

# June 2023 Newsletter

#### From Our President

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Dear NBAL Membership,

June is here and it is known as the Bridal event month. But the one event that is important to families is Father's Day. According to information found on Google, LBJ officially proclaimed the third Sunday of June as Father's Day. President Nixon declared it to be a national holiday. It is the 5<sup>th</sup> largest card sending occasion in America with almost 100 million cards sent each

year. There are 1.5 billion fathers worldwide with 66.3 million in America. The first celebration was in Spokane, Washington in 1910 by a daughter raised only by her father. Father's Day is celebrated with a Rose.



There are several activities scheduled for NBAL in June. Constant Contact and NBAL social media will keep you informed.



Be sure and say Thank You to Stephen Marlow, Ralph Nordenhold and Chase Willett for cleaning and repainting NBAL's stripes in the parking lot and for the colorful flower paintings.

Terry McCaffrey, a NBAL member, entered the New Braunfels manhole cover contest and won 2<sup>nd</sup> place. Congratulations Terry! Ask him about it.



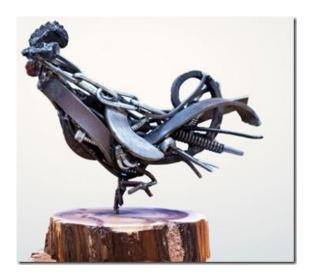
Sincerely and Happy Father's Day Flora Biggs

# **NBAL 2023 Scholarship winner**

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James Baten Evans, student at Canyon Lake High School, received the New Braunfels Art League scholarship for 2023. A sample of his work is shown here. He will be attending Texas State University in the fall and majoring in Studio Art/ Metals.





# Treasurer's Report April 2023

Marcie Helmke - Treasurer nbaltreasurer@gmail.com

Top ten sellers: Eilen Thedford, Steve Ferrell, Rita Kirkman, Larry Johnson, Richard Lopez, Gina Cumberland, Cheryl Jividen, Melissa Nairn, Joe Meyer, William Hughes

Total sales: April 2023 \$ 8128.59

April 2022 \$ 9008.81

54 artists sold a total of 135 pieces with an average price of \$60.85.

Highest priced item \$500

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

## **Docent Tip of the Month**

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Please use the calculator and sales tax chart on the desk to complete sales invoices.

The sales log needs to be completed before submission. This includes totaling sales by payment method and total sales for the day.

The method of payment needs to be marked on the sales invoice. The charge card slip indicates what to circle. Debit is not being marked correctly.

Towards the end of the day, please ensure there is adequate change in the cash box. The required change is listed on the top of the box. If you need change, please walk to the bank before 5pm.

# **NBAL Gallery Information**

Mary K. Hammond - 1st VP <u>mkhstudio16@gmail.com</u>

#### **Note to all NBAL Members**

Below is the newest change to NBAL Gallery Rules. This will be added into the yearbook at the top of page 10. The Ex-Board was asked to create a policy concerning sales made outside of the gallery that came about because of exposure through the gallery. So here it is!

#### 1. MEMBERSHIP CRITERIA, FEES, AND COMMISSIONS

#### **Displaying Members**

e. If an outside sale is initiated as a direct result of artwork displayed in the NBAL gallery, the artist selling the work should honor the 25% NBAL commission rule for no less than three months following the initial display of their work in the gallery. This includes custom artwork commissioned by the customer after seeing similar work in the gallery. The selling artist may prefer to bring the work back into the gallery to complete the sale at the docent desk, for ease of accepting payment and to comply with sales tax requirements.

## **Gallery Appearance/Display**

Gina and I are trying to allow you space to sell the shallow wrapped canvases and reproductions, but we are limited in how much bin space we have. PLEASE help us out by limiting how many you put into them each time and be sure to <u>label the art as original or print</u>, and they must be protected with a clear wrap.

### Docent Training..... Next Docent Training JUNE 17, 9AM or 1PM

### **Special Events**

If you have not heard.... NBAL is bringing back "TWO RIVERS PLEIN AIR" this October.

Our TRPA Registration is complete with 40 artists signed up to participate.

The Quick Draw portion of the TRPA event is open to anyone who wants to participate. We are starting Early Registration on JULY 1 at the NBAL Docent Desk. We are offering two awards: one going to the best street scene and another for the best still life. See the prospectus on the website for more details. The Meet and Mingle, with appetizers and non-alcoholic drinks, will take place as a perk for those who are doing the Quick Draw. If you want to come to the Meet and Mingle without doing the Quick Draw, then you may purchase a Guest Ticket for \$15 at the NBAL Docent Desk starting JULY 1. The cutoff for buying these tickets will be September 1... that is when we need a headcount to give to Krause's Café.

#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

JULY 7 is First Friday! The TRPA Team will be presenting a MOVIE NIGHT with popcorn and drinks to take place in our upper classroom. The movie is a documentary that highlights the history of Plein Air and shows the different groups working throughout the country. Two of our members, Myra Knapp and Sherry Wooley, were at one of the locations filmed. After the film our two outstanding plein air artists, Myra and Sherry, will be providing a short demo on how to prepare and paint in a plein air competition. Should be informative and fun.

# **NBAL Special Show News**

Gerlyn Friesenhahn 2<sup>nd</sup> VP gmfriesenhahn@yahoo.com

**Current Show "Art in Bloom"** May 2 - June 11, 2023 77 Artists are exhibiting 157 creative artwork entries.

### Jury Day Saturday, June 3, Enter art 10 AM – 12 PM, Pick-up art 4-5 pm

Please review the "How to Become a Juried Member" document available on the bulletin board at the gallery or on our website. Since our display cases are full, we will not be accepting jewelry entries for this Jury Day.

Next Show "Texas" June 13 – July 15, 2023 Submission Day Monday, June 12, 9AM - 12PM Reception Friday, June 16, 5 – 7:30 PM We are looking forward to another big show!

Looking forward to the **2024 Special Show Schedule**, please submit ideas for show themes to me at <a href="mailto:gmfriesenhahn@yahoo.com">gmfriesenhahn@yahoo.com</a>. Many of our recurring traditional shows are very popular

with members and sell well in our gallery, so if you want a particular show to return, you can also submit your favorite themes from the past.

# **Building A Great Treasure**

Myra Knapp- Librarian kattknapp@sbcglobal.net

To make something become amazing we often pull together, sharing our ideas, our resources and strengths. Our NBAL Library is an amazingly great art treasure due to generous gifts from friends and members of NBAL.

Recently we received many beautiful sought-after books, several boxes of quality art supplies, and a large studio easel all given to us by Dottie Rogers, artist, and a past NBAL member. Many of the books are now on the library shelves for you to enjoy; the art supplies were "purchased" with money dropped in the Donation jar, and the easel is now in use in the Bower Classroom. Thank you, Dottie Rogers, for your thoughtfulness.

There will be more amazing resources available to you at the upcoming Library Book Sale to take place during our August potluck dinner. Beautiful and nearly new art books will be available from an unbelievable price starting at \$3.00. Watch for this sale!



# **New Four-Week Photography Class Starts June 14!**

### All Skill Levels — Open to Everyone!

Up your photography skills with an individualized class. We will focus on a key photographic topic every week, with dedicated time to shoot, and ample constructive feedback. Bring your DSLR or your smartphone — this class will advance your skills no matter what camera you use!

**Start any Wednesday!** The four class sessions are independent of each other, so you can start your four weeks any time without missing a thing! 10 hours of instruction. \$120.

Classes meet on Wednesdays, 5:30pm to 8:00pm in the Bower Classroom.

# Register and pay online

Credit/Debit, PayPal or Venmo

Visit bit.ly/NBALphoto

### Questions?

Contact Larry Johnson at <a href="mailto:drljohnson@gmail.com">drljohnson@gmail.com</a> or

512-740-6205

# **New Workshops!**

We have three more workshops planned for 2023 and five in 2024! You can learn more and even register online for any workshop on the NBAL website.



Monika Pate's workshop has been rescheduled for April 19-21, 2024. She will focus on how she renders glass and crystal so exquisitely in her watercolor paintings. Add a truly special technique to your watercolor skills! Fee is \$460 for members, and \$495 for non-members.



In **Al Slavin's September 8-10 workshop**, you will be painting a landscape of your choosing using his unique technique and paying close attention to values, composition, atmospheric perspective, and lighting. There will be an emphasis on how to paint clouds and trees with depth and color. Join Al for a fun-filled three days with the students leaving with a completed painting and an increased knowledge of what it takes to make a solid painting.

Rounding out 2023 will be **Joan Fullerton, Oct 12-15** (waitlist only), and **Tom Lynch, Nov 10-11 (Only \$110!!).** 



**Tom Lynch** has prepared a preview video for his November 10-11, 2023, online session. It gives a great sense of how he does his class and his personality. If you are considering joining us in the Bower classroom to paint and view this workshop together, this will help tilt the scales! See the video at bit.ly/NBALpreview or use the QR code!

### Coming in 2024, we have five fantastic workshops scheduled:

Vie Dunn-Harr, Jan 19-21, Joan Fullerton, Feb 29-Mar 3, Monika Pate, April 19-21, Marla Baggetta, Sept 6-8, and Elizabeth St. Hilaire, Oct 18-20.

See the website (<a href="https://www.thenewbraunfelsartleague.com/workshops.html">https://www.thenewbraunfelsartleague.com/workshops.html</a>) or the kitchen bulletin board for more details!

Workshop fees are refundable until 30 days before the workshop.

Attendance is limited to adults 18 and older.

# **Ongoing Adult Classes**

Detailed information on ongoing adult classes can be found online at <u>Classes - NEW BRAUNFELS ART LEAGUE (thenewbraunfelsartleague.com)</u>

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