

Soup's On!

The best way to spend a chilly afternoon is a bowl of soup and a little stay inside creative project; add to that a mix of good friends and artists, and Voila! What could be better? The Port Ludlow Artists' League traditional meeting for January is a crockpot of hot, homemade soup along with little creative bursts on note cards. Barring heavy snow, the League members will be meeting at the Bay Club, making original cards for both their Sunshine Committee as well as cards to be sent to our armed forces serving outside the country. Having a special card to send back to their loved ones creates a lot of joy for the giver and the recipient.

So, all you artists out there, brave the cold, bring your favorite paints, colored pencils or paper and glue, and be prepared to add color to the blank cardstock provided by the League. Start your new 2014 calendars with the meeting on **January 15th from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.** at the Bay Club. Guests are welcome to attend this monthly meeting, joining in the fun and social time. A guest fee of \$5 may be paid for an individual meeting or dues of \$30 will provide a year of inspiring programs for art lovers and artists of all levels. More information can be obtained by contacting League President Judy Danberg at 360/473-7999 or at shortline@cablespeed.com.

Winter in Port Ludlow

No matter what the weatherman has to say, January will see some of the finest winter scenes in the lobby of Columbia Bank. Port Ludlow's own Artists' League will feature a gathering of artists and their views of winter on canvases large and small, beginning on the 6th of January and running through the month.

At the same time, the Inn will be featuring "Scenes of Port Ludlow" for a two month show, during January and February. This would be a good time to wander through the Inn and take a look at Ludlow's finest views as portrayed by our local artists. It might be surprising to see scenes you may not know exist, right in your own backyard!

And to greet the New Year, on January 7th the Artists' League Gallery will have a fresh coat of new paint as well as new art on the walls by many of your favorite artists. New Year, New Beginnings!

Robert Jamison, Artist of the Month

The Port Ludlow Artist League's Artist of the Month will be Robert Jamison whose work will be on exhibit at Port Ludlow's Columbia Bank, 9500 Oak Bay Road, for the month of February. An opening reception for the exhibit will be held on **Wednesday, February 12** from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. in the lobby of the bank and then from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. in the Artists' League Gallery next door.

Following in the footsteps of his mother and aunt who were also accomplished artists, Jamison has been painting ever since the third grade. His dad would take him to the local fair to enjoy the carnival and rides, but watching painting demonstrations and looking at art were much more fascinating. This led to a degree in fine arts and a teaching career at Idaho State University. Over a thousand students, 243 murals and countless ribbons and awards later, his passion has blossomed into a full-time career. Jamison does 26 shows a year and teaches 2 nights a week in the winter.

Most of Jamison's work is done in mixed media using brush, pallet knife and air brush. He produces his giclee canvas prints in his own studio for quality control. He paints on location which gives the prospective client a chance to see a work in progress. Jamison paints murals, still lifes, garden art, seascapes, landscapes, portraits, cartoon characters and floral art.

Displays through February include: Coldwell Banker, photographs by Rick McKenzie; Mats Mats Chiropractic, watercolor by Cathy Thomas; Olympic Gateway Visitors' Center, block prints by Randy Radock; Columbia Bank Conference Room, acrylic work by Wanda Mawhinney; Beach Club, acrylic work by Carol Durbin.

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Helga was born in Germany and came to America as a young woman to study education. She received her undergraduate degree at the University of Texas, Austin, and her graduate degree at Vanderbilt Peabody College in Nashville, TN. She apprenticed herself with fine furniture maker and wood carver Paul Pitts and studied with wood turners Rude Osolnik and David Ellsworth. After moving to Port Townsend in 1987, Helga's turned vessels became her canvas. She discovered *Madrone* as a turning wood and was the first to explore its "orneriness." She turned the roots, trunks as well as the branches and began embellishing the surfaces with dyes and wax resist.

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"En Plein Air" Painter Gary Griswold, Artist of the Month

The Port Ludlow Artists' League's Artist of the Month is Gary Griswold, whose work will be on exhibit at Port Ludlow's Columbia Bank for the month of March. An opening reception for the exhibit will be held on **Wednesday, March 19**, from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. in the lobby of the bank and then from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. in the Artists' League Gallery next door.



A beach scene by Gary Griswold.

Submitted photo

Griswold, who paints watercolors of Northwest scenes, classic boats and marine subjects, has lived in the area for eight years. He attended the San Francisco Art Institute, Los Angeles City College, and University of California at Los Angeles. He is a prolific artist who, as a volunteer, teaches at both Chimacum and Quilcene high schools. He is also the Art Director of the Port Townsend Aero Museum. An example of his work may be seen on the cover of the April, 2012 issue of the *Port Ludlow Voice*.

Griswold is stimulated by wind, temperature, and the smells of nature. He frequently travels to La Push, Ruby Beach, Rialto Beach, and other outdoor settings to get inspiration for his plein air paintings. Currently his work may also be seen at the Port Ludlow Golf Course's Pro Shop.

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Festival By The Bay



Artists' League Features Oil Painter Jim Jacobson

The general meeting of the Port Ludlow Artists' League (PLAL) will be held on Wednesday, November 19 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. at the Beach Club, Oak Bay Road, Port Ludlow. Guest speaker and demonstrator will be Jim Jacobson who, following a career in educational administration, has been satisfying his thirst for fine art by taking up the brush and canvas.

Encouraged by his parents to paint and draw, Jacobson was instilled with an appreciation for art at an early age. However, his art career was put on hold when he pursued advanced degrees in educational administration with minors in drawing (drafting) and design. Now retired Jacobson has "... found a joyful release for the urge to draw and paint which lay dormant for these many years. I truly love my oil painting experiences." He strives to portray in his paintings "... the joy of being alive, the discipline of the draftsman, a love and appreciation of nature, and the beauty of this earth." Examples of his work can be seen on his website jajacobson.com.

WEDNESDAY, November 12, 2014

4:00-5:00 p.m. in the lobby of Sound Bank, Oak Bay Road. Refreshments next door in the Art Gallery, from **4:00-6:00 p.m.**



Fran Bodman has always been interested in art. From an early age when she was given a paint-by-numbers set from her parents to her current retirement. As Port Ludlow Artists' League Artist of the Month, her work will be displayed in the Port Ludlow branch of Sound Bank.

In high school her major was art, and it was her best subject along with gym! While attending the American Academy of Art in downtown

Chicago, she had a chance to wander the galleries of the Art Institute. Bodman's first commercial art position was with R.H. Donnelly where her job was to put together advertisements, drawing and lettering by hand in the days before computers. Later she free-lanced advertising art in the Phoenix area.

After retiring, Bodman has had the time to renew her passion for art. She began to take classes in various media learning about stained glass, life drawing, acrylics and watercolors. Currently she likes to work mostly in pastels and acrylics with a few variations. She enjoys doing portraits and self-portraits. Her work can be seen at the Port Ludlow Art Gallery, the Inn at Port Ludlow and in her own home.

Artwork featured currently in the League's Raffle is an original oil painting by Cynthia Lawson. (Please see the [Events tab on our webpage](#) to see a photo of the artwork and for more information on the League's Raffle). The winning ticket for this painting will be drawn at our November 12 reception. All proceeds go to the League's scholarship fund for area students studying the creative arts at the college level. Tickets are \$2 each, and the winner does not have to be present to win.



Collage Birdhouse
by Marilyn Sandau

Holiday Shopping at the Gallery
Dec. 16-20, noon - 4pm
Gallery Gift Certificates,
Handcrafted Gifts & bags.
RAFFLE of small artist made
itemsends
FRIDAY, December 19, 2014

Take a look at all the Holiday art to complete your shopping list!
Don't know what to get someone who likes art? The Artists' Gallery

has added a new way to shop this year with Gift Certificates good all year long. A gift certificate can be purchased in any amount for that special someone on your list who might enjoy selecting something for her/himself from the Gallery. There is a fine selection of one-of-a-kind items: artwork, cards, prints, jewelry, pottery, and more. The Gallery exhibit changes every two months, and the gift certificate recipient can spend it down over time just like a gift card.

The special Christmas raffle of small items donated by League members closes at end of day on Friday December 19th. Buy as many chances as you like (\$2 each) to potentially win a variety of items of your choice from jewelry to pottery to small collectable artwork to a beautiful computer bag. The winning ticket for each of these items will be drawn on December 19. You do not need to be present to win. All proceeds go to the League's scholarship fund for area students studying the creative arts at the college level. To learn more about how the raffle contributes to our scholarship program please visit the [Events tab on our webpage](#)



Necklace & earrings by Maggie & Shelby Smith

WINTER IMPRESSIONS ARTISTS' RECEPTION WEDNESDAY, December 10, 2014

4:00-5:00 p.m. in the lobby of Sound Bank, Oak Bay Road. Refreshments next door in the Art Gallery, from **4:00-6:00 p.m.**

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The Colors of Winter

by Wanda Mawhinney

Also on tap is the special Christmas raffle of small items donated by League members. You will be able to purchase \$2 raffle tickets to potentially win a variety of items from jewelry to pottery to small collectable artwork to a beautiful computer bag. The winning ticket for these items will be drawn on December 19. You do not need to be present to win. All proceeds go to the League's scholarship fund for area students studying the creative arts at the college level.

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Artists' League Gets Chilly!

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Friends and fellow artists, please join the League in kicking off the Holiday Spirit right here in Port Ludlow! More information can be obtained by contacting League President Judy Danberg.

Famous Cookie Chefs of the Artists' League!

It's that time again, the last meeting of 2014 and a sharing of the best darned cookies on the peninsula baked by members of the Artists' League! Continuing their tradition, December's meeting is a combination cookie exchange and installation of the League's 2015 Officers. Each member brings two dozen of their favorite cookies to sample and exchange, taking home a delicious plate of treats to enhance everyone's holiday table.

As in years past, the League members will be donating to our local Food Bank, as well as collecting private donations from the members. Donations are also being collected for our local animal shelters by way of money and badly needed supplies such as food, towels, and bedding.

After a short, end-of-the-year business meeting is the installation of the new board officers. A heartfelt *Thank You!* goes to the 2014 officers who have done a great job in serving the League. The Artists' League, with 109 members, is a very active and vibrant group in Port Ludlow, and adds much to the fabric of our community.

The **December 17th** meeting will be held at the Beach Club in Port Ludlow from **1:00 - 3:00 pm**. More information can be obtained by contacting President Judy Danberg at 437-0342 or by email at shortline@cablespeed.com.

Port Ludlow Artists' League Scholarships

Over the past eight years, the Port Ludlow Artists' League has raised money for scholarships which benefit graduating Chimacum High School students who go on to study the "creative arts," visual, drama, and musical. Silent auctions and a grand "art gala" have brought in over \$20,000 which have been dispersed to very talented and grateful young students. As one student expressed it, "The money is a big help but the thought that my community believes in me is even more rewarding."

This year, the League is holding a raffle of artwork which changes each month at the League's Gallery with the winning ticket drawn at the 2nd Wednesday Reception. During the annual Holiday Shoppe at the Gallery, there will be an offering of several smaller pieces donated by League members: pieces of jewelry from Judy Danberg, Ginny Ford, Mary Lynn Laker, Maggie Smith and Sharon Zabloutney; a purse by Laurie Dokken; a glass plate by Judy Thomas; a piece of pottery by Susan Yesunas; a collage art piece by Marilyn Sandau; and, a floral arrangement by Leslie Leider. Tickets are only \$2 each and this drawing will be done on **Friday, December 19**. Winners do not have to be present to win, and will be notified after the drawing.

Stop by and see the variety of holiday gifts available and purchase a raffle ticket. Your \$2 goes toward helping a student pursue their dreams of a higher education. Donations are also gladly accepted. More information can be obtained by contacting League President Judy Danberg.