



News Release
Watauga Valley Art League
October Meeting/ Speaker Scott Manning
Johnson City Memorial Park Community Center
From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday, October 18, 2014

The Watauga Valley Art League will meet Saturday, October 18, 2014 at the Johnson City Memorial Park Community Center, 510 Bert Street, in Johnson City from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. An informal art critique begins at 10:30 for those interested.

The program for the meeting will be presented by Scott Manning, manager of Jerry's Artarama in Knoxville, TN. Mr. Manning will explain and demonstrate the newest art supply products available at Jerry's. Mr. Manning is an accomplished artist himself and understands a variety of mediums and techniques used by the visual artist. He appreciates teaching other artists and sharing the joy of art.

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For more information about the meeting or WVAL please contact Ed Puhr at (423) 467.4285 Information is also available at www.wataugavalleyartleague.com or on Facebook at Watauga Valley Art League.

*** Dues for 2014: \$33 per person and \$45 per couple and \$18 per art student ***
\$15.00 after July 1st

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

2014 WVAL Exhibits

Christmas Art Show (Sycamore Shoals)

November 30, 2014 to January 4, 2015

Hang your artwork: November 25 & 26, 2-4PM and November 29, 9AM-4PM

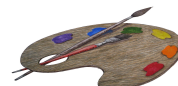
Opening Reception: Sunday, November 30 - 1:30 pm - 4:00 pm

APPLICATION AND FEES MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 15, 2014

*** 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 HOLSCLOW 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
LINDA CAMPBELL for class info 477-8196



June Simmons' Artwork Displayed
at Johnson City Community Health Center
October 2nd through 31st, 2014

WVAL artist, June Simmons, will display her paintings in the lobby of the new Johnson City Community Health Center, 2151 Century Lane, behind Woodridge Hospital, during the month of October. Mrs Simmons is an accomplished full time painter creating landscapes, floral, animal, and figurative works primarily in oil. Her paintings can be viewed at www.jsimmonsartist.com.

Mrs Simmons will be the first of monthly WVAL "Roving Gallery" artists who will be showing artwork at the health center. To purchase art, ask the staff at the health center for assistance. Hours of operation are Monday- Friday, 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. and Saturday, 8 a.m.- noon.

Please check us out at: www.WataugaValleyArtLeague.com and www.Facebook.com/WataugaValleyArtLeague

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. Please include the title, media, size and price.

23 September 2014

Dear Watauga Valley Art League Officers and Members,

Today was a game changer for my husband and myself. We have been working toward and planning to move to Simpsonville SC where our son and his family live, so that we could share some of the grandchildren's activities before they are grown and gone. We have purchased a home and have been making plans to move sometime in October. However, today Jim was diagnosed with a cancer that will require immediately starting radiation and chemotherapy. Jim is still in acceptable good health with the exception of the cancer. With this new revelation, we are moving up the time table to move as quickly as possible. Being President of WVAL this year has been a joy and a challenge. Your officers have been devoted to the success of the art league. You each should express your appreciation to them as they complete their terms in office. Many of our more seasoned officers have indicated that they will not be holding any office next year, and this provides a challenge to each of you. President-Elect Ed Puhr will step into the leadership a few months early and I hope that you will give him your support.

The art league is a volunteer organization with by-laws and a tested plan. In the surveys you indicated that the current club model of monthly meetings, shows and programs was something you enjoyed being part of, but to continue some of you should step forward boldly and say you will accept the challenge of leadership for the club. Meetings are a time of conversation, evaluations of art, learning new tricks of the trade, and confidence building. The exchange of ideas is life blood to every artist whether you are a beginner or an accomplished painter/creator of works. Believe in yourself, share with your WVAL friends and become involved in WVAL activities.

Thank you for trusting me to lead you this year,

Karen Foote

New Address: 108 Applehill Way, Simpsonville SC 29681

Minutes
Watauga Valley Art League – General Membership Meeting
Saturday 20 September 2014
Johnson City Memorial Park Community Center

10:30 AM – Social and Art Evaluations

11:00 AM – Meeting Began

Call to order and welcome!

Business

Call for a quorum and it existed.

A motion to approve Sept 16th meeting minutes was approved with 1st and 2nd motions.

Treasurer's Report/ Linda Campbell absent, however the following provided:

Regular checking: \$2831.98. Newell Hendershot: \$1095.64

Frame Sale netted \$59.00 last month.

Membership Report: Sheryl Daniels for Judy O'Hara

27 members plus 1 visitor present

Artist Opportunities Announcements: Ed Puhr provided new opportunities.

Exhibit Announcements

Elton & Judy O'Hara chairing the Christmas Show Exhibit with the deadline being November 15, 2014.

Roving Gallery has a new location, that is, the Johnson City Health Ctr.,

A volunteer is needed to manage the Roving Gallery.

Report from the Librarian

Naomi Neis provides the dvds and it was encouraged for others to utilize the club dvd services.

Member Advocate: Don Gotterbarn is in Europe

Other Business

Recognition and thanks given to Kimberly McCarron for digitizing the first Scrapbook, 13 more to be done.

Nominating Committee needs the following positions to be filled:

President Elect, Vice President of Programs, & Recording Secretary

The Nominating Committee needs the slate to be filled by next month, see Susan Donner for filling positions.

On Line Scam: Gary Chambers warned that on line art scams are real, especially cyber crimes for paintings.

VP for Programs: June Simmons commented on the recent workshop's success which produced many good works.

Today's Program: Linda Relis, September's Workshop Instructor and Artist, provided a background of information on how she achieved success in the art business. Her mantra went something like the following..."Wanna to be an artist, how hard can that be?" She provided insights on her journey in becoming an independent artist. However, it wasn't until Linda painted a 'carrot' that success mushroomed for her. Linda also related how President Bush wanted her to paint the White House Christmas tree ornaments. Three of Linda's convictions are the following: 1) Don't give away art work; 2) Learn how to do online sales; and, 3) Persevere and work.

The next general membership meeting is Saturday, October 18, 2014, with

Jerry's Artarama representative providing a program.

Karen Foote, WVAL's President, closed the meeting with motion to adjourn.

Minutes were taken by Ed Puhr in Elton O'Hara's absence.

Sycamore Shoals 2014 Christmas Art Show

By Watauga Valley Art League Artists

Hang your artwork:

November 25 & 26 2-4 pm (Tuesday), November 26 (Wed.) and November 29 (Sat.) - 9 am to 4 pm. For Walls: Room for four paintings on hooks (two additional smaller paintings may be displayed using fishing line or wire loops from bottom hooks).

For racks: Drapery hooks, which are furnished by League in basket on entry table. Print racks or "Portfolios" will have to be in front of your art display or designated place for art racks.

Show dates:

November 30 (Sunday) thru January 4, 2015 (Friday).

Show Hours:

9 AM to 4:00 PM weekly 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM Sunday – when Park is open.

Reception:

November 30 (Sunday) at 1:30 PM to 4:00 PM Participating artists should bring a finger food on appropriate serving tray with utensil to the reception by 1:30 PM, November 30.

Take Down:

January 5, 2015 (Saturday 9 to 4).

Fee:

\$15.00 Show Fee for space assigned. (Note on application if members will share space & fee.) Make check payable to **WVAL** and send to: **WVAL, PO Box 2177, Johnson City, TN 37601, Attention: Treasurer**

Instructions:

Spaces will be filled in order of received applications. When exhibit is filled, additional applications will be returned. All applications and the \$15.00 fee **must** be received prior to November 15. Mail check to **WVAL, PO Box 2177, Johnson City, TN 37601, Attention: Treasurer** (WVAL show rules apply). Attach identification cards to the left front and left back of all artwork. Artists are limited to two rods with 2 hooks wall space no larger than 48" width or height. **Unless sold, artwork must remain in the show thru January 3, 2015.**

For further information please contact Elton or Judy O'Hara at 946-5607 or 833-5525.

Email: EltonOHara@ymail.com

(CUT HERE--RETAIN TOP PORTION for your information.)

Application for 2014 Christmas Art Show – Check blanks below:

In addition to assigned space: I will bring my portfolio _____ I want to use League portfolio _____ No portfolio _____ ("portfolio" is also called an "art rack" to hold unframed wrapped prints or originals.) **Portfolios must be positioned in front of the artist's space or in designated place with other art racks. I request:** rack space _____ OR wall space _____ OR no preference _____ (Check one) Will share space with _____. Show committee will try to comply with requests, *but can't promise*. By signing below, I agree to display said artwork at Sycamore Shoals Historic Park, November 30, 2014 to take down January 5, 2014, **according to WVAL Show Rules**. I hereby release the Watauga Valley Art League, WVAL members, and Sycamore Shoals Historic Park and Park employees and agents, from any and all claims for damage to, or loss of, any said work so exhibited, whether such damage or loss results from theft, act of vandalism or any other cause. I further agree to give my permission to use any photographs taken of my artwork or myself for advertisement or promotional purposes.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Sycamore Shoals Historic Park **requires** that identity cards with price be attached to both front and back of **ALL artwork**, both framed and wrapped. This is also part of the League Show Rules. Also mark ALL prints as "Print". Any artwork not marked is assumed "original" artwork by the artist. **PLEASE NOTE:** The Park has asked us to not take down artwork before the end of show, so make a plan for your art to remain in show until January 4 even if a friend has to pick up your artwork.