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**DOT
AND
DASH**

FEBRUARY
1 - 24
2013

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GALLERY



**February's Show Opens
Friday, Feb. 1, 7 - 10 pm**

**Children's Art Workshop
Saturday, Feb. 9, 1 - 3 pm**

**Children's Art Reception
Friday, Feb. 22, 7 - 9 pm**

All work starts with a basic dot or dash. This show investigates getting back to the basics. What types of marks do you use to start your creative process? Artists

deconstructed and reconstructed their art-making to interpret *Dot and Dash* in their unique styles — from work that is painterly, graphic, realistic, and abstract, to work in three dimensions. Surprise us with your expertise in your favorite medium!

— Curators Amanda Wright (arook20@gmail.com) & Colleen Dolinger (colleendolinger@gmail.com)

Dot and Dash Children's Art Workshop: This two-hour hands-on workshop, 1 - 3 pm, Sat., Feb. 9, gives children ages 5 - 12 the chance to express themselves by creating two quality art pieces, focusing on attributes of lines and shapes in 2 and 3 dimensions. Fee: \$10/child, DRA members, \$12/child, non-members. Maximum students accepted is 30. Registration will be filled by first-come/first-served. Register online at www.TheDelRayArtisans.org/dot-dash-workshop by Feb. 3. Participants have the opportunity to have their work included in the *Dot and Dash* show. The Children's Art Reception on Friday, Feb. 22, 7 - 9 pm, is free and open to the public.



**March 1 - 31 Show: POWER ART
— Featuring "Power Suits"**

Opening Reception: Friday, March 1, 7 - 10 pm

Edgar Degas said: "Art is not what you see, but what you make other see". Art that evokes an emotion is Power Art. Big, bold and graphic, Power Art makes an impact — or, it may be quiet and minimalist. Power Art is often a philosophical or satirical commentary on civil liberties, human rights or environmental

issues. Power Art makes the viewer stop, think, and consider a point of view. This show is open to all artists and all materials. Be bold and experimental! Submit two artworks for consideration. Work will be juried on theme interpretation. — Barb Boatman, Curator

Special Exhibit: Power Suit Art Quilts

DRA is honored to show 50 art quilts from the nationally touring Power Suit collection. These 18"x18" art quilts were created by artists from 21 states responding to a challenge issued in 2010 by nationally recognized local artists Cyndi Souder and Judy Gula. Gifted of fabric swatches from a local tailor, they packaged and offered the material free to art quilters, who then used the suit and shirt swatches to create their interpretations of "Power Suits". Over 100 quilts address diverse topics such as politics, family, work life, playing cards, and super-heroes. Only half of the art quilts can be shown in our gallery due to space limitations.

Gallery Talk by Cyndi Souder: Saturday, March 9, 3 - 3:45 pm

More quilts will be on display during this gallery talk. This event is free and open to the public. No pre-registration is required. Light refreshments will be served.

**Welcome, New Members
Who Joined in November
and December!**

Jean Marie Barrett - Oil painting

Cynthia Larre - Handcrafted
Jewelry, Fiberwork

Brian Joseph Legan - Acrylic &
Mixed Media on canvas/board, etc.

Patricia Smith - Photography
(traditional)

Benjamin M. Wailes IV

**DRA to Host Reception
for Diane Ruggiero, Feb. 8**

Del Ray Artisans, Alexandria Commission for the Arts, and Alexandria Arts Forum will welcome Diane Ruggiero, new Deputy Director, Office of the Arts, Dept. of Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Activities, City of Alexandria, with a gallery reception on Friday, Feb. 8, from 6 - 8 pm. **DRA members are invited to attend — and can volunteer to help** before, during and after the event. Contact Amber Gordon at Outreach@TheDelRayArtisans.org or call 703-838-4827 in advance to RSVP.



**Member
Meeting &
ART SWAP,
Sunday, Feb. 17,
2 - 4 pm in the Gallery**

Bring your unneeded, unused art supplies to swap with others at this popular event! Check your closets; learn a new medium! Your extra art supplies are someone else's inspiration! Enjoy light refreshments and listen to the latest DRA news. Then, we'll take turns choosing "new" supplies!
— Kathryn Brown



Partners in Art

DRA's Partners in Art artists meet regularly to share art-related goals, report on progress, and obtain feedback on current artwork. Meetings are usually held twice a month. Looking for support as you strive to reach your art-related goals? Become a regular or drop-in with artwork to get feedback. Contact us for current topics of discussion: *Millie Mateu* (milaenartes@gmail.com) and *Katherine Rand* (Katherine@KatherineRand.com). Donations (\$1-\$3) are appreciated. Dates: www.TheDelRayArtisans.org



DRAngel Valentines ...from Your DRA Friends ...

● Thank you to **Katherine Rand** for coordinating life drawing and Partners in Art; **Millie Mateu** for organizing Collage Cutups and Partners in Art; and **Cathy Messina** for arranging the Copyright workshop.

● A BIG Thank You for painting the gallery walls on Dec. 22, to: **Kate Niner, Gina Buzby, Trudy Levy, Patricia Hickey, Ken Reed, Diana Manchak, Camilla Clocker, Marlin Lord, Drew Cariso, and Lesley Hall.**

Follow Del Ray Artisans on Pinterest

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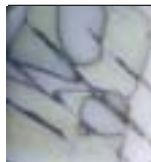


See our pinboards on the gallery, Holiday Market, 20th Anniversary Exhibit, recent workshops, and more! Special thanks to Liz Martinez for setting up these pinboards for DRA. Take a peek at <http://pinterest.com/delrayartisans/>.

Painting Party Volunteers on Dec. 22 Ready Gallery for New Year



Between the ten of us (Kate Niner, Gina Buzby, Trudy Levy, Patricia Hickey, Ken Reed, Diana Manchak, Camilla Clocker, Marlin G. Lord, Drew Cariso, and Lesley Hall), we completed all the walls in under three hours and ate some delicious pizza! Now the freshly painted gallery walls are ready to showcase some one-of-a-kind art! 2013 here we come! — Lesley Hall



"Shades of White" . . . Wows!

What a show! DRA artists and artisans met the challenge with "Shades of White"! I was pleased and amazed with the wide array of artwork and interpretations of "white"! The gallery was "buzzing" all evening and we sold over 6 pieces of wall art on opening night, not including a good number of "to go" art that also sold. Friends, artists, and visitors all seemed to have a good time. So, THANK YOU!!

Opening night was challenging because a certain curator forgot her gallery helper assignment sheet. To top that off, three volunteers were not able to come due to illness. But that didn't slow us down. Everyone chipped in and helped out with no worries! Again, thanks to all of you who got together to make this happen. A special thanks to Tracy Wilkerson for promptly answering my million questions dealing with "administravia", and teaching me how to operate the new gallery lights...pretty neat! — *Betsy Mead, Curator*

Congratulations to Kathryn Brown and Marlin Lord: Honored as 2013 Living Legends

Meet the Living Legends of 2013: Willie Bailey, the team of **Kathryn Brown and Marlin Lord**, Rosa Byrd, the team of Elizabeth Chimento and Poul Hertel, Joseph Guiffre, Thomas "Jay" Johnson, Jr., David Martin, Richard Eugene Merritt, Joann Miller, Lonnie Rich, William "Bill" Rivers and Lewis Stearman.



The team of DRA members **Kathryn Brown and Marlin Lord** have contributed to Alexandria through their efforts in Del Ray Artisans, King Street Gardens Park Foundation, and Alexandria Arts Forum.

The 2013 Legends will be honored at the "Meet The Legends" reception on Thursday, March 21 at the Patent & Trademark Office Madison Building (600 Dulany Street, Alexandria, VA 22314). Now in its sixth year, Living Legends of Alexandria is an ongoing not-for-profit photo-documentary project to identify, honor and chronicle people making current history in Alexandria. For additional information, see www.AlexandriaLegends.com or contact Nina Tisara, 703-625-2330.



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Gallery Hours:

Thursday: noon-6 pm
Friday: noon-9 pm
Saturday: 10 am-9 pm
Sunday: noon-6 pm

Submission Deadline: 15th of the month
Editor: newsletter@thedelrayartisans.org

Del Ray Artisans, founded in 1992, is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to promote art for the benefit of artists and the community.

2013 Calendar

February

- 1 – 24 **SHOW Dot & Dash** Amanda Wright
Colleen Dolinger curators
arook20@gmail.com colleendolinger@gmail.com
Partners in Art, 2-4pm
- 4 Life Drawing, 7-9pm, Short (clothed)
- 4 Life Drawing, 11 am-1pm, Gesture
- 6 Life Drawing, 2-5pm, Short/Long
- 8 RECEPTION for Diane Rugierro, 6-8pm
- 6 WORKSHOP Children's Art, 1-3pm
- 12 Board Meeting, 7pm
- 13 Life Drawing, 6:30-9:30pm, Long
- 17 Life Drawing, 9:30-11:30am, Gesture (clothed)
- 17 Member Meeting & Annual "Art Swap", 2-4pm
- 18 Partners in Art, 2-4pm
- 20 Life Drawing, 2-5pm, Short/Long (clothed)
- 22 Children's Art Reception, 7-9pm

March

- 1 – 31 **SHOW POWER ART** Barb Boatman
curator *cutsewcreatestudio@gmail.com*
Partners in Art, 2-4pm
- 4 Life Drawing, 7-9pm, Short
- 6 Life Drawing, 11-1pm, Gesture (clothed)
- 6 Life Drawing, 2-5pm, Short/Long (clothed)
- 9 Gallery Talk by Cyndi Souder, 3-3:45pm
- 12 Board Meeting, 7pm
- 13 Life Drawing, 6:30-9:30pm, Long
- 16 WORKSHOP Bookmaking/
Poetry Writing, 10-4pm
- 17 Life Drawing, 9:30-11:30am, Gesture
- 18 Partners in Art, 2-4pm
- 20 Life Drawing, 2-5pm, Short/Long
- 27 Life Drawing, 6:30-9:30pm, Long

April

- 5 – 28 **SHOW Turn on your Masters**
Drew Cariaso Zade Ramsey curators
atenart@cariaso.net zade.ramsey@gmail.com
Partners in Art, 2-4pm
- 8 Life Drawing, 7-9pm, Short
- 9 Board Meeting, 7pm
- 10 Life Drawing, 11am-1pm, Gesture
- 10 Life Drawing, 2-5pm, Short/Long
- 17 Life Drawing, 6:30-9:30pm, Long
- 21 Life Drawing, 9:30-11:30am, Gesture (clothed)
- 22 Partners in Art, 2-4pm
- 24 Life Drawing, 2-5pm, Short/Long

May

- 2 First Thursday, open until 9pm
- 3 – 12 **SHOW TC Williams Students**
TC Williams Art Dept curator
Alexandria Art Market, 10am-4pm,
Kimberley Bush,
ArtMarket@thedelrayartisans.org
- 4 Partners in Art, 2-4pm
- 6 Life Drawing, 7-9pm, Short (clothed)
- 6 Life Drawing, 11-1pm, Gesture (clothed)
- 8 Life Drawing, 2-5pm, Short/Long (clothed)
- 8 Board Meeting, 7pm
- 14 Life Drawing, 6:30-9:30pm, Long
- 15 **Exhibit benefit in Honor of Becky Arnold**
Drew Cariaso curator
atenart@cariaso.net
- 19 Life Drawing, 9:30-11:30am, Gesture
- 19 Member Benefit Program, 2-4pm
- 20 Partners in Art, 2-4pm
- 22 Life Drawing, 2-5pm, Short/Long (clothed)
- 25 5th Annual Yard Sale
- 31 – **Special Exhibit** curator TBD

June 2



Artwork Dropoffs

- Dot & Dash, Jan 27 & 28, 6-8pm
- Art Power, Feb 24 & 25, 6-8pm
- Turn on your Masters, March 31 & April 1
- Music of ART, June 2 & 3
- Heads UP, Sept 1 & 2
- Del-Ray-geous, Sept 29 & 30
- Del Ray Dozenz, Oct 27 & 28

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Many thanks to Royce Flowers for providing such spectacular arrangements for our opening receptions.



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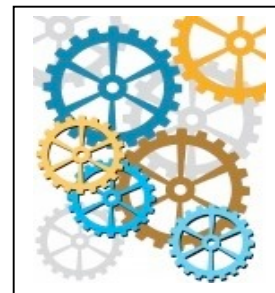


CALL FOR ENTRY

POWER ART; Featuring Power Suits

March 1 to March 31, 2013

A juried show; open to any artists



Edgar Degas said: "Art is not what you see, but what you make others see."

POWER ART makes others see familiar things in new ways; it evokes emotions. POWER ART can be big and bold, but it can also be quiet and simple. Regardless, it makes the viewer stop, and think. POWER ART is often a philosophical or satirical commentary. It addresses civil liberties, human rights or even the environment—that means POWER ART is often unconventional in both material and techniques.

Curator: Barb Boatman, CutSewCreateStudio@gmail.com, 703-622-0575 (Evenings Only)

SUBMISSION/ENTRY DETAILS:

- **ARTWORK RECEIVING:** Sunday, Feb 24 and Monday, Feb 25 from 6pm to 8pm. All artists are responsible for the timely submission of work on either Feb 24 or 25 with a completed Entry Form including an Artist Statement (25 words or less) and Artist Bio (1 page only).
- **SUBMISSION LIMIT:** Only 2 pieces of art per artist
- **ENTRY FEES for DEL RAY ARTISANS (DRA) MEMBERS:** \$5 per piece; membership must be current
- **ENTRY FEES for NON-DRA MEMBERS:** \$10 per piece
- **ART MEDIUMS:** Artist may use any technique to interpret this theme. All work will be juried on theme interpretation. For example, jewelry must make a statement beyond its basic artistry.
- **DISPLAY GUIDELINES:** All 2-D art must be ready to hang (wire/screw eyes; no clip frames), matted and framed. All 3-D art must be submitted with proper devices for hanging or with a display easel.
- **SUBMISSION NOTE:** Improperly prepared art will not be accepted for consideration. See www.thedelrayartisans.org/shows/artguidelines.html for details.
- **SHOW ACCEPTANCE NOTE:** Submitted art **must clearly interpret the theme of the show**. Decisions on the acceptance of any art are totally at the discretion of the show curator and the guest juror.
- **PICK UP of NOT SELECTED ARTWORK:** The gallery will be open Tuesday, Feb 26 from 6pm-8pm for pickup of artwork not selected for this show. ALL artwork not selected for this show must be picked up and removed from the gallery no later than Thursday, Feb 28 at 5pm. Contact curator if you are not able to meet these guidelines before submitting artwork.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ACCEPTED ARTISTS:

- **PICK UP:** After the entries are accepted, artists may not pick up unsold artwork until the show closes on Sunday, March 31. Artists are responsible for the timely pickup of unsold artwork.
- **SOLD ART DELIVERY:** All artists are responsible for the delivery of their sold work to the customer.
- **GALLERY FEE:** When art sells, each artist is asked to make a 20% donation (tax-deductible) to DRA.
- **GALLERY HOSTING/VOLUNTEER COMMITMENT:** **All accepted artists MUST gallery host. Once all gallery hosting times are filled, artists are expected to volunteer in other ways as needed. All artists are also asked to contribute an item of food or beverage for the opening reception.**
- **INSURANCE:** Neither Del Ray Artisans nor the City of Alexandria can be held liable for any loss or damage to artwork at any time. Insurance for artwork is the sole responsibility of the artist.
- **ART PHOTOGRAPHY:** Permission to photograph any artwork for DRA publicity purposes is automatically granted by the artist as a requisite for entering the show.
- **ORIGINALITY:** All art entered must be original, and not previously exhibited in any DRA show.



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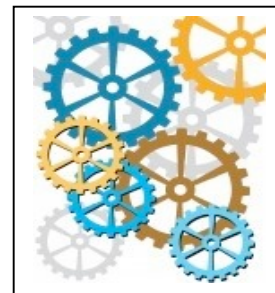
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ENTRY FORM & AGREEMENT

POWER ART; Featuring Power Suits

Please Print All Information



ARTIST NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

DAY PHONE: _____ EVENING/CELL PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

DRA MEMBER: YES or NO

DRA MEMBERSHIP DUES PAID: YES or NO

ART SUBMITTED:

	TITLE	MEDIUM	SALE PRICE	ENTRY FEE DUE
1.			\$	\$5 DRA member \$10 non-member
2.			\$	\$5 DRA member \$10 non-member

SHOW TERMS INCLUDING VOLUNTEER AGREEMENT

As a condition of consideration for selection into this show, I agreed to GALLERY HOST at this date and time: _____ (Select this timeslot during artwork receiving)

I agree to abide by the policies and terms set forth in the Call for Entry and Entry Form. I hereby release Del Ray Artisans, the Officers, the Board of Directors, and the City of Alexandria from any responsibility or personal liability to me from any damage, claims or loss in connection with this show.

I understand that if I am selected as an artist for this show that I am also expected to volunteer to support the show in other ways in addition to gallery hosting. I understand it is my responsibility to sign-up for volunteer and gallery hosting duties during artwork receiving. In addition, I agree to support the opening night event by providing either food or beverage items.

Check here to have DRA automatically take a 20% tax-deductible donation from the sale of artwork.

Signed _____ Date _____

FOR DRA ARTWORK RECEIVING TEAM USE ONLY; DRA TEAM TO CIRCLE AND INITIAL:

A.	All art has appropriate hardware for hanging	YES or NO	
B.	All art has appropriate frames or display components	YES or NO	
C.	Artist Statement received with entry (25 words or fewer)	YES or NO	
D.	Artist Bio received (No more than 1 page)	YES or NO	
E.	Artist has paid the appropriate entry fee	YES or NO	
F.	Artist has read and signed the SHOW AGREEMENT, selected their volunteer assignments and taken a reminder note.	YES or NO	



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ENTRY FORM: ART & ARTIST INFORMATION

POWER ART; Featuring Power Suits

March 1–31, 2013 at Del Ray Artisans Gallery

Please print all information and submit with the Entry Form & Agreement.

1. Description of art submitted

Please describe, in as few words as possible, why this is Power Art.

Art #1 Title: _____

Art #1 Medium/materials description: _____

Art #1 Describe the power you hope this work of art evokes in the viewer:

Art #2 Title: _____

Art #2 Medium/materials description: _____

Art #2 Describe the power you hope this work of art evokes in the viewer:

2. Artist Statement

Please explain why you create art in 25 words or fewer (for this show).

3. Artist Bio (1 page only)

Artist's Name: _____

My bio is attached My bio is already on file with DRA

I will email my one (1) page bio to the show Curator before the opening

Email to the curator Barb Boatman at: CutSewCreateStudio@gmail.com



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