



The Well-Crafted Word

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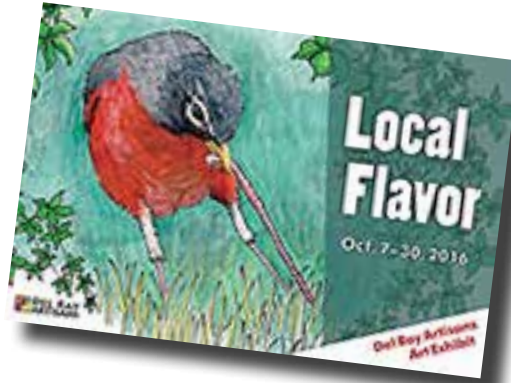
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Local Flavor Member Art Exhibit

October 7-30 2016

Opening Reception:
Friday, October 7 from 7-9pm

Local Flavor is a collection of artworks from Del Ray Artisans (DRA) member artists that highlights the things they adore, crave, and experience in their unique and beloved neck of the woods. This exhibit celebrates the special touches found in community.



Come to the opening reception on Friday, October 7 from 7-9pm to meet many of the artists, vote for the "Peoples Choice" award winner, place your bids in the "Birdhouses of Del Ray" silent auction, and enjoy all the vibrant, warm and welcoming artwork. Special thanks to local businesses Rosemarino d' Italia, Taqueria el Poblano, Greenstreet Gardens, and Let's Meat on the Avenue for sponsoring artist awards.

Curator Dawn Wyse Hurto also invites the public to drop off at the gallery—from October 7-28—donated children's costumes for the neighborhood Halloween Parade. The parade is organized by the Del Ray Business Association and will be held on Sunday, October 30 at 2pm.

Welcome, New Members!

- Marie-Noelle Akegnan - Jewelry
- Annie Greene
- Darlene Kaplan - Watercolor
- Joanne McIntyre
- Sandra Oliver - Art and Cultural Proficiency
- Dick Ratcliff
- Shaylyn Shiely - Painting
- Aimee Sinnung - Oil and Acrylic

Art ^{on} the Avenue Saturday, October 1 from 10am-6pm

Art on the Avenue is an annual one-day street festival in Del Ray. DRA will have artist demonstrations in a tent in front of the gallery. Stop by to see the demos and go inside for a final look at the *Fire and Earth* art exhibit. You are also encouraged to visit the many booths along Mount Vernon Avenue where fellow DRA members are displaying their artwork and craftsmanship. For the list and more details, visit: DelRayArtisans.org/event/art-on-the-avenue-2016/

Save the date for these October events:

- **Partners in Art:** Monday, October 10, 2-4pm
- **Life Drawing Clothed Session:** Wednesday, October 12, 2-5pm (Short/Long Poses)
- **Life Drawing Regular Sessions:** Wednesday, October 12, 6:30-9:30pm (Long Poses); Sunday, October 23, 9:30-11:30am (Gesture); Wednesday, October 26, 2-5pm (Short/Long Poses) and 6:30-9:30pm (Long Poses)
- **Annual Member Meeting/Board Elections:** Tuesday, October 25, 7-9pm
- **Come Play with Collage Cut Ups:** Thursday, October 27, 7-9pm
- **Cat-urday Toy Making:** Saturday, October 29, 10am-12pm

For more information, go to DelRayArtisans.org or contact the curator at dawn@dawnds.com



Artwork from the exhibit: "Tea Dreams 1" by Diane Charnov, "Aw Shucks" by Kay Fuller, and "How I Roll" by Liz Martinez



Seana Gallagher demonstrating during Art on the Avenue in 2015

Annual Meeting and Elections: Tuesday, October 25

It is important for all members to attend DRA's Annual Member Meeting on Tuesday, October 25 at 7pm. The Election for Board Members for 2017 will be followed by an announcement of the 2017 Exhibit Schedule. Be the first to hear plans for next year's exhibits, 25th Anniversary celebrations, and other special events. The Birdhouses of Del Ray Silent Auction winners will also be announced at the end of the meeting. A light supper will be served. Come to the meeting, grab a bite and VOTE!

If you are not able to attend the meeting, please vote by proxy by emailing Kathryn Brown at Secretary@DelRayArtisans.org or calling the gallery at 703-838-4827. You must give your full name and membership type with your clearly worded proxy instructions. All proxy votes must be received by 5pm on Friday, October 21. Here are the nominees:

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Volunteers - Joshua Oliveira

Youth Programs -

Pat Hickey and Lydia Walter

Advisory Past President -

Michele Reday Cook

If you wish to run for a seat, please contact Judy Lynn at AbstractArtbyLynn@gmail.com.

Call for Entry: H₂O/Waterworks Online submissions due October 21, 2016

Water works for us. We may love it or hate it, crave it or fear it, but we all need it. Our bodies are made up of 60% water, and 71% of the earth's surface is water. Water is beautiful, essential, dangerous and destructive. It can manifest itself in so many forms: liquid, vapor, solid. DRA member artists are invited to visually explore our relationship to water (or lack thereof) through any 2D and 3D medium for this exhibit. This is an exhibit about water. Show us your vision of H₂O. Installations incorporating water or any of the themes mentioned above are welcome.

DRA's Art-to-Go Marketplace will be offered during this exhibit, and will be open to DRA member artists submitting work to the main exhibit even if that work is not selected. Marketplace artworks must also incorporate the general theme of water in some way.

Artists will be notified of artwork acceptance by Oct 24, 2016. Artwork Receiving for accepted exhibit artwork and Art-to-Go submissions is Sunday, October 30 and Monday, October 31, 2016 from 6-8pm at Del Ray Artisans gallery. Questions? Contact the curator Michele Reday Cook at mredaycook@gmail.com. The call for entry is at: DelRayArtisans.org/category/cfe



"Little Harbor
Campground"
by Michele Reday Cook

New Home Listings in Del Ray: Low Taxes, No Inspection Needed!

Bidding is set to begin on the Birdhouses of Del Ray Silent Auction Fundraiser! These artistic houses go on the market at the opening reception of the *Local Flavor* exhibit on Friday October 7. From tin cans to stained glass, from wire to fabric, artists have used a wide variety of materials to create and embellish the artisan houses. Take advantage of this unique opportunity to purchase your very own tiny house, ready for locating on your choice spot.

The birdhouses are scheduled to be on display at the gallery on October 7, and you can bid on the one-of-a-kind dwellings through October 25, 2016. The auction ends at 9pm at the end of the Annual Members' Meeting, so be sure to stop by often to make sure your bid stays on top as the winning bid! Proceeds will benefit Del Ray Artisans.

A big shout of THANKS to Michaels Stores and Mike (manager at the Michaels in Hybla Valley, 7690A Richmond Hwy) for a great discount on birdhouses for our fundraiser!



"Wild Barnyard" by Rusty Lynn and
"Birdies be Toothsome" by Kathy Turner

Cat-urday Toy Making Workshop

Saturday, October 29 is National Cat Day! Celebrate by making toys for your (or a friend's) feline from 10am-12pm at the gallery. This workshop gives you all the tools you need to make felt mice & birds, wine cork candies, and a classic stick with string taunting toy, as well as an optional T-shirt cat tent (bring a t-shirt).

Supplies fee is \$5 or bring your own. Instruction is free for Del Ray Artisans members and \$10 for non-members. Donations to Del Ray Artisans, as always, are much appreciated. During this activity, DRA will also be collecting donations of clean towels, blankets, and cat/kitten wet food for the Vola Lawson Animal Shelter. Register in advance and view the supplies list at: www.DelRayArtisans.org/event/cat-toy-making/

New DRA Brochure!

Special Thanks to Nancy Flores for volunteering her talents to give DRA a glorious new brochure. Next time you are at the gallery, check out the new look Nancy gave us while preserving the current branding of Del Ray Artisans. And grab a few brochures to pass out or leave in your favorite neighborhood location to help us promote our fantastic organization.

25th Anniversary!

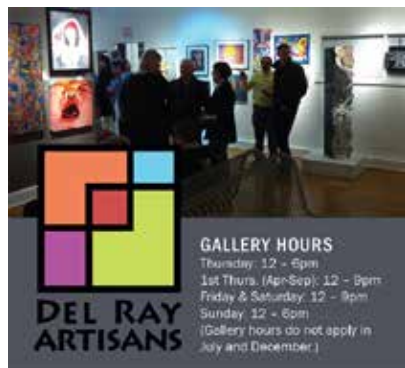
Can you believe in 2017 it will be 25 years since the founding of Del Ray Artisans? Time does fly, and it is time to celebrate. The 25th Anniversary Committee has begun planning some exciting events throughout 2017 to commemorate and celebrate all of DRA's accomplishments. Help is needed on each event. Please volunteer your time in appreciation of all that DRA offers to each of us. Contact Linda at 25years@DelRayArtisans.org to offer your help.

Note TO the President

If you look back at previous issues of *The Well-Crafted Word* newsletter, you'll notice a theme in the notes from President Kim Joy. She offers words of encouragement to all artists, large and small; reminds us of the importance of community; and repeatedly thanks members and all those who volunteer their efforts for our organization.

"Turn-around is fair play", as they say. Kim is not running for President in 2017 because she is beginning a new chapter in her life in Ohio! Kim has stood fast in adverse times and has helped DRA move forward in this ever-changing age of technology, from keyless door locks to new computers and websites!

It's our turn to say: "Thank you, Kim! We'll miss you. Stay in touch and keep paying it forward!"



Del Ray Artisans' 2017 Wall Calendar Entries due 10/28/2016

Members: Submit your best work to the 4th annual Del Ray Artisans' calendar! All entries are to be received digitally, and no physical pieces of art will be collected. There is no entry fee, no theme, and work previously shown at DRA is acceptable. We will select about 40 pieces of art for the 2017 Wall Calendar, which is a fundraiser to benefit DRA, and a fun way to support our arts organization and share your talent with the community.

The call for entry is at:

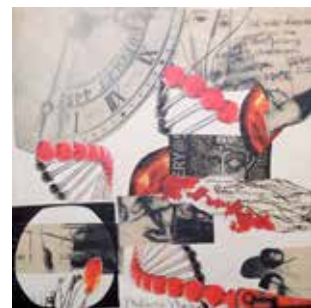
DelRayArtisans.org/category/cfe

21st Annual Del Ray Artisans Holiday Market

Join us for the 21st annual Fine Art & Fine Craft Holiday Market at Del Ray Artisans gallery. The Market is open for the first 3 weekends in December. Hours are Fridays 6-9pm, and Saturdays & Sundays 11am-6pm. There are completely different artists each weekend, so visit us all three weekends! Admission is free! Stay tuned for details!

Come Play with Collage Cut Ups!

Millie Mateu will guide you through a fun art activity on Thursday, Oct 27 from 7-9pm, making simple collages that have high impact, using "Local Flavor" as inspiration. The activity is free for DRA members and \$10 for non-members. Register in advance at: DelRayArtisans.org/event/come-play-collage-cut-ups



"Music of My Life"
by Millie Mateu



Nicholas A. Colasanto Center
2704 Mount Vernon Avenue
Alexandria, VA 22301-1124

703.838.4827
TheDelRayArtisans.org

Gallery Hours:

Thursday: noon-6 pm
First Thursday:
(April-Sept.) noon-9 pm
Friday: noon-9 pm
Saturday: noon-9 pm
Sunday: noon-6 pm

Submission Deadline: 15th of the month
Editor: Newsletter@DelRayArtisans.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.

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Calendar

October 2016

- 1 COMMUNITY: Art on the Avenue, 10am-6pm
- 2-3 Artwork Receiving for *Local Flavor* and Birdhouses dropoff, 6-8pm
- 7-25 Birdhouses of Del Ray Silent Auction Fundraiser
- 7-30 **SHOW: Local Flavor**
(Curator Dawn Wyse Hurto)
- 7 Opening Reception, 7-9pm
- 10 Partners in Art, 2-4pm
- 11 Board Meeting, 7pm
- 12 Life Drawing, 2-5pm, Short/Long (clothed)
- 12 Life Drawing, 6:30-9:30pm, Long
- 21 *H₂O/Waterworks* entry deadline, 11:59pm
- 23 Life Drawing, 9:30-11:30am, Gesture
- 25 Annual Member Meeting & Elections, 7-9pm
- 26 Life Drawing, 2-5pm, Short/Long
- 26 Life Drawing, 6:30-9:30pm, Long
- 27 Come Play with Collage Cut Ups, 7-9pm
- 28 Wall Calendar entry deadline, 11:59pm
- 29 Cat-urday Toy Making Workshop, 10am-12pm
- 30-31 Artwork Receiving for *H₂O/Waterworks*, 6-8pm

More information at: calendar.TheDelRayArtisans.org

November 2016

- 4-27 **SHOW: H₂O/Waterworks**
(Curator Michele Reday Cook)
- 4 Opening Reception, 7-9pm
- 7 Partners in Art, 2-4pm
- 8 Board Meeting, 7pm
- 9 Life Drawing, 2-5pm, Short/Long
- 9 Life Drawing, 6:30-9:30pm, Long
- 20 Life Drawing, 9:30-11:30am, Gesture (clothed)
- 24 THANKSGIVING: The gallery will be closed Thursday, but open Friday-Sunday.

December 2016

- 2-4 Holiday Market
- 7 Life Drawing Holiday Party, 1-2pm
- 7 Life Drawing, 2-5pm, Short/Long
- 7 Life Drawing, 6:30-9:30pm, Long
- 9-11 Holiday Market
- 13 Board Meeting, 7pm
- 16-18 Holiday Market
- 19-Jan 1 Gallery is closed

Join or renew your Del Ray Artisans membership today!

Visit TheDelRayArtisans.org/Membership for details.

Other Key Contacts

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Art on the Avenue 2016

Visit these Del Ray Artisans members during Art on the Avenue on **Saturday, October 1 from 10am-6pm:**

MEMBER	BUSINESS	BOOTH	MEDIA
Jennifer Allevato	Jennifer Allevato	E 21	Painting, paper
Rita Cohen	Rita Cohen: Weaver	W 139	Fiber, weaving
Kajal Dhabalia	Wholesome Soul	W 82	Painting, mixed media
Randy Estabrook	Brown Dog Clay Studio	E 162	Ceramics
Chris Fedderson	MacroFine Photography	E 136	Photography
Kate Gibney	Lucid Arts Jewelry	W 133	Jewelry
Monica Hoke	Monica Hoke	E 6	Painting
Kim Joy	Kim S. Joy	W 172	Jewelry, glass
Stephen Lally	Turners and Burners	E 15	Ceramics, wood
Diana Papazian	Papazian Jewelry Designs	E 159	Jewelry
Ron Tickerhoff	Wolf Mountain Glass	W 190	Glass
Joyce Wagner	Reinvented Elegance	W 182	Jewelry, mosaics
Laura Whitaker	Hammered & Corked	W 26	Jewelry

Artist Demonstrations

Directly in front of the gallery during Art on the Avenue (**Booth W193**), Del Ray Artisans presents artist demonstrations. Come see these artists work:

- **Jen Nicholson** (Calligraphy) and **Betsy Mead** (Glass artist) from 10am-12pm
- **Seana Gallagher** and **Sherrill Farley** (Oil painting) from 12-2pm
- **Kath Gayle** and **Melanie Bikowski** (Abstract painting, mixed media) from 2-4pm
- **Rita Schooley** (Oil painting) from 4-6pm

An additional Del Ray Artisans artist is demonstrating in the lot next to Bean Creative at 2213 Mount Vernon Avenue. Check out this demo:

- **Jen Athanas, Jen-A-Fusion Fashion Accessories** (Fiber art: How to create fashion accessories using recycled, reclaimed and vintage fabrics.)

Art Exhibit

Inside the gallery, you'll find the *Fire and Earth* art exhibit that combines a National Ceramic Cup exhibit with a Regional 2-D exhibit. This is the final weekend of *Fire and Earth*, and artwork may go home with the purchaser starting today (Oct 1). The gallery is open until 9pm on Saturdays.

**Del Ray Artisans gallery
at the Nicholas A. Colasanto Center**

2704 Mount Vernon Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22301-1124


Phone: 703-838-4827

www.DelRayArtisans.org

Thursday: Noon to 6 pm
 First Thursday (Apr-Sep): Noon to 9 pm
 Friday: Noon to 9 pm
 Saturday: Noon to 9 pm
 Sunday: Noon to 6 pm

Free admission, Open to the public

KEY

 = Approx location of Del Ray Artisans Member Booth

WEST SIDE

EAST SIDE

Stop in to see the exhibit!

Art on the Avenue

SAT. OCT. 1 2016 10AM-6PM
 A REGIONAL MULTICULTURAL ARTS & MUSIC FESTIVAL

Along Mount Vernon Avenue in Del Ray on **Saturday, October 1 from 10am-6pm**, you'll find: **Art on the Avenue**, a multicultural arts festival celebrating our community's diversity through the arts in Alexandria, Virginia. There will be entertainment for all ages, art activities, food and over 300 artists displaying and selling their work all along Mount Vernon Avenue. Art on the Avenue is sponsored by the Del Ray Business Association.

For more information, visit:
www.artontheavenue.org

