



July 2022 Newsletter

Mike Ziegler, Editor



From Our President

Dear NBAL Membership and Patrons,

What a wonderful month we have ahead of us with the **Texas** show gracing our walls. I will not speak of the unending heat and lack of rain; except to say, the best way to stay cool will be to let your artistic minds flair in the coolness of your studios. Our next show offers a different theme from previous years, **Taking it to the Streets**. I am looking forward to seeing how this theme is rendered by all who accept the challenge.

If you have been to the gallery recently you may have noticed a change is happening to our San Antonio entrance. This project has been in-the-works for over a year. Our old canopies were damaged by the dreaded snow and ice storm of 2021 and are now finally being replaced by the T&F Construction Company.

Hopefully, you have all marked your calendars for the July 19th general membership meeting. This meeting will begin at 5:45 p.m. with a brief business meeting and at 6:00 p.m. we will be hosting a guest speaker, Keith McMahon, Attorney. He will be sharing with us the importance of copyrights and trademark. This is an important topic for artists to understand. The meeting will be in the main gallery. A great big thank you to Marnie Silcocks, our parliamentarian, for all the work hours she has donated to NBAL to bring this guest speaker to us.

Enough said, you have only weeks to complete your next masterpieces. See you at the meeting!

Sincerely,

Nanette Scranton

COPYRIGHTS AND TRADEMARKS FINAL REMINDER DID YOU PUT IT ON YOUR CALENDAR?

Marlene Silcocks – Parliamentarian
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Did you remember to put this special NBAL Special Event on your calendar?

All members and displaying members invited to attend the **Copyright and Trademark** talk presented by Keith McMahon, Attorney, Davidek Law Firm, PLLC

- ✓ **DATE:** July 19
- ✓ **TIME:** 6:00PM (immediately following the General Meeting)
- ✓ **PLACE:** NBAL Art Gallery

There is a seat waiting for you! Come hear the latest news on Copyrights and Trademarks. What are they about? How can you protect your artwork and the artwork of others?

An attendance sheet to let us know you will be there is on the bulletin board in the workroom under the NBAL events section. Sign in and let us know you are coming. Have a question you want to ask? Write it down, put it into the box below the sign-up sheet or bring it with you.

We look forward to seeing you there.

ELECTION COMMITTEE

Marlene Silcocks – Parliamentarian – Chairman
marnietx100@gmail.com

The NBAL Election Committee is looking for candidates for two positions on the NBAL Executive Board for the 2023 calendar year: **President and Parliamentarian**. If you are interested in being part of the NBAL Executive Team or know of someone you feel would be an excellent candidate contact Marlene Silcocks (marnietx100@gmail.com), Padi Civello (civellopadi@yahoo.com), or Nancy Bower (p.w.bower@att.net) for further details and position responsibilities. Use **BOARD POSITIONS** on the **SUBJECT** line. All members invited to apply.

PUBLIC DOMAIN FREE REFERENCE SITES

Marlene Silcocks - Parliamentarian

Here is a listing of FREE Public Domain websites which contain 1000's of FREE to copy images. Be sure to select the FREE sections from these sites. Great stuff!! Perfect websites for those creative collages. This information is also found in the Docent Training Manual, at the front desk.

- ✓ Library of Congress (.gov)– [www.loc.gov.free-touse](http://www.loc.gov/free-touse) FREE Public Domain images and FILMS
- ✓ OPEN CLIP ART – www.openclipart.com
- ✓ WIKIPEDIA COMMONS – [HTTPS://COMMONS.WIKIMEDIA.ORG/WIKI/COMMONS](https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/commons) Read details of usage. Registration required.
- ✓ National Gallery of Art - <https://www.nga.gov/collection> If used, include the following credit *Courtesy National Gallery of Art*
- ✓ The Los Angeles County Museum of Art - <https://collections.lacma.org/search/site>
- ✓ The Metropolitan Museum. The Met Collection - <https://www.metmuseum.org/art/collection>. Use their Public domain search area. Thousands of artwork in the public domain.

Treasurer's Report March 2022

By Marcie Helmke - Treasurer

nbaltreasurer@gmail.com

Top Ten Sellers: Diane Parker, Mary Hammond, Donna Hays, Margi Uniacke, Nancy Bower, Janet Chang, Janet Avery, Jeanne Balkman, Vaunda Hawkins, Sherry Haynes

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| Total Sales: | May 2022 | \$10,352.05 |
| | May 2021 | \$11,202.55 |

51 artists sold a total of 96 pieces with an average price of \$107.19
Highest priced item \$ 600.00

A detailed financial report of the Art League balances is furnished to the Board monthly and is available to anyone upon request.

Docent Tip

By Marcie Helmke – Treasurer

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Please carefully review any membership forms submitted at the docent desk. NEW members join for \$35 anytime during the year. RENEWING members join for \$45 after Jan 1st. ONLY displaying members pay the display fee. You must be juried in to be considered a displaying member.

Please check the specific bills in the change box when you count the change box. There is a note on the box telling you the number of bills you need to have for each denomination. If you do not have them, please go to Moody Bank and get smaller bills. This is especially crucial for Friday docents as the bank is not open on the weekends.

Only the printed NBAL artist tags should be used to tag your art. Please do NOT use our business cards. If the supply is low, then contact the Gallery Assistant for more supplies.

Be sure to give all new members a copy of the 2022 Yearbook. They are found on the shelf directly next to the wrapping table.

Note From Our President Emeritus

By Elaine Felder

President Emeritus and Historian

Many thanks to all those who sent me photos. They are all appreciated. I still could use more, particularly those showing past workshops, demos, special projects (i.e., steins, Putting on the Ritz), outreach projects, and the move from Walnut Plaza to the current building. Hopefully, the photos will be dated. Should you have photos you would like to share, send them to me at edfelder36@gmail.com

NBAL Gallery Information

Mary K. Hammond - 1st VP

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Note to all NBAL Members

Special Thanks to Darryl Patrick who after 13 years working as Gallery Staffing is stepping down. The Ex-Board voted unanimously to grant him Honorary Docent status

for his service to our organization. Darryl started work as Gallery Staffing in 2009 and has overseen multiple schedules, calendars, and docents over the years. He has worked every submission day and docent training to staff our gallery as well as attended every Team Leader meeting. Everyone has benefited from the job that he has done by his work with so many of us to arrange a workable schedule so that we may all show and display our artwork here at NBAL Gallery. Darryl, let me once again say thank you for the time and knowledge that you have so graciously given to NBAL. Good news! Darryl is not going anywhere but plans to still participate in Special Shows and help out as a Docent sub when needed.

Gallery Staffing

New Calendar for the rest of the year is up for July through December.

A 1st Saturday Docent has left that day to take on a team position, so we need another person to switch days if possible. If you are a docent who is on a day that has four people working, please consider changing to 1st Saturday. I have the next month covered but will need someone to start in September. Please contact me if you want to help out.

Docent name tag replacements

If you have damaged or lost your NBAL name tag, then you are responsible for replacing it. You may call or email them to order, and the cost is \$7.00. The gallery buys your first one. Then it is up to you to have one when working.

Order from:

Star Awards

1500 IH 35 South, New Braunfels, TX 78130-0000

TEL: 830 625-8583 / FAX: 830 625-8584

starawardsnb@sbcglobal.net

Docent Training Reminders

While looking at the security tapes, I have noticed that our cameras do not cover the front windows of the Special Show Gallery very well. This leads me to remind everyone that the best deterrent to shoplifters is to have docents monitoring their movements. You do not have to follow them around just stand up and actively watch where they are going and what they are doing.

This is also good for making sales.... On Jury Day, I noticed that a couple was standing and talking about a particular painting. I walked over and asked if they would like to take a closer look and took it down off of the wall for them to see. The sale was made! Put it into their hands and they are more likely to buy it.

During the year, I have been monitoring the Daily Sales Logs, Docent Daily Check Sheets, and Displaying Members Timesheets and am now starting to send out gentle reminders about completing and signing of all paperwork as well as PUT VISITOR

COUNTS at the top of the Sales Logs, I need these numbers. I will also start sending out notices to those of you who are missing days on your timesheets soon. If you need to make up a missed day, please write what day you would like to work on the Reassignment List that is over the docent work desk in the backroom. After you have worked the day write it into the blank month on your timesheet for me to see. (Think about taking a 1st Saturday in September, October, November, or December.)

I have had several people ask me about docents who are coming in late, taking long lunches, or leaving early. I can do nothing if you are unwilling to give me a date and preferably a name. I can then review the security footage and send out a warning without using any names. Let me say that this is not snitching but good ownership of a business, and we are all co-owners of this business. These people are not only taking advantage of their fellow docent team members but are not being good co-owners with all of us in our business together.

Gallery Assistant

Please let Robert Mayhall know if you see we are running out any of our art tags, bags, or forms. His number is at the front of the NBAL Yearbook.

Special Events

Special general meeting guest speaker for the evening of July 19th at 6:00 p.m.

NBAL Special Show Information

Gerlyn Friesenhahn 2nd VP

Current Show "Texas"

June 28 – July 30

66 Artists

120 Pieces of Art

4 New Members

Coming Show:

The next show will be "Taking it to the Streets"

Submission Day: Mon, August 1, 9 AM–12 PM

Reception and Awards Presentation: Fri, August 5, 5:00-7:30 PM

2023 Special Shows are being planned

E-mail me with ideas and consider becoming a co-chairman for a show in 2023.

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Congratulations to all new Approved Display Artists!

New Artists to New Braunfels Art League who are now NBAL Displaying Members:

Betsy Ferraro – 3D Media/Textiles

Chester Leeds – Photo & Digital Media

Sis Kiel – Oil & Acrylic

NBAL General Members who are now Displaying Members:

Lisa Brown – Photo & Digital Media

Lynda Smagac – Oil & Acrylic

Avery Guerra – Photo & Digital Media

Stephen Marlow – 3D Media/Ceramic

Kathy Boss – Drawing Media

Mary LaFond – Oil & Acrylic

Marianna Measells – Oil & Acrylic, Drawing Media, Ceramics

Shawn Hansen – Photo & Digital Art

Diane Black – 3D Media/Glass

NBAL Displaying Members who are now approved in another media:

Marlene Skaggs – Drawing Media

Marta Roberts – Water Media

Deborah Hagemeyer – Oil & Acrylic

Marlene Silcocks – 3D Media/Jewelry

Joan M. Ehlert-McBride – Drawing Media

Tiny Amber Taylor – Oil & Acrylic

Number of Artists Submitting: 20
Number of Artists Accepted: 18
New Displayers: 12
New Members to NBAL: 3

NBAL Social Media

Vickie Merchant
NBAL Facebook239@gmail.com

As most of you know, our Facebook page (Artistat NB Art League) is undergoing some changes so that it will become more efficient. The name will be changing as well due to page duplications that began back in 2010. As soon as I get a final name, I will be sharing it with you in the newsletter.

On the main Facebook page, no one can post except the administrators; however, if you send me the information, I will be happy to post it. We will be adding a "Closed" Facebook group called "Friends of the NB Art League" in which all NBAL members may post and share their work. You will need to "Join" the page and the administrators will okay your membership based on the yearbook listing of members.

We hope to bring new ideas and techniques to improve your social media existence. We appreciate your patience as we undergo these changes.

Thank you in advance,

Vickie Merchant

Important Reminder of Upcoming July Meetings!

Board Meeting: Tuesday, July 19th, 2:00 p.m.

Team Board Meeting: Tuesday, July 19th, 4:00 p.m.

General Membership Meeting: Tuesday, July 19th, 5:45 p.m.

2022 Workshops

Presented in the New Braunfels Art League Classroom

MOSAIC MANDALA DESIGN with DIANNE SONNENBERG

October 8 - October 9, 2022, 10am – 5pm

Cost: \$285 NBAL Members/\$320 Non-members; \$50 Materials Fee per student



No experience necessary. Dip a toe into this fun and exciting technique.

Each student will receive their own design materials kit, put together by Dianne specifically for workshop participants. Participants will learn how to effectively use tools to expand their design capabilities. Using a combination of instruction and exercises, we will design and create an individual mandala with personal significance

Still Life Oil Painting with Qiang Huang

3-day workshop November 11, 12 13 2022 10am – 5pm

\$450/Member \$485/Non-Member \$100 Deposit



Qiang Huang's (pronounced Chong Wong) paintings are known for their remarkable accuracy and expressive brush strokes.

During the workshop Qiang will demonstrate his unique approach to painting still life; giving tips on setting up a still life, using dramatic lighting, making bold and loose strokes, manipulating edges, adjusting values, and mixing colors to create powerful and accurate representations on canvas.

See the New Braunfels Art League Website, thenewbraunfelsartleague.com for full descriptions of the Workshops. Workshop fees are non-refundable for cancellations within 30 days of the workshop. Workshops are for adults 18 and older.

Ongoing Adult Classes

Detailed information of ongoing adult classes can be found online at: [Classes - http://www.thenewbraunfelsartleague.com/classes.html](http://www.thenewbraunfelsartleague.com/classes.html)

2022 Board Officers

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