



Watauga Valley Art League Newsletter May 2018

The Watauga Valley Art League welcomes all who wish to visit us during our educational and instructive monthly gatherings. Be Happy and paint more!

The next WVAL General Membership meeting is Sunday, May 6, 2018 at Sycamore Shoals State Park in Elizabethton and the presentation will be given by Renee Pitts.

Renee Pitts grew up in the beautiful area of East Tennessee where mountains, meadows, rivers and streams provided inspiration and solace. She began her art path as a child, inspired and motivated by the creativity of her grandmother and mother.

Renee became a secondary school art teacher for both public and private high schools in Tennessee for 30 years. She found that art would not let her rest without continuing to pursue her own artistic career. To that end, Renee acquired a Master of Arts from East Tennessee State University. From that moment on, she has continued to learn, grow and develop as an artist in her own right.

Because of her experience as an art teacher working with many different genres of art, mediums and forms, Renee has developed a desire for employing different mediums and moves back and forth between them, finding inspiration and motivation for her artwork.

Creating from fiber, mixed media, watercolor, drawing, using inks and producing beautiful papers, Renee loves it all.

WVAL artists' artwork may be seen at www.wataugavalleyartleague.com. For more information about the Watauga Valley Art League please contact Judy Donley, 423 547-9707 or email us WVAL@WataugaValleyArtLeague.com

*** Dues for 2018: \$33 per person (\$45 per couple and \$18 for students) ***

Mail to: Watauga Valley Art League, PO Box 2177, Johnson City, TN 37605

For your convenience, all forms and applications are in PDF Format and can be downloaded and printed from www.WataugaValleyArtLeague.com

Mark your calendars for 2018

Monday, April 30.....WVAL Board Meeting, One Acre Cafe

Sunday, May 6.....WVAL General Membership Meeting, Sycamore Shoals (Due to Mother's Day)

Monday, June 4.....WVAL Board Meeting, One Acre Cafe

Sunday, June 10.....WVAL General Membership Meeting, Sycamore Shoals

Monday, July 2.....Drop off Artwork for Summer Show

Tuesday, July 3.....Spencer Brenner will judge all entries

Thursday, July 5.....Racks will be set up for Summer Show

Friday & Saturday, July 6 & 7.....Set up for Summer Show

Sunday, July 8.....WVAL Summer Show begins and Meet the Artist Reception

Sunday, July 29.....WVAL Summer Show ends

Monday, July 30, 9am to 4pm.....Take down artwork for WVAL Summer Show

<u>The WVAL 2018 Summer Judged Show and the Summer Membership Show Applications will be out</u> during the next week. The show will be abbreviated and will run from July 8 to July 29.



Hi,

At this Sunday's WVAL meeting, in addition to hearing Renee Pitts, the league will be giving away the door prizes Scott Manning of Jerry's Artarama Knoxville left for us. Scott has also extended the 25% discount he offered WVAL members. If you are interested in purchasing any items from the Knoxville store select the items from the Knoxville store's website https://www.yourartsupplies.com/ and BEFORE Saturday send Don Gotterbarn don@gotterbarn.com an email specifying what you want to purchase. He will get the merchandise from Scott and bring it to Sunday's meeting where you can reimburse Don for the merchandise. Net result 25% discount and no delivery charge. But Don needs to know your order BEFORE Saturday.

WVAL over the year's developed an extensive VHS library. Most of those tapes are now on CD so we are making those tapes available to members for \$2.00 each so bring your carry bags.

See you on Sunday.



