

MEMBER'S ONLY ART SHOW - DECEMBER

BRUSH STROKES FROM THE DESOTO ART LEAGUE

A 501(C)(3) TAX EXEMPT ORGANIZATION



DeSoto Art League

TETA SMITH
WORKING IN WATERCOLOR
NOVEMBER 17, 2011 MEETING

7:00 PM PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
212 W. PLEASANT RUN
DESOTO, TEXAS 75115

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TETA SMITH: " I feel I've been created to create. Besides, I'm a nicer person when I have time to paint ! "



" I create to involve the viewer by expressing emotions and intangible concepts, supported by strong design. My paintings take me to places that I can't get to, and convey so much that I can't express in any other way. Phrases, brief comments or a scene, can move me to tears and I feel compelled to paint it."

Teta enjoys weaving in symbolism and avoids photo realism in her work, preferring the sort of elusive quality that prompts a closer look. *" The process of painting engages me, I am always disappointed when a painting is finished. Art that expresses a bit of the artist's soul is inspiring."*

*"My fascination with color paid off, when three of my paintings were chosen to be in the book **Confident Color by Nita Leland.**"*

Teta is an Associate member of **National Watercolor Society, a Member of Richardson Civic Art Society, Southwestern Art Society, and Collage Visual Art.** One of her paintings won Best of Show for First time entries in RCAS exhibition. Over the years she has won numerous awards in the Vertu Art Exhibition. Her work has also been part of the juried Park Cities Presbyterian Church's annual art exhibition.

Teta also teaches Beginning Realistic and Beginning Abstract Watermedia painting classes. A seasoned teacher, she holds an undergraduate degree in Education and a Masters degree in Counseling, which is a terrific combination for teaching the art of painting to beginners.

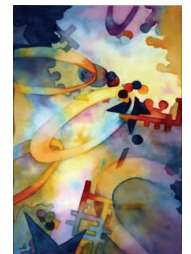
Teta finds it satisfying when students apply the weekly lesson to subjects that inspire them. She spends a third of the class time in a demo & lecture format, and the rest of the time helping each student. Stimulated by the variety in her class, students are encouraged to paint everything, from realistic watercolor portraits, to non-representational acrylic paintings. Let's all come out and welcome Teta and enjoy a great art demo.

2011 ANNUAL MEMBER'S ONLY ART SHOW

This show kicks off on December 1, 2011 with all art work due at the DeSoto City Hall. See inside this newsletter for full details.

HAPPENING NEXT MONTH

- In December, The Art Show, Christmas Dinner on the 8th, the Silent Auction and the Show Awards.
- The December meeting will be on the 8th.
- The Member's Only Art Show will be in the Desoto City Hall Atrium Gallery



MEMBER'S ONLY SHOW COMING IN DECEMBER

REFRESHMENTS — THE SECOND BEST REASON TO COME TO ART LEAGUE MEETINGS

OUR PATRONS AND SUPPORTERS

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PROJECT MANAGEMENT

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Please make a special effort to patronize and thank these businesses and organizations that support us so generously. .

Sandy Reese is coordinating the refreshments for 2011-2012. Call her at 972-217-1546 to volunteer. Just a reminder, the Art League will reimburse you for the cost of drinks and ice for the meetings. Just provide Cherene Bradshaw (treasurer) with receipts.

Thanks to Dotty Germino and Rudy Amato for the October Refreshments.

REFRESHMENTS FOR 2011-2012

November - Rebecca Simonfalvi

December - Christmas Party

January 2012 - Cayetano Olivarez and John Gallette

February 2012 - Christine Lain

March 2012 - Barbara Patrie McPherson and Jane Kahler

April 2012 - Debbie Box

SUNSHINE LIST

A very healthy bunch. No Sunshine activity reported this month. Keep up the good work. Now that you guys are all so healthy, you should be able to come to our November 17 meeting. :)

WHO, WHAT,WHEN, WHERE AND SOMETIMES—HOW

Check out the info on the Member’s Only Show elsewhere in this newsletter.

Cayetano "Ollie" Olivarez currently has an exhibit of landscapes and nature studies at the Heritage Senior Center, in Irving TX. Fifteen photographs will be on display through November until first week of December.

“It is no use doing what you like; you have got to like what you do.”

“Good gracious! What there is to admire and how little time there is to see it in! For the first time one begins to envy Methuselah.”

“Armed with a paint-box, one cannot be bored, one cannot be left at a loose end, one cannot have several days on one's hands. “

“Courage is what it takes to stand up and speak; courage is also what it takes to sit down and listen.”

(Winston Churchill)

December is a big month..... All the way around. CHRISTMAS and all it’s activities. NEW YEAR’S EVE and all it’s parties and celebrations. Parties, visiting with family and friends. In the midst of all that, the Art League will have it’s annual December activities starting with the start of the Member’s Only Show. The artwork is due on December 1. The show will be open to the public on December 2. Then on December 8, the Art League’s Christmas Party will be held in the Bluebonnet Room of the DeSoto City Center at 6:30PM.

The Dinner will be a covered dish affair. The award winners from the Member’s Only Art Show will be announced. AND... the silent auction. Each attendee is encouraged to bring an item (art, artsy, good crafts, etc) to donate for the auction. All proceeds of the auction will be to benefit the Art League.

Did not offer to volunteer yet? Bryan Reynolds still needs a helper or helpers for the Spring Art Show. Not a big job when the tasks are spread around.

Sandy still needs someone to handle the silent auction at the Christmas Dinner.

Step up = Step out = Call Sandy at 972-217-1546 or Bryan at 469-337-8367.

REMEMBER: DECEMBER 8TH. CHRISTMAS DINNER! SHOW AWARDS! SILENT AUCTION!

The DeSoto Art League is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization as defined by the Internal Revenue Service. All gifts to the DeSoto Art League are tax deductible. All gifts and grants are appreciated.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND THE MEETINGS AND DON’T WANT TO DRIVE, LET ME KNOW AND I WILL MAKE SURE YOU HAVE A RIDE.

Send your latest art news and happenings to Ken Reese, 972-217-1545 or ken_reese@prodigy.net

ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE CHANGES:

Del Wheat—new temporary email address: artman1delwheat@gmail.com

Bryan Williams—new email address: bapared@yahoo.com and new telephone number: 469-337-8367

New Member: Natalie Bradford, 2447 Valley View, Cedar Hill, TX 75104; 972-293-6670; marybradford4@att.net; Art medium: Painting

New Member: Ernie Benton: 16145 Cowboy Trail, Justin TX 76247, TEL: 817-658-1256, ernie@strictlyearnest.com ; medium: acrylic and pastel

New Member: Winnie Faye Hinger; 3833 Ridgeoak Way; Dallas, TX 75244; H: 972-241-3085; C: 214-850-1028

DE SOTO ART LEAGUE PROGRAMS FOR 2011-2012

SEPTEMBER.29TH MARIAN HIRSCH—GOUACHE WATER COLOR marianhirsch@live.com---972-422-2163

OCTOBER 27TH CYNDI BARNES----MOSAIC TILES cyndi@creativeventure.net--

NOVEMBER 17TH TETA SMITH---ABSTRACT ---WATER COLOR Teta22@tx.rr.com

DECEMBER 8th CHRISTMAS PARTY

JANUARY 26TH JUDY GELFERT---OIL---PEOPLE jrgelfert@aol.com

FEBRUARY 23RD JANICE HAMILTON---PASTEL STILL LIFE jgham@att.net

MARCH 29TH BECKY PARKS—OIL ---BUILDINGS BeckyParksArtist@gmail.com

APRIL 26TH BOB O'BRIAN--- OIL LANDSCAPE LIKE PLEIN AIR bobobiranart@att.net

DESOTO ART LEAGUE**2011 MEMBERS SHOW****EXHIBIT OPEN****DECEMBER 2, 2011****To****DECEMBER 30, 2011****CITY CENTER****CITY OF DESOTO****211 E. PLEASANT RUN RD****DESOTO, TEXAS 75115**

The DeSoto Art League will host its annual Members Art Show open to members of the League. The show will be exhibited in the atrium of the DeSoto City Center from December 3 through December 30,2011.

To qualify for entry in this show:

Be a member of the DeSoto Art League. You may join when submitting work. No work will be accepted after the deadline. Artwork previously entered in a DAL show will not be accepted

Art Show continued from left:

(mini-show entries are the exception).

Art must be acceptable for family viewing (no nudes or sexually explicit work).

Pay an entry fee of \$5.00 per each piece of artwork. Art work may be any medium: Oil, Water Media, Dry Media (pastel, graphite, pencil, etc.) Mixed Media, 3-dimensional , and Photography/digital.

The judge will assign awards for First Place, Second Place, Third Place and a Merit Award. All categories will be judged together with only one set of awards.

No artwork may be picked up early without permission. All work must be picked up on JANUARY 3, 2012. There are no storage facilities for unclaimed work. (continued on Page 7)

About the Judge: **ELIZABETH A. HOLDEN** elizabeth.holden@unt.edu

Ms. Holden's art statement:

Art is every experience, every memory, every stage in life that results in a transitory, multi-layered self, a liminal being of the past and the present. The mind records impressions, objects, spaces and persons. Each memory is a reflection of that moment but also an accumulation of later events, later feelings and a later self. The images become an expression of these visual recordings, reflections of place, memory and identity.

With integrity and a passion for creativity, I value my role as a mentor and participant in meeting the needs of the student and the community.

As an educator, my ultimate goal is to help students develop critical thinking skills as they relate to three areas: a better understanding of themselves; a clear vision of their artistic and professional goals; and an awareness of their role as artists in a postmodern society. My role as gallery director at Cedar Valley College has allowed me the opportunity to introduce students to a variety of media, ideas and cultures, expanding their exposure to the art world.

EDUCATION

MFA 1999 Printmaking and Drawing, University of Dallas

MA 1997 Printmaking, University of Dallas

BFA 1995 Printmaking and Drawing, Florida International University

Elizabeth Holden is currently working as Adjunct Instructors at the University of North Texas in Denton, Texas; Gallery Directory at Cedar Valley College in Lancaster, Texas; As an Adjunct Instructor at the Tarrant County College, NE Campus in Hurst, Texas and Adjunct Instructor at Cedar Valley College in Lancaster, Texas. She instructs in drawing, linoleum and woodblock relief printmaking, the five printmaking techniques (relief, stencil, collagraph, monotype and dry point), Art Appreciation, design, figure drawing, Art History and advanced drawing.

She is represented by the Norwood Flynn Gallery, Dallas, Texas.

Listed below are the solo and group exhibitions that she has had or participated in during the last 2 years:

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2012 *Origins*, Northlake College Gallery, Irving, TX

2011 *Illusory*, Norwood Flynn Gallery, Dallas, TX

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2011 *A Conversation: Cedar Valley College and North Lake Faculty*, Cedar Valley College Educational Art Gallery, Lancaster, TX

2011 Faculty Show, University of North Texas Art Gallery University of North Texas, Denton, TX

2011 *Introductions 2011, Exteriors Interiors*, H. Paxton Moore Fine Art Gallery, El Centro College, Dallas, TX

2011 *Interior Constructs*, Fort Worth Community Arts Center, Ft. Worth, TX

2011 *Visual Language: CVC Faculty Show*, Cedar Valley College, Dallas, TX

2010 Faculty Show, University of North Texas Art Gallery University of North Texas, Denton, TX

2010 *Investigation of a Place: Analogue versus Digital*, Mid-America Print Conference portfolio print exchange, Minnesota

2010 2010 Printmaking Portfolios, Cora Stafford Gallery, University of North Texas, Denton, TX

2010 *Shelter*, Portfolio print exchange

This is just a sampling of the exhibitions she has been in in the past.

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Recent Works", The Dallas Observer, Fort Worth Weekly, The Star Telegram, and The Dallas Morning News

- November 17, 2011 DeSoto Art League Meeting - Teta Smith (Abstract Watercolor)
- November 2011 DeSoto City Hall Exhibits - Sandy Reese (Art) and Joe Leonard (Ceramics)
- December 8, 2011 Member's Only Art Show
- January 26, 2012 DeSoto Art League Meeting - Judy Gelfert (Oil - People)
- January 2012 DeSoto City Hall Exhibits - Kon Kelley (3D Modeling)
- February 23, 2012 DeSoto Art League Meeting - Janice Hamilton (Pastel—Still Life)
- February 2012 DeSoto City Hall Exhibit—Vet (Art)
- March 29, 2012 DeSoto Art League Meeting - Becky Parks (Oil—Building)
- March 2012 DeSoto City Hall Exhibit
- April 26, 2012 DeSoto Art League Meeting - Bob O'Brian (Oil Landscape)
- April 2012 DeSoto City Hall Exhibit
- May 31, 2012 DeSoto Art League Meeting - Tentative (Art Critiques) and covered dish dinner
- May 2012 DeSoto City hall Exhibit - Karen Taylor (Ceramics), Ava Freeman (Art)



Be sure and visit our friends at Asel Art Supply in one of their many stores throughout the metro-plex. Asel is a great supporter of the DeSoto Art League. They are faithful and generous in providing support for all our activities.

Thanks to Asel Art Supply and all their crew for their support.

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DESOTO ART LEAGUE

2011-2012 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Tel: _____ Wk/Cell _____

E-Mail: _____ Birthdate: Month ____ Date ____

Art Mediums: _____ Newsletter by Email: Yes No

Are you willing to help? Officer(President, VP Shows, Membership, Programs, Secretary, Treasurer), Committees: Newsletter, Refreshment Coordinator, Sunshine, Christmas Dinner, Installation Dinner, Silent Auction, Publicity, Membership Book, WebsiteCircle one or more

Mail to: Cayetano 'Ollie' Olivarez, 801 Princeton, DeSoto, Tx 75115 972-230-0715 email: callejero@netzero.com

REGULAR
MEMBERSHIP
\$30.00

STUDENT
MEMBERSHIP
\$9.00

PATRON
MEMBERSHIP
\$35.00

MEMBER'S ONLY ART SHOW: The Member's Only Art Show starts in just 3+ weeks.... Artwork due on December 1. The show will be installed and on display by December 2 and the Awards will be made at the December 8 Christmas party and pot luck dinner and silent auction. **THIS ART SHOW IS YOURS—OUR MEMBERS!** It takes just as much work to produce a small show as a large show, so let's make Bryan's work worthwhile. We have approximately 60 members. Just one piece of artwork from each member would make the show a great success. Get your paints out and let's do it!

REMEMBER: ARTWORK DUE ON DECEMBER 1.

MEETING AGENDA

At the November 2011 meeting, the meeting will start with refreshments and mini-show voting at 7:00PM. After a short business meeting, the program will continue uninterrupted. Please be there on time with your mini-show entry.

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

President—George Cole	972-223-5744
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Treasurer—Cherene Bradshaw	972-291-2368
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Refreshments—Sandy Reese	972-217-1546
Newsletter—Ken Reese	972-217-1546
Christmas Party—Sandy Reese	972-217-1546
Silent Auction—	
Website—Ken Reese	972-217-1546
Historian—Cayetano Olivarez	972-230-0715
Publicity & Sunshine—Dotty Germino	972-224-2209
Membership Book—Cayetano Olivarez	972-230-0715
Telephone—	

ARTWORK OF THE MONTH



1st Place
Christopher Toplyn



2nd Place
Jane Kahler

Be sure to bring your artwork to the next meeting. Prizes furnished by Asel Art will be awarded. Winners of value prizes are not eligible to win again

MEMBERS - NEW, ADDRESSES CHANGES, RENEWALS

Renewal: Lou Tucker, 617 Dennis Drive, DeSoto TX 75115 Tel; 972-223-6883 Email: LouTucker@earthlink.net, Medium: Oils

Renewal: Jackie Holley, 415 Robin Road, Cedar Hill TX 75104 Tel; 216-288-6019...No E-mail, Medium: Oil, Watercolor...

New Member: Stephanie G. Yearby, 1801 Stewart St, Cedar Hill TX 75104, TeL: 972-230-6601, Cell: 214-881-5663, email: seyarby14@tx.rr.com
DOB: February 14...Medium: Oil.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Rebecca Simonfalvi - 11/21

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!!!!

To our previous members:

Patsy Eken - 11/2

Edna Humphrey - 11/20

Mary Loughran - 11/17

Happy Birthday—We miss you. Come back and join us.

**MEMBER'S ONLY ART SHOW
SCHEDULES
DELIVER ART WORK**

THURSDAY

December 1, 2011 **9:00AM to**
Deliver artwork to **12:00PM**
City Hall Atrium **1:00PM to**
 5:00PM

FRIDAY

December 2, 2011 **11:00 AM**
Hang Show **to**
 2:00 PM

THURSDAY

December 8, 2011 **6:30pm**
Covered dish Christmas
Dinner and Award
Announcements
Silent Auction

TAKE DOWN SHOW

AND PICK UP ART **9:00AM to**
WORK, MONDAY **12:00 PM**
JANUARY 3, 2012 **4:00PM to**
 5:00PM

SHOW RULES:

All paintings must be framed or of gallery quality canvases. **No clip-on frames.** Gallery Canvases shall be defined as being at least 1” thick with wrapped and hidden stretcher edges. Edges will be painted to conform with the front of the art work.

Artwork previously entered in a DAL Member’s Only Show or DAL Annual Open Show will not be accepted.

All paintings must be equipped with hangers (eye and wire). No brackets.

All work must be “family friendly”. No nudes or sexually suggestive work.

Three dimensional work should be of a size and weight that one person can reasonably handle it. Three dimensional work will be displayed in a glass show case if size permits..

Two dimensional art work can be of any size.

ATTENTION ARTISTS

If you are interested in exhibiting your artwork, we will have openings for exhibits in the DeSoto City Hall Atrium Gallery during the years of 2012 and 2013.

The exhibit space contains enough room for approximately 10-15 paintings (depending on size). Wall hangings only. Family oriented subject matter only. The DeSoto Art League reserves final approval on all subject matter to be exhibited.

Three dimensional art can be displayed in a lighted glass display case with up to 18’ feet of glass shelf space.

Exhibits would be for approximately one month. Sales are permitted. The DeSoto Art League asks for a 20% donation of sales price to be made to the Art League.

For more information, contact:

Ken Reese, ken_reese@prodigy.net or 972-217-1546.

DESOTO CITY HALL EXHIBITS

The current exhibits in the DeSoto City Hall Atrium Gallery are by Sandy Reese and Joe Leonard. Sandy is an Art League Member and has a great exhibit of her oil and watercolor work.

The ceramic exhibit by Joe Leonard is a great exhibit. Joe is an instructor in the Ceramics Department at Cedar Valley college and also teaches art appreciation..

These exhibits will be on display through December 1. The December exhibits will feature the artwork of the 2011 Annual Member’s Only Art Show.

OCTOBER 2011 - A note from George.....

The long HOT summer is behind us and it's time to run your clocks back an hour and fall is here This is the beginning of a very busy season with many activities, Be sure you set aside time for our Art League activities. November is the month that we move the monthly meeting up a week to not conflict with Thnksgiving, so be sure to keep November 17 open for our monthly meeting with a good watercolor demo.

Right after Thanksgiving we have our Members Only Show with entries to be turned in December 1 and with the awards being announced at our annual Christmas Dinner on December 8. Last years exhibit was on the small side. We can and should do more. Every member should plan on being a part of it. I have been among those guilty of not participating and intend to correct that this year by having a couple of entries, Please join with me in being a part of this exhibit and joining in the December 8 Dinner, Party, Sale, Awards Presentation and a good time to visit.

George

MEMBER'S ONLY ART COMING IN DECEMBER



**PUT SOME ART IN
YOUR LIFE TODAY!**

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You must be an artist if you are having lunch with the girls and the fragrance you wear is eau d'linseed oil.