

## CALENDAR

1/3	General Meeting Demoist Dan Mondloch, Watercolors (Zoom)	6:45pm
1/17	Board Meeting	6:30pm
2/7	General Meeting Demoist Elizabeth Rhodes, Oil (Zoom)	6:45pm
2/21	Board Meeting	6:30pm
3/7	General Meeting Demoist, Richard Boyer, Desert Landscapes (Zoom)	6:45pm
3/21	Board Meeting	6:30pm
3/27-5/2	Pruyn House Exhibit	
3/21 & 3/22	Intakes for Pruyn House Exhibit	
3/23	Pruyn House Exhibit–Hanging & Judging	
3/26	Pruyn House Reception	
5/2	Artwork pickup for Pruyn House Exhibit	

## 2022 Holiday Show and Small Works Sale

We had a fabulous Holiday Show this year at the William K. Sanford Library in Colonie. There were a total of 91 entries for the show and 80 paintings for the Small Works Sale. Thank you to our members for your great participation. We also thank those who provided the William K. Sanford Library with cards and bookmarks for the Holiday Tree.

The show was only made possible with the hard work of many volunteers to whom we are very grateful. This includes the folks who came together to process and take in the paintings:

**Oksana Burr**  
**Sally Decheine**  
**Dee Foley**  
**Nancy Hodder**

**Tim Lederach**  
**Jane Levy**  
**Larry McArthur**  
**Jaqueline Smith**

**Nancy Stoliker**  
**Joan Van Alphen**  
**Mary Ann van Alstyne**  
**Barbara Via**

Hanging the artwork is always an enormous job that requires attention to color, content, size and framing of the various paintings entered. We are grateful for the following members who arduously and with great expertise carried out this big job:

**Meggie Carson**  
**Sally Decheine**  
**Dee Foley**  
**Catherine Laccetti**

**Sue Lunow**  
**Kathleen Lyons**  
**Emily Ravida**  
**Nancy Stoliker**

**Mary Ann van Alstyne**  
**Barbara Via**  
**Kris Woodward**

Additionally, we would like to thank **Barbara Via** for sending out reminders to the membership about the show and reception. **Richard Ruotolo** also kept our website updated and put out numerous notices on social media. Richard also provided his photography talent in taking photos of all of the show entries and posting them on our website, making it possible for us to easily share the show with family and friends near and far.

Big thank you goes to our judge **Rebecca Schoonmaker**. Rebecca did a great job of choosing the winners in various categories from the large number of submissions. Thanks to the staff at the library and especially **Greg Rucinski** for coordinating with the Show Co-Chairs and for helping to set up for the intake and reception. Again, for this show, we moved away from awarding ribbons and instead provided printed certificate to all the winners. Alex at Corner Gateway printers did a great job with these certificates.

Once again, our Show Co-Chairs, **Pam Agan-Smith** and **Lee York**, stepped up to the plate and created a show we can all be proud of. They not only facilitated the show but also coordinated the reception and prepared the awards! Thank you, ladies, for a job well done.

## Congratulations to the 2022 Holiday Show Award Winners

### **Best in Show**

Richard Ruotolo

### **Judges Circle**

1<sup>st</sup> Place - Karen Woodin

2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Ginger LaFrenier

3<sup>rd</sup> Place - Jean Reiter

### **Paint on Paper**

1<sup>st</sup> Place - Paula Haavind

2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Anita Schermerhorn

3<sup>rd</sup> Place - Marci Poirier

Honorable Mention - Eleanor Christie

### **Emerging Artist Award**

Catherine Laccetti

### **Paint on Canvas**

1<sup>st</sup> Place - Orhan Alpaslan

2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Eden Hart

3<sup>rd</sup> Place - Alyce Ashe

Honorable Mention - Gerald Jones

### **Other**

1<sup>st</sup> Place - Tracy Loring

2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Mary Ann Van Alstyne

3<sup>rd</sup> Place - Irina Kaplan

Honorable Mention - Faith Weldon

### **Pastel**

1<sup>st</sup> Place - Juliet Konieczny

2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Nancy Lyons

3<sup>rd</sup> Place - Pam Agan-Smith

## **2023 Pruyn House Exhibit**

It's time to start working on your paintings for the 2023 Pruyn House Exhibit.

The show will run from **March 27<sup>th</sup> to May 2<sup>nd</sup>**.

Mark your calendars with these important dates:

Intakes: **Tuesday March 21<sup>st</sup> and Weds. March 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Hanging and Judging: **Thursday March 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Reception: **Sunday March 26<sup>th</sup>**

Pick up Art: **Monday May 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Volunteers are needed for intake and reception. Please contact Pam Agan-Smith ([pandg85@gmail.com](mailto:pandg85@gmail.com)) or Lee York ([leeyork1030@gmail.com](mailto:leeyork1030@gmail.com)) if you have time to help out.**

**More information to follow in our next newsletter.**

## **Scholarships**

We are pleased to announce that this year we plan to award CAL scholarships to five local schools: Albany High, Colonie Central High School (South Colonie), Schenectady High, Shaker High (North Colonie), and Troy High. We are able to partially fund the additional scholarships through the efforts of Marjorie Ward, who held a sale of paintings from an estate settlement to fund scholarships. She raised \$1100 through that sale. A big thanks to Marjorie!

The Board plans to continue to support the expanded scholarships in the coming years, by using some of our accumulated funds, as well as member donations to the scholarship fund.

## Member News

Congratulations to the following CAL members who won awards in the Bethlehem Art Association annual Fall Member Show

(<https://www.bethlehemartassociation.com/news>):

**Eden Hart**

**Kristine Kelly**

**Kevin Kuhn**

**Criss Macaione**

**Pam Agan-Smith**

**Bev Braun**

**Rob Madeo**

**Pam Agan-Smith** had 2 paintings accepted into the Pastel Guild of Europe, *DUST OFF*, 3rd online juried competition and 1 painting accepted into the Pastel Society of Eastern Canada's, Pixel Pastel, juried online international exhibition.

**Lynn Huntington** has solo show at The Sand Lake Center for the Arts for the month of February. The show, "*Food Glorious Food*". Reception is TBD.

**Dee Foley** is pleased to announce that she will have an art show at the Bethlehem Public Library for the month of December. All oil, acrylic and gouache paintings are for sale. Please stop by.

**Barb Lennox** will be at the LARAC Lapham Gallery, Glens Falls NY in a two person show along with sculptor **Jack Metzger**. The show which is titled "*Imploding the Mirage*" will run from **January 13 through February 15**. Barb will be showing a selection of her abstract paintings. The artist reception is **January 13 from 5-7**.

**Susan Lunow** was recently awarded 1st Place Winner of the 2022 Niskayuna Paint Out with an entry of a watercolor/gouache plein air painting of the Lishakill Creek Preserve. The prize included a month long show at Niskayuna Town Hall scheduled for March 2023.

**Vince Forte** took 2nd Place and received a gift certificate for use at the Electric City Art Barn.

## Membership Update

A BIG WELCOME to *New Members* to CAL:

**Valerie Jones**

**Catherine Laccetti**

**Orhan Alpaslan**

**Deborah Balcanoff**

**Wendy Allen**

As of the date of this newsletter, we have 158 paid members in CAL!

## CAL Volunteers Needed

**Dee Foley** is looking for another member to assist her with identifying and contacting potential demoists. Dee's contact info is in the Board of Director's list at the end of the newsletter.

## 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.

## 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.

## 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](mailto:Kristin.woodward10@gmail.com), 518-461-2809. Students are required to have COVID shots.

## 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

## CAL Website

Our website [www.colonieartleague.com](http://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](mailto:ruotolodesignshack@gmail.com).

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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