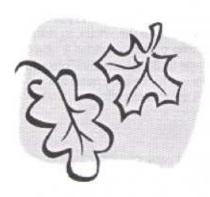


# The Well Crafted Word

**Del Ray Artisans** .....since 1992 www.radiodelray.com/artisans

September 2003



Contributors this month include:

Susan Slattery, Sue Kulesher,

Karen Schmitz, Kathryn Brown,

Linda Silk, Dave Nicholson and

month preceding (9/20 for October)

Submission deadline-20th of

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Darlene Wood-Harvey Edited by: Dave Nicholson 2003 Fall All Member Show Upon Us

Show dates: September 5th - 21st

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First Thursday Preview: Thursday. September 4th 6 to 9 p.m.-

Opening Reception:

Friday, September 5th, 7 to 10 p.m. Gallery hours:

Saturdays 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sundays noon to 4 p.m.

Between the end of summer and the start of winter lies Fall . . . what memories does it evoke for you? Back to school? Leaves? Crisp evenings? The smell of the fireplace? New routines or renewed familiarities?

Come, join us and celebrate those memories and the new beginnings that autumn bringst

### Board Elections, 16 positions 5 vacancies remain

Board elections will be held during the October 21st COMMUNICATIONS Dave Nicholson General Member meeting. There still are positions "Press Releases "Newsletter open, please contact Martin Angebranndt at 2angebranndts@comcast.net to indicate your. interest. Below are the position descriptions and current office-holder. Unless noted, each person IS FUNDRAISING open standing for re-election.

#### **EXECUTIVE BOARD POSITIONS:**

PRESIDENT (Officer) Susan Downs Slattery

- \*Run Meetings / agenda \*Liaison
- \*Represent DRA
- \*Attend city (etc.) meetings as requested
- \*Coordinate communications between board

# VICE PRESIDENT(Officer)Jen Whitman Chappell MEMBERSHIP Doris Lockard

"Shares duties of the president

#### SECRETARY (Officer) L'Tonya Tobin

- \*Corporate records
- \*Minutes \*By laws
- \*Correspondences

### TREASURER AND ASST. TREASURER

- (Officers)Marlin Lord, Kathryn Brown (Asst.) \*Keeping accounts \*Monthly Financial reports
- \*Incorporation maintenance \*Taxes \*Account receivable / payable
- \*Mail \*Lease

#### BOARD MEMBER POSITIONS: CURATOR COORDINATOR open

- \*Assist Gallery Coordinator in finding curators
- \*Train & assist curators
- \*Maintain Curator's Manuals

#### FACILITY Deborah Peterson

- \*Building maintenance / upgrades
- \*Exterior / landscaping (Garden committee)
- \*Computer maintenance
- \*Signage, lighting Cleaning, monthly nainting maintenance

- Website content
- 'Graphics (Visual identity) 'Marketing/Brochure

- \*Special events for fundraising \*T-shirts, etc.
- \*Benefactors / donors
- \*Adopt-a-Park
- \*Card making parties
- \*Grants and Endowments

#### GALLERY COORDINATOR Karen Schmitz

- \*Gallery shows & coordination
- \*Liaison with curators
- \* Responsible for gallery activities calendar

- \*Maintenance of mailing lists
- Welcoming new members
- \*Renewal notices / cards
- \*Member statistics / demographics \*Benefits definitions \*Recruitment \*Directory
- \*Levels of membership

#### OUTREACH open

\*Promotion in community / region \*Art on the Avenue \*Gallery Without Walls \*Earth Day \*1st Thursday \*Festivals \*Scholarships/endowments

#### PROGRAMS Samantha Lentz

- \*Workshops
- \*Demonstrations
- \*Art talks \*Classes
- \*Art Camp

#### VOLUNTEERS Vivienne Lukacs

- \*Recruitment \*Coordinating
- \*Scheduling \*Appreciation / Perks
- \*Maintain Volunteer list

HISTORIAN/ARCHIVIST open COMMUNITY/CORPORATE

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# You DO Have a Winning DRA T-shirt Design, don't You?

Rock the Kasbahl Better known as "The Avenue" with your own design for the newest edition of the well-known and highly-regarded DRA T-shirt.

Both 2-color and 4-color designs will be considered. Submit your entry as soon as possible to be considered. Contact Dave Nicholson f8photog@yahoo.com.

# **ELEMENTS Exhibit: A Cool, Blue, August Respite**

The August "ELEMENTS" exhibit was presented as flowing water and windperfect for a DC August. Lots of cooling blues and greens greeted 1st Thursday guests (30) and opening night attendees (125). Many present complimented firsttime curator, Darlene Wood-Harvey, on a

show well-done. Wood-Harvey offers many thanks to all the artists, to Karen Schmitz who patiently guided a new curator and to Christopher Wright and Craig Harvey for helping hang the exhibit. A great team effort!

### Another Exhibition Opportunity

Board meeting (7:00 PM)

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Students Art Show, curator-Linda Silk

Janet's Java, located near the intersection of Telegraph and Franconia Roads in Alexandria, is seeking artists interested in exhibiting work at this

Apr. 13

May 6

May 11

Jun. 3

Jun. 8

May 7-23

Jun. 4-July 18

July 26-July 30 Art Camp 2004

newly-opened coffeehouse. Great opportunity for your works to be seen...and purchased. For information, contact Janet Kimmel at 703.960.2900.

Sept. 4	1st Thursday Provious Fall All Mombons Show IS 00 0 00 Day
Sept. 5 - 21	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday Preview, Fall All Members Show (6:00-9:00 PM) Fall All Members Show, curator-Lauren Supina 703.462.2034
Sept. 9	Board meeting (7:00 PM)
Sept. 13 -14	Alexandria Festival of the Arts
Oct. 3 - 26	Del Ray Dozen, curator-Rob Rudick 301.270.2323
Oct. 4	Art on the Avenue (10:00 AM-6:00 PM)
Oct. 14	Board meeting (7:00 PM)
Oct. 21	Board Elections and General Member Event (7:30 PM)
Nov. 7-30	Washington Wood Workers Guild Collaboration, curator-Solon Candage 202.244.3510, co-curator-Martin Angebranndt 703.521.7703
Nov.11	Board meeting (7:00 PM)
Dec. 6-7	Holiday Arts & Craft Sale (9:00 AM-4:00 PM), organizers-Linda Silk 703.533.7689 and Liz Martinez
Dec. 9	Board meeting (7:00 PM)
Dec. 12-28	Hot Aloha December-Curator Needed
Jan. 9-25, 2004	4 Renaissance, curator-Richard Wyvill
Jan. 13, 2004	Board Meeting (7:00 PM)
Feb. 6	RED2 Fundraiser, (8:00 PM-midnight),
	co-chairs-Jen Chappell/Susan Slattery
Feb. 10	Board meeting (7:00 PM)
Feb. 13-29	Desert Island Challenge, curator-Linda Silk 703.533.7689
Mar. 5-28	Springwater Fiber Art Collaboration, curator-Julie Geschwind 703.768.3897/ DRA Co-curator needed
Mar. 9	Board meeting (7:00 PM)
April	Spring All Member Show, Curator needed
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1st Thursday Preview Students Art Show (6:00-9:00 PM)

1st Thursday Preview Fun 'n Games Show (6:00-9:00 PM)

Fun 'n games, curators-Jen Chappell, Susan Slattery, Dave Nicholson



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## Creative Challenge Announced--We dare you to participate

Imagine being stranded on a desert island for four months with an assortment of found objects. What will one's creative juices and imagination lead to?

That is the question being posed by show curator Linda Silk.

The challenge begins in September, and concludes with a February 13<sup>th</sup> opening reception.

### **Our Continuing Sponsors**

Again our thanks to our DRA Mt. Vernon Avenue business supporters, Royce Flowers and Radio Del Ray. Artists must create works using ONLY the materials in a sealed grab-bag—to be provided by the curator. With the exception of adding water, artists cannot use any tools, brushes, paint, glue, etc. not found in their grab-bags.

Sign up to become an Arts Survivor! See the enclosed insert for additional details.

Also ASAP Printing, and Marty for pulling us out of the fires of a monthly publication cycle that seems to creep up all too fast.

### DRA Artists Needed for Art on the Avenue

Share your skill with the masses who descend on Del Ray for this annual art extravaganza on October 4<sup>th</sup>. Reserve a 45 minute slot now. Artists who participate

may have their own booth and may do demos there rather than at the "official" demo site. Sign-up NOW! contact Mart Larson at 703.836.0413 or mslars@aol.com

### **Art Camp 2003 Report**

This summer's Art campers enjoyed a wonderful week thanks to talented instructors and DRA's inveterate volunteers.

Seventeen students, aged 8-13, spent the week of July 7-11 at both the Colasanto Center and the Mount Vernon Recreation Center. In addition, they were treated to an informative tour of the Torpedo Factory on the last day of the camp where professional artists welcomed them to the Northern Virginia Arts community. Did we mention that they also were able to swim each day that the weather was sunny?

Campers were divided into two groups. On Monday and Tuesday, Lorraine Bentley and Vivienne Lukacs taught kaleidoscope making while Beverly Hansen guided another group in the process' for making self-portrait collages and paper mosaics.

Wednesday and Thursday saw the campers working with Kathryn Brown and Megan Cook building pinhole cameras while L'Tonya Tobin gave instruction and oversaw decorative painting on bird houses and flower boxes. Each day Carol O'Neil and Meg Barody gave lessons in various aspects of drawing.

While all of this artist activity was taking place, Nancy Keim, Jane DeWeerd and Gail Goldfarb were either assisting the instructors or preparing lunches for the hungry campers.

Thanks go to Sheila Whiting and Staff, of the Mt. Vernon Recreation Center, and to Bryan Banner, Alexandria's pool director, for their help.

Special thanks to financial contributors:

Mayor Bill Euille, business owner Jack Taylor, the Potomac West Business Association, and George Mason Elementary School's PTSA.

The week ended with a gala reception and exhibit of the works. These were greeted with enthusiasm by proud parents and happy children.

Michele Reday-Cook and Sue Kulesher planned and organized this year's Camp. A big thank you goes to both of them for their tireless efforts.

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### **Psssst! Wanna Learn How to Write a Grant ?**

Yep, it's time again for the Alexandria Commission for the Arts Grant Workshops. These two-hour sessions cover the finer points of operational, project, technical and special opportunity award grants.

### **Hot Aloha December**

Curator needed for the topical tropical winter show. It may be cold outside but you just know those hot Del Ray Artisans are going to be jammin' and hangin' 10 when the surf's up on the Avenue.

Two different sessions will be held and you should accompany a Del Ray Artisan member if you are interested. Sessions will be Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> and Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> at the Lee Center. Contact Dave Nicholson at 703.578.6471 or <u>f8photog@yahoo.com</u>, if interested.

Help make this brite-colored theme a showcase for islands, vacations and aloha sizzle. Aloha means hello, too! Contact Karen Schmitz at 703.836.0035 or schmityk@yahoo.com with ideas and your volunteer spirit.

### Membership form

Name:	
Street:	
City, State, Zip:	
Telephone:(E)	(D)
Email:	
Make payment payable to	gallery sitting fundraising phoning clean-up show hanging exhibits planning teaching a class curating/co-curating just about anything, contact me

### About Our Organization...

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 that provides them to the community through exhibits, lectures and instructional classes. Del Ray Artisans is funded, managed and operated by Arts Resource Foundation.