

# December 2021



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## President's Note

Greetings Fellow Artists!

We are almost at the end of the year, and I am feeling at the same time both elated and a little sad.

I am happy because LAA has managed to keep running even when we couldn't meet in person or have in-person events. The COVID situation has been an ongoing strain for all of us, but we are still here, working to make art available to our community. I am immensely proud of our board and all the volunteers who made that happen. We faced a crisis and everyone came through (and continues to come through) with flying colors. Thank you!

I am sad though, because at the end of this year I am leaving the board and my job as president. There will be a new president, who will be elected after the new board convenes in January. The new Board and officers will carry the torch forward to next year where they will continue to lead and improve LAA. I am excited to see where they lead us.

It is bittersweet to be leaving, but I will have more time to pursue my own work and to travel (when COVID is not as much of an issue...that day will come soon I hope).

I encourage all of our members to step forward to help grow the LAA to be the force for sharing art and creativity with our community, to make our events accessible and to volunteer in any way you are able.

Thank you to all of our volunteers as well as the board members I have served with over the last three years.

I want to call out the Directors who are leaving with me at the end of this term. We all served three years on the board in order to balance the turnover so we would always have experienced Directors on the board:

- Vice President, Lynn Sarkis, who has been a huge support to me and LAA.
- Secretary, Ken Roberge, who kept us on the straight and narrow (Parliamentary procedure, policy and bylaws).
- Director, Steve Markman, who has made our workshop department stronger than ever and kept it going even when the pandemic was in full force.

Last but not least, I know you hear this from our leadership a lot, but LAA needs you and your expertise to keep going and to thrive.

Happy Holidays to all of you and thank you for the honor of being your president. It's an experience I will treasure always.



Thank you!  
Helen

## Time to Renew Your Membership

The 2022 Membership Drive will begin on November 1st, 2021.

**Individual Membership Dues: \$35 per year**

**Family Membership Dues Have Changed: \$30 per person per year**

The Family Membership Dues level has been replaced by a \$5 per person discount for family members over the age of 18, who live in the same household.

**2022 Membership Enrollment Dates: Nov 1, 2021 - Jan 31, 2022**

You can always join or renew after Jan 31, 2022, but after this date you will stop receiving LAA benefits until you renew.

**To Register:** Go to the LAA website and click on "Join or Renew." There you will find more information and can renew with your credit card. If you know someone who is not yet a member, now is a good time to encourage them to join. They get all the member benefits as soon as they join and their membership is good for all of 2022. That's two months free!

[Click for "Join or Renew" Page](#)

## December In-Person Member Programs \*Please Note the Shortened Agenda\*

**Our next monthly in-person Member Program will be held on  
December 9th**

**December Demo: Pastel Landscapes by Lydia Pottoff**

**We will be having a very shortened in-person December Monthly Program with just an artist's demo and a few announcements. This is because COVID is still a big issue in Boulder County. We will open at 7 pm and the demo will be from 7:30-8:30 pm.**

**There won't be refreshments or a Mini Show for this meeting. We will have a delayed holiday celebration in January, if the COVID situation allows.**

**Masks are required and we will be socially distancing in the center. We recommend an N95 mask if you have one.**

**There will be a Virtual Monthly Program aired on the following Saturday evening (December 11 at 7:30pm) with your celebrations and other announcements. This will be broadcast to YouTube and to our Facebook page.**

**Please send your celebrations for the Virtual Show (with jpgs if you have them) to Helen Harrison at [hhelenhh@mac.com](mailto:hhelenhh@mac.com). Send announcements to Helen as well.**

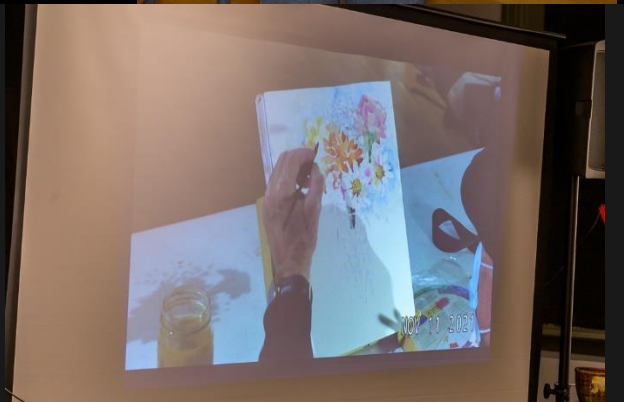
**The Louisville Center for the Arts, 801 Grant Avenue, Louisville, CO (intersects with Spruce St., in Memory Square Park).**

## November Member Program Photos



**November Mini Show Winner: Ani Liggett**

**November Demo by Dennis Pendleton,  
"The Art of Color"**



## **Election of Board of Directors \*Please Check Your Inbox\***

### **Board of Director Candidates**

- **Brenda Weissman**
- **Dori Stickles**
- **Laura Hagar – Recommended for Board Secretary**
- **Sheila Fossen – Current Board Director running for another term**

**Voting is underway for the election of your Board Directors. Ballots were mailed to you on November 23rd, and the subject was "LAA-Board of Director Election Ballot". Please check your inbox for an emailed ballot. Votes must be in before December 15!**

## **LAA 2022 Show Schedule**

- **Youth Art Show, Location: Louisville Library, March**

- Spring Member's Art Show, Location: Louisville Center for the Arts, Apr 14 - 17
- Theme show, Location: East Simpson Coffee House, July 2022
- National Photography Show, Location: Louisville Center for the Arts, May 27 - Jun 5
- National Fine Art Show, Location: Louisville Center for the Arts, Sep 2 - 11
- Fall Member's Art Show, Location: Louisville Center for the Arts, Nov 17 - 20

Members interested in volunteering to chair a show or be on a show committee, email: [LAAMembershows@gmail.com](mailto:LAAMembershows@gmail.com)

## 2021 Fall Member's Art and Crafts Show Awards

Thanks to all who participated in and volunteered at 2021 Fall Member's Show! It was a successful and beautiful show! Here are the show awards given by judge Lisa Rivard:

Best in Show: *Smoky Afternoon at Warembourg Pond* by Lynn Berggren

Judge's Choice: *A Step Out of Innocence* by Connie Ruel

2nd Place: *Lady in Red* by Donna Fleebe

3rd Place: *Wonderland* by Dori Stickle

Artistic Achievement: *A Tennessee Memory* by Richard Saxon

Artistic Achievement: *Quiet After The Storm* by Malene Mortenson

Artistic Achievement: *Aspens in the Sun* by Diane Fitzgerald

Artistic Achievement: *Fear Me* by Camie Rigiroszi

Artistic Achievement: *King of the Mountain* by Lynn Sarkis

Artistic Achievement: *Fish Creek Falls* by Suzanne Andrews

Artistic Achievement: *Blue Zeus* by Carol Walker

Artistic Achievement: *Florence Sunrise* by Kathy Klepac

Artistic Achievement: *Dreaming* by Camilla Pratt

Artistic Achievement: *Edge of Winter* by Jody Faught



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## 2022 Youth Art Show Info

**Dates:** March

**Location:** Louisville Library

**Chairs:** Jane Evans (Chair). Need co-chair volunteers

## 2022 Spring Member's Art Show Info

**Dates:** Apr 14 - 17

**Judge:** Marina Kassianidou

**Location:** Louisville Center for the Arts

**Chairs:** Need co-chair volunteers

**Entry should open in mid February**

## 2022 Theme Art Show Info

**Dates:** July

**Location:** East Simpson Coffee House

**Chairs:** Jane Elvins, Kim Roller, Ani Liggett, Camilla Pratt

## 2022 National Photography Show Info

**Dates:** May 24 - Jun 5

**Judge:** Rob Lantz (Owner of the RGallery)

**Location:** Louisville Center for the Arts

**Chairs:** Need co-chair volunteers

**Entry should open in January**

## 2022 National Fine Art Show Info

**Dates:** Sep 2 - 11

**Judge:** Eriq Hochul (Eriq is the curator at the Foothills Art Center in Golden)

**Location:** Louisville Center for the Arts

**Chairs:** Need co-chair volunteers

**Entry should open at the end of February or early March**

## 2022 Fall Member's Art and Crafts Show Info

**Dates:** Nov 17 - 20

**Judge:** TBD

**Location:** Louisville Center for the Arts

**Chairs:** Need co-chair volunteers

**Entry** TBD

## Board Meetings and Communication

### Board Meetings

**The Board meets on the 4th Thu of every month from 4-6pm**

**Meeting Date: Dec 16**

Location: Louisville Rec Center

Time: 4-6 pm in person

Members are welcome to attend. Contact Helen Harrison at [pres.louisvilleartassociation@gmail.com](mailto: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](#) to go to the member center for the form. Go to Resources and then open the Communicate to Members Tab 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.

## Need Your Help to Find Lost Meeting Minutes

We are looking for the files that contain the minutes of the **Board of Directors Meetings and the Member Meetings for the years of 1991 through 2013**. These minutes may be stored in books or boxes, and we cannot find them in the Art Center.

If anyone has these or knows of their location, please email Ken Roberge Board Secretary at [Membership.LouisvilleArt@gmail.com](mailto:Membership.LouisvilleArt@gmail.com).

## Volunteers Needed

### *Volunteer Opportunities*

#### **2022 Show Chairs and Chair Committee Members**

We are looking for **volunteer chairs** for next year. We are going to try chairing committees of 3-4 people who can work well together to do the shows in 2022. Starting in 2022 we will have a LAA Show **Coordinating/Steering Committee** to work with show chairs to help answer questions, recruit show judges and provide support for the chairing committees.

#### **2022 Youth Art Show**

#### **2022 Spring Member Art Show**

#### **2022 National Photography Show**

#### **2022 National Fine Art Show**

#### **2022 Fall Member Art and Crafts 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](mailto:laamembershows@gmail.com) if interested.

#### **Membership Care Volunteer**

#### **Demo Coordinators for Member Meetings**

We need coordinators for the Member Meeting Demonstrations. Please contact **Steve Markman** [smarkman@me.com](mailto: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](mailto:pres.louisvilleartassociation@gmail.com) or any Board member.

#### **Workshop Committee Team Members**

See description of Team Members needed in Workshops section below.

#### **Photography and Digital Art (PANDA) Coordinators**

Coordinator needed for the PANDA program. Please contact **Steve Markman** [smarkman@me.com](mailto:smarkman@me.com) if interested.

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 meet in-person
- 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](mailto:Membership.LouisvilleArt@gmail.com)

### **\*\* NEW - Looking for Writers for LAA Marketing\*\***

We are looking for one or two volunteers to write occasional short articles, for listing by local arts/cultural organizations, regarding LAA and what we offer. For more information, contact Ani Liggett at [drani740@gmail.com](mailto:drani740@gmail.com).

## 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.

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### Portrait Saturdays

On hiatus until further notice

### Drawing Study Group (DSG) - Tuesdays

10am - Noon

Dec 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

**DSG is presently meeting on Zoom.** Click this [»LINK](#) to go to the Featured Programs page. Then click the program information button under DSG. Click Register and fill out the form. The DSG offers instruction in many different drawing techniques as well as varying subjects. The class rotates through topics every few months.

Contact: **Helen Harrison** at

[pres.louisvilleartassociation@gmail.com](mailto:pres.louisvilleartassociation@gmail.com)

### Art in Public Places (AIPP)

**\*\*It's time to sign up for AIPP 2022\*\***

The AIPP program supports LAA member artists who want to show and sell their work in public spaces and businesses in our area.

Go to the LAA website and then into Programs and Shows. AIPP is at the bottom on that page. [Program Page Link](#)

All the instructions to sign up for next year can be found there. Be sure to read all the requirements and venue descriptions. Please click [here](#) for Sign-Up Instructions.

For more info, contact Colleen Tucker at

[tucker.aipp@gmail.com](mailto:tucker.aipp@gmail.com).

### Plein Janes and Joes

We are done for the season, and will return in the Spring of 2022

Contacts:

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Jane Evans: 303-818-8679

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## Workshops

### 2022 Workshop and Demo Lineup

The LAA Workshop Committee is pleased to announce our upcoming Programs:

Date	Subject	Artist Instructor	Demo Date	Venue*
January 8, 2022	Pastel Landscapes	Lydia Pottoff	December 9, 2021	Art Center
January 11, 18 & 25, 2022 (Tuesday nights in January from 6-9 pm)	Playing with Fire and Clay: Raku Tiles	Pete Wysong	December 9, 2021 (Video)	Art Center
February 5, 2022	The Power of X-ray Vision: an Anatomical Primer for Artists	Denise Chaudhari	January 13, 2022	Art Center
March 19, 2022	Modern Calligraphy for Beginners and Beyond	Natalie Carrasco	February 10, 2022	Art Center
April 20, 21, & 22, 2022	Painting a Face with Character	Judith Dickinson	April 14, 2022	Art Center
May 14, 2022	Urban Sketching in pen & Ink	William Yu	March 10, 2022	TBD
June 25 & 26, 2022	Paint the Town: Plein Air	Scott Roebuck	May 12, 2022	Art Center
September 17, 2022	Value & Color	Sheri Farabaugh	August 11, 2022	Art Center
December 3, 2022	An Adventure in Watercolor	Annie Gifford	November 10, 2022	Art Center

\* We have returned to in-person workshops at the Art Center. Currently the city requires that indoor venues require masks so please remember to wear masks. If Town restrictions require the Art Center to close, we will reschedule to online workshops and alert registrants. Refunds will be available as requested.

Questions and Comments may be sent to Steve Markman, Director of the Workshop Committee, [smarkman@me.com](mailto:smarkman@me.com).

### Workshop Committee Team Members Needed

Dear Members,

We have learned from recent experience planning and executing our art shows, that by having more members on the team, we significantly lower the workload on individual members and dramatically increase volunteer satisfaction. We have done the same for the tasks associated with setting up and running in-person monthly programs. Our success in approaching major LAA activities this way has convinced us that we should take this approach in other areas.

Over the years, the Workshop Committee consisted of a few members who were heavily involved in planning, inviting artists, marketing and coordinating workshops. There is a lot of work involved in performing these tasks and we have decided to organize tasks as a means of breaking up the work into palatable bites and getting more members to pitch in. It makes it much easier for members to decide what to volunteer for based on their own skills and interests. Here is what we are doing:



Team	2022 Team Lead	Tasks	Members Needed	Skills Needed
Chair	Helen Harrison	Coordinate Teams; Strategic Direction	-	-
Artist Team	Connie Ruel	Create Annual Program; Suggest Artists; Contact Artists; Get Contracts Signed; Bird Dog Artists	3-4	Knowledge of Artists (Who Can Teach Well); Have Attended Multiple Workshops; Persistence
Campaign Team	Steve Markman	Use Flipcause to Create Registration Campaigns Using Docs and Photos from the Artists; Test Campaigns; Release to Web Master; Bird Dog Artists When Required	2-4	Mac or PC Browser Familiarity; Willingness to Learn How to Use "Flipcause" (Our Registration Service)
Coordinator Team	Sandy Price	Set Up Art Center for Each Workshop; Keep Attendance; Intro the Artist; Participate in the Workshop Free; Evaluate the Instructor Artist	8-10	Organizational; Ability to Move Tables and Chairs at the Art Center; Free Time to Attend 1-2 Workshops/year

Each of these jobs is bite-sized but fulfilling. Please consider joining one or more of the teams based on your skills and interests by sending an email to [smarkman@me.com](mailto:smarkman@me.com).

Thanks so much for your consideration,  
**Steve**

## About Our Members

### Welcome to Our New Members

Star Von Stade  
 Sally Coates  
 Cornelia Grondahl  
 Perry Tyroler  
 Carrie Thomas

## Member Interview

### Laura Hagar

Another newcomer to LAA who is ready to take on an important role is Laura Hagar. Though she moved to Colorado from the San Francisco area in 2019, Covid held her back until this past spring when she joined LAA and started participating in Plein Janes/Joies. Laura is one of the four nominees for election to the LAA Board. If voted in, she will take over as Secretary.

Laura has an interesting history filled with rich experiences and valuable skill sets acquired over time. She was born in Uruguay where she spent her first ten years before migrating to the US with her family. Laura's father, a mechanical engineer, accepted a position in Boston and later moved his family to Maryland. As she was growing up, Laura and her three younger siblings were taught discipline and responsibility by their mother who devoted those years to homemaking and child-rearing. When Laura went to college, she lived at home and continued to help with the household duties. She earned a degree in art, then completed one year of graduate study in art. At that point, she realized the difficulty of finding a fruitful career in art and was ready to become independent. She moved to California, went to work full time, met her future husband and got married.

Shortly thereafter, Laura became a mother to two daughters and was able to stay home to care for them. Eventually, she and her husband opened a printing business, which provided an avenue for using her art skills and training. When technology came into the picture, Laura found she really enjoyed using Photoshop, Adobe and other such software. Some time later, after a divorce, Laura was able to return to her art, painting still life subjects and venturing into abstract art. She joined her local art association and continued painting in acrylics and pastels. Because of the 2008 recession, the printing business closed and Laura's daughters had gone away to school, so she went to work for Pottery Barn in the Bay area. Her work was writing marketing copy meant to "romance" customers. She loved her work and continued for eight years until 2019 when vision problems led to her retiring and moving to Colorado to be near one daughter with a family. As an enthusiastic grandmother, Laura spends lots of time with her grandchildren. A third grandchild has just arrived in the Bay area, so there will be trips back and forth to bond with the new addition.

Other experiences in California which have prepared Laura for the role of LAA Secretary include: her service as Secretary for a chapter of the Sierra Club, her service as Secretary for the printing business (a corporation), her volunteer work with a local Chamber of Commerce, and her service as Vice President for a chapter of Business Network International. Needless to say, Laura's bilingualism has been of great value in every role she has taken on.

As for artistic goals, Laura wants to expand on some of her "doodles" done during the pandemic quarantine. She will continue painting with pastels and wants to explore paper-mache and collage.

Welcome, Laura, and many thanks for your steady participation in LAA and your willingness to serve as a member of the Board! - **Jane Elvins**



## Other Opportunities

### Nominations Accepted for "Wonderful Women in Art" Award

The Women's Caucus for Art Colorado Chapter is seeking nominations for the "Wonderful Woman in Art" award to be presented at the 7th Annual Colorado Women's Day conference March 10 & 11. All finalists will also be publicly recognized. The deadline for nominations is January 7, 2022. Click [here](#) for a link to the nomination form.

### 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:

<https://www.heritage-guild.com/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](mailto: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.

#### **Officers**

**Helen Harrison**, President, Grant Team-SCFD

**Lynn Sarkis**, Vice President, Communications Team Liaison, Art Center Calendar, Flipcause, Grant Team-SCFD, Mini Grants

**Sandy Price**, Treasurer, Grant Team-SCFD, Taste of Louisville

**Ken Roberge**, Secretary

#### **Directors**

**Steve Markman**, Members Programs Team Liaison for Workshops/Demos/Dabblers; LAA Calendar/Art Center Calendar

**Vince Dean**, Varies

**Jay Lynch**, Varies

For the full list of Board Members and Volunteer Coordinators,  
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<https://www.louisvilleart.org/board-of-directors.html>

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