

April 2021



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From Your President

Hello Artists!

LAA is emerging from 2020 and beginning anew in 2021!

We are all still coping with the COVID virus and isolating from much of the world. As we get vaccinated and have more freedom to see friends and family in person, LAA will begin to offer in person events and programs.

Right now we are in the beginning of this process. We will open up gradually when the city and state release some of the restrictions. Our main concern is the safety of you, our members, so we will be cautious. It is hard to be patient when we long to get back to our in person events and meetings, but we need to stay the course.

Boulder County was just moved into the Yellow section of the COVID dial. That means we can now have more people at the center for our shows. We may even be able to have some of our Featured Programs soon as well. We'll let you know as we get news from the city.

As long as Colorado keeps on its present course, we hope to meet in person by the Fall. Everything is tentative of course, but our plan is for in-person meetings and workshops starting in September.

In the meantime, we will have Zoom workshops, outdoor workshops, Plein Air outdoors of course, as well as video member programs.

Be sure to check out our Zoom programs like the Drawing Study Group. The Louisville Recreation/Senior Center also has been holding an open studio, which is operating both in person and on Zoom. Registration is required, along with masks and social distancing. Check the Rec Center catalog for details.

Coming up, we have the Spring Member Show in April, and the National Photography Show in May. Both shows will be in-person, though we will still be doing virtual awards ceremonies. Our shows are LAA's main outreach to our community, and we need your help to staff them. As part of our non-profit designation, we offer shows to the community for free, so we do need our members to step forward to help. It is our way to give back and in the process let others learn more about art and our organization.

In addition, volunteering to work at a show is a fun way to get to know other members as well as visitors. I always enjoy the experience! I hope to see you at the Spring Member Show!

Even though not all members are accepted into the National Shows, we still ask you to volunteers as the broader community is served by our organization.



Speaking of the Spring Show, there is still time to enter! The deadline is next Monday, April 5th. Registration closes at midnight on Monday night. The more pieces we have, the better the show. Go to the show page and click [here](#) to register. More details later in this newsletter.

Happy Spring, members!
Helen

PS: We all have heard of the horrific shooting in Boulder at King Soopers. Many of us have family and friends who regularly shop at that store. It is a part of their daily lives and they lost friends and acquaintances and even family. Ten people were lost, but the community of South Boulder also lost their sense of safety, their security. The loss of friends and family will be unbearable for a long time as will the loss of innocence we have perhaps taken for granted. Look out for each other. Make that phone call. Visit that relative (if you can, barring COVID). Peace to you and yours.

Virtual Members Program

The April Virtual Members Program date is TBD
You will receive an eblast reminder

Click [here](#) to view the February Virtual Members Program which includes a Demo from the Zoom Workshop "Abstract Colorado Landscape Painting" with Lael Har.

LAA 2021 Show Schedule

Spring Members Art Show, Virtual Show, Apr 15 - 18
National Photo Show, Art Center, May 28 - Jun 6
Theme Show, Location TBD, July
National Fine Art Show, Art Center, Sep 4 - 12
Fall Members Art Show, Location TBD, Nov 18 - 22

Note: Youth Art Show is canceled as the Library has decided to close the gallery until 2022.

Some dates are still being worked out, so there may be a few changes later on.

Members interested in volunteering to chair a show should email: LAAMembersshows@gmail.com

Spring Members Art Show Info

Judge: Martin Lambuth (<http://martinlambuth.com>)

Co-Chairs: Sheila Fossen and Cheryl Townson

Entry Form: Available on our website

Entry Deadline: April 5

Please tell your friends and family to come out and enjoy the show.

Spring Members Show Schedule

Wednesday, April 14

12 - 3 pm Set-up

3 - 5 pm Check-in

5 - 8 pm Hang Show

Thursday, April 15

Judging - Morning (arranged with Judge)

Open Gallery Hours - 2:00 - 7:00 pm

Friday, April 16

Open Gallery Hours - Noon - 7:00 pm

Saturday, April 17

Awards Ceremony 7:00pm - Virtual Only
Open Gallery Hours -10:00 AM - 8:00 pm

Sunday, April 18th

Artwork pick-up/check-out 5 - 6:30 Clean up 5 - 8pm
Open Gallery Hours - 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

National Photography Show Info

The Call for Entries for the 2021 National Photography Show is now closed. Thanks to all who entered! The judge is now reviewing the 619 entered images to select 100 pieces for an invitation to exhibit. Announcement of the accepted works will be released by April 8. Further details on the exhibit hours and activities will be posted soon. Good luck to all who took the time and effort to enter the show!

Judge: Glenn Randall

Chair: Kris Nagy, Kirk Fry and Rich Saxon (assisting)
Additional Volunteers needed

We need your help!
Please go to our website to sign-up to volunteer for this show.

Theme Show Info

Co-Chairs: Kim Roller, Jane Elvins, Camilla Pratt and Ani Liggett

Theme for 2021: "Emergence". That can be interpreted in several ways, e.g., emergence from the cold, snowy winter/spring, emergence from the darkness of 2020, emergence from the fear and isolation of COVID, etc.

Location: East Simpson Coffee Co. has agreed to host the Theme Show for the month of July! East Simpson Coffee will be relocating to 201 E. Simpson (cross street is Harrison) and will be open June 1 at their new location. They are excited to be hosting our theme show for the month of July.

Deadline to enter: TBD (probably mid June)

Drop-off of art: Wed., June 30, 4-6 pm

Show opens: Thurs., July 1

Reception: Fri., July 9, 4-7 pm (in conjunction with Art Night Out Lafayette)

Pick-up of art: Mon., Aug. 2, 10 am-12pm (take-down Sun., Aug. 1, 6:00 pm)

Prospectus: By Mid-May the Prospectus will be available and online or mail-in registration will open.

Stay tuned for more information.

National Fine Art Show Info

Judge: Sheri Farabaugh

Chair: Dawn Hendrix
Additional Volunteers needed

Fall Members Art and Crafts Show Info

Judge: Lisa Rivard

Location: Louisville Center for the Arts
Co-Chairs: **Still need 2 co-chairs for this show**
Additional volunteers needed

Board Meetings and Communication

Board Meetings

The Board presently meets twice a month on Zoom from 4 - 5 pm on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month. We are meeting more often so we are able to keep up with the challenges that the virus presents to LAA as an organization.

Meeting Dates: Apr 8 and Apr 22

Time: 4 - 5 pm

Location: Teleconference via Zoom

Members are welcome to attend. Contact Helen Harrison at pres.louisvilleartassociation@gmail.com in advance to let her know you will be attending.

***New* Communications Request Forms on LAA Website**

To request Web additions, Facebook posts, and/or eBlasts, **click [here](#) for the forms on our website.**

Reimbursement Request Form

To be reimbursed for an LAA expense, you must submit your receipt and complete the LAA Reimbursement Request Form. **Click [here](#) for more information and to download the form.**

Important News

Instagram. Are you active on Instagram? Or maybe you have an account, but it just isn't getting much traction? Our Social Media Team wants to help you amplify your work on Instagram. Email your Instagram handle and a JPG image of your artwork (max size 1080 pixels) to Kirk Fry at kirkfry58@gmail.com. He will promote member photos/accounts a few times per week. You can also add a blurb about an upcoming exhibit, etc., which can be added to the caption of your image. Our Instagram handle is @LouisvilleArtAssociation.

Volunteers Needed

We are a volunteer organization, everyone needs to volunteer to help out to keep our organization thriving and provide the great art resources we all benefit from! What will you do for LAA?

Two New Volunteer Opportunities

If you value the role the Art Association plays in your life and in our community, here are two new opportunities:

- **Volunteer to be on the Board of Directors - 5 director spots opening at the end of 2021**

At the end of this year, there are five Board Directors whose terms will expire. In particular, three of our officers will be leaving the Board, our President Helen Harrison, our Vice-President Lynn Sarkis, and our Secretary Ken Roberge. If you enjoy working with others in pursuit of a common goal, if you enjoy organizing and planning, or have previous board experience, please consider joining our Board.

Your Board of Directors is an all-volunteer group that is essential to the success of this organization. The Directors provide you with the programs you value. They safeguard your funds, and ensure the organization

conforms to all laws and regulations. They make sure that this organization fulfills its mission and contributes to the common good of our community.

- **Volunteer to be on the Board of Directors Nominating Committee**

If serving on the Board is not your cup of tea, there is another important way you can contribute. The candidates for the Board are chosen by a group of members who form the Nominating Committee. If you know a lot of people in the organization, if you have experience in recruiting or HR, if you have previous board experience, you can help us find the best people to serve on the Board.

If you are interested in either of these opportunities, please contact Helen Harrison pres.louisvilleartassociation@gmail.com, Ken Roberge Membership.LouisvilleArt@gmail.com, or any other Board Member.

Other Volunteer Opportunities

2021 Show Co-Chairs Needed

Here's an opportunity to be a co-chair for one of our member or national shows.

We need co-chairs for these shows in 2021:

- **Fall Member Show**

This is an incredible rewarding job that really helps us reach the community and support our artists. Contact **Lynn Sarkis** at laamembershows@gmail.com if interested.

Membership Care Volunteer

We are looking for someone with enthusiasm for LAA members and their well being. Some of the duties of this position are:

- Perform member outreach
- Greet members at meetings when we start meeting again in person next year
- Coordinate Membership drives and community awareness to increase our membership numbers and diversity
- Create member name tags

For more info please contact **Ken Roberge** at Membership.LouisvilleArt@gmail.com

Photography and Digital Art (PANDA) Coordinators

Coordinator needed for the PANDA program. Please contact **Steve Markman** smarkman@me.com if interested.

Demo Coordinators for Member Meetings

We need coordinators for the Member Meeting Demonstrations. Please contact **Steve Markman** smarkman@me.com if interested.

Video Production Help Needed

If you have experience in areas of videography, video production, live broadcasting, or similar fields, please let us know. If you have made instructional videos, demos, or other electronic content of your art and can share the wisdom you have gained from this, please contact **Helen Harrison** at pres.louisvilleartassociation@gmail.com or any Board member.

Workshop Coordinators

We need 4-5 volunteers to pull together workshops for 2021. We will be doing both Zoom and In person workshops (in person when the state allows). We need people who know artists in the community to find instructors, organizers to do contracts and scheduling, someone familiar with Zoom and video, communicators to write emails, advertisements, and someone to handle creating the online registrations. Contact **Steve Markman** smarkman@me.com for more details. We NEED YOU to keep our workshops going.

LAA Member Programs

Open Studio Mondays

On Hold 9am - Noon

Louisville Center for the Arts, 801 Grant Ave.

LAA artists meet to work on their own projects. No instruction, just friends enjoying art-making together. No fee for members. Contact **Constance Frank and Nancy Caballero**.

Please consider joining in for all or part, as we have fun with our artwork!

Plein Janes and Joes

On hiatus until the Spring

Contacts:

Jane Elvins: 720-352-7218 drjane99@yahoo.com,

Jane Evans: 303-818-8679

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Portrait Saturdays

On hiatus until further notice.

Art in Public Places (AIPP)

See **AIPP Online Sign Up** article below

The AIPP program supports LAA member artists who want to show and sell their work in public spaces and businesses in our area. Members sign up every Fall for the following calendar year. AIPP is a members-only program and is a great incentive to join us. For more info, go to our website or contact Colleen Tucker at tucker.aipp@gmail.com. Click here, [Website Link](#), for list of venues, schedule and for ID tags. LAA ID tags are required.

Drawing Study Group - Tuesdays

10am - Noon

Apr 6, 13, 20, 27

Drawing Study Group is presently meeting on Zoom. Fill out the registration form on this page to be added to the email list for the Zoom

Link: <https://www.louisvilleart.org/drawing-study-group.html>. The DSG offers instruction in many different drawing techniques as well as varying subjects. The class rotates through topics every few months.

AIPP Online Sign Up

THERE ARE QUITE A FEW VACANT VENUES. Since things are opening up a bit more, there might be more traffic. Check the AIPP calendar and sign up.

You will find the link to SignUp.com on the AIPP Webpage (use the link below). After you click on the SignUp.com link there are two choices:

SIGN UP FOR AIPP - January - June

SIGN UP FOR AIPP - July - December

Click on the view you are interested in. You will see a list of months/venues. You should ignore the initial letter and number combo (A1, A2, B1, B2 etc.) as these are used only to keep the list of venues in the proper order. They have no effect on the signup process. You will only be able to sign up for 2 spots at this time.

If you haven't visited the venue that you're interested in, it would be to your advantage to go and see the wall availability before you sign up for a venue.

The AIPP 2021 Calendar is available for a quick review of what's available. We will try and keep it up-to-date as much as possible.

If you have questions or need help in signing up, contact Colleen Tucker at Tucker.aipp@gmail.com

**Click on the Link for more information and the Link to SignUp.com.
[LAA AIPP Webpage Link](#)**

Zoom Workshops

2021 Workshop Lineup

The LAA Workshop Committee is pleased to announce our 2021 Program:

Workshop Date	Subject	Artist Instructor	Venue*	Demo Date
May 22, 2021	Multi-Media – Oil & Print	Julie Anne Lewis	On-Line	May 13, 2021
June 19, 2021	Abstract Florals	Robin Cole	On-Line	June 10, 2021
July 24, 2021	Venetian Plaster – Prep and Paint	Tabitha Benedict	Art Center	July 8, 2021
August 28, 2021	Plein Air	Jeanne Hougen	Outdoors	August 12, 2021
Oct 9, 2021	Macro Photography	Kirk Fry	Art Center	September 9, 2021
December 4, 2021	Illustration Art	Lisa Rivard	Art Center	November 11, 2021
January 8, 2022	Pastel Landscapes	Lydia Potroff	Art Center	December 9, 2021

* We are anticipating a return to in-person workshops at the Art Center beginning at the end of July. If restrictions require us to continue with social distancing, we will reschedule to online workshops accordingly.

These workshops will be open for registration in the near future. Keep an eye out for announcements on the LAA Website and in the Newsletter.

Questions and Comments may be sent to Steve Markman, Director of the Workshop Committee, smarkman@me.com.

Workshop Committee Volunteers needed...We are still looking for 4-5 volunteers to help with workshops. We need people who know artists in the community to find instructors, organizers to do contracts and scheduling, someone familiar with Zoom and video, communicators to write emails, advertisements, and someone to handle creating the online registrations. Contact **Steve Markman** smarkman@me.com for more details. We NEED YOU to keep our workshops going.

About Our Members

Welcome to Our New Members

AnnaDale Sullivan
 Susan Messick
 Mike Martin
 Jean Goyer

Member Interview

Susan Steven

Susan Steven has just come up with a Best of Show award in the Longmont Art Guild's Spring Show at the Great Frame up on Main Street. (Her rescued Maltese/Schitzu woofed happily into the phone as she mentioned this.) She's been a member of the guild for 20 years, president for the last six, and is an LAA member as well.

Her high school teacher encouraged her in art, but she married soon out of high school and found herself living in Alaska, where her husband was stationed in the Army and where they welcomed daughter Julie two years later. And, yes, she did notice that Alaska was a bit of a switch from San Diego.

Back in California, she and her husband welcomed their son, Ken, to the family. Susan later went into banking for 20 years, which paid well but she missed art so she taught painting at the city's Adult Ed night classes to keep that joy alive.

Susan moved to Colorado in 1995 from San Diego to be near her daughter Julie who was accepted at CU, married a fellow classmate who was a 3rd generation Boulderite. Julie is now an elementary school teacher in Arvada. Susan's son Ken also moved to Colorado where he's an IT manager at Boulder Community Hospital. Susan now has 4 wonderful grandchildren, 3 of them with the same Dec 26th birthday!

Art still wouldn't leave Susan alone. In an attack of "back to personal basics," she sought an art education degree and performed a "U" turn into her original passion. Twenty years of teaching art at Skyline High School in Longmont followed. She noted that early on there had been a small tough element among the students, one of whom presented her with a black eye. (Both her eye and school's atmosphere recovered.)

After retiring from Skyline, Susan took a year to teach acrylics for Michael's, and then discovered a school called APEX, where she taught art and photography to grades two through twelve and was filled with many home-schooled kids with manners. (After her first hour's class, the kids filed out saying, "thank you for teaching us today, Mrs. Steven.") "I almost fell on the floor" she remarks, severely startled.

But eventually, Covid arrived. This seemed like a reasonable time to permanently retire and she knew and trusted her successor, so she felt her kids were in good hands. She is now enjoying her time with Vinny Van Go (her rescue pup), her family and friends and focusing on creating her own art again.

-McKee



Other Opportunities

Heritage Art Guild

LAA and the Heritage Art Guild have begun to cross-advertise our workshops. We will advertise their workshops here. To see what else is happening with the Heritage Art Guild, visit their website:

<http://www.heritage-guild.com/current-workshops.html>

LAA Website Member Gallery Updates

The new Member Gallery is now on our website. If you would like to update your photo and information, or if you would like to be included, now is your chance.

Please use the following guideline:

- Send one image to louisvillearts@gmail.com
- Please put Member Gallery and your Name on the subject line

- Include your Website or Facebook address in the email
- Please rename your image with the title of your piece and attach it to the email.

If you have any questions, please email Gail at the above email address.

Other News

The Louvre Just Put Its Entire Collection Online

The world’s most visited museum has a collection of 480,000 artworks that you can now view for free at home. Click [here](#) for the full article and click [here](#) for a link to see the digitized collections.

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For the full list of Board Members and Volunteer Coordinators,
 see our website at:

<https://www.louisvilleart.org/board-of-directors.html>

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