

Poulsbo Artist League Newsletter

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2018 WEDNESDAYS AUGUST 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 12:30 – 3:30

"IF YOU HEAR A VOICE WITHIN YOU SAY, "YOU CANNOT PAINT." THEN BY ALL MEANS, PAINT, AND THAT WILL SILENCE THAT VOICE. VINCENT VAN GOGH



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PAL Ponderings by President Bill Fulton:



It's been wonderful to see new faces at our Wednesday meetings. Since June, we have welcomed new members Judith Richerzhagen, Jeannie Jones, Kristin Henshaw, Susan Ericksen, Elizabeth Kemp, Vivian Chesterly and Vivian West. If you're new to PAL, welcome!

A sign of a healthy organization is the regular incorporation of fresh ideas and energy that come from the addition of new members. Every new person contributes something unique to the character of our group. Those of us who have been around awhile (goodness, have I been part of PAL for ten years?) provide the stability and corporate memory that a group needs to keep its identity.

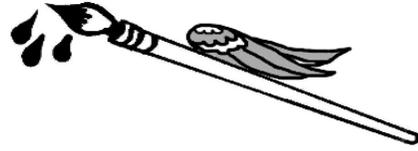
It takes a lot to keep a group like PAL going. We have great volunteers to organize exhibits, catalog paintings, hang our shows, plan workshops, give demos, send newsletters, keep our finances, provide goodies, and offer support to our friends in need. I hope our new members will plunge right in and become part of things.

As we get closer to September and our annual meeting, I hope we'll all be thinking about our plans for the next year. Do you have ideas for PAL to accomplish in the coming year? Suggestions? Comments? Ideas? The annual meeting is a great place to brainstorm.

Also, I hope we'll all think about whether we might take on one of the responsibilities of PAL officers. Is this the year for you to step up and be part of the leadership of our organization? Please think about it.

In the meantime, keep making great art!

Sketches By Sefton



by Vice President Nancy Sefton

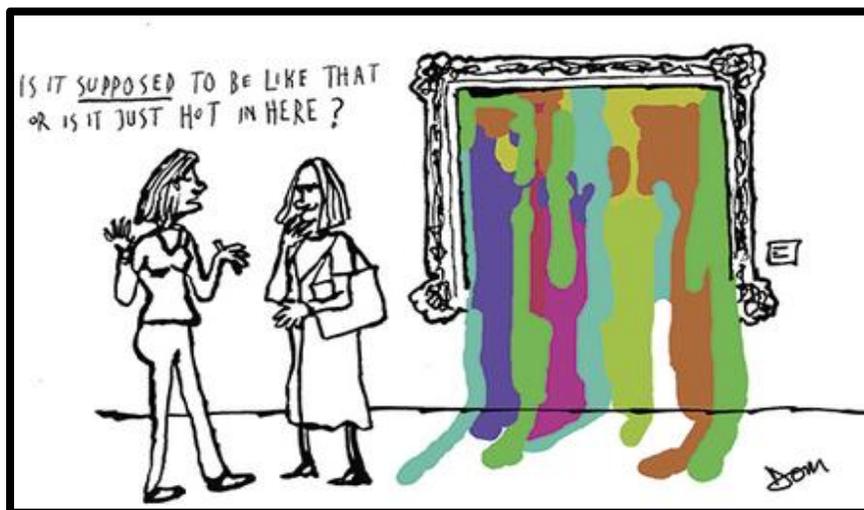


CHANGE MY STYLE ?

That's what I'm trying to do, and it's not very easy. In terms of artistic *style*, I fell into a certain pattern early this century when I took up painting again after about 45 years. I found that I was most comfortable (not necessarily skilled), just copying my chosen subject so that my rendition of it resembled the real thing as closely as possible...like a photo rendered in paint. (I think this is called "photo realism", and some of our own PAL members are Masters of it, which makes me jealous!)

So, I decided to try some new approaches. Where to start? For one thing, I used to be a quilter (until I ran out of wall space and the number of beds to cover), during which time I fell in love with fabric patterns, which have undergone some creative changes over the decades. Using impressionistic fabric designs as backgrounds for recognizable subjects rendered in paint, I obtained some intriguing results. I also use my camera nowadays, to capture designs found in Nature, such as tree bark and leaf patterns, which I use mostly for backgrounds for common nature animals.

I wasn't sure how these would work, but a few positive comments from others has spurred me on to keep trying new ideas. At my age (I created my first painting in the Jurassic Period) there's probably time to come up with some new techniques now that I've taken the first hesitant step toward trying new styles.



Current Exhibits and Sales

Poulsbo City Hall ~ various members ~ Contact: Nancy Sefton We've been asked by the Mayor to report any changes in City Hall hangings, should you sell a painting and replace it. The City Hall staff needs an accurate inventory on file. So please report to Kati Diehl at the 3rd floor desk, or leave a note, with your name and the titles of the works involved. You may also email her: kdiehl@cityofpoulsbo.com.

Central Market in Poulsbo ~ various members ~ Contact: Richard Daugherty or Maggie Huft.
Vivian West had a recent sale at Central Market.

Jak's ~ various members ~ Contact: Mary Saurdiff and Marge Keeton.

Edward Jones Building~ various members ~ Contact: Shar DuFresne

Poulsbo Library ~ various members ~ Contact: Maggie Huft, Libby Anderson

Nancy Sefton sold a painting at Edward Jones as we were hanging the new show.

Ildiko Deaky has her work on display at Liberty Bay Gallery in Poulsbo, on an ongoing basis.

Liz Haney is at Eastern Wind Glass Studio, 2604 Burwell, Bremerton, with cards and small paintings.

Kathy Pipo-Jeffers has her work on display at the Art SLAM gallery in Silverdale.

Libby Anderson, Cherron Papillion, Karin Klein, Pat Mitchell and **Ann Wallgren** have an art show at Hot Hots Java for the month of August.

**If you are exhibiting anywhere and would like to have it listed here, you need to let the secretary 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.

Venue	Collect Art	Hang Art	Return Art
Central Market	October 17	October 20	October 24
Edward Jones	October ?	TBA	TBA
Poulsbo Library	October 24	October 26	October 12
City Hall	2020		

Art Opportunities

Art Opportunities Offered by the Poulsbo Recreation Department

Watercolor Workshop

Donna Russell will be teaching beginning themed watercolor classes.

Marine Life (Wed August 15, 10:00-1:00)

Olympic Forest Dwellers (Mon August 20, 1:00-4:00 pm)

Paint in the Park

Rachel McCreight will lead a class in creating an art piece using stencils and weathering techniques on wooden pallets. All materials included at Muriel Williams Park on Saturday, August 5 1:00-3:00 pm.

~Besides the classes above, other art subjects offered at Parks this spring/summer include acrylics, glass, calligraphy, photography, bird watching and more. It's worth perusing your current Parks catalogue. Contact City of Poulsbo Parks and Recreation 360-779-9898 or for the full catalog: www.cityofpoulsbo.com

Ongoing Watercolor Classes with John Adams

The four session watercolor classes are ideal for those wishing to "loosen up" their style with a seasoned instructor who exhibits widely (John is currently featured at Front St. Gallery in Poulsbo). For information on his location and dates of his next sessions, contact 2john@earthlink.net or check the John Adams Design web site. Tuition for four 2-hour sessions is \$100.

Exhibit Your Art Online!

We're expanding our PAL web site to include a PAL Members' Gallery. We'll begin by accepting a single painting image from any member interested. How to submit your painting: If you have appropriate software, send a jpg. file of the painting to Bill Fulton's email address: BillFulton2001@yahoo.com. Please include your name, the painting's title and medium, and if you wish, your email address plus a price for the work. If you need help with the transfer, bring your painting to a PAL meeting so that either Bill Fulton or Nancy Sefton can take a photo of your art.

Looking For Sites

Recently at PAL, a few members were discussing selling paintings. Maggie Huft stumbled upon this website might be helpful. 250+ Places to Sell Artwork Online

<https://www.artsyshark.com/125-places-to-sell/>

Photos Needed

If you took photos at the recent hangings at Central Market or Poulsbo Library, could you send them to me for the next newsletter. Thank you. Libby Anderson minis4recess@sbcglobal.net

New Members/Announcements



New Members

A huge welcome! Since our July newsletter, we have welcomed six new members. Vivian Chesterley lives in Bainbridge and enjoys working in oil. She found out about PAL from a friend. Susan Ericksen is returning to art after a hiatus. She lives in Poulsbo and works in watercolor and colored pencil. Kristin Henshaw had a friend mention PAL. She enjoys watercolor and lives on Bainbridge. Jeannie Jones heard about PAL from member Nancy Sefton. She lives in Suquamish and paints in watercolors. Elizabeth Kemp works with oil or wood, lives in Poulsbo and heard about PAL from returning member Ingrid Amirault. Judith Richerzhagen enjoys watercolor and charcoal, lives in Bremerton and found out about PAL from members Laura and Ed Chesvick. Our new members will all have the button badges, so please wear yours. If you need a new one, let Libby Anderson know.

Published Artist

Acrylic Works 6 will be published in May 2019. This book will feature the juried work on 121 international artists. The theme: "Creative energy is the driving force of what it means to be an artist, and how an artist chooses to use that energy is what sets one apart from the others...." We congratulate member Valerie West for having "Dragon Fly", an acrylic paint pours with its description featured in this book. Acrylic Works 6 is published by North Light Books.

Featuring a PAL Artist

This popular column coordinated by Nancy Sefton will return next month and be every other month.

September 26 Annual PAL Potluck

Mark your calendars for our annual business meeting and potluck on September 26 at 12:30. It is also when the new slate of officers is presented and voting takes place.