

Poulsbo Artist League Newsletter

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PAL Meetings

**Regular Meetings
12:30—3:30 PM**

**Vinland Lutheran
Church**

**2750 NW Finn Hill Rd
Poulsbo, WA**

"Do not follow where the path may lead.

Go, instead, where there is no path and leave a trail."

- Barthold Georg Niebuhr

President's Message



Dear Friends,

Fall is my favorite time of year, with its colorful leaves, crisp days, and abundant harvest. Unfortunately, we seem to have been "cheated" out of summer this year, and Fall is coming far too quickly! Once Labor Day arrives, the pace quickens and it's time to "gear up" for the upcoming year.

PAL is "gearing up" this month with our annual meeting and potluck at the church on Wed., Sept. 29 at 12:30 p.m. where we will be electing officers, reinstating membership, discussing our financial status: and above all, enjoying each other's company with plenty of wonderful food. Spouses/significant others are always welcome, as well as those interested in becoming members of PAL. Please bring a main dish, salad or dessert to share.

Nominations are currently being sought for our leadership team. If you are interested in serving on the board, please let any one of our current officers know. It's also a good time to consider joining a committee. PAL can always use help with exhibits/venues, publicity, event planning and student scholarships. We welcome new energy and ideas, and it's an opportunity for you to have an impact on future decisions and activities.

I hope to see all of you at our annual business meeting the last Wed in September!

Lisa

PAL Calendar

This Month

Regular Meetings 12:30—3:30 PM:

- Wednesday, September 1—Regular meeting
- Wednesday, September 8—Executive and Regular Meeting
- Wednesday, September 15—Regular Meeting
- Wednesday, September 22—Regular Meeting
- Wednesday, September 29—Annual Business Meeting w/ Pot Luck Luncheon * Guests Invited

Up and Coming Events

Saturday, September 25—Port of Brownsville Marina Arts & Crafts Show ~ Featuring CK High School Art Students & local Grade School Students Juried and People's Choice Awards

Happy Birthday!

Happy August Birthdays

Newest member, Darla Kneeper
8/29

Happy September Birthdays

Peter Maitland 9/11
Russell Freeman 9/15
Andie Anderson 9/17
Laura Dicus 9/18
Marion Hanson 9/24
Bill Fulton 9/29

PAL NOTABLES

Kudos to all! We've had a great summer!

We wish to thank Laura Dicus and Dick Daugherty for their great presentations, as well as Mike Clayton for his work in organizing the Poulsbo Art Festival. He and the set-up crew worked hard to make sure the tent was water-proof, and it definitely paid off. Russell had cemented- stabilizer sleeves made to protect the tent from rain, wind and weight. Thank you, Russell. Mike also picked up and delivered the cash box every day. While we didn't have as many sales as in past years, there was some beautiful work on display and we had lots of positive comments on our artwork. Unfortunately, there's not much we can do about the economy.

Thank you to all members, volunteers and their families who contribute so much of their time and energy to support our League's efforts. The Poulsbo Art Festival, Central Market Show and all other venues could not be important events if it were not for the dedication, time, labor, and affection everyone has shown for our group. In 2011, we will celebrate 28 years of such commitment. A very long time devoted to a viable group of individuals who are not only talented in their own right, but demonstrate the willingness to share their talent and unique abilities; and, who continually display pride in our organization through camaraderie and determination to continue with the League's high standards. Thank you - to each and every one - for your inspiration and continued involvement, YOU make us ALL SHINE.

The Executive Board

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Welcome New Members

Darla Kneeper is our very newest, very talented- watercolorist member and we welcome her beautiful smile, experience and expertise into our group. Be sure to introduce yourself!

PAL News

October 2 – "SAM" will be showing Picasso – Time for another PAL ferry- ride? City of Poulsbo Parks & Rec are planning a Senior Trip, Thursday, Nov 18 for \$62 -- includes transportation, ferry, boxed lunch and museum entry fee. www.cityofpoulsbo.com/parks

Full versions of the Kitsap Arts & Entertainment calendar are available in the "Entertainment" Section of kitsapsun.com.

Opportunity: Bainbridge Arts & Crafts Gallery Juried eight times/year. 2010 session closed. Go to bacart.org/art-jury.html for the 2011 requirements.



Check-in for
Poulsbo Art
Show



PAL Exhibit at *Poulsbo Art Show* August 21-23

Photos by Nancy Sefton and Bill
Fulton



Exhibits by PAL Members

Jak's in Poulsbo – Nancy Sefton and Maggie Huft will exhibit now through **October 15**. Who will be next? It can be a combined effort for the whole PAL membership or ~ who knows?

The Present Venue/Exhibit Committee Members are: Lisa Stowers, Diane Clayton, Mike Clayton, Marge Keeton and Nancy Sefton.

Please let the Committee Members know if you would like to be on this committee as well as where and when you will be exhibiting as we would like to support you and the venue. Also, the more information they have as to possible ideas, the better they can serve your needs. Please be proactive in this regard. Your thoughts, ideas and suggestions are always appreciated.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Stupendous September

September 29... will be our annual Business Meeting/Pot Luck Luncheon. Spouses & guests are invited. Please bring a dish to pass and enjoy each other's company in the repast. This is always a yummy experience. Business at hand is to elect new officers for our up-coming 28th year as PAL. If you wish to be an officer/committee head or member please let one of the board members know or we might just put your name in the hat and draw! Okay? No, just kidding! But we do need your participation. The luncheon begins at 12:30 pm in our meeting room at the Vinland Church.

Ochre October * Grateful November

Wednesdays ~ October 27 and November 24...We would like to have some direction as to member demonstrations. It was decided to try to have a demo every 4th Wednesday of the Month. Please let Lisa know if you have any suggestions or wish to demonstrate a technique in September, October or November.

Delicious December

There will be no meetings in December, however, we will host our Annual Christmas Luncheon on Wednesday, December 1, 2010, ~ Noonish. Place to be determined. A gift exchange of a small original art piece, {5x7 image-area & framed for hanging}, with luncheon guests who wish to participate which will be part of the fun. Guests and spouses are always warmly welcomed.

6 Tips for Getting Your Work Into Museums/Galleries

GOOD TIPS.....JUST DO IT....SHOW YOUR WORK....

Hang With Monet: 6 Tips for Getting Your Work Into Museums/Galleries by Steven Skinner.

"I'm not a marketer. It's almost serendipity that my works get shown at all."

Here are his six subtle tips for swaying serendipity. Watercolor Magic, Oct. 2006

- 1. Do your research.** "Direct your query to a curator who appreciates the type of work you do. Find out who regularly features work or is building a collection of your style or medium."
- 2. Put your best work on a compact disk.** "Compile 10-20 images that you feel best represent your artistic vision and have them handy for sending out to curators/galleries."
- 3. Enclose a short personal statement.** "Tell the curator who you are and what you do, but be succinct. You're directing this query to someone who doesn't have a lot of time on his/her hands."
- 4. Think small.** "Consider sending packages to university collections and museums or small alternative galleries."
- 5. Put yourself out there.** "Go to shows and gallery openings and mingle. If you know someone who can introduce you to the curator or gallery owner, that's always best, but if you don't, you shouldn't be afraid to introduce yourself and ask politely if he/she would like to see your work at another time. Remember to bring your cards and get their cards for future reference."
- 6. Remember you have nothing to lose.** "In my experience, curators have always been nice in their replies, even when they're rejections."

Artist Profiles

We would like to achieve a completed Profile of your artistic work as a record for our PAL members, not only to identify your favorite medium(s), accomplishments and personal interests, but to also to have a statement about who you are.

We'll keep your profile in the "Red Book" and we'll post it on the PAL website. It's a way for others to know your interests and areas of expertise.

A few ideas for your profile: your background and training as an artist, your inspiration and your goals, your preferred media, your favorite subjects, your studio, your influences.

Please make sure we have a profile for you. Your Work is Important to Us.....for the present and to retain as a historical record. Thank You.