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## ***Au Naturel* at Del Ray Artisans Gallery**

**Dates: August 7-30, 2015**

**Opening Reception: Friday, August 7 from 7-9pm**

**Alexandria, Virginia (released: July 16, 2015)** – Del Ray Artisans presents *Au Naturel*, an art exhibit that goes beyond the traditional interpretation of nude or naked. In this exhibit, artists express their unique interpretation of “au naturel” as they celebrate the natural and exposed, the pure and untouched, the bare and raw, and the candid. Their work interprets figures, objects, emotions, and feelings; uncompleted projects and unintentional steps “in the process”. Patrons can expect to see the vulnerable, the powerful, and expressions with no cover or filter—objects or beings in full exposure or that are in their truest and most candid form and natural state.

The exhibit runs from August 7 through August 30, 2015. Please join us at the opening reception on Friday, August 7 from 7 to 9 pm at Del Ray Artisans gallery. For more information about *Au Naturel*, visit [www.TheDelRayArtisans.org/shows](http://www.TheDelRayArtisans.org/shows) or contact Tamara Wilkerson at [Programs@TheDelRayArtisans.org](mailto:Programs@TheDelRayArtisans.org)

Del Ray Artisans gallery is located at the Nicholas A. Colasanto Center, 2704 Mount Vernon Avenue, Alexandria, Virginia 22301. Regular gallery hours are: Thursdays 12–6pm; First Thursdays (May-September) 12–9pm; Fridays and Saturdays 12–9pm; and Sundays 12–6pm. The gallery is free, open to the public, and handicap accessible.

*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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