

November 2007 Newsletter

TVAL BOARD VACANCIES

There will be 3 vacancies on the TVAL Board of Directors to be filled by an election at the December member's meeting. Positions are: Vice President, Secretary and one member at large. Currently Jenifer Cline is Vice-President; Kerri Ertman is Secretary, and Susie Morey the Member at Large. Each person has provided valuable service in numerous ways benefiting all of the membership. Thanks to all three of these members for time volunteered to the Organization.

From the TVAL By-Laws, ARTICLE VII. NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Section 1. The Nominating Committee shall consist of three (3) members: One member elected by the membership, one member appointed by the President and one member designated by the Board of Directors. The election or designation of the members of the Nominating Committee shall take place at the regularly scheduled members' meeting in September each year.

Section 2. The Nominating Committee shall elect its own Chairperson.

Section 3. The Nominating Committee shall open nominations for Officers at the October meeting, accepting nominations until the December members' meeting, at which time nominations will be closed. The names of candidates for each office shall be on a prepared ballot and distributed, for voting purposes, to members eligible to vote. New officers will be elected and installed during the December members' meeting, taking responsibility of their elected office January 1.

Members interested for any of the three positions may submit their name to a current Board member or the nominating committee. The Board responsibilities are outlined in the current By Laws of Thompson Valley Art League and copies can be obtained on our website or through Lincoln Gallery. It is a commitment of time, energy and guidance for the success of this organization. Lori Disney accepted the Secretary nomination; no other nominations have been received.

BARNES AND NOBLE BOOK FAIR

The last 2007 book fair at Barnes Noble is slated for Dec 15 & 16. We need a lead person for scheduling working artists, greeters, set-up, take down of tables, and other information for the weekend. Jeff will have a supply vouchers at the gallery for you to hand out or mail and a postcard mailing will go out from TVAL. Sending to your clients, friends and neighbors is an important part of this campaign. The event has provided much needed revenue and promotion of the organization. It is critical to enlistment as many members as possible to be successful. Barnes & Noble works closely with us, but a contact person and coordinator for the event is needed. It is one of the busiest times for Barnes Noble and we can benefit greatly being in the store handing out vouchers. Many of you have participated in the past and know the ropes. The more vouchers passed out and turned in at the time of purchase results in more proceeds back to the Art League.

GALLERY ATTENDANTS NEEDED

We need gallery attendants on the 14th & 17th plus people to set up for the potluck supper the evening of Dec 17th. Unfortunately this is the only time Jeff & Debbie could schedule to be with family for the Holidays so will not be available Dec 14 – Dec 17.

STARVING ARTIST SALE DEC 1 – JAN 5

The Starving Artists Sale is Dec 1 –Jan 5. Bring art related items: paintings, prints (whether yours or a famous artist) frames, materials, art books, easels, matted works, unframed pieces etc. Make sure you have your name, a price affixed in some manner and an inventory sheet. Clean the closet, basement, garage, and don't forget all those works stuffed under the bed. So they don't return to those hiding places, price them to move.

If you don't have sale items we can still handle a few regular works on the walls. It is the Holiday season, so plan accordingly with sizes and prices. Think as a consumer, what you might purchase for a gift for someone else. We will send postcards promoting the sale and the Night on the Town event for Dec 14th.

UPDATES IN PROGRESS

We are still updating by laws, policies and membership forms for 2008. Updates should be finalized and approved by the December 17th members meeting. Membership fees will increase in 2008 by \$5 per membership category. Our annual dues are a minimal amount compared to the rates some artists are paying and our volunteer time is considerably less than most groups.

SWEET-ART SHOW JUST AROUND THE CORNER!

The year has gone so fast it is hard to believe 2008 is a few weeks away. The first members show, the "Sweet-Art Show", scheduled to open February 8 during the 2nd Friday downtown event. A show committee needs to be formed for the show details, with the entry date tentatively set for Feb 2.

WINNERS OF THE FALL FESTIVAL SHOW

Sherrie Welch, Juror's Choice award: "Hiway 191"

1st Place Oil, Ann Delzell: "North Fork of the Big Thompson River"

2nd Place Oil, Jeff Brooks: "Come Here Often?"

3rd Place Oil, Jenifer Cline: "Upper North Fork"

1st Place Watercolor, Lori Disney: "Grevy's Zebras"

2nd Place Watercolor, Jeral McDonald: "The Gathering"

3rd Place Watercolor, Annie Surbeck: "Stand of Aspen"

1st Place Mixed Media, Bonnie Terrill: "Dawn of Creation"

2nd Place Mixed Media, Jean Batchelder: "Serendipitous Discovery"

3rd Place Mixed Media, Judy Sprague: "Evening Meditation"

1st Place Pastel, Sally L Fulton: "Cattails"

2nd Place Pastel, Jeanne Jeffrey: "Walking with Mom"

3rd place Pastel, Linda C. Palmer: "Good Morning Napa Valley"

1st Place Photography, Jim Digby: "Three Sisters"

2nd Place Photography, Margaret Thornburg: "Hot Air Balloon"

3rd Place Photography, JR Schnelzer: "Resting Blue Boat"

1st Place 3-D, Ellen Woodbury: "Curly Bird"

2nd Place 3-D, Kelley Klawiter: "Right Side Up"

3rd Place 3-D, Susie Morey: "Poppy Vase"

1st Place Acrylic, Dion Weichers: "Fishbone"

2nd Place Acrylic, Elaine Smith Widner: "Okefenokee Swampland"

3rd Place Acrylic, Donis Smith: "Sound of Music"

CALL FOR ARTISTS/WORKSHOPS

Western Spirit Art Show & Sale March 1- April 13 2008. Prospectus available online at www.oldwestmuseum.org. Contact Aimee: 307-778-1415, Deadline extended to Nov 30.

As 2008 is just ahead more art shows will be popping up in the area and around the country. We will try our best to pass on info as it becomes available.

Local artist Mary Giacomini is accepting students for fall classes. Interested persons may contact her at 970-613-1258 or email: mmg@lpbroadband.net for information.

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER CALENDAR:

Nov 17 Annual Pottery Sale
Nov 17 Gallery Attendant Don Crego
Nov 19 Members meeting 6 pm, bring art works for critiques
Nov 22 Gallery Closed for Thanksgiving
Nov 24 Gallery Attendants JR & Lisa Schnelzer
Nov 26 Need Gallery Attendant Jeff is in an all day planning session
Nov 26 Monday Night Paint 6 to 8:30 pm
Nov 29 "Give Your Guy A Clue" special downtown sales event
Nov 30 Gallery Changeover Starving artists works accepted

Dec 1 & 2 Starving artists works accepted
Dec 1 Gallery Attendant Ellen Woodbury
Dec 3 Monday Night Paint 6 – 8:30 pm
Dec 8 Gallery Attendant Tanielle Childers
Dec 10 Monday Night Paint 6-8:30 pm
Dec 13 Board meeting 5:30 pm
Dec 14 2nd Friday downtown 6 to 9 pm
Dec 14 2nd Friday and special sales event downtown
Dec 15 Gallery Attendant Margaret Thornburg
Dec 15 & 16 Barnes & Noble Bookfair 10 am to 9 pm
Dec 14 Need Gallery Attendant Jeff gone
Dec 17 Need Gallery Attendant Jeff gone
Dec 17 Members Meeting and Potluck 6 pm
Dec 22 Need Gallery Attendant
Dec 25 Gallery closed for Christmas
Dec 29 Need Gallery Attendant
Jan 1 Gallery Closed for New Year's