



New Space = New Opportunities for Artists

OFF-BEAT AUCTION PROGRAM ADS FOR SALE!

The Off-Beat Auction approaches at a fast and furious pace! **To make the Auction a huge financial success**, we need lots of help in two specific areas: **program ad sales** and the **silent auction**.

All Auction attendees will receive a program booklet that will serve as a directory of all items in both the live and silent auctions. We are selling advertising space in this booklet.

We are also collecting items for the silent auction that will be held in conjunction with the auction of one-of-a-kind artistic furnishings. Functional or fine art, weekends at a beach house, or an exotic home-cooked meal, are just some of the items we'd love to include in our silent auction.

Your help recruiting silent auction donations or program ads would be greatly appreciated. Your personal appeal for support to businesses you patronize would be invaluable.

The deadline for silent auction donations and program ad sales is November 1.

We also need your help with ticket sales. Pick up a packet of tickets to sell.

To advertise in the program, donate a silent auction item or pick up a packet of tickets to sell, please call Andrea LaRue (703) 836-9246 or Martha Larson (703) 836-0413.

WORKSHOPS & OFF-BEAT AUCTION GALA IMPORTANT DATES AND CONTACTS

Oct. 12, 19, 25 - Help prime donated furniture for use in faux-finishing workshops. Contact David Talmage (703) 768-0709.

Oct. 18 & Nov. 1 (9am-3pm) - Faux-Finishing Workshops.
Contact Linda Silk (703) 533-7684.

Nov. 1 - Deadline for Auction program ad sales and silent auction donations.

Nov. 22 - Help finish furniture for Auction. Contact David Talmage (703) 768-0709.

Dec. 2-3 - Preview Exhibit of Off-Beat Auction Furniture.
Contact Kathryn Brown (703) 549-5227.

Dec. 5 (7pm-11pm) - Off-Beat Auction & Gala. The big fund-raising event of the Del Ray Artisans! Held at the elegant Lyceum, 201 S. Washington St., in Old Town Alexandria, a festive reception, silent auction and highly entertaining live auction of the "finished" furniture. Contact Trae Underwood (703) 548-3527.

We still need lots of help! The following committee chairs for this grand event would love to hear from you!

PR Committee - Linda Silk (703) 533-7689. Publicity for faux-finishing workshops, preview exhibition and auction; production of Gala program; advertising solicitation for Gala program.

Fundraising Committee - Andrea LaRue (703) 836-9246. Program ad sales, sponsorships, ticket sales, silent auction donations, food/reception donations.

Event Day Committee - Trae Underwood (703) 548-3527. Set up/cleanup, coordinate day's events for Auction & Gala.

Furniture Committee - David Talmage (703) 768-0709. Mending, patching and priming wood prior to workshops; sealing and varnishing furniture after workshops.

The first gallery show in the new Del Ray Artisans Center location shows off our fabulous new space at the Nicholas Colasanto Center, 2704 Mt. Vernon Ave! The "Essential Del Ray Artisan" show from Oct. 3-5 fills the walls with the impressive talent and style unique to the Del Ray Artisans members.

Top notch photography, painting, sculpture, stained glass, jewelry, furniture and more, places the Del Ray Artisans Center among the best of the galleries featured during Alexandria's Art Safari and Del Ray's Art on the Avenue festival.

Curator for the "Essential Del Ray Artisan" show, Martin Angebrannt, DRA's Co-Executive Director, thanks the judges and the people who helped hang the show.

This amazing new gallery space is polished and ready for action. Our members have worked tirelessly to create a place for local artists to both present their work and work at their craft. Attend our upcoming General Membership Meeting on Oct. 9, to learn and share ideas for new uses of this space.

MANY THANKS!

Many thanks to those who've given generous time and effort to create this amazing new center: Among those who moved us from our old location to the new, painted and scrubbed: Martin Angebrannt, Eleanor Baker, Tanya Belgrove, Susan Buchanan, Alethea Camp, Alice Cannon, Teri Deutsch, Judy Grumbacher, Kate Grumbacher, Vera Vaira Harik, Andrea LaRue, Vivienne Lukacs, Mary Jo Long, Patsieann Misiti, Matt Schwartz, Linda Silk, David Talmage.

And special appreciation beyond words for the incredible efforts of a group of people who've made this all possible. To Marlin Lord, for his endless work to secure this space for us. To Martha Larson and Bob Larson who labored many hours and literally built gallery walls to showcase our members' work. And also to Mt. Vernon Recreation Center's Mike Heubler who has worked right along side the members to make this space a reality and meet the Art on the Avenue deadline so we could show off our new location.



MAKE ONE-TAKE ONE CHILDREN'S ART WORKSHOP

On Oct. 25, DRA will carry on their "Make One-Take One" arts and crafts workshop tradition at the new Mt. Vernon Rec Center. Mike Heubler, the Center Director, has graciously offered to round up 15 young artists ranging in age from 5-12 who will "embellish" picture frames with a fun mix of colored glue and assorted doo-dads. The kids will take one, complete with a polaroid shot of themselves, home to parents or grandparents, and take the other to an area nursing home to brighten someone's day. The workshop is organized by Charlotte Corcoran, who's being assisted by Beckey Heavner and Jane DeWeerd. Staffers from the Mt. Vernon Rec Center will also lend a hand.

CARD PARTY, A GLITTERING SUCCESS

From cute to crazy, the unique collection of Del Ray Artisan hand-crafted cards are sure to be a great fund raiser! Featured at the Art on the Avenue festival booth and also available at the Center, each card is definitely one-of-a-kind. Thanks to the talented hands of Judy Grumbacher, Sara Zenge, Kate Grumbacher, Kathryn Brown, Trae Underwood, Linda Silk, David Talmage, Bob Larson, Karen Hoben, Charlotte Corcoran, Mary Kopczynski, Alice Cannon, Beckey Heavner and Marlin Lord.

BLAKE AND BUCHANAN STEP FORWARD TO FILL OPEN BOARD GRANTS SLOT

Finally our Grants position on the DRA Board is filled! Ron Blake volunteered and will head up the existing grants work and Susan Buchanan will work with rustling up new sources for grants.

Thanks, Ron and Susan!

CALL FOR ENTRIES

The DRA is invited to hang a members-only exhibit at the **American Horticultural Society's** historic headquarters, "River Farm." Aug. 3 - Sept. 18, 1998. Contact Linda Silk, DRA Gallery Coordinator (703) 533-7684.

ACT! Artists for Consciousness Transformation in Charlottesville, VA is organizing a statewide "Peaceworks" exhibition for 1998. Submissions due by Apr. 1, 1998. Contact Serena Sage, PO Box 526, Charlottesville, VA 22902, (804) 977-0618 or JANE4Peace@aol.com.

Gallery West, Emerging Artists Exhibition. Jan. 4 - Feb. 3, 1998. All-Media Juried Show. Fee \$10 for 3 entries. Cash Prizes. Delivery 12/27 & 12/28. Emerging artists defined as those who have been accepted into fewer than 6 juried shows in past year. Send SASE for prospectus to Gallery West, 205 S. Union St., Alexandria, VA 22314, Lorraine Oerth (703) 739-1349.

COME SHAKE YOUR PUMPKINS AT THE HALLOWEEN PARTY!!

Boo-tiful artistic costumes, creative pumpkin carving, and a guaranteed outrageous time is on tap for one of DRA's famous Halloween bashes on Friday, October 31 at the DRA Center.

To everyone's ghoulish delight, Steve Crossett has agreed to organize this particularly outlandish event. Please give Steve a call to lend him a hand with this not-too-miss party (703) 683-0143.



Mill River Gallery, First Annual Spring Regional Juried Show: *the American Landscape*, Mar. 10-Apr. 5, 1998. Deadline Jan. 30. All media. Send SASE for prospectus to Mill River Gallery, First Annual Spring Regional Juried-The American Landscape, Historic Oella Mill, 840 Oella Ave., Ellicott City, MD 21043.

Arts in Embassies Program. Artists can loan works for 2-3 years to embassies worldwide. Dept. of State handles: costs of pickup, packaging, shipping, return insurance. Send resume/slide sheet of works available: Marry Hollis Hughes, Art in Embassies Program, US Dept. of State, A/Art, Room B 258, Washington, DC, (202) 647-5723.

Portrait as ICON. Juried by Terrie Sultan, Curator at the Corcoran Gallery, Washington, DC. May 3 - Jun. 7, 1998. All artist, all media, work must be for sale. Submit 3 slides by Feb. 15, 1998. For prospectus, send SASE to Target Gallery, Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 North Union St. Alexandria, VA 22314, (703) 549-6877.

1998-99 GRANT WORKSHOPS

Alexandria Commission for the Arts is hosting workshops to inform new applicants of the Commission's grant program, and to inform previous grant recipients of any changes made to the program for FY 1998-99. The workshop for City Arts Project Grants for individual artists who reside in Alexandria, and who as part of their project will conduct an outreach activity that will benefit Alexandria residents, will be held Oct. 6 and Oct. 22 from 7pm-9pm in the Arts and Crafts Room of the Nannie J. Lee Memorial Recreation Center, 1108 Jefferson St.

Copies of the 1998-99 *Guide to Funding* and application forms will be available from the Commission's office on Oct. 1. All completed grant applications must be submitted to the Commission office by 5pm Nov. 21. For additional information on the Granting Program or other programs and services of the Alexandria Commission for the Arts, contact the office at (703) 838-6348.



Become a Member Join Del Ray Artisans Now!

Name _____

Street _____

City _____

State _____

Zip _____

Telephone(s) _____

Email _____

I am interested in volunteering ☐ Yes ☐ No

I can be a liaison for Del Ray Artisans at my local civic group ☐ Yes ☐ No

Membership Categories:

Student - \$25

Individual - \$35

Household - \$50

Corporate - \$100

Please make check payable to Del Ray Artisans and mail it to:
2210 Mt. Vernon Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22301, Attn: Membership.



Del Ray Artisans' Center
2210 Mt. Vernon Avenue
Alexandria, Virginia 22301
703-684-6549



THE ESSENTIAL DEL RAY ARTISAN
Fri.-Sun., Oct. 3-5
First Exhibit at Colasanto Center!

General Membership Meeting:
Thurs. October 9, 7pm (second Thurs. of ea month)
Colasanto Center, 2704 Mt. Vernon Ave.

Auction Committee Meeting:
Thurs., Sept. 23, 7pm
Colasanto Center

Membership expires: 12/30/97

Mr. Robert S. Larsen
Ms. Martha Larsen
2211 Commonwealth Avenue
Alexandria, Virginia 22301

ARTS RESOURCE FOUNDATION is a 501(c)(3) public membership organization formed to create and support community-based arts organizations and promote the arts as a resource for community development. DEL RAY ARTISANS is a community arts group featuring two- and three-dimensional works of decorative and functional art and fine crafts through exhibits, lectures, and instructional classes in the community. DEL RAY ARTISANS is funded, managed and operated by ARTS RESOURCE FOUNDATION.

Board of Directors: Martin Angebrandt, Co-Executive Director (703) 683-3738; Terry Atkin, Graphics Design Director; Nick Bayus, Community Involvement Director (703) 549-9323; Kathryn Brown, Assistant Treasurer & Selection Committee Chair (703) 549-5227; Charlotte Corcoran, Assistant Executive Director (703) 548-1521; Ellyn Ferguson, Director (703) 549-2660; Kate Grumbacher, Membership Director (703) 845-0660; Martha Larson, Co-Executive Director (703) 836-0413; Andrea LaRue, Volunteer Coordinator (703) 836-9246; Mary Jo Long, Secretary (703) 549-1085; Marlin Lord, Treasurer (703) 683-1112; Linda Silk, Gallery Coordinator (703) 533-7689; Susan Downs Slattery, Director (703) 922-7290; David Talmage, Director (703) 768-0709; Trae Underwood, Communications Director (703) 548-3527.

DEL RAY ARTISANS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

OCT. 3, 4, 5	ESSENTIAL DEL RAY ARTISAN EXHIBIT
OCT. 4	ART ON THE AVENUE
OCT. 12, 19, 25	PRIME FURNITURE FOR WORKSHOPS
OCT. 18	FAUX-FINISHING WORKSHOP I
OCT. 31	HALLOWEEN PARTY
NOV. 1	FAUX-FINISHING WORKSHOP II
NOV. 1	DEADLINE FOR AUCTION PROGRAM AD SALES AND SILENT AUCTION DONATIONS
NOV. 13	NOVEMBER GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
NOV. 22	FINISH FURNITURE FOR OFF-BEAT AUCTION
DEC. 2-3	PREVIEW EXHIBIT OF OFF-BEAT AUCTION FURNITURE
DEC. 5	OFF-BEAT AUCTION & GALA
DEC. 11	DECEMBER GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
JAN. - FEB.	SENIOR ART SHOW