

# The Well Crafted Word

November 2000

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## Celebrate the Season at Del Ray Artisans' Multi-cultural Holiday Show

What are the cherished traditions which keep you warm when the cold winds blow? Do you cozy up to a fireplace with loved ones? Perhaps the glow of a menorah shimmers in your eyes? Have you created your own personalized rites and rituals to celebrate the harvest or the earth's period of rest? Whether you hail from a particular religious, ethnic or other cultural tradition, we want to "hear" your story in images that reflect your heritage or show what is important to you during the winter season!

Curated by Del Ray Artisans members **Renée Niver** and **Liz Martinez**, the Multi-cultural Holiday Show will feature art depicting a diverse range of holiday festivities and observances, both traditional and non-traditional. Works in all media will be represented. The event will kick off Friday, December 8 at 7PM. featuring a collaboration with *The Young Artists Program\** at Mt. Vernon Recreation Center (next door at 2701 Commonwealth Avenue). Enjoy their half-hour presentation of "Celebrations Throughout the World," which will include song, dance, and other entertainment. Then follow carolers to our gallery space at the Colasanto Center for our opening reception. We hope to highlight special ceremonies and customs around the world through visual art, but are also cultivating festive and educational displays in interactive and performance pieces for our opening reception.

If you are interested in participating, please contact Renée Niver at 703.721.1937 / [msg2me@juno.com](mailto:msg2me@juno.com) or Liz Martinez at 703.683.1969 / [catniphaze@home.com](mailto:catniphaze@home.com). Some examples of complementary activities may include (but are not limited to): What Kwanzaa means to you; How you celebrate Ramadan; Anecdotes of a Christmas memory; Tales from a winter solstice. We are also seeking games, vignettes, poems, and possibly an altar. And as usual, expect to revel in a merry assortment of food and libations!

The Multi-cultural Holiday Show will open on Friday, December 8 from 7PM. to 10PM. at the DRA gallery in the Nicholas Colasanto Center, located at 2704 Mt. Vernon Avenue. The exhibit runs through Saturday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> and is free and open to the public. Gallery hours are Saturdays, 10AM to 4PM and Sundays, 12NOON to 4PM. For more information, please contact Renée Niver at 703.721.1937 or Liz Martinez at 703.683.1969. Web: [www.radiodelray.com/artisans/index](http://www.radiodelray.com/artisans/index).

*\*The Young Artists Program at Mt. Vernon Recreation Center is supported in part by the Alexandria Commission for the Arts.*

## 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Holiday Art & Craft Show and Sale

Coming December 2<sup>nd</sup> for One Day ONLY



Don't miss the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Holiday Art and Craft Show and Sale in the Del Ray Artisans' Gallery located in the Nicholas Colasanto Center at 2704 Mt. Vernon Avenue in Alexandria on Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 9AM to 4PM. The event is free and open to the public.

The show is scheduled to coincide with the Del Ray Farmers' Market Christmas Market Day for wreaths, trees, pies, and greenery. DRA's Holiday Sale will feature a wide variety of artists exhibiting and selling exciting and unique gift items such as jewelry, tree ornaments, wreaths and handmade note cards; plus accessories for your holiday decoration needs. Original, framed watercolor and pen and ink drawings; Christmas and Hanukkah-themed table accessories such as placemats, wine bags and bread basket covers; along with holiday aprons and baby bibs will be offered also.

For more information, please contact Liz Martinez at 703.683.1969 [catniphaze@home.com](mailto:catniphaze@home.com). The Del Ray Artisans may be reached at 703.838.4827. Web site: [www.radiodelray.com/artisans/index](http://www.radiodelray.com/artisans/index).

## Appointments to the Alexandria Commission for the Arts

Currently, the Alexandria Commission for the Arts is seeking individuals interested in applying for an appointed position with the Commission. This organization supports the development and expansion of the arts in Alexandria and serves as an advisory body to City Council. The Commission serves as the single funding source for all activities concerning the arts which are not conducted as part of a regularly scheduled City program. It seeks national, state, and private support on behalf of the arts in Alexandria.

The Commission meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:30PM. Approximately nine hours per month are required of Commission members.

The following appointments will be made in November and December, 2000:

Position	Application Deadline
1 Arts Consumer/Participant	November 17, 2000
1 Member with Expertise in Arts	November 17, 2000
1 Arts Consumer Participant	December 1, 2000
1 Member with Expertise in Arts	December 1, 2000

Applications can be obtained from the Office of Citizen Assistance, Rm. 1900, City Hall 301 King St., 703.838.4800.

### Artisans at Barnes & Noble

November: Carrie Beyer, Photography

## Welcome

### New Members

Deborah Tynan	Jeanne Butler
Leo J. Pfeiffer	Marion Johnson
Ray and Chapin Traugott	Mary Catherine Dwyer
Lorraine J. Colson	Carol Davenport
Patricia Berenbaum	Dorry M. Wallace
Ann H. Stonehouse	Mary Ann Stevens
Aaron Edmondson	Bridget Belkacemi
Richard Blair	Sogand Sepassi
Keith Barraclough	Gale Goldfarb
Carolyn Sheredy	
Harriet and Roger McGuire	
Eleanor Justice Head	

## Call for Entries

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

**Potomac West Business Assoc. Seeks New Logo for Turkey Trot**  
Potomac West Business Assoc. is seeking a new logo for their annual Turkey Trot (5K run), held each Thanksgiving Day. Logo will be used for t-shirts and posters. This year will be their 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary and they would like to introduce the new logo and retire the old one. Please contact **Pat Miller** at 703.683.2570 and leave a message.

The **Purple Goose** is seeking painter(s) / muralist(s) to create some exciting, new exterior wall murals and / or graphics for their new location in Del Ray. Please contact owner Linda Johnson at 703.683.2918 or e-mail [johnson1@tqci.net](mailto:johnson1@tqci.net), if you are interested in this opportunity.

### Online Gallery

[www.findmeanartist.com](http://www.findmeanartist.com) offers an online gallery without fees or commissions. Instructions on Web site. Contact: Donna Howe [dhowe@findmeanartist.com](mailto:dhowe@findmeanartist.com) or 1-877-WE FIND ART.

**A Virtual Memorial Against the Forgetting and for Humanity**  
Installed on January 1, 2000 and currently located at [www.a-virtual-memorial.org](http://www.a-virtual-memorial.org), this is a collaborative project which calls attention to "Remembering-Repressing-Forgetting, including all thinkable aspects from global events and catastrophes up to the personal, individual experiences of everyday life." Seeking to counter racism, xenophobia, anti-semitism; promoting tolerance, *A Virtual Memorial*, is looking for contributions in any media from all. There is no deadline, participating and contributing is possible at any time. For information visit [www.le-musee-divisioniste.de/service/call\\_engl.htm](http://www.le-musee-divisioniste.de/service/call_engl.htm)

### December 31, 2000

**National Photography Awards.** Open to all. Established annual competition to honor those photographers whose photographic talent and expertise are unmistakably evident in the images they produce. Entrants may choose from over 50 different photographic categories. Entries must be postmarked no later than December 31, 2000. Entry forms may be obtained at [www.flash.net/~npawards/index.html](http://www.flash.net/~npawards/index.html) Contact: National Photography Awards, 2000 East Lamar Blvd Suite 600, Arlington TX 76006

### Opportunities on Capitol Hill for Artists and Craftspeople

Market 5 Gallery: ([www.market5gallery.org](http://www.market5gallery.org)) located in the Eastern Market area on Capitol Hill (along 7th St. between Penn. and North Carolina Ave. SE, near the Eastern Market Subway Station at 7th and Penn. Ave.) offers a broad range of program choices to provide both performers and audiences with a wide range of art, educational, and cultural experience. The following is a summary of the organization's programs:

**Exhibitions:** Shows range from the traditional to the abstract. Please contact the Gallery Director [info@market5gallery.org](mailto:info@market5gallery.org) for more information on participating in current and future exhibition seasons.

**Market Festival:** Artists, musicians, and artisans are part of the traditional marketplace ambiance of Eastern Market. The festival features painters, potters, jewelers, silversmiths, musicians, clothing designers, street performers, and other creative people who are not typically exhibited in concert halls or commercial galleries and gives them the opportunity to perform and sell their work. Rentals for spaces continue at an affordable \$15 to \$25 per vendor, and they help provide much needed income for the Gallery.

**Flea Market:** The Sunday Flea Market is a continuation of the century-old Eastern Market. This weekly antique and collectibles show has an international flavor where everything from antiques to Bolivian cocoa bags and dolls to textiles and trinkets from Africa, South American, Tibet, and the Middle East to good old American junk can always be found.

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**Theater:** The Gallery hosted a wealth of theater companies in their facilities from Washington Improvisational Theater's summer series entitled "SportSpeak" to the American Theater Project's production of "Don't Come if You Can't Be Uncomfortable."

**Music:** Performers have ranged from the steamy blues of Rico and The Blues Boyz to the rhythms of Grupo el Panama to classical recitals by the Capitol Hill Community Orchestra to the Boston Jazz Trio and the smooth sounds of vocalists' James Zimmerman and Gail Dixon to name a few.

### November 28, 2000

*Washington Area Lawyers for the Arts* is presenting a Copyright Basics workshop Tues., Nov. 28 from 6 - 8PM. This workshop is appropriate for artists and arts organizations in all fields, as well as for attorneys who have not taken copyright or who seek a basic refresher course. Topics include the general standards for copyright protection; non-copyrightable subject matter; works of authorship (categories; exclusive rights); moral rights; publication, notice, and other formalities; the advantages of registration; ownership (initial ownership; transfers; works-for-hire); infringement and remedies; fair use; compulsory licenses; and protection duration. The workshop will be taught by Carl H. Settlemyer, Esq., from Lutzker & Lutzker, and will be held at Finnegan Henderson, 1300 I St., NW, Suite 700. The cost is \$25 for WALA artist and student members, \$45 for attorney members, and \$55 for non-members. For more information, please contact Maureen Cohen Harrington, WALA Director of Education, at 202.393.2826 ext. 28, or mail to: [mharrington@shewala.org](mailto:mharrington@shewala.org)

## Board Meeting Agenda

Please submit agenda items for the monthly Board meeting by 5PM on the Friday preceding the second Tuesday of each month, to President Martin Angebrannt: [2angebrannt@home.com](mailto:2angebrannt@home.com)



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.

## Online Resources of Note:

**Americans for the Arts**, [www.artsusa.org/index.html](http://www.artsusa.org/index.html) - a national organization dedicated to making arts more accessible to all Americans; works with cultural organizations, arts & business leaders provide leadership, education & information that will encourage support for the arts and culture in communities.

**Art Books**, [www.artsbib.com/](http://www.artsbib.com/) - find that elusive art tome.

**Art Calendar**, [www.artcalendar.com](http://www.artcalendar.com) - an online business magazine for visual artists.

**Art Dictionary**, [www.artlex.com](http://www.artlex.com) - don't know the definition of a Camaïeu? Look it up on this easy-to-use site.

**ARTNET**, [www.artnet.com/](http://www.artnet.com/) - Based in Germany, artnet.com has extensive arts-related listings including artists' Web sites, magazine, bookstore, art research tools and resources, online art auctions.

**Arts Wire Current**, [www.nyfa.org/Artists.html](http://www.nyfa.org/Artists.html) - a project of the New York Foundation for the Arts, artists can sign up for a weekly e-mail newsletter that presents opportunities for individual artists of all disciplines. The site encourages new artistic ventures and lists funding opportunities, extensive fiscal sponsorship services, information resources and educational initiatives for artists.

**Cultural Alliance of Greater Washington**, [www.cultural-alliance.org/](http://www.cultural-alliance.org/) - largest regional arts service organization, works with members to ensure the arts survive and prosper; provides a forum for addressing common challenges to arts organizations and individual artists.

**Find Art Information Bank**, [hometown.aol.com/fainfobank/page/index.htm](http://hometown.aol.com/fainfobank/page/index.htm) - an artists' locator and resource service; information and listings of exhibitions, performances, competitions; educational, employment and volunteer opportunities in the arts; links to other non-profit art organizations. Artists can sign up for an informative weekly e-mail newsletter.

**The Foundation Center**, <http://fdncenter.org/> - a guide to grants and where to find them. This organization maintains a comprehensive and up-to-date database on foundations and corporate giving and also provides free educational programs on grant applications.

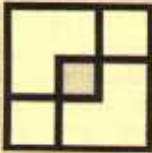
**Soho Garden**, [www.SoHoGarden.com](http://www.SoHoGarden.com) - comprehensive site of useful information and resources for working artists; has links to sites offering the best in artist's resources.

### Arts Education Web Page

The D.C. Commission on the Arts and Humanities has redesigned and expanded its online arts education resources. The new Web site features detailed information, including recent news breaks, community profiles, funding and advocacy resources, internship opportunities, and more. The site is designed to be useful for area arts organizations, individual artists, and teachers. To visit the new site, go to the commission Web page, [www.capaccess.org/dccah](http://www.capaccess.org/dccah) and click on the Arts Education logo. To have your news posted on the site, e-mail information to Mary Liniger Hickman, [mhickman-art@dcgon.org](mailto:mhickman-art@dcgon.org)

## ARTIST TO ARTIST

Are you an artist interested in sharing your talents with other artists? Are you interested in learning new mediums and methods? Del Ray Artisans will help facilitate an *Artist to Artist Collaboration* through an on-going series of workshops. Workshops will be solely run by artists. Interested instructors please contact **Barbara Robinson** at [bjrobins@starpower.net](mailto:bjrobins@starpower.net).



**Del Ray Artisans**  
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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, November 14, 7PM**  
 at DRA Gallery Space  
 Nicholas A. Colasanto Center  
 2704 Mount Vernon Avenue

DRA Meetings are held on the  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of every month.

## DRA Calendar

- November *Nightmare Art*, November 4–November 26, Curators Liz Martinez 703.683.1969, [catniphaze@home.com](mailto:catniphaze@home.com) or Renee Niver 703.721.1937, [msg2me@juno.com](mailto:msg2me@juno.com)  
**5pm, November 17**, Deadline for submission of December newsletter articles, please submit all articles, formatted in Word or e-mail text, to Susan Slattery, Newsletter Editor, at [devisu@erols.com](mailto:devisu@erols.com)
- December **6<sup>th</sup> Annual Holiday Art & Craft Show and Sale**, December 2, 10AM – 4PM, DRA Center, for information contact Liz Martinez 703.683.1969, [catniphaze@home.com](mailto:catniphaze@home.com)  
**Call for Entries: Multi-Cultural Holiday Exhibit**, Sunday, December 3, 10AM – 4PM  
 Opening: **Multi-Cultural Holiday Exhibit Reception, Friday, December 8**, 7-10PM, DRA Center, contact Renee Niver 703.721.1937, [msg2me@juno.com](mailto:msg2me@juno.com) or Liz Martinez 703.683.1969, [catniphaze@home.com](mailto:catniphaze@home.com)  
**Multi-Cultural Holiday Exhibit**, December 9–29, Curator Renee Niver 703.721.1937, [msg2me@juno.com](mailto:msg2me@juno.com) or Liz Martinez 703.683.1969, [catniphaze@home.com](mailto:catniphaze@home.com)
- 2001**
- January **Self-Portrait Show**, January 12-28, Curator needed, please contact Liz Martinez 703.683.1969, [catniphaze@home.com](mailto:catniphaze@home.com)
- February **Springwater Fiber / DRA Wearable Art Collaboration**, February 9-25, Springwater Co-Curator Ann Liddle, 703.548.1962, [liddle@dgs.dgsys.com](mailto:liddle@dgs.dgsys.com) ; DRA Co-Curator Theresa Esterlund, 703.379.2533, [esterlund@nmah.si.edu](mailto:esterlund@nmah.si.edu)
- March **Water Show**, March 9-25, Curator Leo Pfeiffer, 703.222.9124
- April **Spring Member Show**, April 6-22, Curator Paula Lantz 703.836.0866
- May **5<sup>th</sup> Annual Student Show**, May 11-27, Curator Linda Silk 703.533.7689, [LMSilk@aol.com](mailto:LMSilk@aol.com)
- June **Dun-Lo Senior Show (55+)**, June 8-24, Curator Rhoda Seligmann 703.751.7924
- July on... **The Offbeat Auction** preparation

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