

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

Happy New Year!

There is always a time for Gratitude and New Beginnings.

- Robert J. Moskin

President's Message

Dear Friends,

When a new year arrives, we often make resolutions, get organized and think about how we will do things differently in the upcoming year. I immediately think, "Paint more, clean up my art room, and try to loosen up my painting style!" After more thought, however, I realize it is also a time to evaluate how I spend my time and what my priorities are as I am challenged to find the right "balance" between my artwork and all other aspects of my life. I hope you, also, are re-evaluating your priorities, re-thinking the next steps for your artwork and challenging yourself to grow as a person and an artist.

Your PAL Board has been busy evaluating, organizing and planning so we can offer you new opportunities to exhibit your work and grow as artists. We are in the process of planning workshops for the winter and spring, and have scheduled a Watercolor Workshop with Stella Canfield on Monday, March 7 and hope to offer a PAL-led demonstration on Faces/Portrait techniques. If you have any suggestions or would like to lead a demo or workshop, please let one of our board members know! One of our goals is to continue to display our work in more locations in our community.

I'd like to remind you to reinstate your membership and pay your dues for the current year, if you haven't already done so. Our membership is down from last year, due to some of our members moving away, dealing with health issues, or going back to work full-time. The benefits of PAL membership are numerous, including classes/workshops at reasonable prices, opportunities to show your work, group orders for supplies, great camaraderie and plenty of free advice! We miss those of you who haven't been with us recently!

I wish all of you an abundance of inspiration and creativity in the New Year, and look forward to seeing you soon at PAL!

Lisa



PAL Calendar

This Month

Regular Meetings 12:30—3:30 PM:

- Wednesday, January 5—Regular Meeting
- Wednesday, January 12—Executive and Regular Meeting
- Wednesday, January 19 —Regular Meeting
- Wednesday, January 26 —Regular Meeting

Next Month

Wednesday, Feb. 9—Regular Meeting and Nina Dempsey Workshop

Happy Birthday!

Happy January Birthdays

Helen Cole
Marge Keeton
Vida Shapanus

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PAL NOTABLES

Here to announce Judy Guttormsen, Past President, and painter Diva!

We are so lucky to have her among us; always with a smile, quiet and classy, ready to give a kind word and help with everything and anything. Her paintings have helped put PAL on the "A" list with exhibits at the Northwest Watercolor Society Show in 2010 and others. She continues to be an inspiration to us all.

We commissioned her to paint an original to present to a PAL sponsor which was very much appreciated and has appropriately been taken to New York City! "Bobbing for the Big Apple" Thank you, Judy, for being YOU!



PAL FYI CORNER

Items of Interest Submitted by Members

By: **Sue Cavanaugh**, who is always with us in Spirit! Thank You

Reintroduction to Watercolor (7 Week Class) with Mike Kowalski

mikekowalskifineart.com

Fridays: January 14-February 25, 10:00am-1:00pm \$195

Whether you are new to watercolor or have some experience this class will boost your knowledge of the medium. We will cover some of the basics; papers, brushes, pigments etc. There will be some emphasis on drawing. Behind any good painting is good drawing. We will consider composition, and if the weather is good may venture outside. The aim of this class is to build confidence, and help develop individual style. Remember the more you paint the more confident you will become in your decision process. Good watercolor is all about making good decisions!

Martha Jordan~Director of Art Programs

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Welcome New Members

A new member is **John Wilkinson**, who is a marvelous artist, not only in painting but sculptures as well. PAL John is not to be confused with John Wilkinson, the famous Singaporean Footballer (soccer player), or John Wilkinson, the talented guitarist who played backup with Elvis, or John Wilkinson, MPP - Perth-Wellington Liberal MPP for the riding of Perth-Middlesex and Minister of Research and Innovation. As he denies being any of these famous people, I know he is hiding something! You may reach him at 7jwilk@gmail.com.

Another new member is **Lynda Pinkham** who has joined us and is undecided as to which media is her favorite. Welcome, Lynda! We look forward to having you explore all the possibilities as you favor us with your company. earthtech@hotmail.com

PAL News

Don't forget to pay your dues if you have forgotten.

Also, remember to bring your checkbook to the meeting if you have ordered with Jan Lytle for PAL Cheap Joe's/Daniel Smith Supplies. The Order has arrived!

Upcoming and Current Events and Past Event

Our exhibits/venues committee recently hung exhibits at the Poulsbo Athletic Club and in the entrance to the Poulsbo Public Library. The Poulsbo Athletic Club exhibit will be up until mid-January, and the library will show our work through the month of January. If you have a chance, stop by and see these exhibits. They look great!

We also have our group's work in Liberty Bay Bank in Poulsbo; Jak's Café in Poulsbo, where Ed and Laura Chesvic will display from mid-January until Mid-March; and Hospice in Silverdale where Helen Cole and Lisa Stowers have both had their work sold. We hope to have our work displayed in the new Poulsbo City Hall sometime soon.

If you are exhibiting in 2011, please let the Editor know via email so we can advise the membership of the showing. Any ideas for new venues please let the Venue and Exhibit Committee know- Lisa Stowers, Pam Asan, Mike Clayton, Diane Clayton, Marge Keeton and Nancy Sefton.

Thank You to Judy Guttormsen and Maggie Huft for another very successful PAL Christmas Party event at Hales Ale House. Fun was had by all, as usual, for this group loves to PARTY!

February 9 - Faces/Portraits (Watercolor Workshop) by Nina Dempsey. She suggests that you simply enlarge a photo to the size you want and trace it onto watercolor paper before the workshop. The results are beautiful.

TBD in April - A "Loosening up our Paintings" Workshop - As we all want to learn to paint with abandon.

March 7 - "Stella" All day Watercolor Class - \$40.00