join-lma>

Upcoming New Member Jury Dates

Submission Deadline	Acceptance Announcement
January 19	Jan 24
April 19	<u>April 24</u>
August 16	August 14
November 8th	November 13

Speaking of emails, check your Spam folder if you have not been getting emails from LMA. Because we use a service which sends out mass emails, some of you may be having them sent to Spam. Don't forget to look at our website though, (www.milwaukeeartists.org) and our LMA Members Facebook page. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1012219459600743>

