

# GVA Highlights

September 2012

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A huge “thank you” to the Bazens for hosting the annual GVA picnic at their Lake Michigan home, where guests were sustained by laughter, fellowship, food and enough good memories to last a year.



”Pictured Rocks” pastel by Kris Thornton

## **Vianna Szabo**

GVA members will have the opportunity to attend a program and a workshop presented by Vianna Szabo. Whether she is painting portraits, landscapes, or still life, Vianna is known for her expressive use of color that captures a moment in time. She is a nationally recognized artist and teacher who has won awards in many juried competitions. Vianna is a signature member of the Pastel Society of America, West Coast Pastel Society, and was inducted in the IAPS Master Circle in 2011.

- See inside for program and workshop details

## **RENEWALS:**

“Back to school, time to renew.” Just a reminder that September is the time to renew your membership. The renewal form is attached.

## **Cascade Library Shows**

Earlier this year, the Cascade Library approached GVA to provide original art on a continuing, rotating basis for their facility. Attendance at their branch is between 3000 and 10000 visits per day. This creates a great opportunity for exposure.

An agreement was reached in May for a series of 60 day shows featuring GVA members' best works. The first show was hung in May featuring Kathy Putnam and Connie Kuhnle. The second show went up on July 15th and will go through September 15th. This show features Jim Johnson.

There are 17 spaces available with hangers already in place: Easy Up, Easy Down!

Interested artists should contact Larry Goff at 949-1247 or e-mail at [lawrencegoff@comcast.net](mailto:lawrencegoff@comcast.net).

Check out the informational sheet in the sketch room, or just check out a current show at the library.

## **GVA Studio**

Stephanie Wiles, 558-2701, is the new coordinator for scheduling events at our GVA building. Please contact her before you come to paint in order to make sure that there is space. If you wish to hold a workshop, the cost is \$25.00 per day.

## **Workshops and Classes:**

### **Vianna Szabo**

#### • **STILL LIFE WORKSHOP**

Friday, September 14

At: Grand Valley Artists, Inc.

10 am - 3:30 pm with a 1/2 hour lunch break

Cost - \$90.00

This workshop is for pastel and oil. You will learn a simple method of identifying and mixing color. This is a method that applies to all mediums as well as subject matter and ends the mystery of color mixing for painters. Learn how to control your palette, discover your personal color sense, and create paintings that are filled with light and harmony.

During this one day workshop we will work from still life objects. Instruction consists of demonstrations, handouts, and personal critique. Vianna presented a program at the May Pastel convention and was enthusiastically received. If you missed that opportunity to learn from Vianna, sign up now. She will be doing a still life demo Thursday evening at our Program, September 13.

Contact Sarabeth Carr

**With a check made out to GVA by September 6.**

1935 Michigan NE,  
Grand Rapids 49503



“Golden Flow” pastel by Vianna Szabok

### **Kathleen Kalinowski**

#### • **IMPROVE YOUR LANDSCAPES IN OIL OR PASTEL**

Monday evenings, 6:00-9:00 pm

At: GVA studio

Sept. 10, Plan better Compositions

Sept. 17, Light, Shadow and Planes

Sept. 24, Handling Edges and color for depth

Oct. 1, Painting Water and Reflections

Oct. 15, Painting Water and Reflections II

Oct. 22, Dunes and Lake

Nov. 5, Farms and Fields, Autumn light

Nov. 12, Winter light and shadow I

Nov. 19, Winter Light and shadow II

Nov. 26, Critique and paint (no demo)

These three hour classes will start with a short demo in oil or pastel (or both). Students may bring their own photo reference or use a photo provided by the instructor. Emphasis will be placed on using the photo reference as a creative tool. Painting size will be limited to 8x10.

The classes will allow two hours of painting time after the demo, individual attention and then a class critique. Class size will be limited and a supply list will be e-mailed upon paid registration. E-mail Kathleen with questions regarding the classes or to secure your place in the class(es) of your choice.

**Cost: \$27** per class or **\$250** for all ten classes.

**e-mail:** [kalinowski@chartermi.net](mailto:kalinowski@chartermi.net)

**Website:** [www.KalinowskiFineArt.com](http://www.KalinowskiFineArt.com)

- **PAINTING THE LANDSCAPE IN OIL**

September 29 and 30th

At the Holland Arts Council

9:30 - 3:30

\$135.00 (\$108 for HAC members)

Learn the basics necessary to paint a beautiful landscape alla prime (all at once) using photo reference. Kathleen demonstrates how to begin a painting including color mixing, composition exercises, brushwork, color temperature, tones and edges. Individual instruction is included as well as a group critique. Students bring their own oil painting supplies. A supply list will be provided upon paid registration. Limited to 10 students.

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*"Birches on Bells Bay"* pastel by Kathleen Kalinowski

## Program:

Thursday, 7:30 September 13: Pastel artist Vianna Szabo will demonstrate painting a still life in pastel while discussing the elements of composition, drawing, value, edge and color. She will be presenting a workshop on color for all media on Friday, September 12.

Thursday, October 11, 7:30 pm.: Jim Johnson on Perspective. He will share a simplified free hand version of perspective theory to be used in the field. His goal is never to get the perspective perfect, but rather to get things so they look believable.



*"Purple flower field at sunset"* pastel by Kris Thornton

## Area Art Happenings:

### Grand Rapids Museum of Art

Four centuries of prints, drawing and photographs  
Don't miss Friday nights at the GRAM  
Special events during Art Prize

### Lowell Area Arts Council

Check out <http://www.lowellartscouncil.org> for a list of events happening this summer.

### Art Prize

September 19 - October 17

For more information: [www.artprize.org](http://www.artprize.org).

Artists can show and sell your work for free at a new restaurant in Old Town, Lansing, MI

<http://lansing.craigslist.org/ats/3005859968.html>

### **Chesterton Art Center:**

115 S. 4th Street  
Chesterton, IN 46304  
Terry Ludwig Pastel Artist  
Talk & demo Making Pastels  
Workshop Nov. 16 - 18  
Contact [maryann.pals@gmail.com](mailto:maryann.pals@gmail.com)  
[219-926-2266](tel:219-926-2266)

### **Pure Imagination:**

A new art gallery opened August 13 in Hastings, MI called Pure Imagination. It features works by local artists, and nostalgic candy. Located at 123 South Jefferson Street, Hasting, MI 49058. The owner is Krista Kennedy and can be reached at [PureImaginationHastings@gmail.com](mailto:PureImaginationHastings@gmail.com). Open M-F, 10-6 pm and Sat. 10- 4 pm. She is currently accepting artists looking to sell their work.

### **One Trick Pony:**

Dennis O'Mara August 6 - Sept.14  
Bonnie Lindke Oct. 15 - Nov, 26  
This is a great chance to display your art in a popular establishment in the greater downtown Grand Rapids area. For more information please contact Barb Wood at 942-0585.  
One Trick Pony 136 Fulton St. SE  
Monday - Wednesday 11 am - 11pm  
Thursday - Friday 11 am - 12 pm  
Saturday 11 am - 12 pm



“Red Rose” acrylic by Jeremy Kuhn

### **Dominican Center Marywood Gallery:**

Gallery Hours: Mon. - Thurs. 7:30 am to 9 pm  
Friday 7:30 am to 8 pm  
Sat. & Sun. 8:00 am to 6 pm  
Address: 2025 Fulton NE  
Grand Rapids, MI 4

*“Practice what you know, and it will help to make clear what now you do not know.” Rembrandt van Rijn*



“End of the Rainbow” oil by Kathleen Kalinowski

*“Creativity takes courage!”  
---Henri Matisse*

*“A line is a dot that went for a walk.” Paul Klee*

## Members in the News:

**James Johnson** has an exhibition of new watercolors  
July 19th - Sept. 18th, 2012  
Cascade Branch Kent District Library  
2870 Jack Smith Ave. SE  
Grand Rapids, MI 49546  
Mon. - Thurs. 9:30 am - 8 pm  
Fri. and Sat. 9:30 am - 5 pm  
Sunday 1 pm until 5 pm

**Michael Stewart** has a one person show with 25  
paintings at the Bruce and Mary Leep Art Gallery.  
Postma Center  
Pine Rest's Corporate Headquarters  
Cutlerville - 68th Street  
July, August and September  
Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

*"I found that I could say things with color and shapes  
that I couldn't say any other way -- things I had no  
words for." Georgia O'Keeffe*



"Camille" by Jeremy Kuhn

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**GVA Website** [www.grandvalleyartists.com](http://www.grandvalleyartists.com)

## GVA Gallery

We are calling upon our membership to organize shows which will highlight their artistic endeavors. These gallery exhibits will be on display for a month, and may be solo or group shows. Please contact Carol Lurn at 616-669-3773 or [carollurn@yahoo.com](mailto:carollurn@yahoo.com) if you are interested in showing your work.

### **A Reminder About Art Liability:**

If you bring artwork for critique, enter it in a show, or leave it in the GVA facility, it is at your own risk. While your artwork will be handled with all possible care, we are an organization of volunteers. At any time, an unintended accident may occur. Grand Valley Artists, Inc. and its members will not be responsible for any loss or damage to the art whatsoever.



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 Grand Rapids, 49505-4609

## Calendar: September

Saturday	September 1	10:00 AM	Figure Sketch
Monday	September 3	10:00 AM	Portrait Sketch
Tuesday	September 4	7:30 PM	Photo Group
Thursday	September 6	6:00 PM	Board Meeting
Thursday	September 6	7:30 PM	Critique
Saturday	September 8	10:00 AM	Figure Sketch
Monday	September 10	10:00 AM	Portrait Sketch
Thursday	September 13	7:30 PM	Program
Saturday	September 15	10:00 AM	Figure Sketch
Monday	September 17	10:00 AM	Portrait Sketch
Thursday	September 20	7:30 PM	Life Sketch
Saturday	September 22	10:00 AM	Figure Sketch
Monday	September 24	10:00 AM	Portrait Sketch
Thursday	September 27	7:30 PM	Life Sketch
Saturday	September 29	10:00 AM	Figure Sketch

## October

Monday	October 1	10:00 AM	Portrait Sketch
Tuesday	October 2	7:30 PM	Photo Group
Thursday	October 4	7:30 PM	Critique
Saturday	October 6	10:00 AM	Figure Sketch
Monday	October 8	10:00 AM	Portrait Sketch
Thursday	October 11	7:30 PM	Program
Saturday	October 13	10:00 AM	Figure Sketch
Monday	October 15	10:00 AM	Portrait Sketch
Thursday	October 18	7:30 PM	Life Sketch
Saturday	October 20	10:00 AM	Figure Sketch
Monday	October 22	10:00 AM	Portrait Sketch
Thursday	October 25	7:30 PM	Life Sketch
Saturday	October 27	10:00 AM	Figure Sketch
Monday	October 29	10:00 AM	Portrait Sketch