

CALENDAR

2/1	General meeting via Zoom Demoist Karen Woodin will demo an oil winter scene.	6:45pm
2/1-2/5	Pick up artwork from Art Associates Gallery, Inc.	
2/15	Board Meeting via Zoom	6:30pm
3/1	General meeting via Zoom	6:45pm
3/15	Board meeting via Zoom	6:30pm

2021 Virtual Holiday Show and Small Works Sale

Wow, what a great Holiday Show we had this year! There were 68 entries for the show and 23 paintings for the small works sale. Thank you to our members for your great participation and for your patience as the show had to be presented virtually again this year. A big thank you goes to the folks who worked diligently behind the scenes to bring the show to life. Once again, we also thank those who provided the William K. Sanford Library with cards and bookmarks for their Christmas tree.

A special thanks to **Richard Ruotolo**, CAL's webmaster for putting together the virtual presentation for the show. Richard and Pam Agan-Smith, our Show Co-Chair, toiled to make sure the virtual platform of the show displayed the submitted works to their best effect. Nice work! **Criss Macaione** did a fabulous job in staging the zoom awards meeting and sending out the Constant Contact reminders to the members. Our special thanks go to **Billy Fillmore**, our judge, who did an outstanding job in selecting the award winners and awarding the prizes. With so many wonderful entries, his was a difficult task.

Last but not least, a big thank you goes out to the show co-chairs, **Pam Agan-Smith** and **Lee York** for their tireless efforts in making sure the Holiday Show was a success. From finding the judge to preparing the award certificates, they worked diligently to make sure CAL's Holiday Show was one we could all be proud of.

2021 Holiday Show Award Winners

Best in Show

Marthanne Linacre

Judges Circle

1st Place - **Pam Agan-Smith**

2nd Place - **Ruth Crotty**

3rd Place - **Robert Francis Whelan**

Emerging Artist Award - **Carolyn Kowsky-O'Donnell**

Paint on Canvas

1st Place - **Susan Trottier**

2nd Place - **Katie Rooney**

3rd Place - **Karen Woodin**

Honorable Mention - **Ned Lacy**

Paint on Paper

1st Place - **Tim Lederach**

2nd Place - **Nancy Steckel**

3rd Place - **Paula Haavind**

Honorable Mention - **Ginger Lafreniere**

Pastel

1st Place - **Jacqueline Smith**

2nd Place - **Anna Stoliker**

3rd Place - **Chick Owens**

Honorable Mention - **Meggie Carson**

Other

1st Place - **Lynda Spielman**

2nd Place - **Mary Ann Van Alstyne**

3rd Place - **Lorenz M. Worden**

Honorable Mention - **Rose Knightly**

Art Associates Gallery

During the month of January the Art Associates Gallery is hosting the works of the Colonie Art League members. The Gallery located at 21 Railroad Avenue in Albany is open from 12:00 pm to 6:00 pm on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. On Thursdays they are open from 12:00 pm to 8:00 pm and on Saturdays from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. Following the NY State Covid restrictions the Gallery will host up to 25

people at a time. Guests must wear masks. This is a wonderful opportunity for CAL members to showcase and sell their artwork. Please encourage your friends and family to attend the show. It is a wonderful outing and a delightful destination during the winter. To pick up the pieces after the show, members can come to the Gallery between Tuesday, February 1 and Saturday February 5. You may call the gallery at 518-459-1307 to make sure someone will be there when you arrive.

Shows:

The William Sanford Library in Colonie no longer has any openings in 2022 for artists to show their work. They do have openings for January and February of 2023. Please contact **Greg Rucinski** if you are interested Rucinskig@colonielibrary.org

Member News

BAA fall show awards:

Pam Agan-Smith, 1st place in pastel category
Jacqueline Smith, 2nd place in pastel category
Tom O'Toole, 3rd place in the acrylic category
Criss Maciaone, 1st place in the watercolor category
Lynne Kaiser, Honorable mention in the watercolor category
Lynda Spielman, 1st place in mixed media category
Bev Braun, 2nd place in mixed media category
Joan Van Alphen, Honorable Mention in mixed media category

Barbara Via has 18 paintings on display at the Short and Stout Tea Lounge, Western Ave, Albany.

Pam Agan-Smith's, *A Walk With Nancy*, was accepted into the Pastel Society of Eastern Canada's 26th online international exhibition 'Les Pastellistes'. <https://pastelsec.com/en/les-pastellistes-exhibition-2021/>

Dee Foley has 35 paintings at the Bethlehem public library in Delmar New York for the month of February.

Art Exhibit, Sanford Library JANUARY 3 to 30, 2022

ALL ARE INVITED!!! Yes, please plan to attend my solo exhibition, "50 Years of Oil Painting: **Bob Blackmon** at the William K. Sanford Library." Approximately 60 painting will be on display. They sort of trace my painting "career" from 1971 to the present. And as you might guess, there'll be a touch of Ireland. Several pieces have never been shown in a public exhibition.

The library is located at 629 Albany Shaker Road, Latham, New York. Library hours are Monday-Thursday 10 to 8; Friday 10 to 6; Saturday 10 to 5; Sunday 1 to 5.

Call for Art: Women's History Show at AAG

Hosted by Kinga Zalavary at Art Associates Gallery, Inc., all CAL women artists are invited to contribute their artwork to the 102nd annual Women's History Show to be held from March 4th through March 28th. Intake begins the last week of February. Call for details: 518-459-1307 (office) or 347-636-5991 (cell).

Do You Zoom?

During the pandemic, as you know, CAL has been holding our monthly member meetings online using the Zoom app. Board member **Criss Macaione** is our highly skilled and reliable Zoom master. She launches and manages our Zoom meetings seemingly effortlessly. CAL is seeking a Zoom backup person, in the unlikely event that Criss is unable to host a monthly meeting. If any member has a paid Zoom account, and is comfortable hosting, we would appreciate it if you would consider serving as backup if Criss were unavailable to host. If interested, please contact Barbara Via, 518-441-7464, for details.

Member Classes, Workshops and Services

Join us for Wednesday Open Studio

Where: St. Matthew's Church in Latham

How much? \$5 donation

For whom? open to all CAL members

When? anytime on Wednesdays, 10-2

Enjoy painting with friends. Bring your lunch, art supplies, and a dose of humor. Take advantage of the CAL DVD's and library, please text **Emily Ravida** on Tuesday at 518-859-2286 if you are planning to come.

Condolences

To **Kris Woodward**, on the death of her beloved husband, Dick. He was a well known TV news anchor, beloved by so many. He was kind to everyone and had a warm smile for all. Our thoughts are with you, Kris.

Art Classes with Kris Woodward

Watercolor, Pastel, Acrylic, Oil and Drawing

Kris Woodward has classes on Wednesday night 6:30-9:30 currently alternating St. Matthew's and Zoom. Also, Thursday morning either at her home gardens or St. Matthew's depending on the weather, 9:30-2:30. Kristin.woodward10@gmail.com, 518-461-2809. Students are required to have COVID shots.

Pray and Paint!

Noreen Powell offers a mix of scripture, prayer, and acrylic painting. Check out her website; <http://www.noreenpowellart.com> to view options for a paint session. It is a perfect activity for adult small groups, youth groups and for anyone interested in connecting with God through paint!

Ruotolo Design Shack

Richard Ruotolo is a new CAL member this year and our new CAL Webmaster. He brings with him 25 years' experience in the design industry. View samples of his art and client work at www.ruotolodesignshack.com. See more on Facebook and Instagram. Contact Rich for all your graphic design, illustration, and photography needs.

CAL Website

Our website www.colonieartleague.com, is not a commercial website and does not sell directly or indirectly to potential clients. It will only display your wares and contact information if someone wants to buy. There is a page for CAL members to display artwork which is labeled "Member Art for Sale". One option if using the CAL website is to make a page with your name on it and include a few examples of your artwork along with your contact information, phone number, or email address. If you wish to participate, email the details to ruotolodesignshack@gmail.com.

CAL Library

The library at St Matthew's is in the back room, open from 10 AM to 2 PM and 6:30pm to 9pm Wednesdays. Books and DVDs. Call to make sure that the church is open, Chris 518 879-2927 or Kris 518-461-2809.

Community Art Venues

Colonie Town Hall

If you are interested in using the corridor walls as a venue for your art, the Town Supervisor's office would be happy to arrange that for you.

Contact the Supervisor's Office at 783-2728.

Niskayuna Library community room

Contact: Circulation Desk 386-2249

Ballston Community Library community room

Contact: Deborah 399-8174 ext. 2

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CALnews **Schedule**

We will send out five issues per year and email blasts for additional information as necessary.

Below is the proposed schedule:

1) SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER ISSUE

August 5th - Newsletter copy deadline for articles/info

2) NOVEMBER/DECEMBER ISSUE

October 5th - Newsletter copy deadline

October 15th - Newsletters get emailed to membership

3) JANUARY/FEBRUARY membership list and show information only

January 5th - membership list and show info sent to Jean

4) MARCH/APRIL ISSUE

February 5th - Newsletter copy deadline

February 15th - Newsletters get emailed to membership

5) MAY/JUNE ISSUE

April 5th - Newsletter copy deadline

April 15th - Newsletters get emailed to membership