



May 2023 Newsletter

From Our President

Flora Biggs

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Dear NBAL Membership,

One-third of 2023 has slipped away. Oh my, how time moves on.

May is the month we celebrate our mothers. I read in Readers Digest that Americans will spend \$2.6 billion on flowers in May on arrangements for mothers. Families are preparing for graduations. It is exciting to see their graduating sons and daughters move to another stage of their lives.

We owe Nanette and her husband a big thank you for all the work they did repairing NBAL's roof in 2021. Do you remember the water in the kitchen? Thank you also to Nancy Bower who had leaks repaired in the studios in 2018-2019. New Braunfels had two big rains in April 2023 and NBAL's building stayed dry inside. What a relief to have a dry building.

Tuesday, May 16, will be NBAL meeting days:

Executive Board Meeting 10:00AM-12:15PM

Team Board Meeting 12:15-1:45PM

General Meeting open to all members and the public 2:00-4:00PM

For the General meeting, the Golden Acrylic Representative will demonstrate Golden Paints and other products. Normally free samples are available.



Sincerely and Happy Mother's Day
Flora Biggs

Treasurer's Report February 2023

Top ten sellers: Joe Eby, Robin Roberts Walker, Karen Stephenson, Bill Hughes, Mary Shepard, Kathy Perales, Myra Knapp, Shelley Henderson, Kathy Boss, Trace Guthrie

Total Sales:	March 2023	\$ 6391.17
	March 2022	\$ 7618.14

46 artists sold a total of 74 pieces with an average price of \$69.91.
Highest priced item \$450

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

Marcie Helmke - Treasurer
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Please remember to use the sales tax chart and the calculator on the desk when completing sales invoices. This will reduce arithmetic errors.

The daily sales log needs to be completely filled out at the end of the day. This includes totaling all your sales – cash sales, charge sales, total sales.

NBAL Gallery Information

Mary K. Hammond - 1st VP
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Gallery Appearance/Display

Note to ALL Displaying Members concerning gallery wrapped canvases. Our gallery rules state that 2D artwork must be framed, unless it is a gallery wrap canvas that is 1¼" deep or more; any gallery wrap of shallower depth must be framed. *This means to be hung on the walls, the shallow canvases must be framed.*

PLEASE note that you are allowed to put unframed shallow canvases in the portfolio bins. Our gallery rules state that 2D artists may place up to eight unframed works in portfolio bins. *Keep in mind that those shallow canvases do take up a lot of room so PLEASE limit yourself on how many you put in Maybe 4 if they are not too big.*

If you have reproductions of your work on deep gallery wrapped canvases, you may also put those in the portfolio bins but PLEASE limit it to two at a time because of space.

Our gallery rules on Display Requirements for anything in the portfolio bins is this: Unframed works for the portfolio bins must be backed with acid-free materials, labeled as original or print, and must be protected with a clear wrap.

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.

Gallery Assistant

Vicki Houston and I are wondering.... *Who is eating up all the Bubble Wrap!!!*

We have gone through a lot of bubble wrap over the past two months. Please keep in mind that oil and acrylic paintings should be wrapped in just paper. Watercolor, pastel, or any artwork with glass, and 3D items should have bubble wrap.

Gallery Staffing

Vicki Smith and I want to thank everyone for the great job you are doing with the calendar and finding subs.... Keep up the good work!

Docent Training

Due to a scheduling conflict, the Docent Training in June has been changed from June 10 to June 17. This is for all new Displaying Members who have been juried in and any general members who want to help out the gallery by working at the docent desk.

Next Docent Training JUNE 17, 9AM or 1PM

NBAL Special Show News

Gerlyn Friesenhahn 2nd VP

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Current Show “Art in Bloom” May 2 - June 11, 2023

Reception Friday May 5, 5-7:30 PM

77 Artists are exhibiting 160 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.

Next Show “Texas” June 13 – July 15, 2023

Submission Day Monday, June 12, 9AM - 12PM

Reception Friday, June 16, 5 – 7:30 PM

We need an additional Co-Chair for this show. Please contact me if you are interested in helping on submission day and announcing the winners during the reception.



New Four-Week Photography Class Starts May 10! 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.

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 [Photo Class](#)

Questions?

Contact Larry Johnson
at drljohnson@gmail.com or

512-740-6205

New Workshops!

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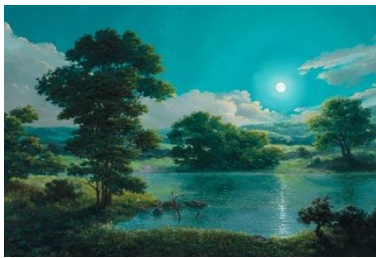
We have 5 more confirmed for 2023 and 4 in 2024! You can learn more and even register online for any workshop on the NBAL website.



In May, we are trying out the first of a series of more-affordable workshops with Austin artist, **Glenn Cernosek**. Glenn is offering a two-day workshop May 20-21 for anyone interested in getting started with watercolors. **All art supplies are included!** The fee is just \$205 for members and \$240 for non-members. This is a great deal! The class has made its minimum, and there are still plenty of seats! We'd love to fill this one so we can do more of these kinds of workshops.



We have just booked the award-winning, internationally recognized **Monika Pate** for a workshop June 2-4 — super exciting news! She will focus on how she renders glass and crystal so exquisitely in her watercolor paintings. **This is a top-drawer hands-on workshop, and right now it is wide open!** Add a truly special technique to your watercolor skills! Fee is \$460 for members, and \$495 for non-members.



In this workshop you will be painting a landscape of your choosing using **Al Slavin's** 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 (just two seats left!), and Tom Lynch, Nov 10-11 (Only \$110!!).



Speaking of Tom, he has prepared a preview video for his November 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!

While it's still a bit early to post these yet, coming in 2024, we'll see Vie Dunn-Harr back Jan 19-21, Joan Fullerton, Feb 29-Mar 3, Marla Baggetta Sept 6-8, and Elizabeth St. Hilaire, Oct 18-20. See the website or the 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:

TheNewBraunfelsArtLeague.com

Help Wanted

Downtown winery, Water 2 Wine, is looking for someone to create a work of art at the winery for patrons to enjoy. They want the statement “Love Always Wins” incorporated in the piece. If you would like to find out more and explore the possibilities, stop in at Water 2 Wine and ask for Angel Jones or contact her at 830-609-9463 or angel@water2wine.com.

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