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NEWSLETTER

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SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2015

September Meeting Recap

Our September 10 meeting was a work session, with live and fully clothed models. We have many great portrait artists in our group! Thank you to Ola, Jen, and Sandy who volunteered to sit for us. We enjoyed hearing Ola, our cowgirl, tell stories about her riding days and her show horses. We had one visitor, Jo O'Connell. Welcome, Jo!

There was no meeting in August.

Upcoming Events

***Dardenne Prairie Switch Out** will be on Saturday, September 26, starting at 9 am. Members may bring 5-6 pieces of artwork, with one or two being recycled from the previous exhibit. We are completing our fifth year of hanging artwork there!

*Our **October member meeting** will be a critique session. Artists may bring up to three pieces of artwork for peer review.

*Our **November meeting** presenter will be Christine Casten. She is going to demonstrate her pointillism technique with chopsticks, and she will bring materials so that we can try it, too!

*No meeting in December due to the holidays.

*Our Spring 2016 Show will run from March 4 through April 25 with receiving on March 1. The theme will be "Changing Seasons". This could refer to the seasons of life or of nature.

Member News

***Karen Bruns'** *Hanging Basket* painting was accepted into the MO State Fair Top 50 competition!

***Bob Swartz** won the purchase award at the *Riverfront Paint Off*, which you can view at Picasso's Coffee House. He also won 2nd Place on day 2 of the Paint Off!

***Gary Nadeau** sold a painting at our *Walk on the Wild Side Show!*

***Sherry Salant** won 2nd Place with *Purple Forest* at St. Peters' *Into the Woods* show

If you'd like to see your good news published in our next newsletter, or to let us know what is happening around town, such as CALLS FOR ARTISTS, contact Janine at j9helton@yahoo.com

Welcome New Members

Kay Crain

Cristie Vollmar

(A special thank you to the several artists who responded to Cristie's mentor request. She is very appreciative!)

OLAG Board

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Current Happenings

OLAG is continually showing at Dardenne Prairie City Hall and Cottleville City Hall.

The schedule for next year is currently being developed. If you have an idea for a presenter or presentation, please send an email to annette@mcgarrahan.net.

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

Do something **creative** every day!

WALK ON THE WILD SIDE

Thank you to all who entered our show. And thanks to all the volunteers who made it possible for us to strut our stuff! If you missed the reception, be sure to visit St. Peters Cultural Art Centre and view all the beautiful paintings. The exhibit runs through November 2, 2015.

Congratulations to all the prize winners:

Oil/Acrylic

1st Place

Church on Cashel Rock
Ollie Pemberton

2nd Place

A Walk on Another Planet
Christine Casten

3rd Place

Serenity
Cristie Vollmar

Honorable Mention

A Walk Through the Marsh
Karen Bruns

Watercolor

1st Place

Attitude
Janine Helton

2nd Place

Sunbathing
Janine Helton

3rd Place

On the Boardwalk
Janine Helton

Honorable Mention

Athens Countryside
Diana Saffo Bono

Best of Show

Beyond the Blue Barn
Gary Nadeau

Miscellaneous

1st Place

Jungle Camouflage
Sherry Salant

2nd Place

Uncaged
Sherry Salant

3rd Place

Zebra Girl
Carolyn Schleuter

Honorable Mention

Baby it's Cold Outside
Jan Foulk