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Sacred Feminine May 3–June 2, 2019 Opening Reception Friday, May 3, 7–9pm

The *Sacred Feminine* art exhibit explores the essence of female energy; it connects that energy to ideas, expressions, dreams, life, and all of existence. Meet the curators and the artists at the opening reception on Friday, May 3 from 7–9pm. *Sacred Feminine* runs from May 3–June 2 at Del Ray Artisans gallery. See Page 4 for gallery hours and address.

For more information, contact curators Lynn Fernandez (lynn.nowbraceyourself@gmail.com) or Tamara Wilkerson (wirealmbytamara@gmail.com).



*Jewelry by Wirealm,
Photo by Lynn Fernandez*

Welcome, New Members

- Carolyn Angus-Hornbuckle
- Dorothee Arnold
- Jocelyne Corderot
- Holly Fries
- Beverly Hilbert
- Marcella Kriebel
- Wendy Leaumont
- Katherine Morgan
- Stephanie Morse
- Masha Peacock
- David Scavone
- Linda Smith

Del Ray Artisans Spring Art Market Saturday, May 11, 2019, 10am–4pm

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, Saturday, May 11 from 10am to 4pm. More information: DelRayArtisans.org/event/spring-art-market-2019



May Board Meeting Location

The May 14 Board meeting will be held off-site. If you wish to attend the meeting, contact Secretary@DelRayArtisans.org by May 11 for location.

Member Benefit Meeting May 23, 7–9pm Live Courageously by Nancy Belmont

Our membership meeting on Thursday, May 23 at 7pm is also our annual member benefit meeting. In addition to the free program, please join us for refreshments and a brief business meeting. Del Ray Artisans welcomes guest speaker Nancy Belmont for *Live Courageously*. Based on her interactions with thousands of participants in her public art projects, Nancy shares insights about what keeps us from living our most courageous lives. Through her inspiring “Courage Formula,” you’ll learn how to be your most authentic, powerful self. Learn more about Nancy at NancyBelmont.com. More meeting info: DelRayArtisans.org/event/member-benefit-program/



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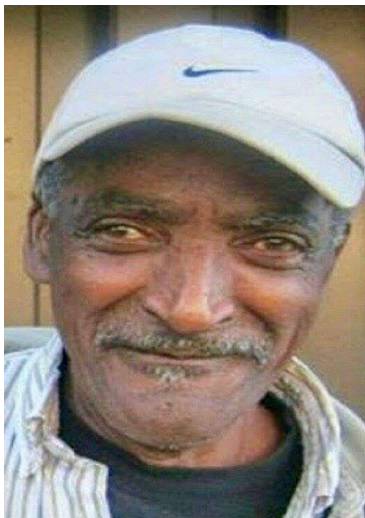
- **Sacred Feminine Opens May 3**
- **Spring Art Market Saturday, May 11**
- **Member Benefit Meeting May 23**
- **Thursday, May 16 Spirit Night at McDonald's**
- **Membership Drive Through May 31**
- **Art in Meditation Call for Entry**

First Thursday Dog Days in Del Ray May 2, 2019



Del Ray's First Thursday this month is on Thursday, May 2, with the theme "Dog Days in Del Ray." The monthly street festival takes place from 6pm–dusk along Mount Vernon Avenue. Free and open to all. The DRA gallery will be open until 9pm. Bring your dog and stroll Mount Vernon Avenue. At Pat Miller Neighborhood Square, enjoy live music from the Janna Audey Band, plus themed activities. Pets are welcome.

In Memoriam: Larry Perillo



Larry Perillo, age 77, passed away peacefully on April 1. Larry worked behind the scenes at the gallery for 20 years as the DRA custodian and received a Service Recognition Award from our organization. Larry was well known by many for his distinct speaking style and his advocacy in the recovery community.

Journey well, Larry.

Volunteer Opportunity: May 16 Spirit Night at McDonald's

On Thursday, May 16, from 4–7pm, celebrate Spirit Night at the MCD Mateos McDonald's, located at 1000 North Henry St. in Alexandria. Have a bite to eat and participate in Del Ray Artisans' collaboration with the Mateos family McDonald's to bring art to the community and introduce McDonald's patrons to Del Ray Artisans. 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): June 20, September 19, October 3. To volunteer or for any questions, contact Mila Mateu (Volunteers@DelRayArtisans.org).



Upcoming Workshops

Intro to Honoring the Sacred Feminine in this Busy World, Thursday, May 9, 7–8:30pm

Create daily rituals to connect and tap your sacred power with instructor Adriana Correa.

Basic Salsa Techniques, Saturday, May 11, 1–2pm

Get ready to learn Salsa! Bebe Uy and her students will give a short demonstration, then strut your stuff while learning basic salsa dancing technique, combinations, body movement, musicality and dance partner exercises.

Goddess-Wear: Creating Leather Jewelry, Tuesday, May 14, 6–9pm

Learn leather working techniques while getting in touch with the Divine Feminine with instructor Lynn Fernandez.

The Fire Starter, Saturday, May 18, 10am–12pm

Cut through dull thinking and fear, and get straight to YOUR core desires, pragmatism, and courage with certified coach Liz Strom.

Playing with Resin – Curves and Edges, Sunday, May 19, 6–9pm

Play with resin in a safe environment to learn the ins & outs of mixing resin and using it in your artwork with instructor Tracy Wilkerson.

Exploring and Making Bangles, Wednesday, May 29, 6–8pm

Learn beginner wire jewelry making techniques while creating basic bangle bracelets with instructor Tamara Wilkerson.

Exploring Flamenco & Odissi, Saturday, June 1, 10am–Noon

Explore the beauty and nuance of Odissi (Classical Indian Dance) & Flamenco, highlighting the feminine strength and beauty in each style with instructors Marsha Bonet and Tapasi Panigrahi.

Register for workshops in advance at DelRayArtisans.org/workshops.

Call For Entry: *Art in Meditation – The Chakras* June 6–30, 2019 Digital entries due: Sunday, May 12, 2019



Art in Meditation – The Chakras will celebrate the seven energy centers of the body, or chakras, and associated meanings, moods, and colors. The curators seek interpretations of the chakra energies. The exhibit will be juried by contemporary artist Jeff Erickson. Open to all area artists.

Call for entry at: DelRayArtisans.org/2019/04/chakras-cfe/

Re-Connecting Threads Runs Through June 2, 2019

The *Re-Connecting Threads* art exhibit at the Veterinary Clinics of America Alexandria Animal Hospital (VCA Alexandria) features Del Ray Artisans members' artwork. The exhibit focuses on fiber art and fiber's influence through other mediums as well—celebrating fiber and how it connects us to the stories of our lives. The exhibit is a part of Del Ray Artisans' Gallery Without Walls (GWW) program in partnership with VCA Alexandria. VCA Alexandria Animal Hospital is located at 2660 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA 22314. View the artwork at VCA Alexandria through June 2, 2019. For more information: DelRayArtisans.org/event/re-connecting-threads/

Youth Art Camp – Registration Now Open

Early bird discount until June 1. Del Ray Artisans invites young campers (ages 8-14) 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 artwork on the Saturday after camp from 1-3pm. Cost is \$300/child until June 1; \$325/child after June 1.

Donations to sponsor a camper are much appreciated. Scholarship may be available. For more information: DelRayArtisans.org/event/art-camp-2019



Urban Sketchbooking, Sunday, May 5, 2–4pm

Meet at Nectar Cafe (106 Hume Ave, Alexandria) on May 5 at 2pm for Urban Sketchbooking. This event operates on a drop-in basis, so there is no need to register in advance. Bring your supplies and join us 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. Also, save the date for the final sketchbooking session on June 9. The fee for each 2-hour session is \$8 for members/\$10 for non-members. For more information: DelRayArtisans.org/event/urban-sketchbooking-7



Last Call: Membership Drive Ends Soon!



DRA's latest membership drive continues through May 2019. As our way of giving appreciation to our newest members who joined DRA between January 2018 and May 2019, we are hosting a special show in August 2019, *Fresh Meat*. Each new member may enter three pieces of artwork for FREE, and any current member who recruits a new member may enter one piece of artwork in the August show for FREE. The deadline to join is Friday, May 31.

Joining is easy! Mail in the membership form included in this newsletter, join in person at the gallery or online at DelRayArtisans.org/membership

For more information, contact curators Kurt Peterson, (kfpeterson@gmail.com) or Brittany Gabel, (brittany@bgmixedmedia.com).

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, May 6, 2–4pm; evening session is Tuesday, May 21, 7–9pm.

For more information: DelRayArtisans.org/partners-in-art



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Alexandria, VA 22301-1124
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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.

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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
- 5 Urban Sketchbooking at Nectar Cafe, 2–4pm
- 6 Partners in Art, 2–4pm
- 8 Life Drawing, Short/Long Poses, 2–5pm
- 8 Life Drawing, Long Poses, 6:30–9:30pm
- 9 Intro to Honoring the Sacred Feminine in This
Busy World Workshop, 7–8:30pm
- 11 Spring Art Market, 10am–4pm
- 11 Basic Salsa Techniques Workshop, 1–2pm
- 12 *Art in Meditation* entry deadline
- 14 Board Meeting, 7–9pm (off-site)
- 14 Goddess-Wear – Creating Leather Jewelry
Workshop, 6–9pm
- 16 Spirit Night at McDonald's 4–7pm
- 18 The Fire Starter Workshop, 10am–12noon
- 19 Playing With Resin Workshop, 6–9pm
- 21 Partners in Art, 7–9pm
- 22 Life Drawing, Short/Long Poses, 2–5pm

More information at: DelRayArtisans.org/calendar/

May 2019 (continued)

- 22 Life Drawing, Long Poses, 6:30–9:30pm
- 23 Membership Meeting & Benefit Program,
7–9pm
- 29 Exploring & Making Bangles Workshop, 6–8pm

June 2019

- 1 Flamenco & Odissi Workshop, 10am–12noon
- 2 *Sacred Feminine* artwork pick up
- 2 **GWW SHOW: Re-Connecting Threads** at VCA
Alexandria Animal Hospital ends
- 2–3 *Art in Meditation* artwork drop off
- 6 First Thursday (open until 9pm)
- 7–30 **SHOW: Art in Meditation**
Curators: Joyce Frank & Kitty Russell
- 7 Opening Reception, 7–9pm
- 8 Meditation, Breath, and Sound with Dante
Workshop, 10–11:30am
- 9 Life Drawing, Gesture, 9:30–11:30am
- 9 Urban Sketchbooking at Nectar Cafe, 2–4pm
- 10 Partners in Art, 2–4pm
- 11 Board Meeting, 7–9pm
- 12 Life Drawing, Short/Long Poses, 2–5pm

Join or renew your Del Ray Artisans membership today!

Visit DelRayArtisans.org/membership/ for details.

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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