



August Meeting/ "Your Johnson City Area Arts Council  
Johnson City Memorial Park Community Center  
Saturday, August 16, 2014, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

The Watauga Valley Art League will meet Saturday, August 16th at the Johnson City Memorial Park Community Center, 510 Bert Street, from 11:00a.m. until 1:00 p.m. An informal art critique begins at 10:30 a.m. for those interested, as well as a time for fellowship.

The topic for the August meeting will be "Your Johnson City Area Arts Council". A representative will provide background and an explanation of how the Arts Council serves our community. The highlight of the presentation will be an introduction to the Arts Council's new interactive website which will allow artists to showcase their work, link to art related sites, view the latest schedule of arts events, and more. You will learn ways to benefit from and support your Johnson City Area Arts Council.

For more information about the meeting or WVAL please contact Karen Foote at (423) 282-3029. Information is also available at [www.wataugavalleyartleague.com](http://www.wataugavalleyartleague.com) or on Facebook at *Watauga Valley Art League*.

**At our August meeting, Sharon Neuhaus will be bringing some very large and nice frames Jean Corbett donated to WVAL. She would appreciate some help unloading them. Please bring small bills, all proceeds go to the League.**

2014 WVAL Exhibits

Christmas Art Show (Sycamore Shoals)

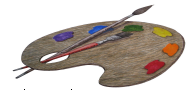
November 30, 2014 to January 4, 2015

Opening Reception: Sunday, November 30 - 1:30 pm – 4:00 pm

**\*\*\*For your convenience, all forms and applications are in PDF Format and can be downloaded and printed from the WVAL Website\*\*\***

Classes:

- + URBAN BIRD: Morning art class - TUES. 9 AM; evening art class – Tues. 6:30 PM. All media & all levels. \$30.00 for 8 wks. At Kiwanis Park, W. Market St., Johnson City. New classes every 8 wks. Call Urban at 743 4950.
- + ART HOLSCRAW Basic Acrylics – Weds 12:30-2:30 at the Community Ctr. Call Art 543-6676 for details
- + JUDY O’HARA Acrylic Courses – Please contact her at 833-5525 or [judyohara@ymail.com](mailto:judyohara@ymail.com)
- +LINDA CAMPBELL for class info 477-8196



Any WVAL Member interested in having their art profile placed on the WVAL Website or Facebook page, please submit a short biography along with several samples of you artwork to [WVAL@WataugaValleyArtLeague.com](mailto:WVAL@WataugaValleyArtLeague.com). Please include the title, media, size and price.

Please check us out at:  
[www.WataugaValleyArtLeague.com](http://www.WataugaValleyArtLeague.com) and [www.Facebook.com/WataugaValleyArtLeague](http://www.Facebook.com/WataugaValleyArtLeague)

**The Virginia Highlands Fine Art Show will be on display from August 1-Aug 10. The following WVAL members are in the juried fine arts show: Honorable Mention to Barbara Jernigan and Sheri Chaffin. Members showing art include Jim Stagner, Joyce Samuel, Karen Foote, and Sheryl Daniels.**

**The following is Jean Corbett's new address, she asked that we notify WVAL Membership: 134 Lakeside Drive, Crossville, TN 38558**

**Please be advised of the following scam:** There is an Art Scammer using the alias, Dale Godfrey, emailing artists and offering to buy particular paintings that he has seen on a website. The artist can look this information up by Googling his name. He asks the price, sends a check for a good deal over the asking and shipping price, and then asks the artist to refund the extra. His check is, of course, no good!

**"Oil Painting Techniques of the Old Masters"  
One day workshop with Linda Relis**

WHERE: Watauga Avenue Presbyterian Church  
610 East Watauga Avenue Johnson City TN 37601  
WHEN: Fri. Sept. 19, 2014 from 9:30-3:00  
Seating is limited



About the instructor: Florida based Artist, Linda Relis, has been painting in oils most of her life. Starting as an interior designer actually helped launch her professional art career. Her work has been shown in

galleries and museums across the country and has won numerous awards and honors. In 2002 she was selected by Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, to represent Florida by creating a Christmas ornament for Pres. & Mrs. George W. Bush's White House tree. Linda's paintings can be found in private and corporate collections across the United States including The State of Florida's Permanent Collection. Although Linda may be inspired to paint many different subjects, animal art is the closest to her heart. She was inducted into the prestigious Society of Animal Artists in 2001 and is a member in good standing today. In addition to painting, Linda shares her years of experience with her students. "Teaching is the second best thing I love to do". On Fri., Sept. 19 she will share some of the Old Masters Techniques which are the foundation of all her work.

Visit Linda's website at:

[www.relisart.com](http://www.relisart.com)

These two photos are the projects that we will be doing.



The **chiaroscuro** project will be done in the 1st half of the workshop



The grey photo is the value scale and the pot that we do to show how the value is applied. SUPPLIES NEEDED:

**Chiaroscuro** technique- One stretched canvas 16x20, burnt umber oil paint (I use Grumbacher), 3/4" or 1" bristle brush, odorless turpenoid in a small jar, palette knife, palette, smock, rags or paper towels and q-tips.

**Grey Scale** and project- One inexpensive canvas board 11x14, one stretched canvas 11x14 or 16x20, 2 more brushes 1/2 and 1/4" bristle. These are approximate sizes for the small, medium and large brushes that will be needed. Titanium white and black oil paint, easel, a ruler and pencil. Students may also want to bring a digital camera.

**Workshop is open to all skill levels of oil painter**

There will be a 1/2 hour lunch break and artists are asked to bring their own bag lunch. Drinks will be provided. This Linda Relis Workshop is being sponsored by the Watauga Valley Art League. Check us out on the internet:

[www.wataugavalleyartleague.com](http://www.wataugavalleyartleague.com)

REGISTRATION FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_

Space limited; reserve early!

WVAL members \$45/ea \_\_\_\_\_

Non-member \$55/ea \_\_\_\_\_

Write check to: WVAL (Watauga Valley Art League)

**Fee due: 10 Sept 2014**

Mail registration and fee to:  
June Simmons  
P.O. Box 2177  
Johnson City TN 37605



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August 1, 2014

Dear WVAL Members,

In July the WVAL Board of Directors select the Nominating Committee per the WVAL by-laws. The Nominating Committee is charged with finding candidates to fill opening on the Board of Directors and bring the slate of potential officers to the membership at the November meeting for their election.

Barbara "Jake" Carter-Wilson, Susan Donner and Jewel Redstone make up the 2014 Nominating Committee. These very capable members will be contacting the members to fill our slate of officers.

WVAL membership includes participation by you the members in the life of the club. We need your energy, your ideas, and your presence to make this an active part of our community. This year we need participation on every level. I myself have served the club for many years starting with Publicity Chair, Recording Secretary for two years, By-Laws Committee, Nominating Committee, Summer Judged and Member Show Co-Chair, President-Elect and now President. In that list are both elected and appointed positions. I have tried to lead by example and by experience.

Now it is your turn to volunteer to serve and learn about the many facets that our club has to offer. All that is required is that you come with an open mind and a willing spirit to learn. The outgoing officers will gladly give you helpful advice as you step forward to make the job your own.

Our club is made up of volunteers and no one is a full-time worker. All that we ask is that you try your best. Sometimes we make mistakes, but most of the time we make home runs. When the committee members call you, seriously consider saying yes to the challenge of stepping out of your comfort zone and becoming one of many members who have done the job before you. JUST SAY YES!

Karen A. Foote, 2014 WVAL President

**There are no WVAL General Membership Meeting Minutes for July because of the Annual Picnic. A good time was had by all in attendance.**