



January Meeting Recap

*At our **January 2016 meeting**, we had a great turnout of 24 artists, including several visitors. Becky Green demonstrated palette knife painting with acrylics, and then she provided everyone with a palette knife to try it out!

Upcoming Events

*Cottleville Police Department has asked that we brighten up their public reception area, and the Oak Leaf Board has decided to grant their request. Now we need your help to get some artwork on their walls! We will hang paintings at 9am on Saturday, Jan. 23.

*Our **February 11 member meeting** will be a work session with still life. Bring your own sketching/painting supplies.

*Our **Treasures of Oak Leaf** annual exhibit at Renaud Spirit Center will be held February 26 through April 8, 2016. There is no fee, no awards, and no commissions taken. Artists will handle their own sales. The exhibit is open to the first 20 members who sign up. (Limit one painting per artist.)

*Our **Spring 2016 Show** will run from March 3 through April 24 with receiving on March 1. The theme will be "Changing Seasons". This could refer to the seasons of life or in nature. (Please note the end date change on the attached flyer.)

***March 10 member meeting**: Board member elections and Critique session.

*The Kiosk at St. Peters Cultural Arts Centre needs art and Oak Leaf artists have been invited to fill it! More information will be provided at our February meeting.

*Our Fall Show "The Heat is On" will be held August 22 thru October 24. See attached flyer.

Member News

***Cristie Vollmar**. Not only did Cristie's painting *Recovery* win Honorable Mention in the St. Peters show "All Things Bright and Beautiful", but it also sold!

***Sandy Karsten** will be in the dog agility show at the Equestrian Center in Lake St. Louis on January 30-31 selling her popular dog collages and cards.

***Joyce Rothermich** sold two originals at Missouri Artists on Main: *Ballerina* and *Puppy Love*.

***Janine Helton** sold her painting *Scouting for Prey* at Dardenne Prairie City Hall in December.

***Jan Foulk** just sold two pieces from her website.

***Karen Bruns** got Best of Show In the St. Peters Show "Into the Woods."

***Carolyn Schlueter** got Best of Show, Second Place in the annual Cuivre River Calendar Competition for 2017.

Congratulations to all!

If you have any news you'd like to see published in our next newsletter, or to let us know what's happening around town, contact Janine at j9helton@yahoo.com

Changing of the Guard

As most of you know, three board positions will be open in March 2016: **President**, **Vice President** and **Editor**. Annette has done a wonderful job as President, but as she has served for three years, it is time for her to step down. Annette is working on documenting all of the President's responsibilities for meetings, switch-outs, and shows, plus creating a flash drive with all the documents that she uses so that whoever takes over will not be starting from scratch. Please contact Annette for more information: annette@mcgarrahan.net

Welcome New Members

Nora Schomogy

Lauren Fennewald

(We now accept student members who are sponsored by an adult. Lauren is Ollie's high school-age granddaughter)

OLAG Board

*President: Annette McGarrahan

*Vice-President: Gary Nadeau

*Recording Secretary: Anita Hockett

*Treasurer: Jan Foulk

*Website Coordinator: Mollie Chounard

*Editor: Janine Helton

*Public Relations Officer: Becky Green

Current Happenings

OLAG is continually showing at Dardenne Prairie City Hall and Cottleville City Hall. Dardenne switchout will be in March.

Call for Artists: Women's Rights art show to take place at the Liz Long Gallery in Chicago. For more information, go to <http://www.urbanartretreat.com/>

2016 Dues are now due!

Please remit your \$30 individual or \$50 family payment to:

Oak Leaf Artist Guild
P.O.Box 416
St. Peters, MO 63376

Be sure to check out our website at www.oakleafartistguild.org for more news and events, including images from our current art shows.

Any member who would like their artwork posted or updated on the OLAG website may contact Mollie at kopainter@gmail.com

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