

# The Well Crafted Word

April 2000

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## 3rd Annual Student Art Show Coming in May

Now entering its third year, the Student Art show will be hosted by the Del Ray Artisans during the month of May. The Student Art Show features the art work of students grades 6-12 enrolled in four area schools: T.C. Williams High School, Hammond Middle School, Minnie Howard, and George Washington Middle School. This annual exhibition was established by curator Linda Silk to promote public awareness of the talents of the youths in the area and to help these young artists gain experience and confidence in exhibiting their work. Based on previous years' submissions, roughly 200 pieces of art work are expected to line the walls of the gallery. In addition to mounting the show, the Del Ray Artisans also present ribbons to approximately 30 art pieces, and this year we hope also to be able to announce the recipient of the first *Ted Eichers Memorial Scholarship Award* at the show's Opening Night Reception on May 5.

Because of the quantity of art associated with this exhibit, volunteers are needed to help hang the show. If you are able donate some time on Sunday, April 30, or can contribute food for the reception please call Linda at 703.533.7689. People willing to sit the show during the weekends are also needed.

## Fiber and Fire Reviewed

We need to offer thanks to Springwater Fiber Workshop and all involved Del Ray Artisans members for a fantastic effort on the FIBER AND FIRE show! We were all quite pleased with the capacity turn-out for the Opening, the marvelous press that we received, and the many benefits of a true collaborative project! Sales were good - including the silent auction pieces. We had many *Awards of Merit* to distribute; congratulations to our Del Ray Artisans members for receiving the following: *Best in Show*, Lisa Schumaier; *Best in Clay*, Donnalynne Lefever; *Excellence in Ceramics*, Madeline Gallo; *hand-built non-functional clay*, Linda Zackin; *wheel-thrown functional clay*, Sarah Bailey; *open clay*, Robin Robinson; *felting*, Janice Brewster Weiser; *quilting*, Patricia Hess; and *surface design in fiber*, Renee Niver. Maybe we can do this again some time!

## Spring All-Member Show and Choreographers' Collaborations Project Dance Concert

The Choreographers' Collaboration Project presents an April 7<sup>th</sup> Spring Performance with three new works; two are collaborations with the Del Ray Artisans. The dance performance on Friday, April 7, 7:00PM at the Mt. Vernon Recreation Center, 2701 Commonwealth Avenue will be followed immediately by the Del Ray Artisans' Spring All-Member Show opening reception next door at the DRA Gallery, Nicholas Colasanto Center, 2704 Mt. Vernon Avenue. The Spring All-Member Show features two- and three-dimensional art work in a variety of media to accompany and augment the choreographers' work. The Spring All-Member Show will be on exhibit from April 1<sup>st</sup> to April 29<sup>th</sup> during DRA Gallery hours Saturdays 10AM to 4PM and Sundays 12NOON to 4PM. The exhibit, dance performance, and opening reception are free and open to the public.

In the April 7<sup>th</sup> Spring Performance, Terry Field premieres *Irish Blessings*, a suite inspired by the Celtic folksongs of Alexandria's own Irish Breakfast Band (1999 winner of WAMA, Washington Area Music Assoc., Irish/Celtic record of the year), who will be performing live. *Doorway to Memories (Les Portes de Souvenir)*, a solo performed and created by Amey St. Clair, reviews the different stages of a love relationship from the celebrated beginning to the tumultuous ending, ultimately bringing a greater sense of peace and wholeness. *Homeland to the Soul*, a solo performed by Mary Jo Smet, is a collaboration between choreographer Janet Stormes and poet and artist Renee Niver. In addition, choreographers Judith Sewickley and Mary Jo Smet, accompanied by vocalist Alison Valtina, will present works.

For more information about Del Ray Artisans (DRA) and the Show, please contact the DRA Gallery at 703.838.4827. For information regarding the Choreographers' Collaboration Project Dance Performance, please contact the Mt. Vernon Recreation Center, 703.838.4825.

## ✓ Mark your calendar

May 16<sup>th</sup>, 6:30PM, Alexandria Scholarship Fund Presentations, including DRA—*Ted Eichers' Memorial Art Scholarship*, TC Williams High School, 3330 King Street, Alexandria.

## in 2 the woods

A flyer insert announcing a Call for Artists for our upcoming *in 2 the woods* exhibit is included with this newsletter. If you have any questions about the exhibit or would like additional flyers please contact the show's curator, Linda Silk, at 703.533.7689.

## Art and Politics Candidates Night Thursday, April 13<sup>th</sup>

All arts patrons are invited to attend the Alexandria Arts Forum's Year 2000 Candidates Night, Thursday, April 13, 7PM–9PM at Minnie Howard School, 3801 W. Braddock Road. Please note: the location of this event has been changed from the Torpedo Factory to Minnie Howard!

## Welcome New Members...

Members who have joined us in the New Millennium:

Kellie Starkey	Janice and Carl Weiser
Leslie Harris	Alice Kale
Steven Poleske	Christina Muse
Randee Hilton	Mary Jo Smet
Ellen Johnson	Holly Langenfeld
Kathleen Collins Wade	Linda Zackin
Ellen Thompson	Leslie Kerig
	Catherine Kello

## Newsletter Articles!

The deadline for submission of articles for the May newsletter is April 21st. All articles are to be submitted to Susan Slattery, Newsletter Editor. Susan's e-mail address is [devisu@erols.com](mailto:devisu@erols.com). All articles must be in a Word document or e-mail text.



## Congratulations!

Congratulations to Linda Silk, she designed the latest Del Ray Artisan T-Shirt, and it's a winner! Save your money because you're going to want to add this T-Shirt to your collection!

## Call for Entries

(list of exhibits/competitions for artists—brief descriptions)

### April 20, 2000

CALL FOR PHOTOGRAPHERS "Artful Traveler" issue invites its subscribers to submit 8x10 or smaller color or black and white photographs along with a 50-word description of how the work was inspired by travel. Deadline is Apr 20, 2000. Selected work will appear in the May-June 2000 issue of *Manhattan Arts International* magazine. No entry fee. Mail materials to: Artful Traveler, *Manhattan Arts International Magazine*, 200 East 72 St, New York NY 10021

### May 1, 2000

*The Artist's Magazine's* 2000 Annual Art Competition. More than \$16,000 in Cash Prizes! Open to all. 5 categories: Portraits, Landscapes, Still Life, Experimental, and Animal Art. Top award-winners and honorable mentions will be featured in Dec. 2000 issue of *The Artist's Magazine*. For complete rules and official entry form, send SASE to *The Artist's Magazine's* 2000 Art Competition, Attn: Terri Boes, Dept. AD, 1507 Dana Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45207; fax your request to 513.531.0798, Dept. AD, or visit [www.artistsmagazine.com](http://www.artistsmagazine.com)

### May 1, 2000

International Poetry Competition: Entry Deadline: May 1st. Entry fee. Awards. For more information, contact: Atlanta Review, PO Box 8248, Atlanta, GA 30306.

### May 1, 2000

Poetry Awards. Deadline May 1st for entries to Graffiti Rag. Entry fee. Awards. For more information, contact: Poetry Award, Graffiti Rag, 5647 Oakman Blvd., Dearborn, MI 48126.

### July 11, 2000

14<sup>th</sup> Annual *Young at Art* exhibit sponsored by the Alexandria Commission on Aging, Friends of the Torpedo Factory, the Goodwin House, Inc. and the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP). Juried show open to all Metro area artists 55+ years. Cash Prizes and ribbon awards. Submission date July 11, 2000. Entry fee is \$10 for first three pieces, \$5 for any additional entries. Exhibit dates are July 16–28 from 10AM – 4PM at the Campagna Center, 418 S. Washington St. in Alexandria, VA. This year's judge is Carol Lukitsch, a founding member of the Torpedo Factory's Fiber Workshop who is now on the faculty of the NVCC art department and currently teaches workshops on Creative Aging. For more information or an entry packet, please call 703.549.1607. Fax 703.549.2097

### October 1, 2000

*Postage Stamp Design Competition* All entries must be standard postage stamp size. Stamps can be single compositions, in a block format of four stamps, or in sheet form. Stamps need not be perforated. All stamps will be exhibited to the public in standard philatelic presentation pages. Images should be suitable for viewing by children of all ages. All entries will be exhibited and there will be no returns. This exhibition is a non-profit enterprise. Deadline is Oct 1, 2000. A web site list of artists participating, the exhibition and venues of this exhibition will be posted on 10/30/2000. An exhibition list will be sent to all artists. Artists statements are welcomed and will be used as space permits. Please send entries to: Ground Zero Studios, A.H. Krieger, 1309 Irving St NW, Washington DC 20010 or <http://www.tribalpop.com/postage> or [gkestudios@hotmail.com](mailto:gkestudios@hotmail.com)

### *Barnes and Noble, Potomac Yards*

If you would like to exhibit at B&N please contact Susan Tetterton, Community Resource Manager, at 703.299.9473.

DCAC is looking for visual artists for solo shows at *Bedrock Billiards* in Adams Morgan. Exhibitions will last for one to two months and begin with a reception/fundraiser held in the middle of the month. Interested parties should email DCAC at [info@dcartscenter.org](mailto:info@dcartscenter.org).



# Art Camp 2000

Register Now

The Del Ray Artisans is planning an exciting week of artistic experiences this summer for youth ages 9 - 15. The Art Camp will run from 9:30AM - 4:30PM, July 24 - 28. Campers can sign up for the *Art Assortment* which will feature four classes:

- *Glass Mosaic* / teacher: Madeline Ramsey,
- *Eclectic Mixed Media Workshop* / teacher: Robin Robinson,
- *Beads 'N String Workshop* / teachers: Liz Martinez & Barbara Robinson), and
- *Fun with Paper and Felt* / teacher: Barbara Brecher.

Completing the Camp Day will be *Fun with Clay* led by Jim Luby at the Mt. Vernon Rec. Ctr. Jim will teach fundamentals of different pottery techniques including wheel throwing and hand building. There will be an exhibit of the Campers' artwork on Friday, July 28. Cost: Art Assortment: \$150; Pottery: \$75, or sign up for the whole day: \$200. To register call Mart Larson at 703.836.0413.

## Artisans and Barnes and Noble

One-person art shows by Del Ray Artisans' members continue at the Potomac Yards' Barnes and Noble Booksellers on Jefferson Davis Highway (Route 1). In April, Brenda Townsend will exhibit her artwork at the bookstore.

Del Ray Artisans will be mounting a group show for Mother's Day, it will feature art relating to mothers or women, please call Kathryn Brown, 703.549.5227, for more information.

May: *DRA Group Show: "Celebrating Mother's Day"*

## Imagine Silent Auction

Del Ray Artisan Liz Martinez invites fellow artists to contribute items for the Imagine Silent Auction slated for May 6, 2000. Imagine is the signature fund-raiser of Northern Virginia AIDS Ministry (NOVAM). A two-part event, Imagine's volunteer hosts sponsor dinner parties in their homes inviting friends to attend and make a contribution to NOVAM. Following these dinner parties held throughout the metropolitan area, the participants gather with guests and volunteer hosts at the Torpedo Art Factory Center, 105 N. Union Street in Alexandria, for dessert, champagne, dancing, and the Silent Auction.

NOVAM volunteers collect exciting treasures for the Silent Auction that are placed on display in party tents erected behind the Torpedo Factory. Auction items include art work, antiques, collectibles, decorative items, gift certificates, and more. Last year's Silent Auction raised more than \$20,000 for NOVAM programs.

NOVAM, founded in 1987, works to prevent the spread of HIV through targeted prevention education, offering direct services to people living with HIV/AIDS—furnishing rides to medical appointments and other vital services, providing child care, parental respite, and mentoring and emergency financial assistance with housing, utility and medical needs. NOVAM is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. All contributions to NOVAM, including contribution of items for the Silent Auction, are tax-deductible as permitted by law.

To contribute an item for the Imagine Silent Auction, contact Liz at 703.683.1969, [satniphaz@msn.com](mailto:satniphaz@msn.com) or the Silent Auction Committee at 703.746.0440, ext. 22. To host an Imagine dinner party, attend the event, assist as a volunteer or for more information, please contact David Bender, NOVAM's Deputy Director, at 703.746.0440, ext. 14.



Become a Member, Join Del Ray Artisans  
(or renew your membership)



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone(s): \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

I am  an artist (medium): \_\_\_\_\_

I am  a supporter of the arts \_\_\_\_\_

Is this a membership renewal?  Yes  No

I am interested in volunteering.  Yes  No

I can liaison for Del Ray Artisans at a local civic group.  Yes  No

Membership Categories for One (1) Year: Individual: \$35,  
Household: \$50, Corporate: \$100, Student/Senior/Disadvantaged: \$10

Please make check payable to *Del Ray Artisans*.  
Mail check and membership form to *Del Ray Artisans*,  
Attn: Membership, 2210 Mount Vernon Ave., Alexandria, VA 22301.

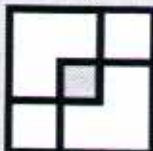
## Looking for Another Tax Deduction?



Del Ray Artisans member and First Night Alexandria (FNA) Director Susan Slattery encourages everyone to donate their *old* cars, trucks, boats or RVs (or SUVs) to First Night Alexandria. FNA's co-sponsor, Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD), will handle the towing, DMV paperwork, etc. It's a "no-fuss no muss," no hassle deal, and YOU enjoy the tax savings.

Contact Terry McCarthy at MADD 703.779.7534 to make a donation. Please make sure that you mention First Night Alexandria!

Both FNA and MADD are 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations. All contributions are tax-deductible as permitted by law.



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Thanks to the Alexandria Commission for the Arts, the Virginia Commission for the Arts, and the City of Alexandria

### Next General Member Meeting

**Tuesday, April 11<sup>th</sup>, 7PM**  
 at DRA Gallery Space  
 Nicholas A. Colasanto Center  
 2704 Mount Vernon Avenue

### April 11<sup>th</sup> Meeting Agenda

-Pizza Party

*Become a Del Ray Artisan member  
 on April 11th and receive a coupon  
 for the latest DRA T-shirt!*

## DRA Calendar

- April** One-person show by Brenda Townsend at Barnes and Noble Potomac Yards  
 Opening: **Spring All-Member Show**, April 7th, 7-10PM, Del Ray Artisans Center  
**Choreographers Collaboration Dance Concert** at Mount Vernon Recreation Ctr.  
**Spring All-Member Show**, April 7-30, contact Martin Angebrannndt 703.683.3738  
 Pizza General Meeting / Board Meeting, April 11, 7PM, Del Ray Artisans Center
- May** **Mother's Day Group Show** by Del Ray Artisans at Barnes and Noble Potomac Yards  
 Opening: **3rd Annual Student Art Show**, May 5, 7-10PM, Del Ray Artisans Center  
**3rd Annual Student Art Exhibit**, May 6-21, contact Linda Silk 703.533.7689  
 General Meeting / Board Meeting, May 9, 7PM, Del Ray Artisans Center  
 Alexandria Scholarship Fund Presentations, May 16, 6:30PM  
 including DRA—**Ted Eichers' Memorial Art Scholarship**, TC Williams High School
- June** **Master's Thesis Show: Joe Dailey**, June 3-18
- July** **Sticks, Stones & Bones—Amulets for Everyday Use**, June 30-July 23  
 Contact Susan Slattery 703.922.7290 or Larisa Sjoerds 202.483.2079  
**Art Camp**, July 24-28, contact Mart Larson 703.836.0413
- August** Opening: **Fire Show**, August 5, 7-10PM, Del Ray Artisans Center  
**Fire Show**, August 6-September 3, contact David Talmage 703.768.0709
- September** **Fall All-Member Exhibit**, TBA
- October** Opening: **in 2 the woods—Wood Exhibit**, October 6, 7-10PM, Del Ray Artisans Center  
**in 2 the woods—Wood Exhibit**, October 7-22, contact Linda Silk 703.533.7689  
 Opening: **Nightmare Folk Art: Southern Gothic**,  
**Special Halloween Night Reception, Tuesday, October 31**, 7-10PM, DRA Center  
 Contact Liz Martinez 703.683.1969, [catniphaze@msn.com](mailto:catniphaze@msn.com)
- November** **Nightmare Folk Art: Southern Gothic**, November 1-November 26, contact  
 David Talmage 703.768.0709 or Liz Martinez 703.683.1969
- December** **Multi-Cultural Holiday Exhibit**, contact Renee Niver 703.721.1937  
**6<sup>th</sup> Annual Holiday Art & Craft Show and Sale**, December 2, contact TBA

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