

2010

JANUARY

Artists' League Elects New Officers

The Artists' League is pleased to announce its slate of officers for the upcoming year. Serving on the League's Board for 2010 are: President, Gary Settle; Past President, Ken Thomas; First Vice President, Wanda Mawhinney; Second Vice President, Reg Kleweno; Treasurer, Judy Thomas; Assistant Treasurer, Mary Lynn Laker; Secretary, Carol Durbin; Assistant Secretary, Barbara Adams; Members-at-Large, Jodie Morris and Bev Nelson.

Now through the end of January the League is showing artwork from the members in its third annual show, "Impressions of Winter," in the lobby of the American Marine Bank located in the Upper Village Center. The show features such media as watercolors, oils, mixed media, acrylics and photography.

New artwork will be up the first week of January at the League's Gallery located next to the American Marine Bank. Join members of the League for a "First Friday" reception from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m., **Friday, January 8**, at the Gallery.

Members' work being shown throughout Port Ludlow for the first quarter of 2010 include: Mary Brannaman, Cucina Pizza; Betty Harmon, Port Ludlow Urgent Care; Bob Jamison, American Marine Bank conference room; Joyce Jordan, Coldwell Banker; Jeanne Joseph, Active Life Physical Therapy; Bev Nelson, Home Instead Senior Care.

Artists' League Paints Greeting Cards

It's "BYOB" (Bring Your Own Brush) for the January meeting of the Port Ludlow Artists' League scheduled for 1:00 p.m. on **Wednesday, January 20**, at the Bay Club. All local artists, or simply people interested in watching art being created, are invited to come to the League meeting that day for the annual "paint-in" to create greeting cards. A special session by watercolorist Marti Mathis on the use and development of color will help provide inspiration.

Artists are encouraged to bring their brushes, watercolors, watercolor pencils, pen and ink, colored pencils, or any other media that might be used to create greeting cards. Participants also may bring something previously created that could be attached to cards that will be provided by the League. The completed cards will be donated to the Artists' League's Gallery located next to American Marine Bank in the Upper Village Center. They will be used to welcome new residents to Port Ludlow and also for drawings at the Gallery. A portion of the cards also will be used by the "Sunshine Committee" of the League to help cheer up members who might be experiencing health problems or have had a loss in their family. Guests are welcome to attend. A donation of \$5 is suggested to help offset the cost of the card stock. For more information, please contact President Gary Settle,

Cabaret with Celtic Heat

Artists' League member Joyce Jordan will be showing her work. Though dealing primarily in watercolor, she works as well in oil, pen and ink and colored pencil. Jordan has drawn and sketched since childhood and has had an enduring interest in many forms of art. Over the years

she has expanded her horizons, gained perspective and focused her artistic path on fine arts. In her own words, "I paint to transform the viewer to another place and time to feel the essence of beauty and history expressed with vibrant and fluid color." For examples of her work go to joycejordanart.com.

MARCH

Annual Silent Art Auction Helps Chimacum Students

The Port Ludlow Artists' League is sponsoring its fifth annual Scholarship Auction **Friday and Saturday, April 9 and 10**, in the Conference Room of the Bay Club. This is a wonderful opportunity to pick up artwork and art-related items by local artists, and at the same time help college-bound Chimacum High School students. With generous community support, the League has been able to provide over \$10,000 of college scholarship money from previous auctions. Thirteen students from this area have been helped in their pursuit of a higher degree as a result of this money.

As in previous years, items up for bid may include original paintings in oils, watercolors and pastels; prints; photographs; pottery; tiles; textiles; jewelry; baskets of art supplies for visiting grandchildren or for a budding adult artist; tuition to local art classes; and hand-painted cards. All works donated are from members of the Port Ludlow Artists' League and other local artists.

Items will be offered through a silent auction with bidding opening at noon on **Friday, April 9**, and running through 8:00 p.m. The Auction opens again at 9:00 a.m. and finally ends at 2:00 p.m. on **Saturday, April 10**. Winning bidders may pick up their items at the Club through 4:00 p.m. on Saturday. For more information, to donate an art-related item or to donate money for the scholarships, please contact Ginny Ford.

Bach to the Beach Boys with CGT

Enjoy a glass of wine, visit with friends and be sure to take time to see artwork in acrylic, watercolor, India ink and mixed media by Barbara Adams. She exhibits at the Artists' League Gallery and Cucina Pizza in Port Ludlow and at Jefferson

APRIL

A Look at Black and White Pastels

Members of the Artists' League and interested guests will meet at the Bay Club on **Wednesday, April 21**, at 1:00 p.m. Guest artist will be Dawn Sagar, who has recently moved to the Olympic Peninsula. In her words, she moved "because of the compelling environment; water, mountains, and a huge variety of trees that create a very powerful place."

Sagar is an award-winning artist originally from Fort Collins, Colorado. She has shown her work in Colorado, Minnesota, Florida and Washington at Port Townsend Gallery, with many pieces in corporate and private collections. She is currently working in two distinct genres of work: landscapes using a full color palette and those in monotone, largely black and white. Sagar will be presenting a program using black and white pastels and says, "The black and white pieces are about loss and beauty and portray a certain timelessness and poignancy that is the other side of the full color landscape images. We in the western United States live in the land of the lost. There is a human history of loss: the genocide and removal of Native Americans, the white settlers who wagered everything on 'manifest destiny' and found only suffering and death.

Contemporary loss involves land development, mining and other commercial interests, which make daily changes to our landscape. The ephemeral landscape is, after all, about change: change in land, people, and fleeting moments of light on the mountainside.”

A short business meeting and social time will precede Sagar’s presentation. Guests are welcome to attend by paying a \$5 donation.

MAY

Those Exuberant, Young Energetic Voices!

Colorado Children’s Chorale

Concert goers will have an opportunity to see a display of Jeanne Joseph’s unique floor cloths that are impervious to wear and tear, requiring minimal care. Joseph, a member of the Port Ludlow Artists’ League, and featured artist for this concert, says her floor cloths are painted with acrylics on a heavy canvas and then varnished with up to ten coats of water-based polyurethane.

Reception Spotlights Roger Davis

A First Friday Reception honoring Roger Davis, Port Ludlow’s Artist of the Month, will be held on **Friday, May 7**, 4:00 to 5:00 p.m., in the lobby of Columbia Bank and from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. in the Artists’ League Art Gallery adjacent to the bank. The community is invited to attend the opening of this new exhibit.

Roger Davis’s Italian lineage gives him an irrepressible love for color and form in his art. His interest in art developed slowly, as he studied business at Miami University and took his first drawing classes there. After a stint in the U.S. Marine Corps, he married and tried his hand at watercolors in Eatonville, WA. With a 25-year hiatus that included a career as a forester, he returned to his love of art while living in Shelton, WA. As a member of Peninsula Arts Association, his abilities flourished. He has studied art at Evergreen State College and with regional artist Robert Chamberlin and nationally acclaimed artist Xiaogang Zhu. His work has been recognized in Port Angeles and Olympia.

Davis currently works in pen and ink, as well as watercolors, using both gouache and Russian watercolor paints. His style is representational with an impressionistic influence. It reflects an emphasis on perspective and his inborn love of color. His work often begins in whatever landscape he encounters. Roger and his talented wife Ryan reside in Port Townsend. His exhibit will hang in Columbia Bank in Port Ludlow through the end of May. His work may also be seen at The Landings Art Gallery in Port Angeles, Northwest Maritime Center’s “Shape of Water” Exhibit through June, and at The Wine Cellar during May in Port Townsend.

Exhibits in local businesses can be seen throughout the area. Gary Settle’s photographs at Active Life Physical Therapy; Bill Hansen’s watercolors and pastels at Coldwell Banker; Joyce Jordan’s watercolors and Judy Thomas’s fused glass in the Columbia Bank Conference Room; Wanda Mawhinney’s abstract acrylics at Cucina Pizza; Penny Sanzaro’s watercolors at Home Instead Senior Care; Barbara Adams’s watercolor and ink at Mats Mats Chiropractic Office; Roger Davis’s watercolors at Port Hadlock Medical Clinic; Patti Settle’s acrylics at Port Ludlow Community Church; Jeanette Best’s oils at Port Ludlow Madrona Hill Urgent Care.

Oil Bar Demonstration at Artists’ League Meeting

When local artists gather for their monthly Artists' League meeting on **Wednesday, May 19**, 1:00 p.m., at the Bay Club, they will have as their guest artist Cissy Gray from Mercer Island, a longtime friend of local artist Jeanne Joseph.

Gray is an accomplished painter with a multifaceted background in painting, illustration and design. She is a member of Women Painters of Washington, a signature member of the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators, the National League of American Pen Women and Eastside Association of Fine Artists. She has participated in many regional, national and international juried

shows and exhibitions. Her paintings have been featured in *The Best of Colored Pencil 4*, and *Literature and Hawaii's Children 1994*. Having illustrated five children's books and as a recipient of national, regional and local awards, Gray has also taught painting and drawing workshops in the Seattle area for Daniel Smith, Inc. and Highline Community College. She was a lecturer at the University of Hawaii, Manoa and Hilo, and featured artist at The American Embassy in Manila, Philippines.

Gray's paintings provide the viewer with intimate glimpses of everyday life. Her subjects are familiar objects and people. She tells her story with multi-layered surfaces that are rich in color and form, reminiscent of the Russian Impressionists. Her paintings appear to emanate a light from within, and she is able to show the viewer how the ordinary becomes extraordinary through her use of light and color.

She is currently using oil bars and enjoying the results. "After years of illustrating, the freedom that the oil bars allow me is very exciting." The League will be privileged to see her demonstrate both oil bars and colored pencils. Guests are welcome to attend by paying a \$5 donation.

JULY

Artists' League Gallery and Sale

As a part of Port Ludlow Days 2010, the Artists' League will have a Gallery and Sale in the former Harbormaster building across from the Vendors' Fair. On **Saturday and Sunday, July 31 and August 1**, 25 artists will display and sell their art: acrylic, oil, pastel, sumi-e and watercolor paintings; pen and ink drawings; glass, acrylic, collage, glass and mixed-media works; sculpture; photography; baskets; jewelry and greeting cards. Included will be: Barbara Adams, Fran Bodman, Carol Durbin, Ginny Ford, Gary Griswold, Bill Hansen, Linda Henderson, Catherine High, Joyce Jordan, Reg Kleweno, Mary Lynn Laker, Millard Martin, Marti Mathis, Jodie Morris, Bev Nelson, Dean Nelson, Shirley Otis, Ellie Peters, Joanie Reynolds, Gary Settle, Patti Settle, Maggie Smith, Judy Thomas, Ken Thomas and Wanda Mawhinney. In addition to his displayed art, Gary Griswold will give a demonstration of his watercolor technique as he stands by the windows with views of the Marina and Ludlow Bay.

AUGUST

Port Ludlow Artists' League

When local artists gather for their monthly League Meeting on **Wednesday, August 18**, 10:00 a.m. at the

Beach Club, they will carpool to several art studios for a progressive tour of their fellow artists' work places. The last stop will be a studio on the beach and include lunch.

An exchange of decorated brown bag lunches will bring surprises and laughter to the group. Membership in the Artists' League is open to anyone interested in being inspired or wanting to enjoy an unusual gathering of creative people. Dues are \$30 and an application may be submitted at the Art Gallery on Thursdays, Fridays or Saturdays. There are many benefits to

being a member of Port Ludlow Artists' League, and this planned event is only one of many reasons.



OCTOBER

Artists' League Meeting

When local artists gather for their monthly Port Ludlow Artists' League meeting, **Wednesday, October 20**, 1:00 p.m. at the Beach Club, they will have as their guest artist, Jim Watson-Gove, an abstract acrylic artist from Port Townsend.

Watson-Gove is an action painter, a poet, and a small press publisher (Minotaur Press). He has been writing and painting for over 50 years. He studied with Richard Allen Morris and has taken various college-level painting classes. He discovered the Expressionists in the 50s and Abstract Expressionism shortly after and has never looked back.

He combines poetry and paint to produce art that explores their boundaries. His major influences are Hans Hofmann, Jackson Pollock, Judy Chicago and Richard Allen Morris.

After a business meeting and social time, the program with a demonstration will begin. Guests are welcome to attend by paying a \$5 donation. For more information, contact Gary

DECEMBER

Winter Impressions Art Show

Port Ludlow Artists' League announces the opening of the League's Group Show entitled "Winter Impressions." A reception will be held on **Friday, December 3**, 4:00–5:00 p.m., in the lobby of Columbia Bank. Many local artists have created their expression of winter through photography, pastels, graphite, ink, oil, acrylic, watercolor and other art mediums. The exhibit will hang through January 2011.

When the bank closes, move next door to the Art Gallery's "First Friday Reception" from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. and enjoy appetizers and wine while visiting with artists

The Art Gallery's Christmas Shoppe is a great place to purchase cards, gifts, prints and gift certificates for that friend who has everything. The Gallery is open on Thursdays and Fridays from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. It will also be open the week of Christmas, **Monday-Wednesday, December 20-23**, from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., closing for the year on **Thursday, December 23** at 4:00 p.m. These artists and their work will remain on exhibit at local businesses throughout December: Barbara Adams, watercolor/ink, at Port Ludlow Community Church. Fran Bodman, pastel/acrylic, in Columbia Bank Conference Room. Betty Bullen, graphite/ink, at Active Life Physical Therapy. Roger Davis, Russian watercolor, at Mats Mats Chiropractic. Rick McKenzie, photography, at Coldwell Banker Realty Libby Meyer, acrylic, at Home Instead Senior Care.

Virginia Moyer, photography, at Port Hadlock Medical Clinic.

Artists' League Meeting

A festive Christmas luncheon is planned for noon on **Thursday, December 16** at the Beach Club for Artists' League members and their guests. After President Gary Settle installs the 2011 Board of Directors, a catered lunch will be served. Bill Mawhinney, a local published poet, has

been invited to entertain the group with his poetry and writings, and a few unique games will be played.

Donations will be given to support local families in need at Christmas.

Anyone interested in becoming a member of the League may obtain a membership application at the Art Gallery next to Columbia Bank. Open hours are Thursdays and Fridays from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Dues are \$30 and a membership card will be issued allowing discounts at local art supply stores. Other benefits include monthly meetings and programs with artists' demonstrations, displaying artwork in the Gallery and local businesses, participating in the annual Art Walk, and having the addition of more than 80 new friends. It's the best value in town!