

# **April Newsletter**

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### **NBAL 2015 Board**

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### Docents are needed on the following

days: Aug 14<sup>th</sup> Sept 11<sup>th</sup> Sept 12<sup>th</sup> Oct 10<sup>th</sup> Nov 13

### **IMPORTANT From Your Executive Board**

We want to thank all of you for the support you have shown NBAL as members. It is greatly appreciated and needed. The time you give to our Art League is what contributes to our success and the sales of artwork displayed. We cannot function without your assistance and your support.

As you may be aware, the League has gone through many changes in the past 36 months: leadership, facility improvements, new shows, new classes and instructors, increased sales and new procedures. We have also had members leave due to health and family issues, as well as other changes in their circumstances. These losses have created a vacuum which we must fill in order to continue to thrive, remain vibrant and move forward as an organization. In order to address these issues, the leadership in the organization has identified two critical needs which require the involvement of all members, both displaying and non- displaying.

#### **Staffing**

Currently, all displaying members of the League are required to volunteer one day a month and serve as docents in order to keep our gallery staffed. These members also serve on teams and are responsible for a variety of tasks: housekeeping, workshop development, gallery appearance, submissions, etc. We also have a few non-displaying members who volunteer to assist in different capacities as well.

Because of the critical need we are now facing for additional Saturday docents, starting in April we are asking all members to consider their availability to serve as a docent. We ask those of you currently serving as docents, when there are 4 scheduled to be on duty, to reconsider working on another day instead, where we currently need coverage. Additionally, if any current docents are available to work any additional days, where coverage is currently needed, that would be great.

For those of you who are not currently displaying members, we ask you consider volunteering as a docent on days where we need assistance. Docent duties include greeting customers, assisting them, answering the phone, taking care of sales, etc. Non-displaying members, who volunteer to work as a docents, will be given the opportunity to display their work in the gallery the day/days they work.



#### **Training**

Nov 14

We have developed new entertaining curriculum to train docents on new procedures and new forms which were recently implemented. We are sponsoring **Docent Appreciation Receptions and training sessions** which we encourage all NBAL members to attend. There will be three sessions held lasting approximately 2 hours. The sessions will be upstairs in the gallery held on: <u>Tuesday, April 21<sup>st</sup></u>, or 2pm-4pm <u>Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup></u>, 10am-12noon, or <u>Wednesday, May 20<sup>th</sup></u>, 1pm-3pm You may schedule yourself by sending an email with the date you wish to attend to <u>arlenedrhodes@gmail.com</u>. Please be advised the April session is almost full, so provide an alternate date.

As discussed during our General membership meeting this month, displaying members who do not attend one of these sessions will have their art pulled from the gallery until they have complied with the training requirement.

Thank you for your attention, patience and consideration of these issues. NBAL will not thrive and grow as an organization and as a business if we are lacking in trained staff. As we progress and move forward, the leadership will continue to assess needs and look at viable options.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Arlene at the above referenced email.

Signature on file:

Barbara Blaschke Lynn Gabenski
Arlene D. Rhodes Teri Dauk
Mary K. Hammond Joann Beissner
Tom Bender Vicki Smith

### 2015 Classes at NBAL

Angie Banta Brown, Watercolor, Wednesdays from 9:00am to 12:00pm. *Oil Painting*, Thursdays, from 9:00am to 1:00pm. Call 830-609-2581.

<u>Linda C. Jacobson</u>, *Children's Art Classes* (ages 5 -13), in painting, drawing and other mediums, Call 830-624-5302 or visit online at <a href="https://www.casadelinda.com">www.casadelinda.com</a> for a complete schedule.

Anne McCoy, Watercolor, Mondays from 5:30pm to 7:30pm Call 830-629-6836.

<u>Julie McCollum</u>, *Experimental Painting*, 4th Tuesday of each month from 10:00am to 3:00pm. Call 830-223-5018.

<u>Gaye Sekula</u>, *Oils for Beginners*, Fridays, 9:00am to 12:00pm, and *Oils, Intermediate to Advanced*, but all mediums welcome and Fridays, 1:00 pm to 4:00pm. Cost for either morning or afternoon session: \$110 (includes studio fee) for 4 classes per session. Call<u>210-259-3233</u>, or e-mail sekulastudio@gmail.com.

Vie Dunn-Harr, Painting and Problem Solving, in medium of choice, 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month from 1:00pm to 4:30pm and 6-9:30pm. \$70 plus \$4 in studio fees per month for either afternoon or evening session. Call 210-532-8036, or e-mail vie@dunn-harrstudios.com.

**Trace Guthrie**, *Clay Sculpture*, weekly sessions on Thursdays for 4 session commitment. Cost: \$80 + \$8 NBAL studio fee for 4 consecutive sessions. Next set of sessions drops to \$70/ 4. Time: 2:00 - 5:00 - Back room studio, 830-609-6196 tguthrie7@gmail.com

See <u>www.newbraunfelsartleague.com</u>
For more information on workshops or classes.

## 2015 Workshops at NBAL

**Carlene Reeves**, "Painting Outdoors in a Garden Setting," April 18-20, Cost: \$300, Deposit \$100 Required.

<u>Jen Evenhus</u>, "The Beauty of Imperfection" May 15-17, Pastels, All Skill Levels, \$375, Deposit \$100 required

Elizabeth St. Hilaire Nelson, Collage, June 26-28, Payment plans available, \$445, \$150 deposit, for info apinchofwonder@gmail.com

Mary K Hammond, "The Language of Art" July 11 Informational Seminar Cost: \$60, For more info contact Mary at <a href="mailto:mkhstudio16@gmail.com">mkhstudio16@gmail.com</a> or 210-651-0231. Go to Website for more information: www.newbraunfelsartleague.com

also look on Facebook: New Braunfels Art League, click on "events"

**Workshop Contact for Deposits and Registration:** 

Sandy Oberg, 1400 Greystone Dr., New Braunfels, TX 78132, 210-861-0751,

email: <a href="mailto:oberglabs@aol.com">oberglabs@aol.com</a>

Make checks payable to NBAL and be sure to indicate on the check which workshop you will be taking, along with a phone number and email address.

The **2014 Wimberley Arts Fest, April 12 & 13, at Blue Hole Regional Park** will again feature a Plein Air Paint Off, and we invite you and your group to participate. \$300 first prize for People's Choice award, plus 1/4 page ad in Southwest Art Magazine \$50 second prize of a Jerry's Artarama gift card Check in at the Blue Hole Fest Site information desk on Friday. Paint all day Friday and until noon Saturday, April 11 & 12, at Blue Hole or around Wimberley. Turn paintings in at the Info Desk Saturday by noon. Paintings will be auctioned Sunday at 2:30. Proceeds from auction will be donated to Blue Hole Park, less 25% to the artist. To sign up for the Paint Off, please contact Joe Blanford at lazyboutpost3@aol.com

# Don't Miss It! Canyon Lake's 17<sup>th</sup> annual show, "Lasting Impressions" at the NBAL gallery.

The show runs April 3 through April 29, with the reception and awards ceremony Saturday April 4, from 2-4 pm. Bask in the beauty of oils, acrylics, water media, pastels, photography, mixed media, jewelry, and much more. See you there!

# **Upcoming Meetings and Events**

April

April 1 "Lasting Impressions" submission (Canyon Lake)

10 am -1 pm

April 4 "Lasting Impressions"

reception 2-4 pm

April 21 NBAL meetings
Review/Training/Brainstorming

2-4 pm

April 30 pick up unsold show art work

May

May 1 "Through the Lens" Submission 9 am – 1 pm

May 8 Reception for show 5 – 7:30 pm

May 9 Review/Training/Brainstorming 110 am -2 pm

May 19 NBAL meetings

May 20 Review/Training/Brainstorming 1-3 pm

May 28 pick up unsold show art work

May 29 "Art in the Hills" – regional juried show **Submission 9 am – 3 pm** May 30 "Art in the Hills" – regional juried show **10 am – 1 pm judging**,

3 pm – 5 pm pick up work not accepted (reception June 5, 5-7:30 pm)

### **Docent/Member Notices**

We have a \$3,500 bid for a security system for building. There will be a discussion at the April meetings.

NBAL meetings are the third Tuesday of each month (except no meeting in December).

April meeting: Tues, April 21

Executive Board 10:30, Team Board 12:30, Docent Training 2:00- 4:00 Sign-up required

### **Artist Sales Report for April 2015 Newsletter**

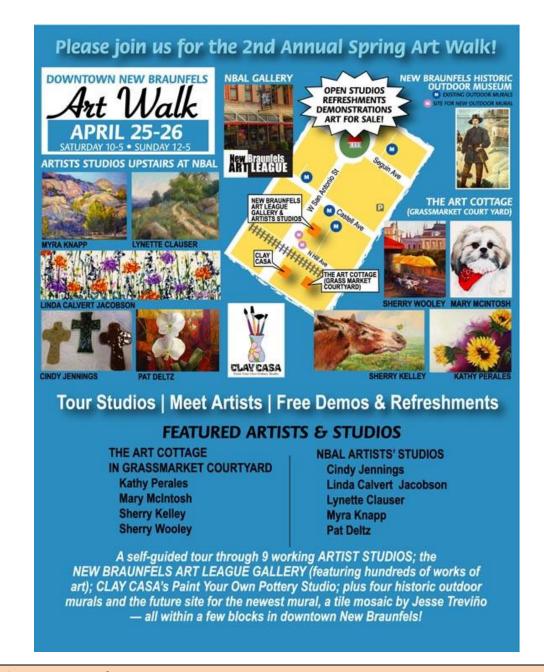
**26** Artist had sales, Top 10 were Angie Banta Brown, Robert Anshutz, Nancy Bower, Pam Pohl, Brent McCarthy, Cindy Capitani, Wendy Volpe, Leola Jahns, Jolene Oyer, Bill Schmeltzer. Congratulations to all artists who had sales.

### Status of NBAL Sales ending February 2015

Artist Sales February 2014 \$4,082 YTD Monthly Avg. \$6,119 Artist Sales February 2015 \$3,700 YTD Monthly Avg. \$3,466

The average price in February was \$35 for 45 pieces of art sold. Thanks to all docents for their time and hard work to keep the gallery running smoothly. A detailed financial report of the Art League balances is furnished to the board each month and is available to anyone upon request.

REMINDER: All monies for cash sales go in the envelope for daily sales. PLEASE check that the amount entered into the credit card machine is the TOTAL amount of the sale! Thank you!!!



### You may be an artist if......

- You know what shade of green the lichen on the trees is.
- You explain your deplorably bad housekeeping by saying, "it's a work-in-progress..."
- You do judge a book by its cover.
- Dust bunnies are part of your mixed media.
- You know the difference between beige, ecru, cream, off-white, and eggshell.
- You know more than 28 colors.
- You get excited about football season because it means your significant other will finally be sitting still on the sofa long enough for you to paint him or her.
- There are Prussian blue fingerprints on your phone.

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### Congratulations to Award Winners - "Luck of the Irish" show

<u>Category One - Oil and Acrylic</u>: First - Nancy Bower, Second- George Rhys, Third- John Reinke Honorable Mention - Gina Cumberland, Honorable Mention - Shirley Bland

<u>Category Two - Water Media</u>: First- Linda Bateman, Second - Karen Scherrer, Third - Denise Conley, Honorable Mention - Nanette Scranton, Honorable Mention - Kay Reinke

<u>Category Three - Drawing Media</u>: First - Sherry Kelley, Second - Rita Ball, Third - Virginia Carruth, Honorable Mention - Jolene Oyler, Honorable Mention - Mary McIntosh

<u>Category Four - Photography and Digital Art</u>: First - Brian Moreland, Second - Darryl Patrick, Third - Robert Anshutz, Honorable Mention - Flo Landsteiner, Honorable Mention - James Barta

<u>Category Five - Dimensional Media</u>: First - Sandra Taylor, Second - Mary Hammond, Third - Wendy Volpe, Honorable Mention - James Barta, Honorable Mention - Karen Cruce

### **New Gallery in Wimberley**

NBAL members Linda and David Jacobson opened a new gallery in Wimberley on Valentine's Day. The Linda Calvert Jacobson Wildflower Art Gallery is located in downtown Wimberley, just a block off the Square, next door to the Art on 12 gallery, which also features works by many of our artists. The Jacobsons are planning a grand opening celebration April 8-12 and would like to invite fellow artists to take a short drive up to Wimberley and say hello. The gallery is open Wednesdays-Saturday from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and Sundays 12-5 p.m. For more information, call David at 830-730-7880 or e-mail lindaswildflowers@yahoo.com.