

CALENDAR



11/6	General Meeting - St. Matthews Ellie Prakken water/mixed-media demo	6:30 - 9pm
11/20	Board Meeting - St. Matthews	6:30 - 8:30
12/2	Holiday Show Intake - William Sanford Library	1:30 - 4:30
12/3	Holiday Show Intake - William Sanford Library Hang Show	10am - 11:30am 11:30am - 2:30
12/4	Holiday Show - William Sanford Library	5:30 - 7:30
1/8	General Meeting - Town Hall Ritvik Sharma, watercolor demo, city street scenes	6:30 - 9pm
2/5	General Meeting - Town Hall	6:30 - 9pm
3/5	General Meeting - Town Hall	6:30 - 9pm
4/2	General Meeting - Town Hall Dave Francis, pastel still life	6:30 - 9pm
4/7	Pruyn House Show Reception - Pruyn House	1 - 3pm
5/7	General Meeting - Town Hall Francis Driscoll, photography in Catskills	6:30 - 9pm



Jump in!

Join the fun and excitement of entering in the Holiday Art Show! It is a great experience to have your work framed and in a show. If you are new to the process, we are here to help you through the steps. Getting to know members is one of the priceless perks. If you have been a member for a while, join us again! We love to see everyone involved.

The Holiday Show Reception is December 4th William K. Sanford Town Library

Remember that in addition to your entry for the show, you may also provide one or two small pieces for the "Front Wall Sale". The small art should not exceed 12" x 12", frame included.

Let's Keep this Tradition Going

For the last four summers, with the incredible support of our Board of Directors, it has been my pleasure to serve as the organizer of the CAL Summer Art Camp. This program, held in the Pruyn House Barn, provides art instruction for 4th, 5th and 6th grade children and is one of the most important projects of our organization. In addition to teaching some of the classes myself, there have been wonderful volunteers from CAL and the community as well as assistant teachers from the Shaker High School Art Explores program.

Next summer (2019) will be the last time I will be responsible for the camp. The CAL Board of Directors is dedicated to continuing this program and is seeking one or two members to replace me. The camp is always held during the week following the end of the spring semester. This coming summer we will be having only a two-day program because of the availability of the Pruyn House property. Usually the camp is a four-day event. So, this would be an excellent time for me to work side-by-side with the person(s) who will be taking over. Trust me – you will not be on your own. You will have all of my past records, forms, procedures and community/school contacts as reference.

I can honestly say I am very proud of the way this program has grown, but it doesn't necessarily need to be done "my way." There is an enormous amount of talent and energy within our organization and it might be time for a new approach. Anyone who is interested may call me for more details and I will be happy to answer your questions. I have always enjoyed the week with amazing young artists and a beautiful venue, so please consider this rewarding opportunity to give back to the community. Thanks – and call me!

Marjorie Ward 518-253-3402

Our Gift to the Pruyn House

For many years now the Colonie Art League has held two annual events at this historic site in Colonie. The annual Spring Art Show is displayed in the main house, the Casparus Pruyn Mansion. This house and surrounding land was purchased by the Town of Colonie in 1983. It was then restored to its early 1800's style, when it was originally built. The classic and charming rooms are host to our annual Art Show held in April of each year. What a beautiful place to display art!

Our other annual event is the Children's Summer Art Program, which is held in the large Buhrmaster Barn, another historic building which was brought to the site in 1987. In the past year, bright new lighting was installed in the Barn to accommodate all who use this venue, including the art league. This space along with the surrounding gardens, Verdoy Schoolhouse, and other facilities has been a great place to offer art instruction to young people in our area.

In appreciation for the many years the Pruyn House has helped serve CAL and those associated with our events, and to help defray the cost of the new lighting, the League presented the Pruyn House with a donation of \$1500.

Member Milestones

Bob Blackmon has been invited to show his artwork in Ireland, at the Half Light Gallery in the city of Midleton. He also shows his work at the Ardmore Gallery, also in Ireland.

Bob has an exhibit at Sand Lake Center of the Arts through October, and will be showing again at the East Greenbush Library, Dec 1st - 31st. Reception at the Library is Dec 9th from 2 - 4pm.

Marjorie Ward has her work hanging at the Unitarian Church in Albany (405 Washington Ave) and there will be a reception, open to the public, at 11:30am on Sunday October 28th.

Get Well

Get well wishes to **Audrey Romano** after hip replacement.

Condolences

Condolences to the family and friends of **Marlene Paul**. Marlene was a past President of CAL and held many positions over the years. Her wit and contagious laughter will be missed.

Condolences to the family and friends of another fine artist, **Gina Keith**. Surely will miss that smile and always positive attitude.

Condolences to member **Simone Minihan** and her family for the loss of her husband, Jerry.

Thank You

Thank you to Bruce Handford for a wonderful demo and two-day watercolor workshop. Bruce is a former member of CAL and Signature Master Artist of the Transparent Water Society. Bruce has graciously donated two of his paintings (they sell in Virginia for \$1,200-\$1,600) to CAL for a fundraiser. We will let you know more when we figure out the best way to promote them. Scroll down to see photos of these paintings!

Thank you to Tony Conner for a great watercolor/or other media Plein Aire workshop in September. We had one day at the Pruyn House and heavy rain sent us to St. Matthew's for the dry indoors. Tony did a great job and we appreciate his flexibility.

Congratulations to **Emily Ravida** for winning the September raffle!

Congratulations to **Lynn Kaiser** for winning the October raffle and we thank her for donating her winnings.

Member Classes, Workshops and Services

Join us for Wednesday Open Studio

Where: St. Matthew's Church in Latham

How much? \$4 donation

For whom? open to all CAL members

When? anytime on Wednesdays, 9-4

Enjoy a full day of painting with friends. Bring your lunch, and art supplies and a dose of humor. Take advantage of the CAL dvd's and library.....please call Kris 518-461-2809 the first time you come.

Art Racks for Sale

There are some really nice racks available from **Linda Kohler**. Four racks that could easily be split between friends! \$225 - call 518-922-6110

Art Classes with Kris Woodward

Watercolor, Pastel, Acrylic, Oil and Drawing

Weekly at St. Matthew's. Wed evenings, Thur mornings and evenings. Contact **Kris Woodward** 518-461-2809 or kristin.woodward@earthlink.net

Pray and Paint!

Noreen Powell offers a mix of scripture, prayer and acrylic painting. Check out her website; 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!

CAL Library/Scholarship

The library at St Matthew's is in the back room, open from 10 AM to 8 PM Wednesdays and Thursdays. Books and DVDs. Call to make sure that the church is open, Debbie 518-658-2178 or Kris 518-461-2809.

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 jackpaints@nycap.rr.com.

For Every Artist!

Beltrone Exhibit - Local Artists 55+ Wanted!

The Colonie Senior Services is now hosting art exhibits in one of the public hallways at The Beltrone Living Center. A tracking system installed allows artists who have 2-dimensional art the ability to show their art publicly for a two-month period. Artists should have at least 12-15 pieces available and for sale, if desired, for the duration of the exhibit. There will be opening receptions hosted by CSSC. For further info, contact Nicole Brammer at 518-459-2857 ext 303. **Jack Berkery** is the first exhibitor, and his work will be hanging through October. Call now to get on their list, as it's been filling quickly!

Community Art Venues

On November 3rd & 4th there will be ***The Fall Artisan Sale*** at the Barn at the Bridge, 250 Lake Hill Road, Burnt Hills. The hours are 9-4 on Saturday and Noon to 3 on Sunday. **Marjorie Ward** will be there with approximately 30 vendors displaying a wide variety of holiday crafts, baskets, jewelry, pottery, metal work, fine arts, embroidery, cards and so much more.

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

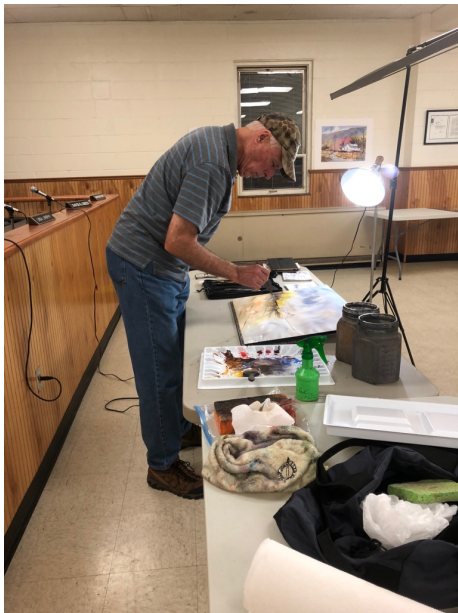
Check out CAL on Facebook

You can be a part of our facebook page! Go to <https://facebook.com/> and fill in the registration info. Then log onto facebook and type "Colonie Art League" in the text box at the top where it says, "search for people, places, and things". That will lead you to the CAL group page. On the left is an item where you ask to "Join" the group, then Jack Berkery or one of the administrators will add you to the list.

Gifts, Awards, & Bequests

Gifts and Awards are always welcome from those who enjoy our exhibitions or are supportive of our efforts. New funds are needed to sustain our annual exhibitions, which have materially increased in cost during these past few years. Your donation to the Colonie Art League, Inc. will be greatly appreciated and you may take full advantage of our non-profit status under state and federal tax laws. As a nonprofit organization, The Colonie Art League, Inc. will provide its members with the minutes and financial statements, formally adopted by the Board of Directors.

Bruce Handford Demo



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