

President's Perspective

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer. I would like to thank Dave Bazen for hosting our summer picnic at his cottage. It will take place after I have written this but I am sure a good time will be had by all.

We will be hosting several members during the art prize competition. I am inviting a few non members to show at GVA to fill out the space. We will need volunteers to be at GVA when it is open to the public. The art prize will take place from September 23 thru October 10. If you would like to help out please contact me.

Have a great end of the summer.

Dennis O'Mara

"Art Prize" Venue

The GVA gallery will be open for viewing entries September 23, through October 10, 2009.

Public Viewing: September 23 - 6 to 10pm; Monday thru Thursday - 5 to 8 PM; Friday, Saturday - 12 to 10pm; Sunday - 12 to 6pm.

Friendly Reminder for Membership Renewal
GVA membership drive begins August 1 and runs through August 31.

Please fill out your GVA Renewal form by August 31 to remain eligible for all member benefits.



"Maui Magic," Watercolor by Lisa Geren

Here is a complete list of GVA artists who had work accepted into the Muskegon Regional Art Competition this year. Congratulations to:

Robin Bonhof	Al Cianfarani
Patricia Dee	Carl Forslund
Howard Garett	David Huang
Nancy Liszewski	Gene Sampson
Holly Sturges	Kristin Thornton
Sara Youngman	

The following artists had work accepted in this summer's Festival of the Arts competition:

Larry Blovits	Larry Campbell	Lora Cecola
Bill Chardon	Liz Dean	David Huang
Lisa Geren	Jim Johnson	Kathleen Kaliniewski
Donald Karel	Holly Sturges	Blythe Smith
Jim Markle	Kathy Mohl	Patti Mollema
Doug Neuman	Randall Nyhof	Bonnie Osborne
Jan Proli	Gene Sampson	Deidre Wingelaar
Nancy Liszewski		

Sara Youngman had all four of her entries accepted and won her very first awards: purchase awards by Warner Norcross & Judd for two of her prints.

Congratulations to all!



workshops

Jim Markle, PSA - Workshops

For info on my teaching a workshop, contact me at jimmarkle.com.

- **Cross Village, MI - August 6, 7 & 8 - Workshop**

Sponsored by: Three Pines Studio.

Contact: www.threepinesstudio.com or call 231-526 9447

- **Glen Arbor, MI - August 10, 11, 12 & 13 - Workshop**

Sponsored by: Glen Arbor Art Association.

Contact: GAAA 231-334-6112 or info@glenarborart.org

- **Holland, MI - September 9 & 10 - Workshop**

Sponsored by: Holland Friends of Art

Contact: Priscilla Lynch 269-857-5614, priscillalynch28@yahoo.com

- **Jeffersonville, VT - October 5, 6 & 7 - Workshop**

Sponsored by: Bryan Memorial Gallery

Contact: www.bryangallery.org or call 802-644-5100

- **Birmingham, MI - Nov. 20 & 21 - Pastel Workshop**

Sponsored by: Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center

Contact: www.bbartcenter.org or call 248-644-0866

Larry Blovits Workshops

- **Aug. 7,8,9, 2009 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

Oil Painting techniques and procedures

Lowell Area Arts Council Lowell, MI

Contact: Lorain Smalligan lorain@lowellartscouncil.org
616-897-8545

- **Aug. 26, 27, 28, 2009 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.**

Creating the Magic in Landscape: Painting in Oil or Pastel
Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association Birmingham, MI

Contact: Debbie Callahan debbiecallahan@bbartcenter.org
248-644-0866

Ken Cadwallader Portrait Painting Workshop

September 11th - 13th - Ken Cadwallader is offering a three day Portrait painting workshop for all levels. The class will focus on the core principles of painting from life. It will include demonstrations, group critiques, individual and group instruction.

The instruction will be custom tailored for the individual's specific needs. Space is limited so register soon. To register contact Brenda Sipe at Kendall College of Art and Design 616-451-2787 ext. 1139.

<http://www.kcad.edu/youth-adults/adult-classes/workshops>

Margo Burian - Painting, Yoga & Meditation 3 day Workshop

This class will present three disciplines under one unifying format. Students will learn techniques to tap more deeply into their creative energy by using a combination of easy yoga practice and meditation techniques, followed by time spent in Sleeping Bear National Lakeshore sketching & painting in one's choice of medium.

Glen Arbor, MI - September 25, 26 & 27

Sponsored by: Glen Arbor Art Association.

Contact: GAAA 231-334-6112 or info@glenarborart.org

Franciscan Center Art Workshops

- **August 19 - 22: "Sketchbook Pages for Botanical Art: Creating a Watercolor Reference Guide"**

Botanical art is a combination of art and science, especially suited to those who love nature and detail. Join American Society of Botanical Artist and the Guild member Barbara Holmer as she leads a workshop tailor-made for the nature lover and artist. Create a reference guide for botanical art that is part sketchbook / part journal. Students will learn about color mixing and watercolor washes, then create pages of graphite and watercolor sketches. Each page will focus on different plant structures such as leaves, stems, and flowers. Sketches and notations will provide a format for increasing your observational skills and accurate references for future plant portraits. Intermediate to advanced students. Limited to 15 students. Fee: \$195

- **September 9 (Weekly): Wednesday Paint-in/Out's**

Our fall session of Paint-in/Out's kicks off. Join this "open-studio" style class and work in your favorite medium or experiment with something new. Remember, this is not an instructional class but a staff facilitator attends each session. Meets every Tuesday or Wednesday except holidays through December 9. All levels welcome in these full day sessions. Fee: \$100 (before August 15.) \$130 afterwards. Limited to 18 artists per day.

- **September 18 - November 6: Loom Weaving Classes**

This fall, Friday morning weaving classes includes eight sessions under the direction of master weaver Jochen Ditterich. Students of all levels are assigned a full-sized loom on which to learn and create their piece. Trained in Germany, England and the U.S., Jochen brings over 50 years experience to his classes. Sign up early as these classes are limited to nine students and fill up quickly. 9 a.m. to noon weekly. Fee: \$80

- **October 6 - 8: "Art in Motion" Workshop**

"Who's Who in American Art" member, AWS Bronze Medal of Honor winner and international award-winning watercolorist and instructor Frank Webb returns to the Center. Combining vivid realism and dynamic abstraction, Frank's paintings exude atmosphere. Learn from this highly-sought instructor with over forty-year experience in an intense, three-day workshop. Each day, students will learn a different approach to the medium. For a preview of his work, see his website at www.artshow.com/webb. Fee: \$325

For more information, contact the Franciscan Life Process Center, 11650 Downes Street NE, Lowell, MI 49331-9489, (616) 897-7842 or e-mail registrar@lifeprocesscenter.org.

Program Notes

- **Thursday, August 13, 7:30pm:** Guess the Artist: Bring 1 or 2 OLD paintings and we will try to guess who painted them.
- **Thursday, September 10, 7:30pm:** Photographer Dennis Grantz presents a program on Hand-Colored Photography.
- **Thursday, October 8:** NO PROGRAM DUE TO ARTPRIZE
- **Thursday, November 12, 7:30pm:** "Painting Ireland". a program by Bonnie Osborne and Kathleen Mooney.
- **December:** Holiday Party

Art on the Riverfront

The Art on the Riverfront show is Aug. 15th 2009. The application can be found at <http://www.ghaac.org>. We are hoping for a great year and would like to invite GVA artist to participate.

Members in the News

- Lisa Geren has a new website at <http://web.me.com/lisageren>.
- Art Jacobs was awarded Signature Membership in the Texas Watercolor Society for his Painting "Three Escapes" which was chosen in the 59th Annual Exhibit, juried by Jeannie Dobie AWS.
- Rolan Roycraft, 91, who has written books on watercolor and taught workshops is no longer painting and sadly is confined to a wheelchair.
- Sallie Zigterman has paintings hanging at Cafe Aromas and had two paintings sold in August. Sallie also has a One Woman show at the East Congressional Church.
- Sara Youngman will have her Printmaker work showed at One Trick Pony in August of 2010.
- Sandy Jackoboice has a one person show at St. Mary's Hospital from July 1st through August 30, Main Entrance Level, Jefferson Ave., S.E. Her work was featured in an article published in three Southwest Florida magazines, March/April issues. Also four of her Pastels, and one Acrylic painting were purchased for Lee Memorial Hospital's new buildings in Fort Myers, Florida this past Spring.
- Al Cianfarani showed solo at The East Congregational Church in June and July.
- Al Cianfarani had an oil painting accepted in the 81st Regional Competition and is currently on display at the Muskegon Museum of Art through August 5th.
- Al Cianfarani has been chosen to represent the Arts Council of Greater Grand Rapids for the Grand Rapids Gallery Association's Fall Show at the Forest Hills Fine Arts Center (FHFAC). The exhibition runs from November 2nd through November 20th. Artist's reception is November 12th from 4:00 to 6:00pm.
- Al Cianfarani has a solo exhibit at The Terryberry Gallery at St. Cecilia's Music Center for the month of November 2009. Artist's reception is Friday, November 6th from 5:30 to 8:00pm.

Coming up at One Trick Pony

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| • Ruth VanderMeulen | 7/13-8/24 | Oil |
| • Kristen Thorton | 8/24-9/21 | Pastel |
| • Showing Art Prize contestants | 9/23-10/10 | |
| • Jim Markle | 10/12-11/23 | Pastel |
| • Kathy Putnam | 11/23-1/4/10 | Pastel |
| • Al Cianfarani | 1/4/10-2/15/10 | Oil |
| • Bill Alexander | 2/15/10-3/29/10 | Oil & charcoal |
| • Bob Stone | 3/29/10-5/10/10 | Photography |
| • Jeanetta VanderMyde | 5/10/10-6/21/10 | Color Pencil |
| • Tom Dandridge/Jan Proli | 6/21/10-8/2/10 | Black & white |
| • Sara Youngman | 8/2/10-9/13/10 | Print Maker |
| • Larry Campbell | 9/13/10-10/25/10 | Photography |

One Trick Pony is located at 136 Fulton St SE, open Monday - Wednesday 11am to 11pm; Thursday - Friday 11am to 12pm; Saturday 5pm to 12pm. For artist information please contact Barb Wood at **942-0585**.

"Art at the Park"

An art fair at the Great Lakes Irish Music Festival
The Art at the Park event is now accepting entries for this year's art fair, being held in conjunction with the Great Lakes Irish Music Festival 2009 happening on Saturday, August 22 at Fifth Third Ballpark. There will be awards for Best in Show and People's Choice presented at the Festival. Application fee is \$50.00 per booth, or \$40.00, with an early bird registration. Applications are available online at www.greatlakesirishmusicfestival.com. For more info, call 784-4131.

Call for Artists

The Thornapple Arts Council is seeking artists to exhibit their work during its 2009 series of Art Hops in downtown Hastings and Delton, MI. All artwork must be original and hand made by the artist. No entry fees are charged but artists are asked to donate an item to the Arts Council's Art Auction fundraiser which is held in November. All artists must submit an application form with examples of their work. Forms and more information are available at <http://www.thornapplearts.org> or by telephone at **269-945-2002**. The Hops take place on June 26, July 31, September 25, and December 4 in Hastings, and August 7 and December 8 in Delton.

Newsletter Information

Please have all entries for the newsletter sent to Steve Kelly by the 12th of each month to ensure prompt delivery. Please use the following email address for all GVA Newsletter information: gva@gezora.com. Steve Kelly can still be reached at **616-334-4131** or mail to 1331 Leffingwell, Grand Rapids, MI 49525.

Photo/Artwork Space

If you have artwork that you would like featured in the newsletter please contact Steve Kelly at steve.kelly@gezora.com or at **616-334-4131**.

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A Reminder About Art Liability...

If you bring artwork for critique, enter it in a show, or leave it in the GVA facility, it is at your own risk. While your artwork will be handled with all possible care, we are an organization of volunteers. At any time, an unintended accident may occur. Grand Valley Artists, Inc. and its members will not be responsible for any loss or damage to the art whatsoever.



Highlights. Calendar

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August

Saturday	August 1	10:00AM	Life Sketch
Monday	August 3	10:00AM	Portrait Sketch
Tuesday	August 4	7:30PM	Photography Group
Thursday	August 6	7:30PM	Critique
Saturday	August 8	10:00AM	Life Sketch
Monday	August 10	10:00AM	Portrait Sketch
Tuesday	August 11	No Still Life Group in Summer	
Thursday	August 13	7:30 PM	Program
Saturday	August 15	10:00 AM	Life Sketch
Monday	August 17	10:00AM	Portrait Sketch
Wednesday	August. 19	No Still Life Group in Summer	
Thursday	August 20	7:30PM	Life Sketch
Saturday	August 22	10:00AM	Life Sketch
Monday	August 24	10:00AM	Portrait Sketch
Thursday	August 27	7:30PM	Life Sketch
Saturday	August 29	10:00AM	Life Sketch
Monday	August 31	10:00AM	Portrait Sketch

September

Tuesday	September 1	7:30 PM	Photography Group
Thursday	September 3	7:30 PM	Critique
Saturday	September 5	10:00AM	Life Sketch
Monday	September 7 No Portrait Sketch-Labor Day		
Wednesday	September 9	7:30 PM	Still Life Group
Thursday	September 10	7:30 PM	Program
Saturday	September 12	10:00AM	Life Sketch