



Art League of Fort Myers
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Brush Notes

1451 Monroe Street
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Fort Myers, FL 33902
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In the Heart of the RIVER DISTRICT

Fort Myers' Art Resource since 1956

JUNE 2009

Marjorie Newton – Compiler & Editor

ALFM CALENDAR

May 29	11:00 – 3:00 pm	removal of May show
May 30	12:00 – 1:00 pm	removal of May show
	1:00 - 3:00 pm	receiving for summer show
June 1 st	9:30 – 10:30 am	Board Meeting
June 5 th	6:00 - 7:30 pm	Reception
	5:00 – 10:00 pm	Art Walk

WINNERS OF "STILL LIFE"

First Place

Barbara Chloe Murdoch - *Plantation Flowers* - W/C
""Watercolor the way it should be handled - juicy!"

Second Place

Peter Zell - *Chinese Vase* - Oil
"a lovely soft painting with great hard and soft edges and isn't that mirror white wonderful."

Third Place

Priscilla Jeffcoat - *Art and Flowers* - W/C
"Joyful!"

Merit Awards

Susan Mills - *Here's Lookin' at You* - Photography
Peggy Starks - *Fruitopia* - Digital Painting
Marilyn Hedlund - *Bottle Neck* - Acrylic

Honorable Mention Awards

Ellie Schneider - *Onions* - Oil
Peg Roehm - *Tools of the Trade* - Acrylic
Ed Zender - *Unfinished Quilt* - W/C

GENERAL COMMENTS BY JUDGE BEA PAPPAS

What a fine show! Everyone grasped the theme and

the work was of high quality. I judge for the unusual, for creativity, originality and emotion. I want a painting to speak to me immediately and then carry me into its mystery.

ARTIST OF THE MONTH JUNE

Featured artist of the month for June is Susan Mills.

PATRONS OF THE ARTS!!

Jean Bridges
Pam Malafronte
Rosamaria McKeown

Officers for 2009 - 2010

President:	Richalene Kelsay
1 st Vice President:	Peg Roehm
2 nd Vice Presidents:	Suzanne Brown Priscilla Jeffcoat (Jointly held)
Secretary:	Marianne Keefe (Winter only) Summer to be filled in
Treasurer:	Joan Woolam

NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Barbara Murdoch, Susan Mills, Peggy Starks, Priscilla Jeffcoat, Marjorie Newton
Alternates: John Pappas, Rosamaria McKeown
Public Relations will be John Swank. Marjorie Newton will take over Membership, and will continue on with Brush Notes until another more computer literate person volunteers to take it over.

CLASS SCHEDULE Spring, 2009

Six- 2½ hour classes (unless otherwise indicated)

Members: \$90. / Non-Members: \$120.

Classes will begin as soon as there is a minimum of 4 students per class. A deposit of \$45 payable to the Art League will reserve a space in class.

Tuesdays 9:30 am – 12:00 pm

Watercolor for Beginners to Intermediate

Taught by Richalene Kelsay 239-851-6976
rgkel@embarqmail.com

Computer Basics 1:00 – 3:00 pm

Taught by John Pappas 239-466-9786
japappas@aol.com

Wednesdays

Free Open Painting – off for summer

Adult Evening Class call Susan Mills for info:
239-939-738

Fridays 9:30 am – 12:00 pm

Oil Painting for beginners to Intermediate

Taught by Mary Richey 239/939-7738
Call or email Mary for syllabus and material list.
septmary@comcast.net

Saturdays 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm

Children's Art Lessons

Taught by Susan Mills 239/689-1787
Millsmokit103@aol.com

WORKSHOPS

ARTIST WORKSHOPS, 2010

Feb.1, 2010: **Free Oils Demo** by award-winner Peter Zell

Feb. 15/16: **Peter Zell Oil Workshop**
\$175 member, \$250 non-member

The intermediate-level workshop will cover the artist's ideas relative to the traditional elements of painting and will include a paint-along of a still life.

March 15/16, 2010:

Shauna Shane Watercolor Workshop

\$125 member, \$175 non-member

Her vibrant colors and dramatic contrast captivated those watching her demo at the April Arts Council meeting. Her class description will be available soon. For information and registration contact workshop

chair

Lisa Grinter, 239-481-2531 or bobgrinter@aol.com.

NEXT BOARD & MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The next Board meeting will be held on **Monday, June 1, 2009** from 9:30 to 10:30 am at the gallery.

The General Membership Meeting will follow from 10:45 to 11:45 am.

Please take time to attend this meeting to support your Art League and its officers.

MEMBERSHIP

To obtain a copy of the current membership list, or to update your membership information (a change in email or street address, for example) please send an email to Membership Chairperson, Marjorie Newton at MarjorieLNewton@Hotmail.com.

ALFM ARTISTS ABOUT TOWN

Congrats to Carol McArdle! Out of 884 entries, her painting "White Hope" was one of 112 works juried into the **Birds in Art Exhibit**. This prestigious show will be at the Leigh Yawkey Woodson Art Museum in Wausaw, WI Sept. 12 – Nov. 15, 2009

Do you have work in a current show or publication?

Brush Notes wants to know noteworthy art news about our members. Email the information to Editor/Compiler, Marjorie Newton at:
MarjorieLNewton@hotmail.com

RIVER DISTRICT HAPPENINGS

Art Walk – First Fridays

The next Art Walk will be held on **Friday, JUNE 5, 2009** from 6:00 to 10:00 pm.

Snacks will only be served from 6:00 to 7:30 pm. There will be no wine served; only coffee, water, and soda.

New Art Walk buttons will be available. Watch for "Art Walk Button Partners" that are offering specials to Art Walkers wearing the current buttons. See the latest brochure for the names of these businesses.

In addition, our opening reception and Art Walk will coincide with the "Friday Night Live" program at the Patio de Leon during the hours of 6:00 to 9:00 pm.

Trolleys will be available to take people around to the participating galleries. Look for maps indicating the stops and participating galleries at various locations around town, at the Art League and in some local publications

Photos taken at previous Art Walks in participating galleries are available for viewing on the Art Walk website at:

<http://www.fortmyersartwalk.com/>

QUALITY OF LIFE CENTER after school program.

At the May general meeting, Lisa Grinter introduced Jamie Golub, Director of Art at the Life Center, who described what the Life Center does. They help about 130 children, K-12, most of whom have had no art classes in their schools. The center provides help in many ways, including food, clothing, a safe place, and social services. The Art League can help in whatever way we want, teaching or assisting. The summer camp is June 15-26, but it is open all day every day. **If anyone** else wants to get involved contact Lisa Grinter.

ABOUT THE ART LEAGUE OF FORT MYERS

The mission of the Art League of Fort Myers is to contribute to the cultural life of the Fort Myers community and surrounding areas by promoting the appreciation, enjoyment, and distribution of fine art in the region, and to provide encouragement and learning opportunities in the arts for both adults and children.

Membership is open to artists and friends of the arts. Annual dues start at \$50 and are renewable on December 1 of each year. If preferred, a lifetime membership is available. The Art League of Fort Myers offers classes in various media. Please call for schedules and fees. Members may exhibit their artwork in the gallery. There is a general membership meeting on the first Monday of each month to which members and their guests are invited to attend. As a member of the Art League of Fort Myers, you also automatically become a member of the Art Council of Southwest Florida, which is composed of twelve area

art leagues and associations with more than 4500 members. As such, you are also welcome to attend their meetings, which are usually held on the last Tuesday of each month. Many of the leagues and associations have art shows and activities that are open to Art Council members.

PAST PRESIDENTS

56-61	Thomas Abbott	85-86	Marilyn Maloney
62-63	Robert Kilmer	86-87	Randell Burden
63-64	Marjorie Crane	88-89	Betty Leis
64-65	Josephine Toboldt	89-90	Edmund Strong
65-66	June Christ	90-91	Lester Harris
66-67	Dorothy Sellers	91-92	Art Pallan
67-68	Grace Thomasson	92-93	Marian Osmundson
68-69	Hazel Grant	93-95	Gene Young
70-71	Frances Rafferty	95-97	Joan Grathwohl
71-72	Bobbi Harding	97-99	Pat Herzberg
72-73	R. R. Lee	99-01	Evelyn Swanson
73-74	Katherine Reynolds	01-02	Sylvia Nicol
75-76	Hazel Ireton	02-03	Marianne Keefe
76-77	Dale Weber	03-04	Gene Young & Ron Seittler
77-78	George Kalal	04-05	Suzanne Dunn
78-80	Marjorie Crane	05-06	Tracy Cullimore
80-81	Frances Bunnel	06-07	Carol McArdle
81-83	Edna Rinaldi	07-08	Jan Ellen Atkielski
83-84	Adele Armstrong	08-09	John A. Pappas
84-85	Melvan Walsh	09-10	Richalene Kelsay

FROM YOUR EDITOR

Brush Notes is sent to members monthly via email, and it is also posted on the Art League website at: www.artleagueoffortmyers.org

A copy of the current *Brush Notes* edition will also be posted at the Art League Gallery.

To get articles into the *Brush Notes*, they should be submitted by email to the Editor, Marjorie Newton, at MarjorieLNewton@hotmail.com by the 12th of the month. The *Brush Notes* will be distributed to the membership on or around the 19th of the month.

To make it easier for the Editor, articles should be in 12 point, Arial Narrow font, and should be print-ready.

DOWNTOWN TRAFFIC UPDATE

Both sides of Monroe Street are currently closed to traffic for utility work between Bay and First Streets. There is sidewalk access to the gallery at this time from both Bay and First Streets.

ALFM – COMMITTEES & CHAIRPERSONS

Art Council Delegate:	* Peg Roehm	590-9942
Alternate:	* Portia Wright	694-3328
Art at Noon:	* Susanne Brown	466-6163
	* Joan Grathwohl	463-2980
Art In Public Places	Susan Mills	698-1787
	Peggy Starks	694-1818
	Jerald Hawkins	768-3503
	Susanne Brown	466-6153
	Bev Larson	281-1290
	Gay Cable	677-4373
	Marjorie Newton	543-7149
Classes:	* Mary Richey	939-7738
Exhibition:	Sandy Hanson	466-1214
Hanging:	* Barbara Murdoch	768-0577
	Peg Roehm	590-9941
	Gene Young	693-8213
	Gretchen Johnson	463-1214
Judge selection:	* John Schreiber	549-4286
	Priscilla Jeffcoat	332-0406
	Peggy Starks	694-1818
	Joan Grathwohl	463-2980
	Richalene Kelsay	851-6976
Program:	* Peggy Starks	694-1818
Receiving:	* Peter Zell	395-2122
	John Pappas	466-9786
	Sandy Hanson	466-8608
	Richalene Kelsay	851-6976
	Ellie Schneider	694-5294
Receptions:	* Portia Wright	694-3328
	Ruby Pierce	
Gift Shop:	Marjorie Newton	543-7149
Good Will:	* Ruth Ravitz	481-0174
Historian/Archivist:	Joan Woolum	

Library:	* Richalene Kelsay	851-6976
Marketing/Fundraising:	* John Schreiber	549-4286
	Flo Collins	278-4478
Grants:	(Unfilled position)	
Publicity/Mktg.:	* John Swank	415-1453
Sponsorship:	* Peggy Starks	698-1818
	Mary Richey	939-7738
	Priscilla Jeffcoat	332-0406
Membership:	* Marjorie Newton	543-7149
Newsletter:	* Marjorie Newton	543-7149
Purchasing, Kitchen Supplies:	* Portia Wright	694-3328
Purchasing, Office Supplies:	* Peg Roehm	590-9941
Web Site:	* Peg Roehm	590-9941
	* Richalene Kelsay	851-6976
Workshops:	* Lisa Grinter	481-2531

*Denotes chairperson

NEW MEMBER PROFILES

New member Linda Benson has a collective history of 40 years as a commercial artist specializing in illustration in the newspaper business until her drawing board turned into a computer. She studied at the American Academy of Art and The Art Institute of Chicago. She has lived in Fort Myers for 7 years working as a newspaper Graphic Designer and the past year in Key West as Composing and Graphics Manager. Currently she wants to paint her heart out with The Art League of Fort Myers and enjoy "Plein Air Painting". If you want to enjoy a "Paint Out" with her, call (239)694-6454 or lbenson40@ymail.com

Carl Schwartz teaches drawing and painting at Florida Gulf Coast University. For 30 years Carl taught figure drawing and painting at Chicago's North Shore Art League before moving to Ft. Myers, Florida in 1984.

His impressive biography lists many major placements in permanent collections throughout the United States: The Cleveland Clinic, Lee County Greater Government Building, Health Park, The Smithsonian Institution, Kemper Insurance, AT&T, Sears, Delta Airlines, Beatrice Foods, as well as Universities such as Michigan State, Ball State, Loyola, Nevada, Minnesota and Chicago. Carl's name can be found in Who's Who, Who's Who in the Midwest and Who's Who in American Art. His work has also been published by *Reader's Digest* and *Playboy Magazine*. His lists of awards include the LOGAN MEDAL from the Art Institute of Chicago, Juried and invitational exhibits at *ART ACROSS AMERICA* sponsored by Mead Corporation, one and two person shows at The Art Institute of Chicago and Illinois State Museum.

Carl's images are often inspired by his magnificent walled water garden featuring: multiple Koi ponds accented with a waterfall and water lilies...vistas of abundant lush flora...a contemporary gazebo... wooden bridges and pathways. Carl is a realist whose work shows an influence of both abstract expressionism and cubism. The affects of light and shadow assumes a central importance in Carl's work.

"I am a painter of light. I'm intrigued and fascinated with form. To me there are two worlds...the one we live in and the one that I create. Painting is the discipline by which I constantly rediscover both of these worlds."

Celeste Borah moved to this area in 2003, when she started painting for pleasure as a retiree.

A graduate of Pratt Institute, she was an Art Director for over 35 years at several advertising agencies and department stores in New York City (specialty: graphic design, illustration and retail advertising). Locally she has shown work at Florida West Arts Gallery, the Alliance for the Arts and several art leagues including our Art League of Ft. Myers.

Celeste's work is inspired by the beautiful landscapes and skies of Southwest Florida. Her color palette is somewhat shifted from what would be called realistic yet is naturalistic. Mostly fanciful and imaginary, these landscapes are well-crafted, classical compositions.

If you have become a new member since January '09 and would like to have a profile in "Brush Notes", please send it to me at:
MarjorieLNewton@hotmail.com

ARCHIVES / HISTORY

If anyone sees something in print, a picture, an article on the ALFM, good deeds, or involvement in the community, a story about an ALFM member, please cut out (include the Publication name and the date) and put it in the mail slot marked Archives in the gallery kitchen. I will pick them up regularly and insert them in our record book.

Thank you,
Joan Woolam, Archivist

2010 EXHIBITION SCHEDULE

Run-Dates	Entry Fees		Max. Entries	Show Type	Receiving 1:00-3:00 pm	Reception 6:00-7:30 pm	Judged Juried	Removal 12:00-3:00 pm	Title	Theme ? Y/N	Prize Code
	Members	Non-Members									
Jan 1 – Jan 30	\$10, \$20, \$25, \$30	--	4	M	Dec 26	Jan 1	Judged	Jan 29 & 30	① Abstracting (No photography)	Y	A
Feb 5 – Feb 27	\$15, \$25, \$30	\$20 each	3	O	Jan 30	Feb 5	Juried	Feb 26 & 27	② Feb Fest	N	E
Mar 5 – Mar 27	\$15, \$25, \$30, \$35	--	4	M	Feb 27	Mar 5	Juried	Mar 26 & 27	② Members Show	N	D
Apr 2 – May 1	\$10, \$20, \$25, \$30	\$15, \$25, \$30, \$35	4	U	March 27	Apr 2	Judged	Apr 30 & May 1	Art of Photography	N	C
May 7 – May 29	\$10, \$20, \$25	\$15, \$25, \$30	3	O	May 1	May 7	Judged	May 28 & 29	Anything Goes	N	B
Jun 4 – Aug 28	\$10, \$20, \$25, \$30	--	4	M	May 29	June 4	None	Aug 27 & 28	Summer Gallery Show	N	None
Sep 3 – Sep 25	\$10, \$20, \$25	--	3	M	Aug 28	Sep 3	Judged	Sep 24 & 25	Landscape Show	Y	A
Oct 1 – Oct 30	\$10, \$20, \$25	\$15, \$25, \$30	3	U	Sept 25	Oct 1	Judged	Oct 29 & 30	Cele-BRA-tion	Y	B
Nov 5 – Nov 27	\$10, \$20, \$25	\$15, \$25, \$30	3	O	Oct 30	Nov 5	Judged	Nov 26 & 27	Welcome Back	N	B
Dec 3 – Jan 2	\$15 for all	--	5	M	Nov 27	Dec 3	③ None	Dec 31 & Jan 1	Under \$100	N	None

Show Types:

M = Members of ALFM only

O = Open to members of Art Council

U = Unlimited – Open to the public

① 1st place winner goes to Winners' Circle.

② 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place winners go to Winners' Circle.

③ “Peoples Choice.” Public to decide winner at reception.

Judges to be determined.

Prize	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	Merit	Hon. Men.	Comments
A	\$75	\$50	\$25	3 @ \$10	3 Ribbons	Total of monetary prizes is 60% of entry fee intake, but never less than amounts listed.
B	\$100	\$60	\$40	3 @ \$20	3 @ \$10	
C	\$100	\$60	\$40	1 @ \$20	1 @ \$10	These prizes are for each of two categories – “altered” and “unaltered”
D	\$300	\$200	\$100	3 @ \$50	3 @ \$25	
E	\$500	\$250	\$150	3 @ \$75	3 @ \$50	

To affirm individual show rules, consult the prospectus for that show. The prospectus will always rule if a discrepancy exists.

Prospectus and Call for Artists

June, July, August, 2009 - Summer Show

The Art League of Fort Myers

1451 Monroe Street, Fort Myers - telephone 239/275-3970

Presents: "Members' Summer Show"

Art League of Fort Myers Members Only

June 5 – August 28, 2009

Gallery hours: 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM Monday through Friday

Media: Two dimensional work in the following; oil, acrylic, watercolor, collage, pastel, original prints (etching, lithographs, wood block), fiber works, and photography.

No. of Entries:..... 4 Maximum

Fees: Non-refundable fee: Members: \$10 for 1, \$20 for 2, \$25 for 3, \$30 for 4.

Commission:..... 25% on all sales at the gallery or sales that result from gallery exposure.

Receiving:..... Saturday, May 30, 2009, 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Awards: (None)

Reception: Friday, June 5, 2009, from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm.

Removal: Friday, August 28 from 11:00 am - 3:00 pm, or Saturday, August 29 from 12:00 - 1:00 pm

Judge:..... (None)

Exhibition Entry Requirements

1. Each entrant must be prepared to show a current membership card from the *Art League of Fort Myers*.
2. Only original entries, which have NOT won previous 1st, 2nd, or 3rd place awards in any ALFM shows, or \$100 awards in other Art Council shows, and are not more than three years old, will be accepted.
3. No specific theme is required.
4. SIZE RESTRICTIONS: Entries are NOT to exceed 42 inches, including frame, in any direction.
5. Frames must be sturdy and hold together with no loose glass or Plexiglas.
6. If a canvas is unframed, the canvas must continue around all the edges, with no visible staples.
7. Paintings must be thoroughly dry.
8. PICTURE WIRE must be used for all work. String, gallery clips, or saw tooth hangers are NOT acceptable.
9. TAPE MUST BE USED ON THE ENDS OF THE WIRE to prevent damage to the hands of the hanging committee.
10. The wire's hanging point must be more than 3 inches BELOW the top of the frame so the hanging hooks do not show.
11. Screw eyes or equivalent must be used on wood frames, and screw-adjustable hangers on metal frames.
12. Covered paintings measuring 22 X 30 inches (a full sheet of watercolor paper) or larger must be covered with Plexiglas instead of glass to avoid excessive weight.
13. The Art League of Fort Myers reserves the right to reject paintings done in "paint-along" classes, copies of other artwork, or work that is considered offensive.
14. Only one of an individual's entries may be marked "NFS" (Not For Sale).

If your artwork cannot meet these standards, we cannot accept them for exhibition.

PLEASE NOTE: Because the Art League of Fort Myers has NO STORAGE FACILITIES, all work must be removed during the specified removal times. A FINE OF \$5 PER DAY, PER PICTURE WILL BE CHARGED FOR ANY WORK NOT REMOVED DURING THE PRESCRIBED TIMES.



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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Membership categories are as follows and are payable annually on December 1:

- \$50 *Rembrandt*.....Member serves on at least one committee and manages the gallery as needed.
(Lifetime membership is available in this category for ten times the annual rate.)
- \$125 *Van Gogh*Member chooses to exhibit only.
(Lifetime membership is available in this category for ten times the annual rate.)
- \$150 *Renoir*.....Patron of the arts – Name will be listed in monthly newsletter for one year
- \$20 *Dali*Members who are students 18 years old or younger and attend school full time
- \$15 *Cézanne*Art lovers who wish to receive the newsletter only. No other membership benefits apply.

Name (Please print legibly): _____	Date: _____
I am in SW Florida in the (circle one): Winter Summer Both My primary medium is: _____	
Local Address: _____	Telephone: () _____
City: _____	State: _____ Zip: _____
Email Address: _____	
Secondary Address (if any): _____	Telephone: () _____
City: _____	State: _____ Zip: _____
I am interested in having gallery space on the Art League website. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

I am interested in serving on the committee(s) checked below. (Rembrandt members **must** check at least three possibilities)

- | | |
|---|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Art at Noon
Arrange programs, remind & assist presenters<input type="checkbox"/> Art in Public Places
Arrange for art displays in hotels, restaurants, etc.<input type="checkbox"/> Exhibition
Receive, hang, obtain judges, remove artwork<input type="checkbox"/> Finance
Budget, audit, assist Treasurer<input type="checkbox"/> Gallery
Book volunteers and general upkeep of gallery<input type="checkbox"/> Gift Shop
Display items, control inventory<input type="checkbox"/> Grants
Research and submit Grant Applications<input type="checkbox"/> Historian/Archivist
Maintain scrapbook of clippings, documents, etc.<input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality
Arrange for foodstuff at receptions & meetings<input type="checkbox"/> Instruction
Teach Workshops, classes | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Library
Control borrowed books, order books as necessary<input type="checkbox"/> Membership
Maintain database, send expiration reminders<input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter
Obtain articles, compile & oversee printing & mailing<input type="checkbox"/> Publicity & Marketing
Notify media of events<input type="checkbox"/> Purchasing
Purchase general supplies as needed<input type="checkbox"/> Scholarship
Organizes scholarships<input type="checkbox"/> Telephone Calling
Notify members of time-sensitive events<input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising
Obtain operating funds – sponsorships<input type="checkbox"/> Website
Manage and update contents and calendar<input type="checkbox"/> Workshops
Line up “for fee” Workshops for the League |
|---|---|

The Art League of Fort Myers is a §501(c)(3), not-for-profit organization and as such, donations & dues are tax-exempt.

Make check payable to **Art League of Fort Myers** and mail it with the completed application to:

Art League of Fort Myers, Attn: Membership Committee, PO Box 2255, Fort Myers, FL 33902-2255

SHOW ENTRY FORM

Artist: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Title: _____

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