

New Braunfels ART LEAGUE

September 2022 Newsletter

Mike Ziegler, Editor



From Our President

Dear NBAL Members,

What a wonderful time we had at the August annual potluck. So much was happening that I did not have a chance to thank Laraine Romine, Margaret Byrne, and Myra Knapp for helping to make it happen.

Laraine made sure we had lots of fried chicken to eat, tea with ice to drink, all the necessary tableware and new tablecloths. Forgive me Laraine if I left something out. Myra spent hours cleaning the library and setting up a book sale. There were books available for just about every art media you could think of. Margaret setup and managed the art exchange. Items exchanged were creative and, as all art does, reflected the heart and soul of the artists. I have included a



few pictures and more can be seen on our new Facebook page **Friends of the New Braunfels Art League**. Thank you, Ralph Nordenhold, for taking photos.

Now that September is finally here, we have a fantastic new show opening soon, **Piece by Piece**. See you all at the art submission day, Tuesday, Sept 6th, 9am – 1pm.

Sincerely,
Nanette Scranton

Announcement



It's official, The New Braunfels Art League was once again voted the **#1 BEST ART GALLERY IN NEW BRAUNFELS FOR 2022** in the Herald-Zeitung's Reader's Choice competition. This is exciting and we thank you for voting!

Volunteer Needed

The position of Workshop Chairman will be vacant in 2023. Responsibilities include scheduling multi-day workshops with regional/national artists, processing artist contracts, processing workshop registrations and payments, and tracking enrollment numbers. The chairman must be comfortable using email, Word, and Excel programs. This position qualifies for the number of work hours required of displaying members. Please express your interest in this position to nbaltreasurer@gmail.com.

Treasurer's Report July 2022

Marcie Helmke - Treasurer
nbaltreasurer@gmail.com

Top Ten Sellers: Diane Parker, Marlene Silcocks, Donna Hays, Myra Knapp, Gloria Garcia, Sherry Wooley, Sue Ridgway, Anna Cochran, Marilyn Hamilton, Mary Shepard

Total Sales: July 2022	\$	10284.22
July 2021	\$	12152.75

44 artists sold a total of 100 pieces with an average price of \$ 102.79.
Highest priced item \$ 800

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
nbaltreasurer@gmail.com

A copier was placed upstairs in the Memorial classroom for docent use to make emergency copies if supplies downstairs run out. This copier is also available for use by our instructors. Personal commercial copies should be taken to a print shop.

Sales invoices should be completed IN FULL. This includes the date, the salesman's name, and the method of payment. Docents MUST check the credit card receipt to determine method. Debit purchases should be recorded as such.

NBAL Gallery Information

Mary K. Hammond - 1st VP
mkhstudio16@gmail.com

Note to all NBAL Members

Starting next month OCTOBER 1, there will be new updated NBAL Membership Forms for you to use to pay your membership and displaying fees with.

Be sure to use the form titled **NBAL MEMBERSHIP FORM 2023**.

Gallery Staffing

Instructions for scheduling workdays for 2023:

1. 2023 NBAL Memberships will be taken starting OCTOBER 1 through DECEMBER 31 of 2022.
2. **If you like your docent workday or the team position you are on and you want the same workday/position next year**, then you must **pay your fees by NOVEMBER 26** to hold those workdays/positions. Please write in your 1st choice on the bottom of the membership form for the workday/team you are on and want to stay on.
3. **If you do not like the workday/team position that you are on now and you want to change it for next year**, then you will need to **pay your fees by NOVEMBER 26** and write in your 1st choice and a 2nd choice along with CHANGE next to them on the membership form. I will do my best to work with you to make it happen. Please keep in mind that I cannot put you on a day that is already fully staffed, but I will make the change for you if an opening comes up. (Example: If you want 1st Wednesday and a 1st Wednesday docent does not pay by Nov.26, then you will get their spot.)

4. **IF YOU DO NOT PAY YOUR MEMBERSHIP AND DISPLAY FEES BY NOVEMBER 26 THEN YOUR DOCENT WORKDAY/TEAM POSITON WILL BE OFFERED TO THE NEW JURIED MEMBERS COMING IN ON DECEMBER 3.**
5. After the new juried displaying members are placed, the open slots then become first paid, first placed.
6. If you pay after November 26, then please be sure to mark 1st and 2nd choice at the bottom of the membership form and I will do my best to place you there. **NO GUARANTEES!**

PLEASE PAY ALL NBAL FEES BY NOVEMBER 26. By doing so, you will help us to create the work schedules and calendars needed to run the gallery efficiently.

NBAL Special Show Information

Gerlyn Friesenhahn 2nd VP

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Current Show “Taking it to the Streets”

86 Total Art Entries

41 Artists

Up-Coming Show:

The next show will be “Piece by Piece”

Submission Day: Tues, Sept 6, 9 AM–1 PM

Reception and Awards Presentation: Sun, Sept 11, 2–4:30 PM

This show focuses on Mosaics, Collage, Assemblage, 3D Sculptures, Assembled Jewelry, Stained Glass, Fused Glass, and Fiber Arts. Painting and drawing media artists can participate by creating collage artwork using 2D substrates such as paper, canvas, and other painting or drawing materials assembled into a collage.

Show News: The 2023 Special Show schedule is currently being developed with plans to bring back show themes that were previously popular including “Art in Bloom” and “Love that Red”. Please volunteer to Co-chair a show next year. The sign-up sheet will be available at the September Team and Membership Meetings.

We are seeking a **Reception Team Leader** for 2023. Please contact me if you are interested in serving in the position.

Mark Your Calendar:

Team Board Meeting: September 20th at 12:30 pm in the Bower Classroom

All Member Business Meeting: September 20th at 2:00 pm in the Bower Classroom, to be followed with an art demonstration by Susan Best on collage making . **By-Law amendments will be voted on.** We will also hold a lottery drawing for the Studio 3 lease.

NBAL EXECUTIVE BOARD CANDIDATE SLATE OF OFFICERS 2023

Marnie Silcocks

Marnietx100@gmail.com

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Gerlyn Friesenhahn

Gretchen Goode

Susan Best

Marcie Helmke

Flora Biggs

Elaine Felder

Robin Roberts-Walker

Executive Board Candidates were nominated by the Election Committee in July 2022.

These positions will be voted on at the general membership meeting November 20.

Nominations can also be made from the floor at the meeting.

Marlene Silcocks, Chairman

Nancy Bower, Committee Member

Padi Civello, Committee Member

Recommended Constitution Bylaw Changes

Marnie Silcocks

marnietx100@gmail.com

NBAL Executive Board is recommending the following bylaw changes. The proposed changes will be voted on at the Tuesday, September 20, 2:00 pm general membership meeting. Refer to the 2022 Yearbook for the current policies.

ARTICLE II: MEETINGS

Section 4: Voting by E-Mail (Electronic) may be used by the Executive Board as outlined in the Gallery Rules, when necessary, between scheduled board meetings.

Article V: JOB RESPONSIBILITIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1: Duties of the Executive Board will be to conduct all business of NBAL. The Executive Board is responsible for filling all vacancies that occur.

- a. **First Vice President** presides in the absence of the President. Manages and oversees the running of the NBAL Gallery. Provides leadership in facilitating gallery staffing, and docent training sessions. Works to maintain and keep gallery desk information, rules and instruction sheets up to date. Monitors the overall appearance of the gallery, and docent work areas. Oversees scheduling and planning for any special events to take place within the gallery. Promotes sales by presenting the art in an organized manner, using attractive displays and merchandising methods.
- f. **Assistant Treasurer** assists Treasurer in receiving monies due to organization, assists with posting QuickBooks. Assist in training members that are new to posting QuickBooks. Attends monthly Executive Board, Team Board and General meetings. Assist Treasurer, President and other Board members as needed.
- g. **Secretary** records minutes from all Board meetings, Team meetings, and general meetings and forwards them to appropriate parties for review and correction prior to the following monthly meetings. Ensures the final versions of all approved minutes are properly maintained in the designated area. Writes correspondence as needed. Oversees the Library Team Leader position.
- h. **Parliamentarian** enforces Robert's Rules of Order at all meetings; keeps an up-to-date copy of the Constitution and Bylaws governing NBAL. Oversees revisions of the Constitution, Bylaws and Gallery Rules of NBAL. Serves as Chairperson of the Nominating Committee. Oversees the NBAL contact with the Chamber of Commerce

and the Greater New Braunfels Art Council. Monitors the upkeep of the NBAL scrapbook. The Parliamentarian works with the Membership Team Leader to proof and correct changes and information to be printed in the NBAL Yearbook.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISER FOR NBAL

Christmas is coming, Christmas is coming!!

ALL NBAL members: Let's get ready for this special, annual event. Participation by everyone is needed to make this year's ornament sale a success. Let's get to work; donations will be accepted through Christmas.

In just six weeks, we will begin selling ornaments in conjunction with the **56th Annual Artoberfest** show. Each ornament should be tagged with a sale price. Special tags will be available. Place sale price on one side of the tag and your name on the other. All proceeds will be given back to NBAL.

Questions? E-mail Gina Cumberland, Chairperson, at gcumberland@yahoo.com

THANK YOU!

Social Media News

Vickie Merchant

NBAL Facebook239@gmail.com

Facebook Update

We are so excited to announce that 53 of our current NB Art League Members have signed up for our new Private Facebook page, **Friends of the New Braunfels Art League**. This page is strictly for our current members to share their creative endeavors.

Friends of the New Braunfels Art League page will take the place of "Artistat New Braunfels Art League." Please upload your news to "Friends" not to "Artistat."

Our Main Facebook business page is **The New Braunfels Art League**. Please send posts/photos/news you would like the public or other NB Art League members to see to NBALFacebook239@gmail.com. I will be happy to post them. Remember **Like** and **Share** our posts on Facebook and Instagram.

Instagram Update

Jacqueline Claire is now posting on our Instagram page. Please help her share our accomplishments. Jacqueline Claire's email is missjclaire@gmail.com.

NBAL Meets with Spectrum News

Sherry Wooley and Myra Knapp were interviewed by Spectrum News during the Texas Special Show. The interview gave a nice overview of NBAL and encourages people to come into the gallery and see our beautiful artwork. It is now posted on the website's **home** page. Click this link to see the video: www.thenewbraunfelsartleague.com

Congratulations, ladies, for your continued support of NBAL.

Opportunity to Assist Eden Hill

Gretchen Goode, 3rd VP
goodecreative@gmail.com

Do a good deed for those in need with your art. Eden Hill is now seeking silent auction items for their annual gala "Thanks and Giving 2022" to raise money and awareness for their Benevolent Fund that helps older adults needing financial assistance.

If you have an item you'd like to donate or have further questions, please contact:

Racheal Frederick
Rfrederick@edenhill.org
(830) 620-7786

Opportunity to Assist Train Museum

The train museum in New Braunfels is having its annual train show to raise money for the museum. Donations towards their silent auction are being requested. If interested in donating, contact Jimmy Edmondson, at jedmondson@satx.rr.com. This event is on October 22-23, 2022, and they usually get about 2200 visitors.

NBAL Library - Inspiration is Everywhere

Myra Knapp, Librarian
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Spending the day with the written voices of the subjects you love is just so inspiring. I love my "job" as librarian at NBAL. When processing books, often times it seems that I see a book that

has been specially written just to solve my art problem or that the author is standing over my shoulder whispering to me about the pure artistic potential that can be found behind the cover of their book.

Today while working in your NBAL Library, many books caught my eye. Clever titles like “The Color of Night - Frederic Remington” (found in the Biography section) - Oh! That sounds mysterious, or “The Simple Secret to Better Painting” (751 ALB) - I certainly would like to know THAT secret! Intriguing titles like “Creative Metal Clay Jewelry” (745.5 WIL) and “Creative Mixed Media” (702 KAH) have my mind spinning and hands eager to try yet another artistic expression. It is so much fun to learn something new and to improve on what is already in your artistic bag of tricks. You owe it to yourself to dash upstairs and open the Library door where you will find more than 2,200 books that will definitely fill your world with amazing artistic motivation. It is easy - the keys are at the docent desk. The check out is easy as 1, 2, 3. Go take a look!

The Greater New Braunfels Art Council (GNBAC) Fall Into Art Festival

NBAL has secured a 10x10 booth at this year’s GNBAC fall festival. This event will be occurring October 14-16, 2022. Currently needed is the donation of a 10x10 tent with sidewalls for those three days, individuals with a Point-of-Sale (POS) device or a single individual with a POS device willing to collect sales money for other participants.

An artist wanting to sell their work must commit to the following:

Friday, October 14, 9 am - 4 pm booth set-up

Saturday, October 15, 9 am - 6 pm work assigned shift selling artwork

Sunday, October 16, 11 am - 5 pm work assigned shift selling artwork

Sunday October 16, 5 - 7 pm, booth breakdown and removal

NBAL will receive 10% of NBAL sales.

Interested individuals must contact Leila Reynolds, event Chairperson, at Leila.r.43@outlook.com. Space is limited.

To learn more about the fall into art festival click on this link: [Fall into Art Festival](#)

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 – 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 Web 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:

<http://www.thenewbraunfelsartleague.com/classes.html>

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