



LAA Newsletter

April 2015



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE SHARON YUTZY

DEAR FRIENDS,

Our LAA season is rapidly drawing to a close. My presidency is also drawing to a close and, I must say, I am disappointed with myself. My first year was encouraging but this past year has been the opposite. Obviously, I have been out of touch with the desires of our members. This has been evident in lack of support for LAA's programs and vital positions that continue to be vacant. I am sad to be going out on a down note. The positive side is that Penny will be bringing new ideas and energy to LAA. Please communicate your opinions, wishes and goals to the board so we can plan for next season. Please email your answers to me: sharonyutzy@comcast.net and cc: Penny at pab@usa2net.net or bring them to our next (May 23rd) meeting.

What do you want LAA to do for you in addition to our meetings and demos?

Shows? Yes ___ No ___ Two per year ___ One per year ___

Workshops? What are you able/willing to pay for one day _____, two days _____?

What are you willing/able to do for LAA?

Chair a committee? Yes ___ No ___ Which one? _____

Do a demo? Yes ___ No ___ Please offer a brief description.

Lead an Open Studio Friday group? Yes ___ No ___ If yes, please offer a brief description .

Anything additional?

Thank you.
See you on Saturday, **May 23rd** if not before,
Sharon

Remember! *There will not be an April LAA Meeting because Bikefest will be in full swing in downtown Leesburg on our meeting date. See you in May!*

Coming to the May Meeting Demo by Kim Minichiello

Water Colour and Oil Painting Artist
from Windermere, FL
More information on the Demo to come
in the May LAA Newsletter.

<http://kimminichiello.com/Home.html>





LAA CALENDAR OF EVENTS SPRING 2015



April 9-10 Center for the Arts	9am - 4pm	Workshop / Lynn Ferris CAPTURING THE LIGHT
NO MEMBERSHIP MEETING		IN APRIL
May 5 Center for the Arts	10am	Board Meeting
May 23 Center for the Arts	1pm	Membership Meeting / Demo Kim Minichiello

OPEN STUDIO FRIDAYS for LAA Members **9:30 AM until 4:00 PM Every Friday**



Need a larger space to work on a Project? Bring to Open Studio Friday and have plenty of room to work.

Like to work with other artists? Get a group together to meet and work together all day or part of the day.

Want to learn a new technique or style? Attend an afternoon workshop presented by a LAA member.

Want to share you artistic ability? Sign up to facilitate an afternoon workshop.

Contact Sharon Yutzy sharonyutzy@comcast.net
or Penny Brady at pab@usa2net.net for how you can get involved.

We need member support ro make Open Studio Fridays a Success!



New LAA Officers for 2015/2016

President Penny Brady
First Vice-President Amy Painter
Second Vice-President Sandi Hanlon-Breuer
Secretary Pat Herzog
Treasurer Sharon Yutzy

Please show your support to these wonderful members who volunteer their time to keep Leesburg Art Association ongoing and successful.

Take a look at the listing of committee chairs on the following page, and think how you can volunteer your time to work on one of the committees. We particularly need an energetic member to be the Publicity Chairman.

How can you help the Leesburg Center for the Arts?



Leesburg Center for the Arts has become a valuable friend and partner to Leesburg Art Association, and now is a good time for all of us to start thinking about ways we can help the center grow. There are several ways you can help.

Become a Member at a special rate to artists:

ARTIST \$25 annually

Advance notice of exhibitions, workshops, and special events; Subscription to "Artist's Palette" Newsletter; 10% Discount on all classes; Invitation to annual Members Only Events; Official Membership Certificate

Become a Volunteer:

There are many opportunities to volunteer your time and talents from sitting at the front desk, to helping hang exhibits, to maintaining the center, to sitting up for events, to helping with the children's and teens' programs. Summer Camp sessions are coming up, and volunteers are needed to help with kids' art projects.

Provide a Scholarship for Summer Art Camp:

Cost of Art Camp is \$75 for the week. Throughout the year the center works with a wide socioeconomic range of students. Many of these students show talent and interest in art, but some are from families who just can't afford the tuition. If you are interested in helping in this way, send a check to Leesburg Center for the Arts and note on the check that it is to be designated for a Summer Camp scholarship.

The Address for the Leesburg Center for the Arts is
PO Box 492857, Leesburg, FL 34749-2857

LAA OFFICERS 2014 - 2015

President	Sharon Yutzy	728-3054	sharonyutzy@comcast.net
First Vice President	Penny Brady	360-0679	pab@usa2net.net
Second Vice President	Sandi Hanlon-Breuer	742-7798	bluewater50@juno.com
Treasurer	De Callen	330-338-1105	
Secretary	Pat Herzog	315-4274	pherzog@cfl.rr.com
Past President	Shawn Gray	728-1477	segdiva@yahoo.com



It takes the entire membership to make LAA all it can be. There are various times throughout the year when volunteers are essential to make an event a success.especially during the Annual Fall and Spring Shows. Mark your calendar now for event dates and let the appropriate officer, chairperson or committee member know how you can help.

Have a question about any aspect of LAA? Use this page to help you contact the right person to answer your question.....

COMMITTEES and CHAIRPERSONS 2014 - 2015

Programs	Penny Brady	360-0679	pab@usa2net.net
Membership	Sandi Hanlon-Breuer	742-7798	bluewater50@juno.com
Year Book	Sherese Mesko	728-3292	ShereseG@aol.com
Workshops	Donna McDaniel Margaret Everson	315-0360 874-5863	donnalou.mcd@gmail.com teragram531@hotmail.com
Art Shows	Ruth Ann Maury Shirley Sojourner Diane Faiver	259-9287 394-7338 728-8807	vinram@thevillages.net shirleysojourner@yahoo.com dvfaiv@gmail.com
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Library	Diane Faiver Marilyn Swider Vinnie Bianchini	728-8807 326-8471 326-9972	dvfaiv@gmail.com mjsart@centurylink.net vincenzab@gmail.com
Spring Trip	Shawn Gray	728-1477	segdiva@yahoo.com
Publicity	Penny Brady	360-0679	pab@usa2net.net



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Important Information about the LAA Fall Art Show

The LAA Fall Art Show venue will be the Leesburg Center for the Arts. Since we will have more room to display artworks, it has been decided to change the size limit to 42" x 42". Limits for future shows will be decided by the venue.

Up Coming Event

Leesburg Art Association's SHOW AND SELL
Saturday - November 21, 2015
At the Leesburg Center for the Arts

Mark your calendars and Sign up now for your spot at this show!

The cost will be \$10.00 per person/contribution going to the Center For The Arts. This will include 1 long table and a space to display your items.

Bring your art and any art supplies you want to sell.
Nothing can be priced over \$100.00.

This is a great opportunity to clean out your closets and sell some work!

Contact Penny Brady to sign up A.SAP for your spot! (352) 360-0679



CONGRATULATIONS!

Ruth Ann Maury took **3rd Place** for her burnished colored pencil *Passion Unleashing*
And **Lisa Woodward** won an **Award of Merit** for her layered acrylic *Looking Ahead*
in the **Visual Arts Association 2015 Spring Show** at **La Galleria** in **La Hacienda Recreation Center** in **The Villages**.

The show continues through June 5th. Free. Open to the public.

UPCOMING AREA ART EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

The Discovery Gardens Art in the Gardens

Saturday, 9 AM - 4PM

The Lake County BCC, in conjunction with The University of Florida's IFAS Extension and the Master Gardeners, welcomes the public to the 1st Annual **Art in the Garden**. Plein air artists and educational speakers on landscape design will be featured.



Discovery Gardens 1951 Woodlea Road , Tavares

For More information: Call Anna Perez at 352-343-4101 or email asperez@ufl.edu.

COMING SOON TO YOUR INBOX

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Tips and Techniques from LAA Members

Our membership includes many different types of artists from hobbyists to trained professionals, but we can still all learn from each other's experience. Recently member Wilt Nelson suggested that we could add a section to our LAA Newsletter for an artists idea exchange. Hopefully you all saw the tip from Wilt emailed last week that started this conversation.

Wilt has agreed to take ideas sent in by the membership and edit them into a new LAA email publication titled **TnT**. The first edition will be arriving in your inbox in the next few days.

You all can help us by submitting tips and techniques to Wilt at wiltonnelson@me.com or to laanewsletter@yahoo.com/

Guidelines for Event and Class Postings

Send information on events or classes that would be of interest to the LAA membership to laanewsletter@yahoo.com. Please keep information minimal and specific. Include contact information, including website information where applicable. Keep in mind that the newsletter is usually sent out a few days following the monthly board meeting (dates on calendar). Fresh information is needed each month, so please pass along information. If the deadline is before the newsletter mailing, I will try getting it out in a separate email message, otherwise it will appear in the monthly newsletter.

UPCOMING AREA ART EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Silk Studio Workshop with Yvonne Feavearyear

Monday, April 13 - Monday April 20 - Monday, April 27

\$65 for one session \$100 for 2 consecutive sessions

Contact Yvonne at (352) 874-6500 or
Email at yfeavearyear@comcast.net



Ongoing Lesson Opportunities

Classes and Workshops / South Lake Art League Cleremont
www.southlakeartleague.com

Classes/ Lake Eustis Museum of Art
www.lakeeustismuseum.org 352-483-2900

Classes / Lifelong Learning College The Villages www.TheVillagesLifelongCollege.com
Catalog online or call & request one 352-753-3035



Acrylic Classes by Arrachme A Fresh Approach to Acrylic

Ongoing through May

For more information on classes offered, costs involved and dates:

<http://www.arrachmeart.com/classes/>

ALCOHOL INK WORKSHOP

April 18 \$30

Instructor: **Jan Krassner**

This workshop will be held after the monthly Mt. Dora Art League meeting at the Congregational Church in Mt. Dora.

For more information contact:

Susan Mulholland at Mulholland@usa2net.net



LIBRARY

LAA members in good standing may borrow a total of 2 items from the library. Cards will be filed under your last name initial. It is your responsibility to replace the cards in the items and put them away in the proper place. The shelves are labeled to make this easier. Remember, check-outs are only for one month, although we do allow a checkout of two items at the May meeting, to be returned in September. If you can't come to the meeting, send the items with a friend, or contact someone on the library committee.

We accept donations of appropriate art books and DVDs that are in good condition. We will inscribe the donor's name in the book or on the DVD. If you wish LAA to purchase a certain book or DVD, please write the title, author, publisher and price. Participation in the 50-50 drawing will help with library acquisitions.

Thank you,
The library committee
We no longer have or will accept VHS video tapes.



**PLEASE VISIT THE LIBRARY BEFORE OR AFTER THE MEETING.
* IT IS NOT OPEN DURING THE MEETING. ***



LAA is now on Facebook!

Look for the LAA page at
<https://www.facebook.com/leesburgartassociation>

Or type **Leesburg Art Association** in the Facebook Search box.

You will be able to share information directly to the group on this FB page.

Display your art on the LAA web site
<https://www.facebook.com/leesburgartassociation>



Image Submission Requirements

1. Membership dues must be up to date for the year
2. In order to email/ forward the images, resize them to 72 dpi and no larger than 700 pixels on either length or width side of the image.
3. Take a photo that is in focus, has good lighting and includes only the image of your artwork without any extraneous items such as frame or easel.
4. Your original artwork created within the last 3 years
5. Artwork must be suitable for family viewing
5. A limit of 5 submitted paintings total per LAA member per year
6. Include the title, medium, size and personal information (a short bio, email address and link to your web-site) if you are interested in people contacting you regarding sales
7. Images should be emailed to bluewater50@juno.com



LAA MEETINGS

The membership meeting will begin **PROMPTLY at 1:00 PM**, on the **4th Saturday of the month, Sept. through May, excluding Dec. and April.**

Plan to arrive at by 12:30 to get a seat, visit the library, and socialize., ready for a **1:00 start.**

ONLY Sharon and committee chairs will be making the brief announcements.

If you have an item for the agenda, please submit the written announcement with basic information to Sharon Yutzy prior to the meeting date.

All members are also welcome at the **Board Meetings**. They are held at **10:00 AM on the 1st Tuesday of the month at the Leesburg Center for the Arts**. You are invited to submit issues for discussion to Sharon Yutzy sharonyutzy@comcast.net or 728-3054 at least three days prior to the meetings.

MEMBERSHIP DUES FOR 2015 ARE NOW DUE

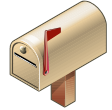
Our membership year is **January 1 through December 31**. Dues are delinquent at the end of February. You can pay at the meetings or mail your check to Sandi Hanlon-Breuer. Dues are \$30.00 for the year; \$45.00 per couple.

Dues must be up to date to participate in workshops at member rates and to enter the Spring and Fall Shows.

Please check the membership list, available at each meeting, to be sure your information is correct and up-to-date.

Checks for your membership dues can be mailed to
(An application form is at the end of the newsletter)

Sandi Hanlon-Breuer
15847 Chestnut Lane



MEMBERSHIP CORRECTIONS

Please remember to include us in your notification of changes in address, phone number and email address. We need these to be accurate at all times, but especially before our break through the summer. Our membership yearbook of paid members, gets printed each August.

Please send any corrections to:

Sherese Mesko ShereseG@aol.com
Yearbook Editor

AND

Sandi Hanlon-Breuer bluewater50@juno.com
Membership Chairman



NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS



Send any newsletter submissions and member news to Shari Williams

Via email to : laanewsletter@yahoo.com (Include copies of articles, flyers, or posters when available.)

Or mail to: Shari Williams 27314 Orchid Glade Street Leesburg, FL 34748

Leesburg Art Association Membership Application

Artists from beginner to expert are invited to join! All media welcome!

Our calendar year is December 31 through January 1. Annual dues must be paid between January 1st and February 28th to insure that your information will be included in the Yearbook. New members joining during November and December will be considered paid through the following December.

MAIL TO: Sandi Hanlon-Breuer
15847 Chestnut Lane
Tavares, FL 32778

*Single Membership \$30.00

*Dual Membership \$45.00

Name _____

Address (Local Only) _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Active Artist (Y/N) Primary Media _____

Special Talents _____

Other Art Affiliations _____

Where Would You Be Willing To Serve? (Check all that apply)

Executive Officer ____ Committee Chairperson ____ Shows ____

Exhibits (Hanging) ____ Publicity ____ Hospitality ____

Regular Meetings ____ Set up ____

Receptions ____ Fundraising ____

Other (specify) _____

Dues must accompany application. Please make checks payable to Leesburg Art Association. Applicant must be 18 years or older.

Amount Enclosed _____

Meeting facility: Leesburg Center for the Arts,
429 W. Magnolia, Leesburg, FL

Meeting day: Every 4th Saturday from Sept. through May excluding Dec. and April
@ 1:00 pm

Web site: www.leesburgart.org