

GVA Highlights

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Jack Brouwer

You may notice an empty chair near the back of the room at critique. Jack left us on January 9 after serving GVA for several decades as both a talented artist and good friend. He was an accomplished and recognized artist, one of the West Michigan Eight.

After a life well-lived, as a businessman and artist, Jack left behind samples of his work that will live on for generations.



Welcome to our new members:

Lisa Devroy-Clay
Alice Landis
Anita Buckowing

Program: Thursday, Feb. 13, 7:30 pm Rescheduled from January.
"PAINT IN JAM SESSION"

Bring your favorite drawing tools or use the one provided. Together we will create "masterpieces" on a rotated basis. Prepare to have fun and enjoy a relaxing post holiday "Paint In". This event is very similar to last year's January program.

THIRD AND FOURTH THURSDAYS SKETCH:

Please join us on the third and fourth Thursdays as we celebrate the Masters of Grand Valley Artists. We are asking people who we really admire at GVA to sit for us as our models on the third and fourth Thursdays of each month. Please join us for this rare opportunity to paint the people who have mentored us and set a high bar for each of us at Grand Valley Artists. This will be starting on the third Thursday of January.

Dominican Center Gallery:

Ralph Annunziata

January - February 27

Will be showing his varied art work of photos, acrylics and sketches.

Reception: February 9 12 pm - 4 pm

Gallery Hours: Mon. - Thurs. 8 am to
Friday 8 am to 8 pm

Sat. & Sun. 8 am to 6 pm

Address: 2025 Fulton Grand Rapids, MI

Need Host or Hostess:

Can you come to our meetings early, make coffee, set out all those goodies you ask others to bring, smile, and make sure everyone is having a good time? Well then, you may have what it takes to host our Thursday night meetings twice a month.

Can't make it every time? How about partnering with someone else to trade meetings? How about hosting one meeting per month, while someone else hosts the other one? How about hosting every other month? How about chairing a hosting team and assigning responsibilities?

C'mon! Call president, Dave Bechtel and volunteer. 616-836-9808

The satisfaction derived from a job well done will inspire you to create your next masterpiece.

Exhibition Opportunity:

The Dispute Resolution Center of West Michigan is a non-profit organization that provides affordable mediation to resolve disputes. Their goal is to promote a peaceful, calm setting that is conducive to disputants coming to an agreement.

They are looking for artists to display work throughout the various rooms and hallways of their office, which is located in the Riverview Center at 678 Front NW, overlooking the Grand River. This is a beautiful space in a prime location, and would be a wonderful opportunity for exposure and possible sales.

All 2D artists interested in participating should submit 2-3 samples of work along with a brief description of the work, how many pieces will be available for display, average size, etc. to

Gloria Anderson, the Program Manager at DRCWM. ganderson@drcwm.org.

Call for Artists!

The 49th Annual Reeds Lake Art Festival is June 21, 2014.

We invite you to submit your application to Reeds Lake Art Festival, located on Wealthy Street in beautiful East Grand Rapids. This GVA sponsored show is a favorite of fine artists across the country and has attracted thousands of art lovers annually for the last 49 years!

Applications are now being accepted until March 1, 2014. As a GVA member, you save \$35.00...only \$100 for a 10 x 10 booth space (plus \$18 jury fee). Jury selections will be completed on or before April 1, 2014 with notification of acceptance soon thereafter.

Booth fees will be due upon notification of acceptance. Space is limited and all jury decisions are final. Apply today today at Grandvalleyartists.com.

If you don't apply for your own booth, there will again be our GVA Membership Tent to share space with other members. Watch for information in the coming months.

Workshop:

Jim Markle, PSA:

2014 Workshops and Classes: Jim Markle is a signature member of the Pastel Society of America and a Master

member of the Great Lakes Plein Air Painters Association. He has over fifteen years of experience teaching all levels of participants in the U.S. Canada, France and Italy. He is the inventor of the Jim Markle Pastel Easelbox and travels extensively throughout Europe and the United States painting en plein air. Great American Art Works markets his North American Landscape Set of pastels.

Grand Rapids, MI - Mar 17, 24, 31, Apr. 7 & Apr. 14 - Landscape Classes
At Grand Valley Artists, Inc.
Monday 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Livonia, MI - May 2, 3 & 4 -
Pastel Landscape Workshop
Sponsored by Visual Arts Association of Livonia
Contact: Diana Jamrog, 734-838-1204 or
email: vaalart@yahoo.com

Glen Arbor, MI - Aug. 4-6 -
Plein Air Workshop
Sponsored by: Glen Arbor Art Association
Contact: GAAA 231-334-6112 or
info@glenarborart.org

GVA STILL LIFE GROUP:

The GVA Still Life Group will meet Wednesdays from 2 - 5pm in the GVA studio. (This group is separate for people who find this particular time and day more convenient). All members are welcome. Contact Jim Johnson with questions. johnsontheartist@hotmail.com
616-451-2211

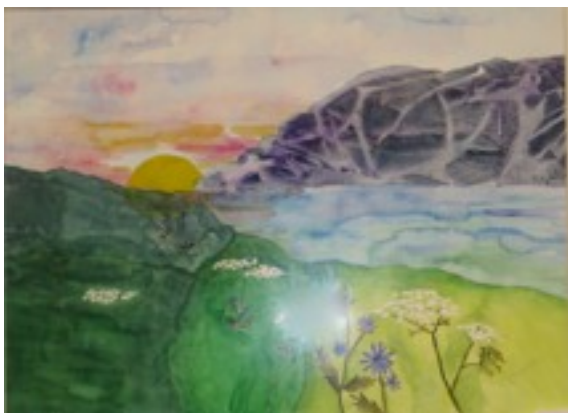
Members in the News:

Kathy Mohl and Scott Kenyon will be exhibiting their work and demonstrating their approach to painting at HUB 301 in Ada on Thursday Feb. 13th from 5:00 to 9:00 pm.

Sponsored by New Urban Home Builders.

Cascade Library Exhibit:

Pastels and watercolor by Debbie Walker



“Sunset” watercolor, by Debbie Walker

If you are interested in showing your work in the library show, please contact Larry Goff @ 949-1247 or by e-mail at lawrencegoff@comcast.net

Please be advised that Grand Valley Artists may use photographs from our events and images of artwork in our gallery for promotional purposes.

NOTICE:

When the area schools are closed due to weather problems, sketch sessions at the GVA will be cancelled.

Art Around Michigan:

Lowell Arts:

28th Annual West Michigan Regional Art Competition:

February 26 - April 10
The West Michigan Art Regional Competition is open to all visual art media. Participation is open to Lower West Michigan, artists 18 years and older who reside in a 15 county region. Only original artwork completed within the past two years is eligible. Artwork drop-off is **February 20 - 22**. A total of \$2,000 in cash awards are presented in five categories. Grand Valley State University Director of Galleries and Collections Henry Matthews, will jury the show.

Second Glance: February 26 - April 10

Take advantage of a great opportunity to get a second look at some artwork that was in ArtPrize 2013. This artwork on display was selected by the Lowell Arts Gallery Committee for its quality and uniqueness, and includes only artists that live within 20 miles of the City of Lowell.

Gallery Hours:

Tues.- Fri. from 10am 6pm, Sat 1-4pm.

Fallasburg Fall Festival For the Arts 2014: LowellArts invites you to apply to its 2-day annual festival held in picturesque Fallasburg Park, located approximately 20 miles east of Grand Rapids, MI. The booths, food booths and a children's craft area. Annual attendance estimates are 20,000-30,000. Admission is free. Applications will be accepted through on-line through ZAPPLication.org. As part of the on-line application, artists will be asked to submit 4 images plus 1 booth

shot is required and a \$25 non-refundable jury fee.
Application Deadline: April 1, 2014

Muskegon Museum of Art:

The Muskegon Museum of Art and the West Michigan Symphony will present the 75th Anniversary Exhibition: West Michigan Symphony next fall.

Call for artwork submissions for MMA/Symphony exhibition, 2014, now in place. See website:

www.muskegonartmuseum.org MMA/Symphony Exhibit

Website to check out:

“PictureCorrect - Photography Tips and Techniques

<http://www.picturecorrect.com>

Grand Rapids Arts Museum:

[Legacy: The Emily Fisher Landau Collection](#)

[February 2, 2014 – April 27, 2014](#)

This exhibition traces significant styles and ideas that have shaped art since the 1960s—abstraction, conceptualism, postmodernism, new approaches to photography, and explorations of personal identity and narrative. Drawn from Emily Fisher Landau’s spectacular donation of modern and contemporary art to the Whitney Museum of American Art. The Emily Fisher Landau Collection features works of art by some of the most important, groundbreaking, game changing American artists—Cy Twombly, Andy Warhol, Barbara Kruger—and features in-depth presentations by Ed Ruscha, Richard Artschwager, and Jasper Johns, highlighting works spanning their entire careers.

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Calendar

February

Saturday	February 1	10:00 AM	Figure Sketch
Monday	February 3	10:00 AM	Portrait Sketch
Tuesday	February 4	7:30 PM	Photo Group
Thursday	February 6	7:30 PM	Program night
Friday	February 7	10:00 AM	Still life session
Saturday	February 8	10:00 AM	Figure Sketch
Monday	February 10	10:00 AM	Portrait Sketch
Thursday	February 13	7:30 PM	Figure Sketch
Friday	February 14	10:00 AM	Still life session
Saturday	February 15	10:00 AM	Figure Sketch
Monday	February 17	10:00 AM	Portrait Sketch
Thursday	February 20	7:30 PM	Figure Sketch
Friday	February 21	10:00 AM	Still life session
Saturday	February 22	10:00 AM	Figure Sketch
Monday	February 24	10:00 AM	Portrait Sketch
Thursday	February 27	7:30 PM	Figure Sketch
Friday	February 28	10:00 AM	Still life

March

Saturday	March 1	10:00 AM	Figure Sketch
Monday	March 3	10:00 AM	Portrait Sketch
Tuesday	March 4	7:30 PM	Photo Group
Thursday	March 6	6:00 PM	Board Meeting
Thursday	March 6	7:30 PM	Program night
Friday	March 7	10:00 AM	Still life session
Saturday	March 8	10:00 AM	Figure Sketch
Monday	March 10	10:00 AM	Portrait Sketch
Thursday	March 13	7:30 PM	Figure Sketch
Friday	March 14	10:00 AM	Still life session
Saturday	March 15	10:00 AM	Figure Sketch
Monday	March 17	10:00 AM	Portrait Sketch
Thursday	March 20	7:30 PM	Figure Sketch
Friday	March 21	10:00 AM	Still life session
Saturday	March 22	10:00 AM	Figure Sketch
Monday	March 24	10:00 AM	Portrait Sketch
Thursday	March 27	7:30 PM	Figure Sketch
Friday	March 28	10:00 AM	Still Life Session
Saturday	March 29	10:00 AM	Figure Sketch
Monday	March 31	10:00 AM	Portrait Sketch