



THE Well-Crafted Word

news from del ray artisans' center

summer 1994

**Del Ray Artisans' Center Presents:
"Three Artists--Three Days"**
Paintings and pottery by Ruby DeGroot,
Caole Lowry & Helen Ottaway

Labor Day Weekend, September 3/4/5
11 am to 5 pm

Opening Reception: Friday, September 2
7 to 10 pm

FAUX FINISHING CLASSES

To Register Call: 684-6549
Instructor: Sarah Pearson.

THURS. AUG 18 7 - 9 PM

INTRO TO FAUX FINISHING: Experience
the basics, tools, paints, glazes. \$25
members/\$40 non mem. Includes art fee.

SAT. AUG 20 9 am-5 pm (LUNCH BREAK)
EXCITING FAUX FINISHING TECHNIQUES

Now you're ready to have some fun! Spend
a full day learning a variety of finishes.
Marbling, stone, fresco, crackle,
antiquing \$50 + \$25 supply fee mem./
\$75 + \$25 supply fee non-mem.

SUN. AUG 21 10 - 12 pm

PREPARING SURFACES/ VARNISH

Enhance your newly learned techniques.
Bring in your sample boards for varnishing
practice. \$20 + \$5 fee mem./\$30 + \$5
non. mem.

SAT AUG 27 9 am - 1 pm

FAUX FINISHING WORKSHOP

Work on your own furniture. Practical
guidance from instructor.

\$25 mem. \$35 non-members

You may register in advance for the entire
series and receive a discount.

CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE IN HIGH GEAR

Preparations are underway for **100 YEARS OF COMMUNITY** set to open September 23rd and run through October 23rd at Del Ray Artisans' Center. Committee members David Amundson, Linda Cornish Blank, Steve Crossett, Susan Escherich, Ellyn Ferguson, Candace Greene, Susan Hansen, Becky Heavner, Walter Hock, Ellen Johnson, Randi Korn, Bob and Mart Larson, Bryan Leister, Hermineh Miller, David Nicholson, Helen Ottaway, Chris Penn and Les Perkins are researching old maps, histories and scouring the neighborhood for old photographs and other memorabilia. Ellyn and Mart will be interviewing older residents to take down their recollections of the way life used to be when a street car ran down Commonwealth Avenue and our Del Ray bungalows were being built. David Amundson and Bob are working on maps for the exhibit. Bryan, Steve, Susan, Helen and Ellen are developing artwork that will depict Del Ray's history.

WE NEED YOUR HELP. If you know any residents or businesses that may have old photos, scrapbooks or artifacts that tell the story of Del Ray's past, please talk to them about our exhibition, get their story and contact **Mart Larson 836-0413, Chris Penn 519-7253 or Ellyn Ferguson 549-2660.** Well, what are you waiting for? Give them a call!

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CALL FOR ENTRIES !!!

"Picture What Women Do" is a national public awareness campaign led by LIFETIME television, Jones Intercable, Inc., and leading women's and community organizations that would like to create an unprecedented portrait of the American woman. From volunteering and caring for family members to balancing work and family, "Picture What Women Do" seeks to draw attention to all that women do for their families, relationships, work and communities that often goes unnoticed.

To participate submit 5 different 3" x 5" or 4" x 6" black and white or color photographs. Print your name and phone number on the back of each photo; write a brief description about what the picture means to you.

Entries must be received by Friday, August 16, 1994. Send or deliver to Jones Intercable, "Picture What Women Do", 617 A S. pickett Street, Alexandria, VA 22304.

To receive an application form and more information call: (703)751-7710 or 838-5030.

Selected participants will be shown at Del Ray Artisans' Center in September.

NEW MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR SOUGHT

The Executive Board is seeking a new Membership Director. Responsibilities include maintaining ARTS RESOURCE FOUNDATION'S membership and mailing lists and data bases (currently on File Maker Pro), and developing and implementing membership recruitment and retention programs. We seek an enthusiastic and energetic individual with the necessary computer skills and people skills to help our organization continue to grow. **Terry Atkin**, ARF's current Membership Director, has agreed to continue in the post she has held for the last two years until her replacement is found. We are grateful to Terry for computerizing our membership rolls and for setting up our labels for mailings. Her expertise and commitment will be greatly missed. Thank you Terry.

Please call **Peter Smirniotopoulos** (703) 548-9530 if you are interested in the Membership Director post.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Join the following individuals and businesses who are providing financial support to ARF and Del Ray Artisans' Center this year.

Janice Boudreau - H/R*
Ruby DeGroot - I/N
Roger & Mary Essley - H/N
Ellyn Ferguson - I/R
Patricia Hagan - I/R
Gordon Johnson/Karen Helbrecht - H/R
Randi Korn - H/R
Nan Laurence/David Amundson - H/R
Maguire/Reeder, LTD - C/R
Milagros Matue - I/R
David Martin - I/R
Patsieann Misiti/Katie Wright - H/R
Christina Penn - I/R
Elizabeth Pirsch - I/R
Madeline Ramsey - I/R
Patrick Watson/George Rogers - H/R
 * R = Renewal N = New Membership
 I = Individual \$35 H = Household \$50
 C = Corporate \$100
 PA = Professional Affiliate \$120

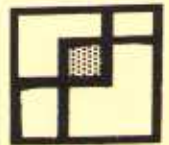
YARD SALE: HOT FUN IN THE SUMMER SUN

Bargains galore lured a steady stream of shoppers to the Center Saturday July 9th. **Lauren** and **Peter Smirniotopoulos** had by far the widest array of cast-off goods, but **Joel Maloney** and **Susan Van Gilder** gave them some stiff competition. **Patsieann Misiti** and **Carter Smyth** did their share to stir up business. **Daniele Piasecki** set up a great display of her photography.

The great news is that **Marty Hughes** and **Ted Eichers** reported a busy day at the Best of Del Ray Artisans' show. **Eve LaMois'** stained glass mirror sold on Saturday and several new visitors discovered our Center. Thanks to all who participated.

MEMBER NEWS

Daniele Piasecki, frequent Del Ray Artisans' Center exhibitor, and French citizen is looking for a sponsor while she applies for a work permit in the U.S. She is seeking employment as a photographer or in the travel industry. For more information call Daniele at 703-519-0878.



DEL RAY ARTISANS' CENTER 1994 Fall Exhibitions Calendar

18 AUG - 27 AUG	Faux Finishing Techniques Series with Sarah Pearson.
03 SEP - 05 SEP 11 AM - 5 PM	EXHIBITION: "Three Artists - Three Days" Paintings and pottery by Ruby DeGroot, Caole Lowry, and Helen Ottaway.
02 SEP/7 -10PM	OPENING RECEPTION: "Three Artists-Three Days"
08 SEP - 18 SEP	EXHIBITION: "Picture What Women Do" A joint exhibition with the Alexandria Commission on Women, Jones Intercable, and Lifetime Television.
09 SEP/7:30-10:30 PM	OPENING RECEPTION: "Picture What Women Do"
22 SEP - 23 OCT	EXHIBITION: "100 Years of Community: The History of Del Ray."
23 SEP/7:30 - 10:30 PM	OPENING RECEPTION: "100 Years of Community: The History of Del Ray."
24 SEP	Centennial Celebration: Parade 10 am (tentative) Festival 1 - 5 PM
25 OCT - 31 OCT	HALLOWEEN FESTIVITIES
03 NOV - 04 DEC	EXHIBITION: The Furniture Show
04 NOV/7:30 - 10:30 PM	OPENING RECEPTION: The Furniture Show
08 DEC - 18 DEC	Holiday Craft Show and Sale To Benefit ARTS RESOURCE FOUNDATION
09 DEC/7:30 - 10:30	OPENING RECEPTION AND HOLIDAY PARTY: Holiday Craft Show and Sale

EVENTS OF INTEREST

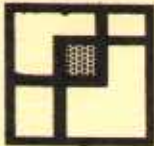
Furniture of Stephen LaDrew is being featured at the Bender Fine Arts Gallery, 112 North Massanutten, Strasburg, Virginia (703) 465-5302, September 1 - 31. You may remember seeing Stephen's Vertebral Chair and Alternate Reality I coffee table in The Furniture Show at Del Ray Artisans' Center's last summer.

Creative Clay Studios will host a workshop with the internationally acclaimed ceramic artist Gary Schlappal from September 16-18, 1994. He will demonstrate his handbuilding techniques, throwing methods, and surface design with underglaze, stains and glazes. The fee is \$65. For further information contact: Creative Clay Studios, 5704G General Washington Drive, Alexandria, Virginia 22312, (703) 750-9437.

DEL RAY ARTISANS' CENTER CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

SUMMER/FALL 1994

18 AUG - 27 AUG	FAUX FINISHING TECHNIQUES SERIES
02 SEP	OPENING RECEPTION "Three Artists--Three Days" 7 - 10 PM
03 SEP - 05 SEP	EXHIBITION: "Three Artists - Three Days"
08 SEP - 18 SEP	EXHIBITION: "Picture What Women Do"
09 SEP	OPENING RECEPTION: "Picture What Women Do" 7:30 - 10:30 PM
22 SEP - 23 OCT	EXHIBITION: 100 YEARS OF COMMUNITY
23 SEP	OPENING RECEPTION 100 YEARS OF COMMUNITY EXHIBIT 7:30 - 10:30 PM
24 SEP	CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION/PARADE 10 AM (tentative) FESTIVAL 1 - 5 PM
25 OCT - 31 OCT	HALLOWEEN FESTIVITIES



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ARTS RESOURCE FOUNDATION is a 501(c)(3) public membership organization formed to create and support community based arts organizations and promote the arts as a resource for community development. DEL RAY ARTISANS' CENTER is a community arts space featuring two and three dimensional works of decorative and functional art and fine crafts through exhibitions, lectures, and instructional classes. DEL RAY ARTISANS' CENTER is funded, managed and operated by ARTS RESOURCE FOUNDATION.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS

Terry Atkin, Outgoing Membership Director, (703) 836-0264

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Board Position Opportunities: Finance Director/Membership Assistant Director