

# GVA



# Highlights

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## BOARD NEWS

### Board Member Needed

The board is creating a new position, Publicity Chairperson, and needs to find a willing volunteer to fill it. The job of Publicity Chairperson would be to promote GVA, its activities and its members to the public-at-large by advertising and marketing in numerous media outlets. Interested? If so, contact Carol Lurn at 616-437-9365 or carollurn@yahoo.com.



### “Parting is such sweet sorrow”

At our January board meeting, Marty Klar turned in his key to the executive GVA washroom and passed all membership information and responsibilities to our new membership chair, Dave Bechtel. Marty...your attendance at our board meetings will be sorely missed. You are one of those volunteers who does not necessarily have the time, but you have the heart. Our board and membership cannot thank you enough for the hours you devoted in your attention to detail while keeping flawless records of our membership. We tried to keep Marty on the GVA board, but no amount of guilt, threats, or harassment could get Marty to reverse his decision to leave his post. Because Marty has such enthusiasm for the success of GVA, though, we hope to entice him to serve in some capacity at a future date.

### Who Do You Call?

Wondering who's on first? Some other changes you might not already know: Jim Johnson is now organizing the shows at the GVA Gallery. Contact him if you would like to show your work. Mary Marin is keeping you up to date via the newsletter and the website, so contact her with information you think our membership will appreciate.

(You can find contact information for the board and committee chairpersons at the end of this newsletter.)

### PLEASE PICK UP YOUR WORK

Works currently on display at ICCF can be retrieved during the last week of February but not before that. Please show your ID to the receptionist so she will know that you are the artist, not a very wise art thief!

### In the Gallery...WHO'S UP NEXT?

#### IN February

You'll want to visit the Gallery to see the abstract and non-objective works by GVA members, hanging from February 1st until February 29th.

#### IN March

Sallie Zigterman will be having a one-woman show through the month of March.

# AREA ART NEWS!

## Make Your Own Valentine!

Flat River Gallery and Framing is offering a special event on February 6 from 2 until 4 p.m. Bring your family, friends, or significant other to make your own Valentine. Art materials are provided free of charge. In addition, our gallery, located at 219 E. Main Street in Lowell, Michigan, is planning our Third Anniversary Party on Saturday, February 13 from 1 to 5 pm. We hope you will join us in our celebration.

## Upcoming Exhibitions at LowellArts!

**A Second Glance:** A Showcase of Local Artists from ArtPrize 2015, from January 9 until February 20 provides a great opportunity to get a second look at artwork from ArtPrize by many talented local artists who live within 20 miles of the City of Lowell.

**West Michigan Regional Art Competition** will be on exhibit from March 4 until April 16. The 30th Annual West Michigan Regional Art Competition highlights outstanding artwork by Lower West Michigan artists. This year's distinguished juror is Caitlín Doherty, Curator and Deputy Director of Curatorial Affairs at the Eli and Edythe Broad Art Museum MSU. Pieces are selected in all visual art media by artists 18 yrs. and older who reside in a 15-county region. Cash awards are presented in five categories. Artwork drop off dates: February 24–27.

The LowellArts! Gallery

149 S. Hudson St.

Lowell, Michigan

Gallery Hours: Tuesday–Friday, 10 a.m.–6 p.m., Saturday 1–4 p.m.

## Bruce & Mary Leep Gallery

Forty-one pieces of Randy Nyhof's fine art photography are now showing in a one-person show at the Bruce & Mary Leep Gallery located in the Postma Conference Center at Pine Rest Hospital. The center is located at 300 68th Street SE, Grand Rapids, Mich. The show is from January 6 until April 5, 2016. The Leep Art Gallery is open Monday through Friday 9 a.m.–4 p.m. and is free and open to the public.

## Franciscan Life Process Center Program Lineup

The Franciscan Life Process Center will be offering an exciting lineup of workshops in 2016.

You can learn more by visiting the GVA website home page, where a complete listing is available.

# MARYWOOD DOMINICAN CENTER

## ART GALLERY

The reception for Richard Paschke's oil paintings and bronze castings will take place on Sunday February 14 from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m. His work can be seen during regular gallery hours between January 1 and February 29. Gallery hours are Monday–Thursday 8 a.m.–9 p.m., Friday 8 a.m.–8 p.m., Saturday–Sunday 8 a.m.–6 p.m.



## Terryberry Gallery

**Let the Adventure Begin! Award Winning Fine Art Photographers Randy Nyhof and Evie Carrier team up to present some of their most electrifying works at the Terryberry Gallery. The exhibit opens February 1 and runs through the end of the month. Randy will feature over a dozen of his most exciting works, including numerous examples of his internationally renowned landscapes and seascapes.**

**Randy has had a number of his works published in Popular Photography, Photo Life, B&W Magazine, Color Magazine, Focus Magazine, Photo-forum's Best of Photography Annuals, and Trierenberg Super Circuit in Austria. He has also been featured in Burrell ProColor Labs Trade Magazine.**

**Evie Carrier's contribution to this exciting "Let the Adventure Begin" presentation will feature many of her exquisite shots of Paris. Evie possesses a unique technique for capturing the spirit of her subjects—in this case, Paris cityscapes. Envied by many for her ability to "take the perfect picture," Evie also possesses a talent for painting. All of the works she offers at this presentation showcase both of these extraordinary gifts.**

**If you like fine art, the "Let the Adventure Begin" show is one you will not want to miss. The gallery is located on the lower level of St. Cecilia Music Center at 24 Ransom Avenue NE. Art may be viewed between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, and during concerts and events. Mark your calendar to join Randy and Evie at the artists' reception on February 5, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.**

# Cascade Library

February through April, Joanne Swann and hopefully two others will be showing their work. If anyone else is interested, please call Larry Goff at 949-1247.



## What do you think, GVA members???

We have so many interesting people within our GVA membership. For example, our Mary Sayre owns a gorgeous 63' double gaff-rigged schooner and offers charters to sail the beautiful waters of Lake Michigan. Sayre offers daily sails from 1:00–2:30 and 3:30–5:00 for \$35 per person or a 2-hour sunset sail for \$45 per person. For GVA, though, Mary would design a special sailing experience to suit our membership's wishes. Her sailboat can accommodate up to 18 guests. If there is a strong interest, we can charter more than one cruise. We could even have a plein-air painting/drawing session on the Grand Haven boardwalk prior to or following our sailing experience.

Please let your GVA board members know if you are interested in joining this event. Should there be enough interest, we will provide additional details later.

# Reduction Printmaking Workshop Coming

2-day workshop, Saturday and Sunday, March 19th and 20th  
from 10 a.m.–4 p.m.

Easy-Carve and/or battleship linoleum will be included in the price of the workshop as well as water-based inks. Joanne has some tools for participants to borrow but asks you to bring linoleum cutting and printmaking tools if you have them. She will also bring paper for participants to buy. Workshop cost is \$50.00 per person.

Email Joanne (joswann@sbcglobal.net) if you have questions.  
Send payment to: Joanne Swann, 3351 Oak Hollow Dr. SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49546.



## Resources You Might Enjoy

Read any good books lately? Some of us have been passing around a great read, *Provenance*, by Laney Salisbury. It is the true story of an art forger and a con man who pulled off one of the most far-reaching and elaborate cons in the history of art forgery. You can get a copy on Amazon, used, for about \$3.00.

### Newsletter Deadline Reminder

The 20th of the month is the cut off for any article, notice, calendar items, etc., you would like to see in the next newsletter. Submit information to Mary Marin at [marymarin@comcast.net](mailto:marymarin@comcast.net).

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## Giving Back to Bliss & Vinegar

GVA is extremely fortunate to have the support of the owners of Bliss & Vinegar, a wonderful restaurant in Cascade (888 Forest Hills Avenue), by showing GVA work that complements their fresh food offerings and lively decor. To date, Todd Darling, Jim Johnson, Mary Marin, Joanne Swann, Kristen Thornton and Gene Sampson have been shown. On January 14, Jan McKinnon's work went up. After Jan, Barb Munro is scheduled, followed by Karen S. Johnson.

If you are interested in having your work displayed at B&V, you must place your work in the Gallery on the GVA website. The owners of B&V regularly check the GVA website to see our work. If they like what they see, they contact Marty Klar, who coordinates this venue. Please do not contact the restaurant directly. In general, B&V leans towards still lifes of fruits and vegetables,

farmland, barns, farm animals, and rural landscapes. Their display wall can handle 6-7 framed and ready to hang moderately sized paintings/photographs.

As a way of saying **GVA APPRECIATES YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT**, Jim Johnson generously presented a gift of one of his beautiful watercolors to owners Jennifer and Mark McNamara. The McNamaras also own Marco New American Bistro (884 Forest Hills Avenue). Show your appreciation by dining at these two terrific restaurants.

Contact Mary with GVA website specific questions: marymarin@comcast.net, (616) 443-0362. Contact Marty with Bliss specific questions: martyklar@comcast.net, (616) 813-7921.



## February Program Night

Our presenter for this month will be Charles LaRue. He is a painter and has had a show at the Terryberry Gallery last month and has a number of other shows lined up for the coming months. He will be showing a PowerPoint demonstration that has to do with the nexus between art, artists, and visual perception.



**Sundays**

Closed

**Mondays**

10:00 am until noon

Sketch

**Tuesday**

First Tuesday of each month only, 7:30 pm

Photo

**Wednesdays**

2:00 pm until 5:00 pm

Still Life

**Thursdays**

First Thursday of each month at 7:30 pm  
Second Thursday of each month at 7:30 pm  
Remaining Thursdays at 7:30 pm

Critique  
Program  
Sketch

**Fridays**

10:00 am until 1:00 pm

Still Life

**Saturdays**

10:00 am until 1:00 pm

Sketch

**Note:** There will be a **Board Meeting** on Thursday, February 4, at 6:00 pm

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