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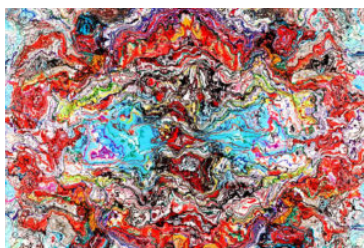
The Well-Crafted Word

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(No) Comfort Zone April 5–28, 2019 **Opening Reception Friday, April 5, 7–9pm**

(No) Comfort Zone will feature artwork of people, places, and things that are in or out of the artist's comfort zone. Meet the artists at the opening reception on Friday, April 5 from 7–9pm.



"Scribble Scrabble" by Kelli Sincock

(No) Comfort Zone runs from April 5–28 at Del Ray Artisans gallery in the Colasanto Center, 2704 Mt. Vernon Avenue, Alexandria, Virginia 22301. Gallery hours are Thursdays 12–6pm, Fridays 12–9pm, Saturdays 12–9pm, and Sundays 12–6pm. For more information, contact curators Joe Franklin (franklin.joe.t@gmail.com) and Kelli Sincock (MsKelliArt@gmail.com)

Welcome, New Members

- Lindsay Ahart
- Toni Alaimo
- Mark Cirello
- Steven Daughety
- Solveig Eggerz
- Stephanie Greenwald
- Martha Harris
- Terry Holman
- Deborah Lacy
- Tara McCarthy
- Tom Nyerges
- Tatjana Witzmann

Sacred Feminine May 3–June 2, 2019 **Digital entries due Monday, April 8, 2019**

Sacred Feminine will feature artwork that explores what it means to be female. What is your experience positioned firmly at the juxtaposition of what society constantly tells you to be and the reality of what you are? What does the sacred feminine mean to you? Entries are due on Monday, April 8. Open to all area artists. More information and call for entry at: DelRayArtisans.org/2019/03/sacred-feminine-cfe/



Call for Artists: Del Ray Artisans Spring Art Market **Saturday, May 11, 2019, 10am–4pm** **Application Deadline: April 14, 2019**

Applications due Sunday, April 14. Join Del Ray Artisans in its tradition of outdoor art markets! The Spring Art Market gives artists an opportunity to sell their original handmade artwork to the local community. This is an outdoor, family-friendly, rain-or-shine event at Nicholas A. Colasanto Park, adjoining Del Ray Artisans gallery, on Saturday, May 11 from 10am to 4pm. Application at DelRayArtisans.org/2019/03/spring-art-market-cfe/



*Necklace
by Diana Papazian*

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First Thursday Hats Along the Avenue April 4, 2019



First Thursday returns to Del Ray on Thursday, April 4, with the theme "Hats Along the Avenue." The monthly street festival takes place from 6pm–dusk along Mount Vernon Avenue, and is free and open to all. The DRA gallery will be open until 9pm. Pull out your favorite hat and stroll Mount Vernon Avenue. Enjoy live music from the Janna Audey Band, plus themed activities. Pets are welcome.

From 6–9pm on April 4, you are encouraged to bring donations for the Friends of Guest House. Donations will be collected at the Pat Miller Neighborhood Square, located at the intersection of Mount Vernon and Oxford Avenues.

DRA Member Jeff Lodge Wins The Art League "Best in Show"



Congrats to DRA member Jeff Lodge for winning Best in Show at the March Open Show in The Art League Gallery at the Torpedo Factory for "Sunset Trawler", shown above.

Volunteer Opportunity: April 25 Spirit Night at McDonald's

On Thursday, April 25 between 4–7pm, celebrate Spirit Night at the Mateos McDonald's, located at 1000 North Henry St. in Alexandria. Enjoy your favorite treat and support Del Ray Artisans collaboration with the Mateos family McDonald's to bring art to the community and introduce McDonald's patrons to the DRA Gallery. Several DRA artists will be on hand to chat about art they're displaying at McDonald's that evening. Other upcoming Spirit Nights (all Thursdays): May 16, June 20, September 19, October 3. To volunteer or for any questions, contact Mila Mateu (Volunteers@DelRayArtisans.org).



GUAC Renamed: *Creative Summer Programs*



Over the last few months, the programs committee has been discussing changing the name of Grown-Ups Art Camp to better fit the expansion goals for the program. The name is "Creative Summer Programs" – a summer series of workshops, talks, classes and programs building on Grown-Ups Art Camp. Thanks to Gale Goldfarb, Pamela Underhill, Karen Schmitz, Kelli Sincock, Dawn Wyse Hurto, Dave Nicholson, Sean Crumley, Kelly MacConomy, Britany Gabel, Lin Hiley, Arva Adams, and Dale Spivey for name suggestions.

The expanded program has the following goals:

- Events may be inclusive for all age groups and a wider audience (children to seniors and family-friendly events)
- The type of events and experiences we can offer can be broadened (in addition to workshops, it can include lectures, demonstrations, and self-directed activities such as life drawing and urban sketchbooking)
- The program will expand to the full summer, rather than a short "camp"

I have been working with our tech team on a new form to submit to both the "Creative Summer Programs" and activities throughout the year. Go to DelRayArtisans.org/programs and click on "online proposal form" under "Propose a Workshop" in the right column. Please email me suggestions for workshops or feedback on what you would like to see at the gallery at Programs@DelRayArtisans.org. The first deadline for Creative Summer Programs proposals is April 30.

– Stacy Rausch, Director of Programs

2019 Membership Drive Updates: Building a Vibrant Art Community



Del Ray Artisans would like to give a big thanks to all of our members! Have you heard about our latest membership drive? If you haven't, we are looking for new members to join our amazing, growing community. It's all about who you know and connecting with them to help us grow even more.

Our art organization offers many opportunities -- whether it is participating in exhibits, signing up for workshops, volunteering for different community events, or becoming a Patron. We encourage everyone to bring guests, family, friends, and neighbors to visit the gallery, attend opening receptions, or sign up for a workshop so they become more familiar with our mission. Any current member who recruits a new member between February 1 through May 31, 2019 will be invited to show one piece of artwork in the August exhibit *Fresh Meat*. If you bring in more than one new member you will be a rock star! Postcards with more information about our membership drive are available at the gallery for distribution. Stop by soon to pick up a stack and help spread the word.

Youth Art Camp – Registration Now Open

Early bird discount until June 1. Del Ray Artisans invites young campers to spend a week creating art with professional artist instruction. All artist supplies are provided. Register for either Week One (July 15-19) or Week Two (July 22-26). Camp is from 9am-3pm daily, with an exhibit of the artwork on the Saturday after camp from 1-3pm. Cost is \$300/child until June 1; \$325/child after June 1. Scholarship support may be available. Details: DelRayArtisans.org/event/art-camp-2019

Urban Sketchbooking, Sunday, April 14, 2-4pm

The Urban Sketchbooking meetup operates on a drop-in basis during afternoons of the second Sunday of each month, so there is no need to register in advance. Bring your supplies and join us at the cafe to produce still life, figure, or architecture subjects in your sketchbook. Participants will put their skills into practice, then reconvene for a review of finished works. The fee for each 2-hour session is \$8 for members/\$10 for non-members. The meeting place for this session is to be determined; for more information: DelRayArtisans.org/event/urban-sketchbooking-6



Spring2ACTion Wednesday, March 27 - Wednesday, April 10



Spring2ACTion

Alexandria's Giving Day

Presented by ACT for Alexandria

During Spring2ACTion 2019, please help support Del Ray Artisans' programs and outreach activities which help members of our community grow as individuals and as artists.

You may donate directly to Del Ray Artisans nonprofit or designate your donation for a specific cause: Inspiration Matterz, the Ted Eichers Memorial Scholarship, and Youth Summer Art Camp scholarships. Thank you for your support of Del Ray Artisans and our outreach activities. Details at spring2action.org/organizations/del-ray-artisans

We are also offering a FREE, clothed, life drawing session on April 10 from 2-5pm. Bring your supplies and come ready to sketch! Please donate to Del Ray Artisans between March 27 - April 10 to be a part of Spring2ACTion.

Partners in Art

We discuss the local art scene, exhibit opportunities, share artistic goals, techniques, media, and creative processes.

Participants may also bring in 1-3 artworks, in any medium, in any stage, to discuss goals, process, and ask for advice. Donations (\$1-3) greatly appreciated.

Partners in Art day session this month is Monday, April 8, 2-4pm; evening session is Tuesday, April 23, 7-9pm.

For more information:

DelRayArtisans.org/partners-in-art



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Alexandria, VA 22301-1124
703.838.4827 DelRayArtisans.org

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.

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Calendar

April 2019

- 1 (No) *Comfort Zone* artwork drop off
- 4 First Thursday (open until 9pm)
- 5-28 **SHOW: (No) *Comfort Zone***
curators: Joe Franklin & Kelli Sincock
- 5 Opening Reception, 7-9pm
- 6 Creative Revival Workshop, 10am-12noon
- 7 Life Drawing, Gesture, 9:30-11:30am
- 8 Partners in Art, 2-4pm
- 8 *Sacred Feminine* entry deadline
- 9 Board Meeting, 7-9pm
- 10 Spring2ACTion (ends at midnight)
- 10 Life Drawing, Short/Long Poses (clothed, FREE SESSION), 2-5pm
- 10 Life Drawing, Long Poses, 6:30-9:30pm
- 14 Urban Sketchbooking, 2-4pm
- 14 Spring Market entry deadline
- 23 Partners in Art, 7-9pm
- 24 Life Drawing, Short/Long Poses, 2-5pm
- 24 Life Drawing, Long Poses, 6:30-9:30pm
- 25 Spirit Night at McDonald's 4-7pm
- 28 (No) *Comfort Zone* artwork pick up
- 28-29 *Sacred Feminine* artwork drop off

More information at: DelRayArtisans.org/calendar/

May 2019

- 2 First Thursday (open until 9pm)
- 3 May - 2 June **SHOW: *Sacred Feminine***
curators: Lynn Fernandez & Tamara Wilkerson
- 3 Opening Reception, 7-9pm
- 5 Life Drawing, Gesture (clothed), 9:30-11:30am
- 6 Partners in Art, 2-4pm
- 8 Life Drawing, Short/Long Poses, 2-5pm
- 8 Life Drawing, Long Poses, 6:30-9:30pm
- 11 Spring Art Market, 10am-4pm
- 12 Urban Sketchbooking, 2-4pm
- 14 Board Meeting, 7-9pm
- 16 Spirit Night at McDonald's 4-7pm
- 21 Partners in Art, 7-9pm
- 22 Life Drawing, Short/Long Poses, 2-5pm
- 22 Life Drawing, Long Poses, 6:30-9:30pm
- 23 Membership Meeting & Benefit Program, 7-9pm

June 2019

- 2 *Sacred Feminine* artwork pick up
- 2-3 *Art in Meditation* artwork drop off
- 6 First Thursday (open until 9pm)

Join or renew your Del Ray Artisans membership today!

Visit DelRayArtisans.org/membership/ for details.

Other Key Contacts

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Membership Form

☐ Renewal ☐ New Member

Name _____
Title First M.I. Last

Additional Household Members _____

Business/Organization _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

Phone _____
Home _____ Cell _____ Work _____

Email Address(es) _____

List artist media (optional) _____

Referred by (optional) _____

Patron

- ☐ \$ 250 Silver
☐ \$ 500 Gold
☐ \$ 1,000 Platinum

Artist

- ☐ \$ 60 Individual
☐ \$ 90 Dual
☐ \$ 110 Family
☐ \$ 45 Senior
☐ \$ 30 Student

Supporter

- ☐ \$ 40

Add a Donation

- ☐ Del Ray Artisans (DRA) \$ _____
☐ Ted Eichers Memorial Art Scholarship \$ _____
☐ Del Ray Artisans Art Camp \$ _____

Indicate committees on which you will serve to meet your 12-hour per year volunteer commitment:

- | | | |
|---|-------------------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Administrative | <input type="checkbox"/> Gardening | <input type="checkbox"/> Shows |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Archives | <input type="checkbox"/> Grants | <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter | <input type="checkbox"/> Website |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Facilities | <input type="checkbox"/> Outreach | <input type="checkbox"/> Anything DRA needs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Financial | <input type="checkbox"/> Programs | <input type="checkbox"/> Other, special talents: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising | <input type="checkbox"/> Publicity | |

Signature _____ Date ____/____/____

Checks payable to: Del Ray Artisans

Mail to: Del Ray Artisans, Membership, 2704 Mount Vernon Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22301

Or join online: www.DelRayArtisans.org/membership/

If you have any questions, please email the Membership Director at: Membership@DelRayArtisans.org

Membership Categories and Benefits

Membership Categories	Cost	12-hour Volunteer requirement	Member-only programs and events	Reduced workshop, classes and program fees	Monthly online “The Well-Crafted Word” newsletter	Inclusion in 2 member shows annually	Reduced entry fees, inc. free Gallery Without Walls	No charge for entry into Members-only shows	No charge for entry into all shows (excl. markets)	Recognition in the Gallery	Appreciation Gift and Event
Membership Benefits											
Artist											
Individual	\$ 60	•	•	•	•	•	•				
Dual (2 adults, same address)	\$ 90	•	•	•	•	•	•				
Family (2 adults, 4 children, same address)	\$ 110	•	•	•	•	•	•				
Senior (Age 62 and over)	\$ 45	•	•	•	•	•	•				
Student (Full-time status)	\$ 30	•	•	•	•	•	•				
Supporter											
Supporter	\$ 40		•	•	•						
Patron (Includes family membership)											
Silver (\$ 140 tax-deductible)	\$ 250		•	•	•	•	•			•	•
Gold (\$ 390 tax-deductible)	\$ 500		•	•	•	•	•	•		•	•
Platinum (\$ 890 tax-deductible)	\$ 1,000		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•

Additional member benefits listed online