

The Well-Crafted Word

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Grown-Ups Art Camp at DRA: June 30 - July 11

Ever notice all the fun summer activities and camps for kids each year? Have you ever wanted to go yourself? Welcome to Del Ray Artisans' version of summer camp for grown-ups! We have 24 workshops and 4 events scheduled over 11 days—morning, afternoon and evening. You can sign up for as many as you want—the choice is yours—and tell your friends! Register right away because these workshops will fill up soon! Workshop details and registration at: TheDelRayArtisans.org/GUAC

Here's a list of the workshops by title:

Another Recipe for Collage; Argentine Tango, Anyone?; Capoeira; Demystify Your DSLR Camera & Break Out of Auto Mode; Domino Bracelet; Figure Drawing Workshop; Framing Your Art: Hows & Wows; From Board Game to Book; Improv for Creativity; Intro to Mixed Media; Jewelry Basics; Let's Face It! Whimsical Faces in Mixed Media; Monotype Magic; Mosaic Picture Frame; Paper Marbling; Photo Transfer Techniques (offered at two different times); Playing with Resin; Rueda Salsa Lessons; Secrets of The Paper Garden; Selling Your Art Online with Square Market; Simple Photo Editing & Workflow Using Free Online Tools & Apps; Stained Glass Pendant; and Stop-Motion Animation Through Collage. **Events include:** Movie Night; SocialLights!; Speed Dating; and a Drawing Marathon.

Instructors:

Paul Alers, Jen Athanas, Barb Boatman, Jose Canchan & Elif Uncu, Sally Coler, Deborah Conn, Kim Joy, Keely Kirk, David Kosar, Theresa Kulstad, Laurie McCarrier, Debbie Smith Mezzetta, Marcelo Novo, Ricardo Pontes, Gustavo Ramallo, Stacy Rausch, Karen Schmitz, Christine Stoddard, Tamara Wilkerson, and Tracy Wilkerson.

Additional details and registration are at: TheDelRayArtisans.org/GUAC or contact Tracy Wilkerson (Grown-Ups Art Camp Coordinator) at GUAC@TheDelRayArtisans.org

Welcome! New Members who Joined Recently:

Howard Bergman Rista Brown — Pottery, Jewelry

Save the Date – August Member Meeting

Save Sunday, August 24, 5-7 pm for our popular *Pie Contest and Indoor Picnic*. Begin searching for that favorite family recipe and dust off those rolling pins.

More details to come.

—Linda Elliff, Membership

Director

July Board Meeting Location

The July 8 DRA board meeting will be held at the Salvation Army office at 1804 Mount Vernon Avenue from 7-9pm. Members are welcome to attend.

—Michele Reday Cook,

President

New Gallery Without Walls Show at Prudential PenFed Realty Office!

A show featuring the work of DRA members Wendy Band, Sharon Frey, and Linda Lowery opened on June 29 and will run through October at the offices of Prudential PenFed in Old Town Alexandria.

Please join us for a reception at 300 N. Washington St., Suite 100, on Monday, July 21 from 7 to 9 pm to see this great new Gallery Without Walls show. Reception is free, but please RSVP to Eileen O'Brien at GWW@TheDelRayArtisans.org.



Next meet-up on Tuesday, August 19

Lights

Social On select evenings, from 6-9 pm, this program allows an open space to encourage

a positive and motivational environment for artists to network and share ideas. Small donation requested. See schedule on page 4 or at

TheDelRayArtisans.org/SocialLights. Questions? Email

Programs@TheDelRayArtisans.org

Nourish & Flourish: The Food Show November 7 - 30, 2014 **All Member Show**

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

Curators: Cathy Messina, John Messina, and Michele Reday Cook.

Art inspired by food — realistic or metaphorical, but worthy of tasting, savoring, chewing, and digesting. During the month of Thanksgiving, we express gratitude for the abundance in our own lives and encourage gallery visitors to make donations of nonperishable food for those less fortunate.

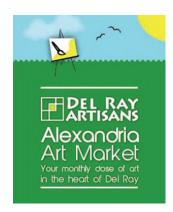
A Special Thanks!

Tracy Wilkerson & John Bordner want to thank everyone for attending the Theatre night at the Little Theatre of Alexandria on Friday, June 13. Tracy and John would also like to give a **SPECIAL THANKS** to the volunteers who tirelessly worked to help make this a successful event for Del Ray Artisans -Camilla Clocker, Alice Eichers, John & Linda Elliff, Katherine Ferguson, Daisy Figueroa, Linda Lowery, Linda Mierke, Harriet McGuire, Veronica Perez, and Dorothy Weiss.

Adopt-a-Park Volunteer **Opportunities**

Adopt-a-Park is fully scheduled through the end of July. Now scheduling August through November. Join us to continue this wonderful effort! Thanks to all who have participated so far. Enjoy fresh air and help the environment!

 Marlin Lord, Facilities Director (Facilities@TheDelRayArtisans.org)



Alexandria Art Market — Saturday, July 12 Held on the second Saturday, May to October, 10 am - 4 pm

Live Music (12 - 2pm) by Back Alley Blues Boys! Del Ray Artisans' Alexandria Art Market presents original artwork from local artists including painting, photography, pottery, jewelry, and glasswork. The "rain or shine" market is held in the park adjoining the gallery. — Kimberley Bush, Coordinator (703-627-7656, ArtMarket@TheDelRayArtisans.org)

Yard Sale inside the Gallery on Saturday, July 12, 8am - Rain or Shine!

Donation Drop-off: Sun 7/6 (2-6pm), Thurs 7/10 (1-8pm) and Fri 7/11 (1-8pm)

Need that one of kind unique gift? Do you have something that you would love to give a new home? Donate to Del Ray Artisans' Yard Sale by dropping off donations during donation times, then come shop on July 12! FREE admission, open to the public, and held indoors (rain or shine). Profits support Del Ray Artisans. For event and donation details, visit: TheDelRayArtisans.org/YardSale

Volunteers needed during donation drop-off days and the yard sale in 2-3 hour shifts. Contact Gale at Volunteers@TheDelRayArtisans.org

Metamorphosis! — October's All-Area Artist Juried Art Exhibit

Metamorphosis implies a distinct transformative change from one form to another — positive, negative, frightening, or enlightening; physical, philosophical, or life changes (marriage, divorce, addiction and rehabilitation ...). Or, dig out an old painting that never worked and rework it in a completely new direction. Turn it upside down. Tear open the canvas. Free yourself to embrace change for better or for worse!

Put on your "A" game and submit your very best work! This juried show is open to all area artists/all media, up to 3 entries per artist. Art Receiving is Sunday, Sept 28 and Monday, Sept 29, 6 – 8 pm. Artists with unaccepted work will be notified Tuesday, Sept 30 and must collect those pieces ASAP.

Our Juror Elizabeth Ann Coleman, curator emeritus, retired in 2004 as Department Head and Curator of Textiles and Fashion Arts at Boston's Museum of Fine Arts. Widely published, she has worked with first-tier American museums, influential historic designers, and with notable living fashion and textile designers. She lectures, consults, and writes in her field on an international level.

Decorate a Mask! Prepare for the Halloween Ball! Purchase blank masks (\$3 each, or 2 for \$5) to decorate and donate back for a silent auction fundraiser. Masks are available NOW at the gallery. Decorate your "maskerpieces" in wearable form. Masks will be sold through silent auction until the October 18 membership meeting and costume swap.

Costume Swap! Dig deep into the funkier recesses of your closet. Drag out some creative duds and accessories! We'll have a costume swap event on Saturday, October 18, during the membership meeting. This will also be your last opportunity to snag one of the creatively decorated masks in the mask silent auction.

Halloween Ball! The culmination of Metamorphosis! will be a ticketed Halloween Ball on Friday, October 31. Music, movies and madness shall ensue. Costumes required! Enter free if you are wearing an an artist-decorated mask. Tickets: \$5 each or 5 for \$20.

— Kathy Turner (bellsonherfingers@gmail.com) & Betty Plummer (bplummer11@verizon.net)



Bird Brains Wanted!

You are challenged to embellish everyday objects, recycled items, and even your artwork, to transform them into new soaring pieces for the September mixed media juried show, "Put a Bird On It!" All media are encouraged, but must include a 'bird' of some sort. View the Call for Entry at: TheDelRayArtisans.org/shows/calls/

"Make a Bird of It!" Workshop

Learn cold connections and assemblage, using tin and found and ordinary objects, while creating a tin bird with popular local artist Laura Hummel. The workshop is on Saturday, September 6 from 9am to 1pm.

Details and registration:
TheDelRayArtisans.org/BirdWorkshop/

From the President All Creatures Great & Small

Del Ray Artisans and the Animal Welfare League of Alexandria are teaming up to present our first animal-themed art exhibit to be displayed on the walls of the Vola Lawson Animal Shelter in Alexandria. DRA members, get ready to submit your best art with animals as the subject, including favorites from previous DRA shows. See the Call For Entry in this newsletter and online for all the details. Opening reception is August 8th and the exhibit runs through October.

- Michele Reday Cook

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SocialLights, 6-9pm

(clothed)

Thursday: noon-6 pm First Thursday:

(May-Sep.) noon-9 pm Friday: noon-9 pm Saturday: noon-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.

2014 Calendar

July 2014 October 2014 Jun 30-11 Grown-Ups Art Camp SHOW: Metamorphosis! visit TheDelRayArtisans.org/GUAC Kathy Turner & Betty Plummer for schedule & registration curators 3 First Thursday, open until 9pm bellsonherfingers@gmail.com 8 Board Meeting, 7pm (not in gallery) bplummer11@verizon.net 5th Annual Yard Sale (indoors) COMMUNITY Art on the 12 Alexandria Art Market, 10am-4pm 12 Avenue, 10 am-6pm ArtMarket@thedelrayartisans.org 6 Partners in Art, 2-4pm Life Drawing, 7-9pm, Short Art Camp Week 1 14-19 6 Art Camp Week 2 8 21-26 Life Drawing, 11-1pm, Gesture (clothed) Drawing, 2-5pm, Short/Long (clothed) August 2014 11 Alexandria Art Market, 10am-4pm 1-31 SHOW: Board Showcase ArtMarket@thedelrayartisans.org First Thursday, open until 9pm 14 Board Meeting, 7pm Partners in Art, 2-4pm 15 Life Drawing, 6:30-9:30pm, Long 4 Life Drawing, 7-9pm, Short Life Drawing, 9:30-11:30 am, Gesture 19 Life Drawing, 11-1pm, Gesture (clothed) 6 18 Annual Meeting/Elections, 5-7pm/ Life Drawing, 2-5pm, Short/Long 6 Halloween costume swap (clothed) 21 SocialLights, 6-9pm 9 Alexandria Art Market, 10am-4pm 22 Life Drawing, 2-5pm, Short/Long ArtMarket@thedelrayartisans.org (clothed) 12 Board Meeting, 7pm Halloween Ball, 8pm 13 Life Drawing, 6:30-9:30pm, Long 17 Life Drawing, 9:30-11:30am, Gesture November 2014 SocialLights, 6-9pm SHOW: Nourish & Flourish: 19 The Food Show Michele Reday 2.0 Life Drawing, 2-5pm, Short/Long 24 Annual Cookout/Pie Contest, 5-7pm Cook and Cathy & John Messina curators mredaycook@gmail.com 27 Life Drawing, 6:30-9:30pm, Long jncmessina@att.net September 2014 Partners in Art, 2-4pm First Thursday, open until 9pm Life Drawing, 7-9pm, Short (clothed) 10 5-28 SHOW: Put a Bird on It Board Meeting, 7pm 11 Barbara Boehm & Linda Elliff curators 12 Life Drawing, 11 am-1pm, Gesture boehm.barb@gmail.com 12 Life Drawing, 2-5pm, Short/Long LLElliff@aol.com Life Drawing, 6:30-9:30pm, Long 13 "Make a Bird of It" Workshop, 9-1pm 6 18 SocialLights, 6-9pm 8 Partners in Art, 2-4pm 19 Life Drawing, 6:30-9:30pm, Long Life Drawing, 7-9pm, Short (clothed) 8 THANKSGIVING, Gallery will be 9 Board Meeting, 7pm closed Thursday, but open Friday-Sunday Life Drawing, 11am-1pm, Gesture 10 10 Life Drawing, 2-5pm, Short/Long 11 Life Drawing, 6:30-9:30pm, Long

Look out for the DRA Holiday Market application online sometime in July. Deadline will be in August so register early!!

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DELRAY ARTISANS "GALLERY WITHOUT WALLS" EXHIBIT CALL FOR ENTRY

ALL CREATURES GREAT AND SMALL

August 3 - October 26, 2014

DEL RAY ARTISANS & the ANIMAL WELFARE LEAGUE OF ALEXANDRIA present a fundraising exhibition of animal-themed art at the Vola Lawson Animal Shelter.

Artists are invited to submit 2D artworks with the subject matter of animals and art with animal-related themes. Artists may submit animal-themed art that was shown at Del Ray Artisans (DRA) previously. Artworks will be displayed on the walls at the Animal Welfare League of Alexandria (AWLA)'s Vola Lawson Animal Shelter for three months. As this is a fundraising effort by both organizations, we are requesting a 40% donation if your works sells, which will be split between DRA and AWLA. In addition, we are charging an entry fee to help defray costs of mounting this exhibition. Art must be submitted digitally for this exhibit. See instructions on entry form.

Del Ray Artisans is also accepting used blankets and towels to donate to the shelter during this exhibition. These items may be dropped off at DRA's gallery or at the animal shelter.

Gallery Without Walls Curator: Eileen O'Brien, GWW@TheDelRayArtisans.org

Entry Requirements for this exhibit: Open to Del Ray Artisans members only

- Artists must upload and send digital submissions to: GWW@TheDelRayArtisans.org
- **DEADLINE IS July 18** (Notification of acceptance by July 25)
- Accepted artwork must be dropped off at the Vola Lawson Animal Shelter at 4101 Eisenhower Ave, Alexandria VA 22304 on Sunday, August 3 between 1pm-4pm.
- Artists may submit up to [3] pieces of artwork. Entry fee is \$5 per piece for accepted artwork.
- Artists must pay their entry fees when dropping off their accepted artwork at the shelter, or prior to drop-off at Del Ray Artisans. Cash and checks accepted at drop-off; credit card payments must be made at in advance at Del Ray Artisans gallery or at: squareup.com/market/del-ray-artisans/awla
- Final acceptance for this exhibit is at the curators' discretion upon viewing artwork at drop-off.
- Your art must be ready to hang or display with wire and screw eyes, mounting and/or display stand, framed, matted, or with edges finished. We cannot show work that is not ready for exhibition. See www.theDelRayArtisans.org/shows/artguidelines.html for details.
- When your art sells, you are asked to make a 40% donation (tax deductible) which is evenly split between DRA and AWLA.

Accepted Artist Requirements (fine print):

- Artists are responsible for drop-off/pick-up arrangements.
- All artists MUST volunteer with set-up, hanging or take down. (No gallery hosting hours are required for this off-site exhibit)
- Insurance for artwork is the responsibility of the artist. Neither Del Ray Artisans, Animal Welfare League of Alexandria, nor the City of Alexandria can be held liable for any loss or damage.
- Permission to photograph any work for publicity purposes is automatically granted by the artist as a requisite for entering the show.
- Work must be original (no reproductions of your original artwork)
- Any artwork left over 30 days after the close of the show will become property of Del Ray Artisans.
- Print out and keep a copy of both sides of this form for your records.



Sunday: Noon – 6 pm









DELRAY ARTISANS "GALLERY WITHOUT WALLS" EXHIBIT ENTRY FORM

ALL CREATURES GREAT AND SMALL

Digital Submission Deadline: Friday, July 18, 2014

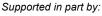
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Accepted Artwork drop-off at the Animal Shelter: Sunday, August 3 from 1pm–4pm Show Location: Vola Lawson Animal Shelter, 4101 Eisenhower Ave, Alexandria VA 22304

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Saturday: Noon – 9 pm Sunday: Noon – 6 pm













PROPOSAL FOR ART EXHIBITION

Del Ray Artisans (DRA) is currently soliciting show proposals for next year's calendar. DRA strives to offer exhibits that reach a broad and diverse audience, encourage artistic development, and represent a wide variety of art forms. The show proposal committee will review all proposals and make recommendations to the Board for final approval.

Proposals can be submitted electronically to Curating@TheDelRayArtisans.org -or- printed and mailed to Attn: Director of Curating, Del Ray Artisans, 2704 Mount Vernon Avenue, Alexandria VA 22301 Curator: _____ Co-Curator (if applicable): _____ Phone/s _____ Email ____ Have you previously curated or co-curated a show at Del Ray Artisans? (Y/N) _____ If yes, date of show _____ Title of show _____ Have you curated a show for any other organization or in any other location? (Y/N) If yes, date of show _____ Location of show _____ Title and theme of show PROPOSED SHOW DESCRIPTION: **Submission requirements:** Is the exhibit: [Mark "Yes" or "No"] For All Area Artists? ____ | DRA Members Only? ____ | Juried? ____ Master's Thesis? _____ | Student? _____ | Collaborative? _____ If collaborative, list collaborating organization ______ Name of contact at collaborating organization _____ Phone/Email Do you have a preferred month for your show?

3 Weeks or different length?____



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A budget is not required for submitting a proposal, but the curator is responsible for preparing a budget to be submitted & approved by the DRA Board. Please include a basic cost estimate for this show. How do you propose defraying show costs?
Entry fees? (Y/N) Workshops? (Y/N) Sponsorships? (Y/N) Donations? (Y/N)
Artist Submission (entry) Fees
DRA members \$ Collaborating Org Members (if applicable) \$ Non-members \$
Sponsorship brief explanation (if applicable)
Who is this exhibition designed to reach? Indicate both artists/exhibitors and intended audience. Use the following questions as a guide:
Does it serve as an outreach project to involve youth, seniors, minorities, handicapped, or disadvantaged, etc? Yes No
Does it serve as a marketplace for art collectors to buy contemporary art by local and regional artists? Yes No
Does it serve as an incubator project, allowing artists to gain experience and fine tune the presentation of their talent? ☐ Yes ☐ No
Would there be any associated educational component such as workshop, demos, class, lecture or performing arts event? Describe any events, activities and coordination with other entities you are planning as part of your exhibit.
Signature(s) Date

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