

Poulsbo Artist League Newsletter

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PAL Regular Meetings

Wednesdays 12:30—3:30 PM
Vinland Lutheran Church
2750 NW Finn Hill Rd
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Quote of the Month

"Every child is an artist. The problem is how to remain an artist once he grows up."

-- Pablo Picasso

President's Message



We are blessed here in Poulsbo with all the great galleries and the different kinds of art pieces displayed. Diane and I attended the 25th anniversary of oldest of the Poulsbo Galleries, the Verksted. For those of you who may not know, our own Poulsbo Artist League founding members Mary Hefner and Elisabeth Haney also were the founding members of the Verksted Gallery. The 25th anniversary was excellent with entertainment, wood and clay demonstrations, cake and meeting wonderful artists. Mary and Liz were honored guests and were recognized by the Mayor and other dignitaries. I want to congratulate Mary and Liz for having the foresight, commitment and hard work to make the gallery a success for 25 years.

Well done!!

Mike Clayton

The Secretary is the Newsletter Editor. Please contact her with any information you wish added to the newsletter.

PAL Calendar

This Month

Regular Meetings 12:30—3:30 PM:
 Wednesday, May 2 — Regular Meeting
 Wednesday, May 9 — Regular Meeting
 Wednesday, May 16 — **NO meeting at the church**
 Wednesday, May 23 — Regular Meeting
 Wednesday, May 30 — Regular Meeting

Happy Birthday!

May Birthdays:
 Phillip Chirmara
 Kathy Johnsen
 Lynn Kuckuck
 Mary Saurdiff
 Gail Skavland



Colored Pencil Tip

I had a disconnect getting a PAL Notable article out this month; so I thought I'd substitute in an article with a colored pencil tip. I belong to a couple of online artists' groups, and one of the ladies wrote this a year or so ago. She often does commercial work, but I think her idea could be of some value to us as well. Here are her comments:

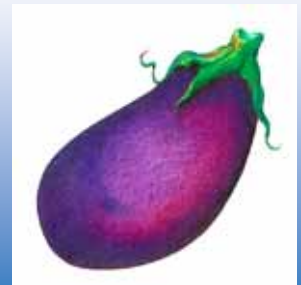
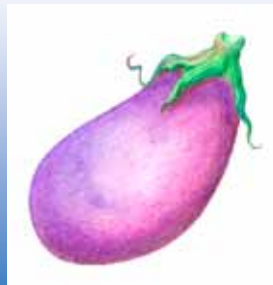
"I have expounded on my love of Prismacolor pencils before. I use them all of the time for my commercial illustration because they are fast and capable of a nice amount of detail. But, I am at the mercy of the texture of my drawing paper because there needs to be enough tooth to grab the dust of the lead. And, eventually, the texture of the paper gets loaded and won't take any more and all you get is a slippery, waxy surface that won't blend anymore.

The decal project of vegetables I'm working on has been a learning experience for me, because the buyer wants a smooth, non-textured look with intense colors, yet detail. And, they still want it to look like artwork, not a photograph. I have been puzzling over how to do that.

I tried something new for me. Probably a bunch of you have already done this... I upped the intensity in Photoshop and printed out my finished drawing on nice drawing paper and drew over it again. I was able to smooth out the texture and intensify the color to get what they wanted. And it was pretty painless as far as a re-do goes.

Here are the before and after results." Peggy

If anyone has any other helpful tips that could be added to future newsletters, I would be happy to include them.



Current Exhibits

Poulsbo City Hall ~ various members

Central Market in Poulsbo ~ various members.

Bainbridge Island Music Center ~ various members.

Reid Realty ~ various members.

Hospice in Silverdale ~ various members.

Jac's Café in Poulsbo ~ various members.

Male Hair Preference in Silverdale ~ Mike Clayton.

Nancy Sefton has 11 of her NW forest photos hanging in the offices of a Winslow physician.

Koch Law Office ~ various members.

If you are exhibiting anywhere and would like to have it listed here, you need to let me know at least by the last week of the month. Also – if you have a show that closes, please let me know so I can remove it from the newsletter.

Notice!

There will be NO meeting at the church May 16th. The church needs the space for another event. Nina Dempsey will be hosting a demo on gold leaf application at her house. This will be a potluck and starts at 11am. Her address is: 12830 Marine View Dr, Kingston, WA - 360.297.4631 Feel free to bring other art to work on after the demo.

Venue Opportunities

Reminder:

1) For all future artwork collections, we would like members to bring their own wrapping materials for their paintings. It's always a good idea to have your artwork wrapped to prevent damage. It could be as simple as a trash-bag that fits your painting; however some members might prefer something to protect corners, etc. We just can't guarantee that there will be enough wrapping material at the church. Your work doesn't need to be wrapped when you come in. You will still need to log it in.

2) We always appreciate help in collecting and hanging artwork.

Venues:

Central Market

We are extending collection of artwork to May 2nd, as more work is needed.

New art will be hung Sat. May 5th - 4pm.

Old artwork will be returned Wed. May 9th.

JAK's Cafe

Old artwork will be removed from JAK's on Sat. May 5th at 3pm and returned to the church on Wed. May 9th. This venue goes to another group for the time being. Mike is going to discuss future showings with the owner.

Venue Opportunities Continued

Kitsap Arts and Craft Show (July in Kingston) needs someone to coordinate the student art and someone to coordinate it for the week of the show. The contact is Bryan Monroe at shasta77rio@me.com

Koch's Law Office

I've already sent a separate notice about this one, but will repeat the information.

Koch's (law office) (Silverdale Way behind Michael's) needs maybe 3-4 more paintings in the 12"X16" - 15"X20" range (framed size).

Contact Liz, 697-1885 or the office manager, Helen Murray, 692-5551

Poulsbo City Hall

This venue is due to change in July. We will be accepting new artwork but members are welcome to leave current work there also. However, if you would like to have current work returned to you, you need to discuss it with the venue committee.

Bainbridge Island Music Center

New artwork will be collected for the music center on Wed. June 6.

New art will be hung Fri. June 8.

Old artwork will be returned Wed. June 13.

Hot Shots

New artwork will be collected for Hot Shots on Wed. May 30.

New art will be hung Fri. June 1st - (early) 6:00am.

(FYI - Hot Shots takes 15%).

Poulsbo Arts Festival (Arts by the Bay)

This venue is being held August 17 - 18 and 19 this year.

New artwork will be collected on Wed. August 15.

We will start taking shift requests in June and July for the show. Everything will be the same as far as organization and shift times. Depending of the number of participants everyone should be able to bring 4 small, 2-3 medium, OR 1-2 large paintings.

NWWS

If you are a member of the Northwest Watercolor Society, or are thinking about being a member...

CALL FOR NWWS ARTISTS for EXHIBIT at NWWS Gallery at the Seattle Design Center, Suite P262, 5701 Sixth Ave S, Seattle, WA 98108, from May 26 – July 28, 2012.

Theme: "Illumination – It's all about the Light!"

Entry date: by May 12, 2012, NWWS members only.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Start here - <http://www.nwws.org/dnn/>
(left column under "Current Events")