

Celebrating 25 Years of Making Art . . .

October 2017

The Well-Crafted Word

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Captured Beauty Fine Art Photography Show October 6 – 29, 2017 Opening Reception Friday, October 6, 7-9pm



"Artscape 22" by David Heckman

Join us at the opening reception on Friday, October 6, from 7-9pm. Fine art photography is about how artists communicate

their vision, whether an idea, a message, or an emotion. The *Captured Beauty* show runs October 6-29, 2017 at Del Ray Artisans gallery in the Colasanto Center, 2704 Mount Vernon Avenue, Alexandria, Virginia 22301. This show is presented in collaboration with Union 206 Studio. Gallery hours are: Thursdays 12-6pm, Fridays 12-9pm, Saturdays 12-9pm, and Sundays 12-6pm. The gallery is free, open to the public, and handicap accessible. For more information, contact curator Dave Heckman (dheckman@cox.net) or Director of Curating Kathy Turner (Curating@DelRayArtisans.org).

Del Ray Artisans Election Time! Remember to VOTE

Join us at the annual member meeting on Thursday, October 19 at 7pm. Meet your board members, find out how the board operates and hear Director of Curating Kathy Turner talk about our innovative exhibit schedule for 2018. Only members may vote, so make sure your membership is current. If you cannot attend, we urge you to make a proxy vote. Please do this by emailing your vote (you can vote yea or nay for the entire slate or individual candidates) to Secretary@DelRayArtisans.org by Sunday, October 15 at 6pm, or by calling the gallery at 703-838-4827 on Thursday, October 12 or Friday, October 13 between noon and 6pm. All proxies must be received by Sunday, October 15 at 6pm to be counted. To start the vote, you decide - pepperoni, cheese, or veggie pizza? Send your RSVP with your pizza selection and any questions to Drew at Membership@DelRayArtisans.org.

Welcome, New Members

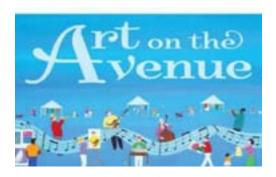
- Joan Bickelhaupt
- Ann A. Chetelat
- Sarah Chittenden
- Nicole A. Hampton
- Leroy Leal
- Patricia A. Smith
- Meg Tally
- Marcia Toepfer
- Victoria Walchak

Please stop in and say "Thank You" to these businesses who are among our sponsors this 25th Anniversary year:

- Cosmopolitan Boat Club
- Let's Meat on the Avenue
- Los Tios Grill
- Alexandria Picture Framing
- Pork Barrel BBQ
- Yoga in Daily Life

In Search of Officer and Director Candidates

The membership meeting on Thursday, October 19 is where we elect Officers and Directors for the following calendar year. Donna Gallo is the Chairperson for the Nominations Committee this year and is looking for volunteers for all positions. Please note that we can have more than one nominee for the same position. Email Donna at autumn.rhythm@yahoo.com for questions or to nominate yourself or another member. You may also contact Kim Joy at President@DelRayArtisans.org with questions. A list of the current slate of nominees appears on Page 3. To review the list of duties of Officers and Directors, see DelRayArtisans.org/about/board/positions/



Art on the Avenue

Art on the Avenue is on Saturday, October 7 from 10-6pm. Art on the Avenue is 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 details:

DelRayArtisans.org/event/art-on-the-avenue-2017

Welcome New Volunteers Director!

Volunteers Director Joshua Oliveira recently moved to Montana. We wish him the best in his new home and thank him for many, many volunteer hours he gave to Del Ray Artisans during his year and half serving on the Board.

In July, the Board welcomed Tracy Wilkerson as the new Volunteers Director. She is a long-time member of Del Ray Artisans, past Office Manager, past curator, past coordinator of the Holiday Market, and the founding organizer of Grown-Ups Art Camp.

As Tracy gets into position, please continue to keep track of your volunteer hours for Del Ray Artisans. All hours emailed to Volunteers@DelRayArtisans.org are being recorded even if you haven't received a reply.

Watch the Weekly eNews or follow VolunteersDRA on Twitter for the latest volunteer needs.

\$100 and Under Call for Entry November 3 – 26, 2017 Entries due: October 20, 2017

Del Ray Artisans is bringing back our popular exhibit from 2015, inviting members to submit their best work — all priced at \$100 and under. All media and all themes are welcome. Art that has previously been shown at DRA is welcome in this exhibit. The art will be sold on an art-to-go basis, with buyers taking art home when purchased.



"Ben" by Kathy Turner

For this exhibit, artists may submit up to five artworks. The first three that are accepted will be for immediate display, with the ad-

ditional entered and accepted artworks to be available to hang as others are sold. Curators will accept and display as much art as space permits. This will be a rapidly evolving exhibit, as sold artwork is replaced each week with new work. There will be no marketplace, so we can make room for lots of great art at prices all art lovers can afford. Call for entry details are at DelRayArtisans.org/2017/08/100-and-under-cfe/.

Childhood Memories Reception September 1









Yoga Class Winner

Congratulations to Karen Thomas, winner of the raffle for the \$80 gift certificate for a class at Yoga in Daily Life, 2402 Mount Vernon Avenue. Karen's name was drawn from among those who accessorized a DRA t-shirt at the opening reception of *Childhood Passions*.

Love to Make Stuff from Stuff: A Workshop by Rusty Lynn

What do you get when you combine a box, an asthma inhaler, wire, yarn, heavy paper and acrylic paint?

(a) A messy pile of trash (b) A toy for your pet hamster (c) A rat *(See answer below)

Rusty Lynn will guide you in a workshop where you can learn and explore how to make small or large sculptures and figures from boxes with glue, wire, tape, bits of plastic, ephemera, oddities, and acrylic paint. The sky is the only limit!

Where: Del Ray Artisans gallery, 2704 Mt. Vernon Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22301

When: Saturday, October 28, 10am - noon

Cost: \$35 for DRA members (plus \$10 supply fee); \$45 for non-members (plus \$10 supply fee)

Register at DelRayArtisans.org/event/love-to-make-stuff-from-stuff/

Class size: 5-12 students

Walk-ins are welcome. Please plan ahead to arrive on time. Call Rusty if you have questions or suggestions: 703-350-7174 or email at rustylynn@earthlink.net.

*Answer: c) A rat ("Arnold the Rat" by Rusty Lynn, see photo at right)



"Arnold the Rat" by Rusty Lynn

December Holiday Market

Join us for the 22nd annual Fine Art & Fine Craft Holiday Market at Del Ray Artisans gallery. The Market is open the first three weekends in December; Fridays 6-9pm, and Saturdays & Sundays 11am-6pm. Each weekend, there's a different group of artists. Admission is free. Look for details in next month's issue of *The Well-Crafted Word*. Photos below are from the 2016 market.









President's Message

Elections! Yes, it is that time again. Thursday, October 19 is our membership meeting and election. Our nomination chairperson Donna Gallo has been busy making calls to see if any active members are interested in any of the Board positions opening up. Please consider this honor and if any Board position interests you, contact me and I will put you in touch.

Please come out and support the Del Ray Artisans members participating in Art on the Avenue.

The November show "\$100 and Under" should be a good one and everyone should consider submitting.

Keep art in your heart,

-Kim S. Joy President, Del Ray Artisans

Current Officer/ Director Nominees

President - OPEN Vice President - John Bordner Secretary - Kathryn Brown Treasurer - Stephen Lally Assistant Treasurer - Nancy Kline

Director of...
Archives - Sean Crumley
Communications - Rita Schooley
Community - Marlin Lord
Curating - Kathy Turner
Facilities - Kurt Peterson
Fundraising Events - Joe Franklin
Grants & Sponsorship - OPEN
Membership - Drew Cariaso
Outreach - Sophia Suarez
Programs - OPEN
Technology - Dale Spivey

Volunteers - OPEN Youth Programs - OPEN Advisory Past President - Michele

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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.

2017 Board of Directors

- Kim S. Joy, President President@DelRayArtisans.org
- John Bordner, Vice President VP@DelRayArtisans.org
- Stephen Lally, Treasurer Treasurer@DelRayArtisans.org
- Nancy Kline, Assistant Treasurer ATTR@DelRayArtisans.org
- Kathryn A. Brown, Secretary Secretary@DelRayArtisans.org
- Michele Reday Cook, Past President (Advisory) PastPresident@DelRayArtisans.org

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- Sean Crumley, Archives Archives@DelRayArtisans.org
- Rita Schooley, Communications Communications@DelRayArtisans.org
- Marlin Lord, Community Community@DelRayArtisans.org
- Kathy Turner, Curating Curating@DelRayArtisans.org
- Kurt Peterson, Facilities
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- Joe Franklin, Fundraising Events Fundraising@DelRayArtisans.org
- Cheryl Lavoie, Grants & Sponsorship Grants@DelRayArtisans.org
- Drew Cariaso, Membership Membership@DelRayArtisans.org
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- Michele Reday Cook, Programs Programs@DelRayArtisans.org
- Dale Spivey, Technology Technology@DelRayArtisans.org
- Tracy Wilkerson, Volunteers Volunteers@DelRayArtisans.org
- Vacant, Youth Programs Youth@DelRayArtisans.org

Calendar_ October 2017

- 1 Childhood Passions artwork pick up
- 1-2 Captured Beauty accepted artwork drop off

6-29 SHOW: Captured Beauty

curator: Dave Heckman

- 6 Opening Reception, 7–9pm
- 7 Art on the Avenue, 10am
- 8 Life Drawing, 9:30–11:30am, Gesture (clothed)
- 9 Partners in Art, 2-4pm
- 10 Board Meeting, 7pm
- 11 Life Drawing, 2-5pm, Short/Long
- 19 Annual Member Meeting with Elections
- 20 \$100 and Under entry deadline
- 25 Life Drawing, 2-5pm, Short/Long
- 25 Life Drawing, 6:30-9:30pm, Long
- 29 Captured Beauty artwork pickup
- 29-30 \$100 and Under artwork dropoff

November 2017

3-26 SHOW: \$100 and Under

curators: Kathy Turner and Michele Reday Cook

- 3 Opening Reception, 7–9pm
- 5 Life Drawing, 9:30–11:30am, Gesture (clothed)

More information at: DelRayArtisans.org/calendar/

November 2017 (continued)

- 6 Partners in Art, 2-4pm
- 8 Life Drawing, 2–5pm, Short/Long
- 8 Life Drawing, 6:30–9:30pm, Long
- 14 Board Meeting, 7pm
- 23 Thanksgiving, gallery closed
- 26 \$100 and Under artwork pickup

December 2017

1-3 Holiday Market

- 6 Life Drawing Holiday Party 1pm
- 6 Life Drawing, 2-5pm, Short/Long
- 6 Life Drawing, 6:30–9:30pm, Long

8-10 Holiday Market

12 Board Meeting, 7pm

15-17 Holiday Market

18-31 Gallery closed

January 2018

- 1 New Year's Day, gallery closed
- 5-28 SHOW: Sensorium

curators: Betsy Mead and Melanie Bikowski

9 Board Meeting, 7pm

Join or renew your Del Ray Artisans membership today!

Visit DelRayArtisans.org/membership/ for details.

Other Key Contacts

- Betsy Mead, Office Manager Gallery@DelRayArtisans.org
- Eileen O'Brien, GWW Curator GWW@DelRayArtisans.org
- Kathy Stoner, Newsletter Editor Newsletter@DelRayArtisans.org
- Dawn Wyse Hurto, Web Curator WebCurator@DelRayArtisans.org

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CALL FOR ENTRY - OPEN TO DEL RAY ARTISANS MEMBERS

Del Ray Artisans 2018 Calendar

Members: Submit your best work to the 5th annual Del Ray Artisans' calendar!

All entries must be received digitally (via an online form), so no physical pieces of art will be collected. There isn't a theme and work previously shown at Del Ray Artisans is acceptable for submission.

The Calendar Selection Committee will choose approximately 40 pieces of art from Del Ray Artisans members to be included in the 2018 Wall Calendar. This calendar is a fundraiser to benefit Del Ray Artisans, but also a fun way to show your support for our arts organization and share your talent with the community.

Coordinator: Dawn Wyse Hurto, WebCurator@DelRayArtisans.org Entry Detail Highlights:

- DEADLINE for digital submissions is October 21, 2017.
- Open to Del Ray Artisans members only. Membership must be current.
- Each member may submit up to 3 pieces of artwork.
- No entry fee.
- Final selection for the calendar is at the Selection Committee's discretion.
- Selected artwork will be credited to the artist.
- Selected artwork will appear in the 2018 Wall Calendar offered for sale as a fundraiser for Del Ray Artisans. From these sales, 100% of the profits will go to Del Ray Artisans, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.

Full Entry Details and Form at DelRayArtisans.org/category/cfe

Pre-order Del Ray Artisans 2018 Calendar



Del Ray Artisans' 2018 Wall Calendar featuring artwork by Del Ray Artisans members is available for pre-order now at <u>just \$15/calendar</u>. (Regular price \$18/calendar.) The pre-order price is only available until the calendars arrive in early November.

PLEASE NOTE: Calendars will NOT be shipped. If you pre-order, you will be notified when your order is ready to be picked up. Pre-ordering the calendar helps our organization estimate how many calendars to order. Thank you for supporting Del Ray Artisans!

Pre-populated events in the calendar include Del Ray Artisans events, community events, national holidays, and major religious holidays.

Order now at the gallery or online — http://bit.ly/dra-calendar-2018



Del Ray Artisans gallery Nicholas A. Colasanto Center 2704 Mount Vernon Avenue Alexandria, VA 22301-1124 www.DelRayArtisans.org 703 838 4827 Supported in part by:









Del Ray Artisans 2018 Art Exhibits

JANUARY – **Sensorium** – an exploration of the senses in art, from tactile to emotional.

Open call. Curators Betsy Mead and Melanie Bikowski.

FEBRUARY - Art2 (Art Squared) - demonstrating that science and math play a central role in art.

Open call. Curators Sophia Suarez and Monica Renee Theilen Hoke.

MARCH – **Outside In** – art influenced by the natural world.

Members only. Curators Joe Franklin and Margaret Wohler.

APRIL - A Touch of Magic - will be artistically magical.

Open call. Curators Tom Kelly and Veronica Barker Barzel.

MAY – **Atomic Dog** – people are often the nucleus of their dog's world, and they are our best friends.

This show will feature art showcasing that mutual admiration.

Members only. Sponsored by The Dog Store of Del Ray and curated by store owner Paul Haire.

JUNE - Wanderlust - travel opens our eyes to different sights that inspire new art.

Open call. Curator Kajal Dhabalia.

IULY – Grown-Ups Art Camp and Youth Art Camps. No show scheduled.

AUGUST - Ancestry - where we come from, how we were raised, and by whom are at the root of the art we create. This exhibit will celebrate the cultural diversity of our community.

Members only. Curator Karen Laurie Thomas.

SEPTEMBER – Eat, Drink, and be Merry – a juried exhibit combining both 3D ceramic and 2D art that

celebrates the theme of Eat, Drink, and Be Merry.

Open call. Curator Stephen Lally.

OCTOBER - Symmetry (a Photography exhibit) - a juried exhibit exploring the concept of balance,

harmony, equilibrium, and symmetry of design in photographed art.

Open call. Exhibit produced in partnership with Union 206 Studios. Curator David Heckman.

NOVEMBER – Connecting Threads – featuring textiles as a major component or subject, and highlighting

the use of textiles as an art form.

Open call. Curators Liz Martinez and Dawn Wyse Hurto.

DECEMBER - Holiday Markets. - the first three weekends in December, with different artists featured

each weekend. The call for artists will be published in August 2018.



Art on the Avenue 2017

Directly in front of Del Ray Artisans gallery during Art on the Avenue (in booth **W193**), Del Ray Artisans is selling various artistic wares and merchandise—calendars, t-shirts, cookbooks, upcycled tote bags and zippered pouches, and more. 100% of the proceeds support Del Ray Artisans, a nonprofit arts organization.

Inside the gallery, you'll find the *Captured Beauty* fine art photography exhibition featuring work by local artists. This exhibit runs October 6-29, 2017. The gallery is open until 9pm on Saturdays.

Visit these Del Ray Artisans members during Art on the Avenue on Saturday, October 7 from 10am-6pm:

MEMBER	BUSINESS	воотн	MEDIA
Jennifer Allevato	Jennifer Allevato	E 25	Painting, paper
Jen Athanas	Jen-A-Fusion Fashion Accessories	W 52	Fiber
Becky Barnes	A Term of Art	W 227	Painting
Rita Cohen	Rita Cohen: Weaver	W 139	Fiber, weaving
Kajal Dhabalia	Wholesome Soul	W 82	Painting, mixed media
Chris Fedderson	MacroFine Photography	E 136	Photography
Dana Lynn Fernandez	Now Brace Yourself	W 28	Leather
Brittany Gabel	Brittany Gabel Mixed Media	E 135	Painting
Kate Gibney	Lucid Arts Jewelry	W 133	Jewelry
Nancy Kline	Nancy S. Kline	E 185	Jewelry, mosaics
Stephen Lally	Stephen Lally Pottery	E 13	Ceramics
Ariel Matz	Downward Dye	E 207	Clothing
Pat McDuffie	Perfectly Bazaar	W 120	Glass
Diana Papazian	Papazian Jewelry Designs	E 119	Jewelry
Corrin Pumphrey	Corrin Pumphrey	W 195	Painting
Ron Tickerhoff	Wolf Mountain Glass	W 190	Glass
Joyce Wagner	Reinvented Elegance	W 182	Jewelry, mosaics
Tamara Wilkerson	WiRealm by Tamara	W 36	Jewelry
Tracy Wilkerson	Recycled Works	W 35	Paper, greeting cards

You'll also find artist demonstrations in the grassy lot on Mount Vernon Avenue between Custis Avenue and Del Ray Avenue!

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

