



February 2005

Learning - Teaching - Art Appreciation

Message From the President

Bon Jour! Dear Members, what can I say about our trip to France for the New Year other than ooh la la! The Louvre was unbelievably magnificent. The sidewalk café's adorable and the trip down the Seine River was delightful. Oh yes, I have pictures!

I have decided to plant my...feet in Texas for awhile so I can enjoy my IAA friends and finish some of my paintings.

I would like to thank Dot Blalock and all the Board Members for doing a fine job at the meetings. It is so nice to know that my absence is worry-free! Many warm thank you's to you all. Our hostess's Marilyn Chandler and Doris Vail deserve a round of applause as well.

I heard through the grapevine that Jane Jones did a spectacular demo! We are so fortunate to have such great talent available to IAA.

The passing of our increase in membership dues will be a financial help to the organization. Thank you members! This will be effective June 1, 2005.

We already have a few members signed up for the "Members Only" Gallery. Synne Ferguson has volunteered to be our Scheduling Chairman so get in touch with her if you would like to hang in that gallery next season. Welcome Aboard Synne!

IAA has so much to look forward to in the New Year! I am hoping you will all get involved in at least one of our fun programs; C.A.A.P.(Corporate Art Appreciation Program); Gallery Attendant (there could be incentives); Membership Meeting Hostess; Texas & Neighbors; Members Only Gallery; May Member Juried show; Spring Art Fest and Sale; gee, I could go on and on! We also need your ideas.

Put more art in your life! Until next month, Voila!

Nina Hardison



New Scheduling Chairman

The Irving Arts Association members would like to welcome Synne Magar Ferguson as our new IAA Scheduling Chairman. Thank you Synne.

February Hostesses

Mattie Kenney
Karyl Barbosa



IAA NEWSROOM

Jan. Artists of the Month



Mary H.Treadwell
Earnest Benton, Jr.

Each month's first place winner will help Member Show Chair Jan Bateman by handling the voting for Artist of the Month the following month. Winner paintings will be on display at the Center for the following month if artists choose.

IAA member Earnest Benton will have a Solo Exhibit at The Irving Community Television Network 233 S. Rogers Road in Irving, TX. Feb. 25 - April 29th. All are welcome. Hours are Mon. - Fri. 8am. to 5pm.

Gallery Space: The West Gallery at the Jaycee Center will be set aside for IAA members only. Any member interested in exhibiting work for the 2005-2006 season may contact our new Scheduling Chairman Synne Magar Ferguson for available slots. (SynneMagar@texashealth.org)

Workshop Opportunities

We have exciting opportunities for workshop instructors and demonstrators - join our schedule for next year! We're also looking for exhibitors. Call 972-721-2488 or 721-8063 or email us @ www.info@irvingart.org

Members Online Gallery

Free posting in the IAA Members Profile Gallery online! Just send an image to the Webmaster sharon_giles@hotmail.com. Include your name and the name of the work, plus a link to your online gallery if you have one.

Gallery volunteers

We are in need of gallery volunteers. You can paint while you serve as gallery attendant! Call Nina or Dot to volunteer at 972-721-2488 or 972-721-8063 (voice mail).

Other News

Art by the Fireside

IAA member Lynne Carpenter is now teaching art classes. Each afternoon class limited to no more than six students.

What your registration and class attendance gives you:

Small class size: 2 – 6 Students, Ages 14 - Adult

All supplies provided and yours to keep

Total cost: \$85 each student.

Have your own supplies? Class cost: \$55

Class Schedule:

Saturday, February 5, 19, 26

Thursday, February 17

Sunday, February 13

Saturday, March 5

Thursday, March 10

Sunday, March 13

Call or e-mail your reservation and any questions

972-345-0874

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Members, if you have any news items for the newsletter of exhibits, juried shows, etc., please email the news editor with info at ernie@strictlyearnest.com so we may post it and also congratulate you.

Featured Artist

Angie Vangalis

Book Art Lettering Demo

Angie Vangalis was born and raised in California and graduated from California State University Fullerton with a BA in Art. Her interests have been primarily in design, painting, calligraphy and photography. She has served as Vice President for Irving Art Association, and workshop chairman for Kaligrafos, The Dallas Calligraphy Society and the Fort Worth Calligraphers Guild. Angie began painting in watercolor upon moving to Texas more than 10 years ago and combines her fine art of painting and lettering with state-of-the-art computer technology in her graphic design business. An example of using the media together is in last year's Texas Neighbors Exhibit Catalog.

As director of the 25th International Lettering Arts Conference, July 23-30 2005 at Hyatt Regency DFW, Angie will give you the opportunity to create and take a project and show how the calligraphic lettering arts is one way to fulfill that creative urge to express yourself through almost any medium; oils, acrylic, pen and ink, watercolor and gouache, glass etching, paper casting, ceramics, jewelry, and book arts. ■

2005 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesday & Thursday Painters Group

Bring a sack lunch

Tuesdays - 10am - 3pm

Thursdays - 12:30pm - 3pm

Texas & Neighbors Exhibit

Reception April 24, 2005 2-5pm at the Irving Art Center. Juror will be Doug Dawson. \$6,000 in prizes!

The IAA Annual Members Juried Show

will be held **May 1-27, 2005**. Members start painting!! May will be upon us before you know it.

JOIN IAA ONLINE GALLERY!

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Other Online Interest!

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auroraimaqqes@worldnet.att.net

www.cecycturner.com

AROUND OUR TOWNS

The Artists' Showplace Gallery in Richardson, TX, 2005 Juried Exhibition –Dates: Feb.28 - Mar.21. Reception is March 4, 2005 at 7pm.

Our very own members, **Judy Emig and Mary Charles Strickland** have partnered with Suzanne Guillory, owner of **Art to Go Gallery** in Garland. The gallery contains one third of their paintings under \$50. Spaces are for lease. Call the gallery at 972-240-0989 to buy affordable art or to exhibit your own work.

And another of our very own members, **Synne Magar Ferguson**, is doing great things with an online gallery, Aurora Images. She is looking for more painters. Check out her website at <http://www.auroraimagesbysynne.com>

Newsletters via Email

Members wishing to receive

the monthly newsletter over the Internet should send your newsletter editor Earnest your email address to ernie@strictlyearnest.com.

Member Dues:

All member dues are due no later than June 1st of 2005, making all members eligible for all membership shows and the members only gallery.

Dot Blalock was recently informed that one of our members, Adelaide Flower, passed away a few months ago. All of our prayers and sympathy go out to the family.



IN OUR GALLERIES

Jan 29 – Feb 24, 2005

EAST & WEST
Texas Calligraphy Show
By Texas Lettering Arts Council
Reception Jan 30, 2005,
2-4 p.m.

Feb 26 – March 25, 2005

EAST - Deanna Wood
WEST – Association of Oriental Artists

Mar 26 – April 29, 2005

EAST – CPS of ASR Juried Show
WEST - Mary Emerson
Reception Mar 27, 2005,
2-5 p.m.

May 1 – 27, 2005

EAST & WEST - IAA Annual Juried Show
Reception May 1, 2005,
2-4 pm.



John Potoschnik

Oil Painting Workshop March 14 - 18, 2005

Doug Dawson

Pastel Workshop March 21 -25, 2005

Mel Stabin

Watercolor Workshop: Simple, Fast, and Focused (SWS) April 12 - 15, 2005

Call Karyl Barbosa, 972-262-3638 to enroll

**Free classes are held on Thursday evenings
7:00-9:00 p.m.**

January 13, 20 & 27

Basic Oil Painting: **Dot Blalock**

February 3, 10 & 17

Basic Calligraphy: **Angie Vangalis**

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

