Oak Leaf Artist Guild



Next Meeting...

Bring artwork to critique at our next meeting. Bring whatever you've been working on, get feedback and be considering what you will enter for the OLAG show "Then and Now" to be held in May. Remember,

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P.O. Box 416 St. Peters, MO 63376 (all correspondence here) Next Meetings: Thursday, March 10, 2011, Thursday, April 14, 2011 at the St. Peters Cultural Arts Center (now at St. Peters City Hall, #1 St. Peters Centre Blvd, St. Peters, MO 63376)

www.oakleafartistguild.org

there are two categories--art done in the last 3 years plus a separate category for pieces you've just completed in 2011. See you next Thursday.

An Opportunity to Exhibit at Dardenne Prairie City Hall

We have an awesome opportunity to exhibit our work for free at the Dardenne Prairie City Hall! It's a new facility located at 2032 Hanley Road, Dardenne Prairie, MO 63368 (northeast of the Immaculate Conception Church in Dardenne Prairie). The exhibit will begin in March and last for six months, ending in September. Dardenne Prairie Parks and Recreation is also planning an opening for the show on Saturday, May 14, 3-6 p.m. More information will follow as we receive it. We would like to know if you are interested in showing your work at Dardenne Prairie, and, if you are, approximately how many pieces you could bring. Ideally, we would like to have 100 pieces, so we really need your help! Following are the exhibit requirements:

- *Your Oak Leaf membership must be current (dues of \$25 paid).
- *Receiving is at 9 am sharp on Saturday, March 26 at the City Hall.
- *Originals or prints of originals are acceptable. *Copies of others' work are not acceptable.
- *Artwork may be old or new there are no time limits on when it was created.
- *All mediums are acceptable including sculpture.
- *Two-dimensional art must be suitably framed, ready to hang, and complete with screw eyes and hanging wire. No sawtooth hangers are allowed. Mats must be clean and properly aligned, and frames must be in good condition. If your artwork does not require a frame (as in gallery-wrapped canvases), the sides of the artwork must be finished, with no nails or staples visible. The back of the work should look neat and finished, and it would be a good idea to attach a business card with your contact information.

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Augusta Plein Air Art Event April 20th thru Friday, April 30th.

Artists are invited to create in Missouri's historic wine country. Artists may paint for one day, a weekend, or as many days as their schedule allows. Create art on location following the European tradition of plein air, (outdoors, natural light). Attached to this newsletter are registration form and calendar. For more information contact The Greater Augusta Chamber of Commerce, 636-228-4005, or email: augusta pleinair@centurytel.net

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*For safety, two-dimensional work larger than 16" x 20" must use Plexiglas for its protective layer (rather than glass) if such a layer is required (as in watercolors).

*Sculpture, unless it can be hung on a wall, must be free-standing. No viewing cases or pedestals are provided.

*All work must remain on exhibit through the end of the show (September) unless it is sold, in which case the artist may replace the sold piece with a similarlysized piece.

*Dardenne Prairie will not be taking a commission, so 100% of the profits would be yours! Artists will handle their own sales.

*Precautions will be taken to safeguard work from loss or damage; however, the Oak Leaf Artist Guild, Dardenne Prairie City Hall, or any person working with the show will NOT be responsible for loss or damage to any work.

*Some of the spaces at the facility are quite large, so if you have some larger pieces we would be happy to have them.

*We would also like to make up a booklet of artist biographies for the exhibit, so if you have one bring it to receiving - it should be printed on regular lettersized paper.

So how about it? Do you want to take advantage of this awesome opportunity? Please reply by email as soon as possible (hopefully by March 4) with the approximate number of pieces you can bring on March 26. If you have any questions please contact Crystal Goldkamp at 636-346-2127 (wrgoldkamp@centurytel. net) or Annette McGarrahan at 636-240-1159

So...what do YOU think?

"Never paint a subject because you think it's going to sell. Paint what's in your heart and you'll be all right."

Robert Burridge

Almost every artist would like to sell their art...if you're not painting from the heart will your painting lack the passion that will "sell" the painting? Can you look at your work and remember how you felt about the subject? What do YOU paint? **OAK LEAF ARTIST GUILD PRESENTS**

THEN

May 6-June 20, 2011 at the St. Peters Cultural Arts Center

An invitation to submit a total of 3 pieces of artwork into two categories: **THEN** (art completed within the last 3 years) and/or **NOW** (art done since the beginning of 2011)! Artists may enter a TOTAL of 3 paintings into this show. This is your opportunity to get busy and see what you can do in the year 2011.

1st (\$75), 2nd (\$50), 3rd (\$35), and HM ribbons will be awarded in each category.

Entry Fee: \$20/Maximum 3 entries per person. \$45 for non-members includes a \$25 one-year membership in the Oak Leaf Artist Guild. Payment by check preferred.

Receiving: Tuesday 5/3, 9-8:30 pm **Show Opening**: Friday 5/6, 6-8 pm

All work must be framed and ready for hanging. No sawtooth hangers allowed. Oak Leaf Rules of Entry apply. Contact Ola Patty (636-798-3032) or Crystal Goldkamp (636-346-2127) for rules or more information regarding this show or membership.

> A place to take root and grow-branching out to others.

Shows at St. Peters Cultural Arts Center May 6 - June 20, 2011

Shower Me in Flowers!

All Media Competition-All works must depict flowers or a garden.

Receiving: Tuesday, May 3, 2011 • 9 a.m.-8:30 p.m. Opening Reception: Friday, May 6, 2011 • 6-8 p.m.

Featured Artists: Oak Leaf Artists Guild, Diana Saffo Bono, Nancy Young, Lisa Ober, Julie McMahon, Freda Johnson, Shirley Nachtrieb.

For more information regarding shows and exhibits, please contact the Cultural Arts Center at 636.397.6903