



The Villages Art League Newsletter

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Message from our President—Lisa Melcher

I believe summer has arrived in The Villages. That means that our Summer Art Festival is right around the corner. As artists, I'm sure you have already been working hard to get ready for the show. We are now in the home stretch so continue working on your magnificent masterpieces so they will be finished and ready for the show. The registration forms, rules and room layouts are on the VAL website. Please make sure you review the rules, complete your registration form, and mail it in at the appropriate time to get your assigned space. Additional show information will be provided, and questions answered at the June and July meetings. Shown below is the ad that will appear in the Recreation News and the Newspaper prior to the event.



This month we have our own Jean Anton demonstrating acrylic abstract painting. Jean is originally from the St Louis area and has exhibited in shows throughout the Midwest. She earned a fine arts degree from Missouri State University and was a member of the St Louis County Art Association and a signature member of the St Louis Watercolor Society. Jean does not paint using oils but has dabbled in most other media although acrylics are her favorite. (Jean is also Ellen Hellwege's kindergarten buddy - lol).

Most of Jean's paintings could be considered abstract landscapes, however, what one person sees in one of her paintings could be quite different than what another person sees.

"In a decaying society, art, if it is truthful, must also reflect decay. And unless it wants to break faith with its social function, art must show the world as changeable. And help to change it." Ernst Fischer

Sincerely, your 2024 Officers:

- President, Lisa Melcher
- Vice President, Ellen Hellwege
- Secretary, Gail Parker
- Treasurer, Janet Marks

Sunshine Report from Charlene Sasto

- A get-well card was sent to Pat Cruz for her broken arm.
- A sympathy card was sent to Cheri Ptacek for the loss of her husband.
- An encouragement card was sent to Lois Kamp.

VAL
Summer Art Festival

The Villages
 Recreation & Parks
www.DistrictGov.org

HOSTED BY
The Villages' Art League

Saturday, July 13th • 9AM - 3PM

- 75 Artists & Artisans
- 2D & 3D Art
- FREE Admission
- Public invited

Lake Miona
 Regional Recreation Center
 1526 Buena Vista Blvd.

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Artist of the Month—Diane (Deyan) Carlisle

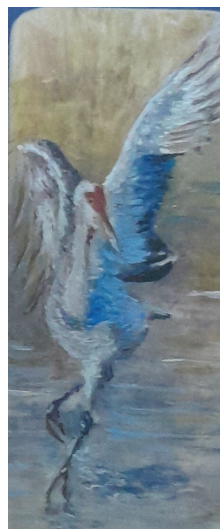


I am originally from Ohio and have lived here permanently for 3 years. I have been in VAL for two years now. I have had no formal art education but I know I have a God given gift of art. I started out 54 years ago learning to tole paint from books at the library and then moved on to books in oil painting, especially Helen Van Wyk books. From them I learned color mixing and placement of objects in a painting.

I was a florist for many years and after leaving that industry my daughter and I did wall murals and wall finishes for decorators in the Cleveland area. I work now in oil, acrylic, watercolor and pencil.

I have had my work shown in art shows in Ohio and Phoenix, AZ where I have been privileged to win a best in show and 1st place. I had belonged to the miniature art society of Florida where I had 3 pictures accepted and sold 2. I have enjoyed entering and showing my work here for the last year with both the VAL and VAA respectively. My latest miniatures have been the tea bag book marks, a miniature picture on a used tea bag.

The name Deyan is a paint name that was derived from my last name then (Dey) and the 'an' to make it Diane spelled differently.



Photos by Dave Boege of VAL's May meeting:



Program Presenter Dawn Hubbard



Artist of the Month Schuyler Young

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Business Meetings: 9:30-11:30 am the first Monday of the month at the Saddlebrook Rec Center.

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Art League Places to Exhibit in 2024

- ◆ **Eisenhower Art Exhibit** in the Eisenhower Regional Rec Center has a fine art exhibit that is judged and ribbons awarded. Exhibit dates for 2024 are: Jan. 8, May 13, July 8, Sept. 9, Nov. 11.
- ◆ **La Galleria** at La Hacienda Rec Center, the Masters Exhibit dates: Sept. 14 through Dec. 14.
- ◆ **Summer Art Festival** on July 13 at Lake Miona Rec Center. The **Fall Art Showcase** on October 26 at Eisenhower Rec Center. VAL members can show and sell their artwork during these one-day events.