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Lee Ricks Jr July Demo



Lee is a South Texas artist with a love of the beauty of nature. He has a respect for and interest in the older things and people that are disappearing daily from our modern world.

A native of Pleasanton, Lee is a graduate of U.T. Austin with a BS in Art. While there he was an illustrator and art editor for the Texas Ranger magazine. After 35 years as an independent businessman, in 1993 he turned his full attention to his first love and second career: Art.

Watercolor is Lee's medium of choice and he has over 50 years experience in mastering this difficult mode of painting. Favorite subjects are the old West, Southwest and Mexico landscapes, coastal scenes, and the old colonial buildings and people of Mexico and Europe. He is a signature member, past president and current treasurer of the Texas Watercolor Society.

Lee's work is owned by collectors in about half of the 50 states including Hawaii and Mexico. Over the years he has studied with numerous well known watercolor painters and recently has traveled and painted in Alaska, Mexico, France, Italy, Sicily, Portugal, Greece, Croatia, and Bermuda.

Lee was chosen as the poster artist for the United Way of S.A. campaign in 2008 and 2009, has been published in 5 national art publications and won numerous awards in national competitions. He teaches workshops all over central and south Texas.



2015 Classes at NBAL

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

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

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

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

Gaye Sekula, *Oils for Beginners*, Mondays, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, and *Oils, Intermediate to Advanced*, but all mediums welcome and Mondays, 1:00 pm to 4:00pm. Cost for either morning or afternoon session: \$110 (includes studio fee) for 4 classes per session. Call [210-259-3233](tel:210-259-3233), 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 1:00 pm to 4:30 pm and 6-9:30 pm. \$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 www.newbraunfelsartleague.com
For more information on workshops or classes.

2015 Workshops at NBAL

Mary K Hammond, "The Language of Art" July 11
Informational Seminar Cost: \$60, For more info contact Mary at mkhstudio16@gmail.com or 210-651-0231.

Alice O'Leary "Painting Light and Color" July 30-Aug 1
9:30-4:30, Cost \$250. For more information contact Alice AliceDarboleary@yahoo.com

Donna Bland, Studio Landscape painting in oil, Oct 9-11,
9:30-4:30, \$255, \$100 deposit, for info:
artspeaks4u@gmail.com

Ron Rencher, Dec 4-6, Details to follow.

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: oberglabs@aol.com

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**.

English artist Andy Brown, created a portrait of Queen Elizabeth II of Britain by stitching together 1,000 used tea bags.

Photos of paintings, events, artists, etc. are always needed. Send to newbraunfelsartleague@gmail.com or kayreinke@gmail.com .

It is with great sadness that we share the news of the loss of a long- time member of NBAL. Julia Doolittle enjoyed family time & was a devoted mother & grandmother. She began her art career in fashion art for major department stores in San Antonio. She continued to be active in the art community & numerous organizations throughout her life. She was a faithful member of NBAL and always gave of her time and efforts to make the gallery a better, prettier place. Julia was a beautiful person with a gentle soul.



Don't miss the Texas Gourd Society's Lone Star Gourd Festival,
at the New Braunfels Civic Convention Center July 30-Aug 2.



NBAL Winners from the Art in the Hills June Show



Best of Show Jean Crow



1st Place Mary McIntosh



2nd Place Mary Riddle



3rd Place (and honorable mention) Linda Brannen



Honorable Mention Patricia Deltz

Not shown: Honorable Mention winners:

Georgia Chenault, LeNell Deane,
and Janne Aubry

Upcoming Meetings and Events

July

July 10 Reception for Texas show 5-7:30
July 11 Mary K Hammond workshop
July 21 **NBAL meetings**
July 30 Pick up unsold work from the show
July 31 Submission for "Aspiring Artists" 9 am – 1 pm (for those who have taken classes at NBAL in past 3 years)

August

See **July** for submission to **Aspiring Artists** show
Aug 7 Reception for Aspiring Artists show 5-7:30
Aug 19 **NBAL meetings**
Aug 30 Pick up unsold work from the show
Aug 31 Submission for **3-D show** 9 am – 1pm

September

See **August** for submission to **"Experience 3-D"** show
Sept 4 Reception for **3-D show** **5-7:30**
Sept 15 **NBAL meetings**
Sept 30 Pick up unsold work from the show

Docent/Member Notices

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

June meeting: Tues, JULY 21

Executive Board 10:30, Team Board 12:30, General Meeting 2:00 Lee Ricks Jr Demo

Artist Sales Report for July 2015 Newsletter

28 Artists had sales of 56 pieces in May, 2015. Top 10 sellers were Wendy Volpe, Brent McCarthy, Anita Chouinard, Pam Pohl, Jolene Oyer, Mary Johnson, Barbara Blaschke, Sandie Walsh, Bob Cook, Vicki Munie
Congratulations to all the artists who had sales in May.

Status of NBAL Sales ending May 2015

Artist Sales	May 2014	\$9,550	YTD Monthly Avg.	\$6,405	Total YTD	\$32,027
Artist Sales	May 2015	\$4,061	YTD Monthly Avg.	\$4,214	Total YTD	\$21,071

Through the Lens Show sales \$215

The average price in May was \$52 for 56 pieces of art sold.

A detailed financial report of the Art League balances are furnished to the board each month and is available to anyone upon request.

Thanks to the docents who assisted in calling the people who have not picked up their yearbooks.

Rodin died of frostbite in 1917 when the French government refused him financial aid for a flat, yet they kept his statues warmly housed in museums.

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Congratulations to Award Winners – Art in the Hills

Winners for the show *Art in the Hills*: **Best of Show**: Jean Crow;
1st place: Mary McIntosh; **2nd place**: Mary Riddle; **3rd Place**: Linda Brannen; **Honorable Mention**: Linda Brannen, Georgia Chenault, Le Nell Deane, Janne Aubry, Patricia Deltz

Leonardo da Vinci spent 12 years painting the Mona Lisa's lips.

Have you been juried into a show? Have you won awards? Have you been awarded any honors? Let the editor know. Photos of NBAL activities also appreciated. kayreinke@gmail.com

McKee Gallery closes after 41 years in New York

Founders say the art world has become a stressful, unhealthy place

After 41 years in business, the McKee Gallery will close its doors on 31 August. David McKee and Renee Conforte McKee, the founders and co-directors of the gallery have decided not to renew their current lease at 5th Avenue in New York's Midtown.

"The art market has grown so vast that our gallery model is in danger: the collector's private experience with art matters much less, as the social circus of art fairs, auctions, dinners and spectacle grows," they wrote in a statement.

"The value of art is now perceived as its monetary value. The art world has become a stressful, unhealthy place; its focus on fashion, brands and economics robs it of the great art experience, of connoisseurship and of trust," they wrote.

The gallery opened in 1974 with an exhibition in a former beauty salon at the Barbizon Hotel for Women on Lexington Avenue and 63rd street, showing figurative paintings by Philip Guston. "We have never compromised our belief in showing artists who had a powerful sense of their own identities beyond the influence of movements or the marketplace," the McKees say.

Visit: Texas Commission on the Arts <http://www.arts.texas.gov/> Keep up with what has been going on in our state! You can find information on things such as Building a Strong Volunteer Base for Non-Profits, Art Jobs, Marketing Strategies and Calls for Artists.

Want a job in the arts?

Title	<u>Executive Director</u>
Organization	Bastrop Fine Arts Guild
Location	Bastrop, Texas
Website	http://www.bastropfineartsguild.com
Closing Date	Tuesday, September 1, 2015