

President's Perspective

June is here and so is Reeds Lake. I would like to thank all of you who have volunteered to help with this year's festival. If you still would like to volunteer we can always use help at the end of the day with clean up.

The summer picnic will once again be held at Dave Bazens cottage. The date is July 25th and more information will be in the July newsletter.

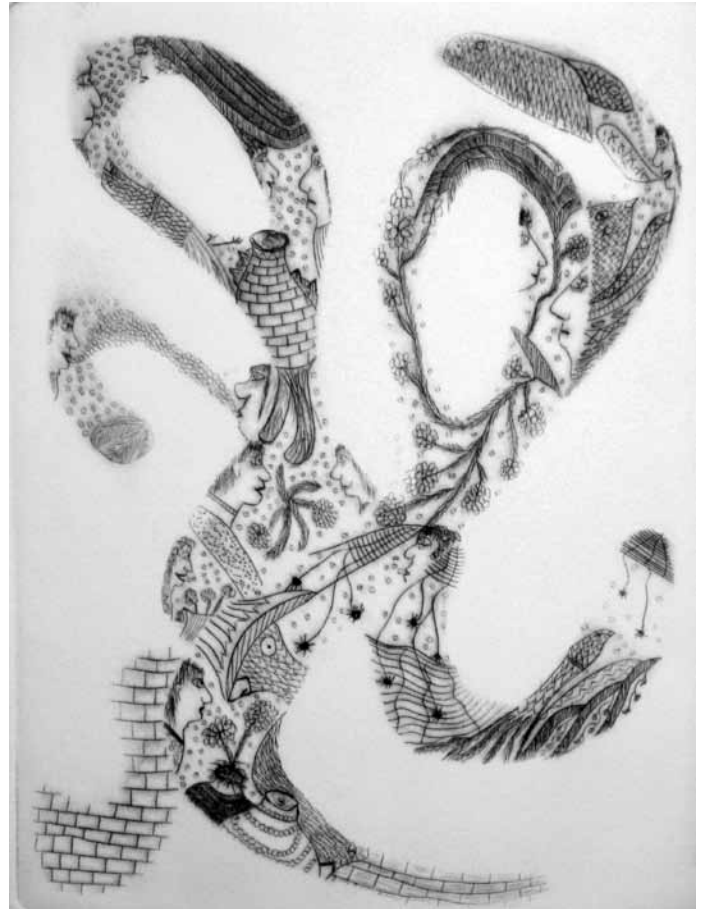
The Artprize is coming to Grand Rapids and we would like to be a venue. As a venue we can select the artists who would show in our space. It would be a place where members that would like to enter and do not want to go thru the process of finding a space could hang their work at GVA. Each member would have to enter in the Artprize competition (which is 50.00). We would have to keep GVA open Sept. 23rd thru October 7th. The hours that we would have to be open would be September 23rd from 6-10 pm. Monday- Thursday 5pm-8pm, Friday-Saturday 12pm-10pm, and Sunday 12pm-6pm. The show runs for two weeks and we are responsible for staffing during those hours.

The members who have work at GVA would have to help with the staffing. The show will interfere with October's critique which would have to be moved or canceled. We have to make a decision by the end of June if we want to be a venue. At the June critique I will take a straw vote from those in attendance to see if we should go forward. If you would like to show your work at GVA or if you have an opinion on what we should do please email me.

Dennis O'Mara

Reed's Lake Show Member's Tent

It's time again to sign up for a panel or two in the GVA Member's Tent at the Reed's Lake Fine Art Festival. The panels are \$25 a piece. All 2-D work must be framed and ready to sell. If you are interested please call Kathy Putnam at 691-7241 as soon as possible. The panels are already selling out. The Reed's Lake Show is always the third Saturday of every June.



"Obsessions" by Sara Youngman

Welcome New Members

MaryJo Hays, Ada, MI
Judith Titta, Grand Rapids, MI

The 44rd Reeds Lake Clothesline Art Festival

Saturday, June 20th, 2009, 9 AM to 5 PM. A total of 152 booths of fine art and fine crafts will be featured on Wealthy Street and Lakeside Drive in East Grand Rapids. Admission is free, the event is presented for the 43rd year by Grand Valley Artists, Inc.



workshops

Jim Markle, PSA - Workshops

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

- **Grand Rapids, MI - June 20 - Pastel Workshop**
Sponsored by Grand Rapids Art Museum
Contact: www.gramonline.org or call 616-831-2928
- **France, The Lot Valley - July 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 & 12 - Workshop**
Sponsored by: Great American Art Works
Contact: www.greatpastels.com or BoxTopTours@aol.com
or call 513-541-8000GRAM
- **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 or priscillalynch28@yahoo.com
- **Jeffersonville, VT - October 5, 6 & 7 - Workshop**
Sponsored by: Bryan Memorial Gallery
Contact: www.bryangallery.org or call 802-644-5100

Larry Blovits Workshops

- **July 24, 25, 26, 2009 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**
Fundamentals and techniques of drawing; and their application to painting.
Lowell Area Arts Council Lowell, MI
Contact: Lorain Smalligan lorain@lowellartscouncil.org
616-897-8545
- **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

Jim Connelly Workshop

Jim Connelly at Grace Academy

Basic Drawing Starts June 15

Basic Oil Painting Starts June 18

The drawing class is for those with little or no experience. The oil painting class is for beginner or confused painters. If you are not confident or feel you are missing something in your ability to paint, this class will put you on the right track.

For info contact jim@jimconnellystudio

or: www.jimconnellystudio.com/artevents.html

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

Ken Cadwallader Landscape Painting Class

June 2 – June 30 - Ken Cadwallader is offering a five-week landscape painting class for all levels. The class will focus on the core principles of painting from life. The class 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 Ken directly at ken.cadwallader@gmail.com or call 616-566-1238.

Tuesday Mornings 9am - Noon

Fee: \$125

Location: Local parks to be announced

www.kennethcadwallader.com

Franciscan Center Art Workshops

- **“Watercolor: Beyond the Basics” Workshop**

June 15 – 19 (Date Change): Nationally-recognized watercolorist Linda Baker returns to teach a five-day course designed for intermediate to advanced watercolorists. Utilizing transparent watercolor, Linda touches on different approaches to the medium from direct painting to pouring techniques, all with an emphasis on composition and design. Slide presentations, critiques and plenty of individual attention make this workshop a great learning experience. For a look at Linda's work, see her website at www.lindabaker.biz. Intermediate to advanced levels. Fee: \$350

- **“Oil Painting on Location” Classes**

July 9 - July 30 (Thursdays evenings only)

For those wanting to learn how to paint with oils or those needing a refresher course, experienced workshop instructor and multimedia artist Vickie Marnich-Reynolds leads a four-week evening course. Vickie will take students from start to finish beginning with priming your canvas to selecting final varnish. You will have plenty of demonstrations and one-on-one time in this series of lessons. Classes meet from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. and are limited to ten students. Fee: \$175

- **Loom Weaving Classes**

July 27 - 30

Master weaver Jochen Ditterich begins a second set of his popular loom weaving classes. Open to beginners to experienced students, all will be assigned a full-sized loom on which to learn and create their piece. Trained in Germany, England and the U.S., Jochen has over 50 years experience. Sign up early as these classes are limited to nine students and fill up quickly. These classes meet 9:30 to 3 p.m. daily for the 4 days. Fee: \$85

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.

Members in the News

- Sara Youngman had 1 piece accepted into the KIA Regional, 1 in Celebration 2009, 1 in Lowell's Regional Show, 1 in Muskegon Museum of Art's Regional show and 4 in GR's Festival.
- Robyn Bomhof had a one person show at First United Methodist Church in May and had an aluminum plate lithograph accepted in the Muskegon Museum of Art 2009 Regional Competition. see attached image titled House of Cards.
- Margo Burian had a plein aire oil painting entitled "Out Back in the Green" accepted into the 81st Annual Regional Show at the Muskegon Museum of Art.
- Margo Burian had a plein aire oil painting entitled "Mantra I" accepted in 2009 Festival of the Arts Regional Competition.
- Holly Sturges had a piece selected for the 81st Regional show at the Muskegon Art Museum. It is called Splendor.
- Holly Sturges also had two pieces accepted by the Grand Rapids Festival of the Arts titled Cherries and Spring's Coming.

Fountain Street Church Gallery

Fountain Street Church would like the GVA membership to have a display in the church gallery during the July-August timeframe. Fountain Street Church will select the pieces (approximately 30) which they would like displayed. We will therefore collect pieces at GVA in early June. Because of limited wall space, please submit only 1-2 pieces. There is no theme to this show and no entry fee to enter. Pieces need not be for sale.

Please bring pieces to GVA during critique on Thursday, June 4th, or Saturday, June 6th between 10:00 and 1:00. Additional details and entry forms will be in the May newsletter and at GVA (once we work out the final details). You must sign up during these times to be considered.

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.

"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.

Program Notes

- June 11, 2009 7:30 pm: Super Critique

For Sale

Picture frames brand new. All kinds, all sizes. Wood and metal. 50% to 70% discounts. 45 frames to choose from. Harvey Combs 616-878-9212.

Coming up at One Trick Pony

- Dennis O'Mara 6/1-7/13 pastel
- Ruth VanderMeulen 7/13-8/24 oil
- Kristen Thorton 8/24-10/12 pastel
- 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

One Trick Pony is located at 136 Fulton St. SE, Grand Rapids. For artist information please contact Barb Wood at 942-0585.

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

June Calendar

Monday June 1 10:00AM Portrait Sketch
 Tuesday June 2 7:30PM Photography Group
 Thursday June 4 7:30PM Critique
**Bring art to Critique for summer show
 at Fountain Street Church**
 Saturday June 6 10:00AM Life Sketch
Bring art to enter in summer show 10:00 to 1:00
 Monday June 8 10:00AM Portrait Sketch
 Wednesday **No Still Life Group in the summer**
 Thursday June 11 7:30PM Program
 Saturday June 13 10:00AM Life Sketch
 Monday June 15 10:00AM Portrait Sketch
 Thursday June 18 7:30PM Life Sketch
Saturday June 20 9:00AM to 5:00PM
Reed's Lake Art Fair
 Monday June 22 10:00 AM Portrait Sketch
 Thursday June 25 7:30PM Life Sketch
 Saturday June 27 10:00AM Life Sketch
 Monday June 29 10:00AM Portrait Sketch

July Calendar

Thursday July 2 7:30PM Critique
Saturday July 4 No Sketch—Independence Day
 Monday July 6 10:00AM Portrait Sketch
 Tuesday July 7 7:30PM Photography Group
 Thursday July 9 7:30PM Program
 Saturday July 11 10:00AM Life Sketch