

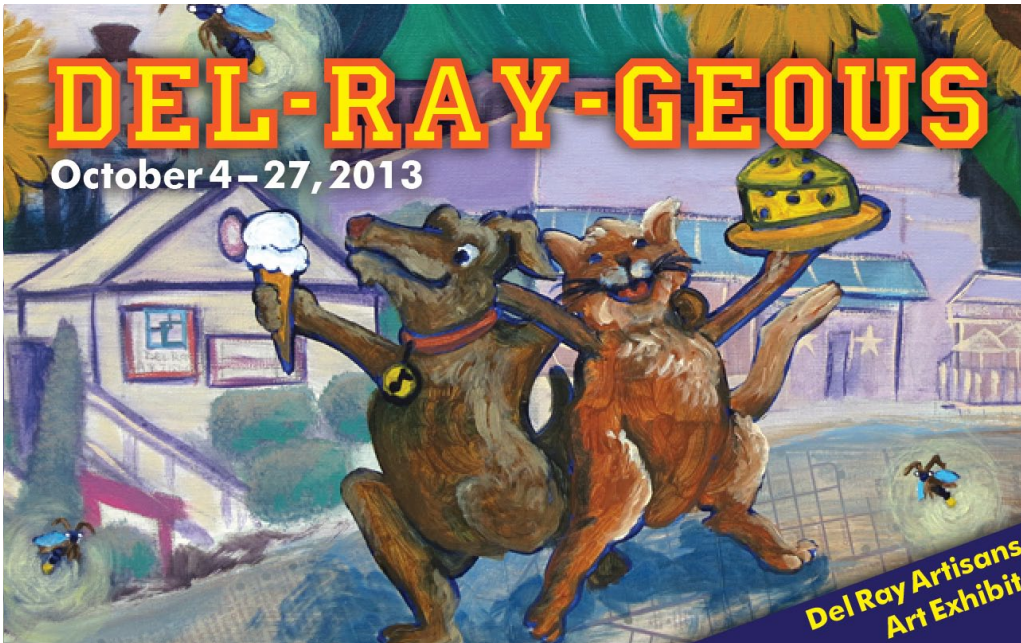


Celebrating the Art of Making ...

October 2013

The Well-Crafted Word

a monthly publication of Del Ray Artisans ... since 1992 www.thedelrayartisans.org



Come meet many of the artists! Mingle with other art appreciators!

Opening Reception: Friday, October 4 from 7 - 10 pm

Del Ray, a neighborhood in the City of Alexandria, is more than a place—it's a creative community. Curators Lesley Hall and Dawn Wyse Hurto gathered artwork from Del Ray Artisans members about Del Ray and community—focusing on the outrageous, fun, exciting, and unique—to construct the “Del-Ray-geous” art exhibit. Purchases from the “Art-to-Go” Market may be taken home immediately. Artwork purchased from the exhibit remains with the collection until the last weekend of the show.

The gallery will be open during “Art on the Avenue” on Saturday, Oct. 5 and will feature artist demonstrations and a children’s art activity!

A Closing Reception—with awards—on Sun., Oct. 27, 3 - 6 pm follows the Del Ray Business Association-organized neighborhood Halloween Parade. Donate children’s costumes for those in need by dropping them off at the gallery before Friday, Oct. 25.

Mark your calendar for October’s spectacular events:

-  **Partners in Art:** Mondays, Oct. 7 & 21, 2-4pm
-  **Life Drawing Regular Sessions:** Monday, Oct. 7, 7-9pm (Short Poses); Wednesday, October 16, 6:30-9:30pm (Long Poses)
-  **Life Drawing Clothed Sessions:** Wednesday, Oct. 9, 11am-1pm (Gesture) and 2-5pm (Long/Short Poses); Sunday, Oct. 20, 9:30-11:30am (Gesture); Wednesday, Oct. 23, 2-5pm (Long/Short Poses)
-  **Pop-Up Sewing – Decorative Pillow Workshop:** Sunday, Oct. 13, 11:30-1:30pm
-  **Annual Member Meeting/Board Elections:**  Sunday, Oct. 20, 5-7pm
-  **Craft Night Social:** Tuesday, Oct. 22, 6-9pm



Welcome, New Members Who Joined Us in August!

- Sarah Donnelly
- Marcelo Luis Deolazo – Illustrator, Ceramic potter
- Connie Elsberg – Acrylic painting
- Barry Heyman – Photography
- Joe Minor – Photography
- Anna Y. Schalk – Mixed painting
- Karen Thomas – Mixed Media, Acrylic, Watercolor – SILVER PATRON
- Angela Wright – Photography

It’s Election Time at DRA! — Sunday, Oct. 20, 5-7 pm

Join us at the Annual Meeting in the gallery on Sun., Oct. 20, 5 – 7 pm. DRA provides pizza and beverages! We will elect the 2014 Board. “Members in Good Standing” may vote in person or by proxy, so please renew your membership, if you haven’t already! E-mail your proxy vote to Camilla by 6 pm on Fri., Oct. 18: Secretary@TheDelRayArtisans.org

Here are the nominees:

- President, Michele Reday Cook
- Vice President, John Bordner
- Secretary, Kathryn Brown
- Treasurer, Kimberley Bush
- Assistant Treasurer, Gale Goldfarb

Directors:

- Archives, John Hiller
- Communications, Betty Plummer
- Community, Kim Joy
- Curating, Lesley Hall
- Facilities, Marlin Lord
- Fundraising, OPEN
- Membership, Linda Elliff
- Outreach, OPEN
- Programs, Tamara Wilkerson
- Youth Programs, Stacy Rausch
- Technology, Dawn Wyse Hurto
- Volunteers, OPEN

Pop-Up Sewing: Decorative Pillow Workshop

**Sunday, Oct. 13,
11:30 – 1:30 pm
Cost: \$30**

(includes supplies)

If you ever thought about learning how to sew (but didn't know how start) — and would like to add a personal touch to your decorating — this event is for you. Professional seamstress Chrystal Cooper will teach you how to use a sewing machine to make a decorative pillow to take home —and have fun doing it. There is no need to bring supplies, everything you need will be provided. Register in advance at: TheDelRayArtisans.org/programs.



*Pop-Up Sewing
instructor Chris
Cooper at work*

Photo by Gale Goldfarb

Preview: Proposed 2014 Exhibition Schedule (details to come)

JAN 3 – FEB 2 **“Primary Colors”**: artists are challenged to make art using only 3 primary colors plus black and white. Betsy Mead, curator

FEB 7 – MAR 2 **“Reincarnations: featuring *Artycyclopedia*”**: a show of reborn discards” art created from items “saved” or otherwise to be discarded. Theresa Kulstad, curator

MAR 7 – 30 **“Portraits of Pop Culture”**: A look at the way pop culture is so pervasive in our society that it distracts from important issues that shape our lives. Zade Ramsey & Gordon Thomas Frank, curators

APR 4 – 27 **“Digital Art: Reaching the Edge”**: computer-created art, digitally manipulated art, exploring our relationship with computers, art made of computer/electronic parts. Ann Krug, curator

MAY 2 – 11 **TCW High School Student Show**: curator tba

MAY 16 – JUNE 1 **“Eyes on the Border”**: collaboration with ALACP and sponsor/curator David Camero; DRA curator tba

JUNE 6 – 29 **“SUITES”**: “Scandalous...Entanglements & Seductions” Tracy Wilkerson, curator, with John Bordner for LTA Play/Fundraiser event

JUNE 30 – JULY 11 **GUAC** (Grown-Ups Art Camp)

JULY 12 – 26 **Kids’ Art Camp**: 2 separate weeks.

AUG 1 – 31 **Board Showcase**

SEPT 5 – 28 **“Put a Bird On It”**: altered art/art created from existing objects or artworks. Linda Elliff & Barbara Boehm, curators

OCT 3 – NOV 2 **“Skeletons”**: exploration of frameworks and structures; what is below or what is hidden beneath the surface. Curator tba

NOV 7 – 30 **“Metamorphosis!”**: transformation, change from one form to another, physical or philosophical, expressed in art. Kathy Turner & Betty Plummer, curators

DEC 5 – 21 **Holiday Market**: 3 weekends / different artists



Join Lisa Martinez of Arte Nuestra at the gallery. Registration, details: www.TheDelRayArtisans.org/craft.

Del Ray Dozen Photography Show Opens November 1

Come to the Opening Reception on Friday, Nov. 1, 7–10 pm. Prepare to be WOW-ed! We anticipate a fantastic show with subjects from landscapes to portraits. We are traditional film shooters, digital image-makers, darkroom junkies, print-makers, and experimentalists.

Our Baker’s Dozen were selected to participate by curators Jen Chappell and Rob Rudick. Each artist is given a separate space in which to display a body of work or concept. The thirteen photographers are: John Bordner, Kathryn Brown, Candace Clifford, Jen Chappell, Bill Coyle, Chris Fedderson, Barry Heyman, David Kosar, James Locke, Marlin Lord, Joe Minor, Rob Rudick, and Karen Thuermer.

There will be a silent auction of photographs created and donated by each one of “the Dozen”.

Thank You and Bravo! to Volunteer Adopt-a-Parkers



A Big Thank-you to those who helped with our **Adopt-a-Park** program this year. Earn funds, improve the environment, and help beautify the city in under an hour!

**We need to fill in these weekends between now and end of November:
Oct. 12-13, Oct. 19-20 Nov. 2-3, Nov. 9-10, Nov. 23-24, and Nov. 30-Dec. 1.**

Please contact me soon so I can schedule you. We’re scored on the cleanliness of the area from the school fence south of the gallery to the intersection of Commonwealth/ Mt. Vernon Avenues. We earn money through a point system; last year we only lost one point. This year we’ve lost no points to date. Points are taken off for cans, bottles, paper or other litter. Please log your time in the Volunteer log book on the credenza behind the desk.

— Marlin Lord; 703-508-7471 (cell); 703-836-2724 (work); MGLALA@aol.com

Art on the Avenue — Saturday, October 5, 10 am - 6 pm

Give an Artist Demonstration. Del Ray Artisans will present Artist Demonstrations under a tent in front of the gallery. Sign up for a 1, 2, or 3-hour shift demonstrating your art. Great exposure!

Volunteer at the Kids' Activity. In the gallery we'll host an artful activity for children. Sign up to help for 2 or more hours. This fun counts towards your volunteer hours!

Email Lesley Hall at Volunteers@TheDelRayArtisans.org.

Support your fellow members. 25 booths during Art on the Avenue are filled with Del Ray Artisans members! Come check out the wonderful artwork and craftsmanship of your brethren.

For details, visit: www.TheDelRayArtisans.org/AoA.

DRA member Leisa Collins created the colorful, dynamic artwork for this year's Art on the Avenue poster.



Join DRA as an Artist or Supporter! Renewal New Member

Name _____
 Title First M.I. Last

Additional Household Members _____

Organization / Affiliation _____

Address _____
 Street City State Zip

Phone Home (____) _____ Cell (____) _____ Work (____) _____

E-mail Address(es) _____

Artist Media _____

Patron

\$1,000 Platinum

\$500 Gold

\$250 Silver

Patrons are considered Active Members and have exhibition privileges. Volunteer hours are not expected.

Active Member

\$75 Household

\$50 Individual

\$25 Senior (62 & over)

\$25 Full-time Student/Disabled
Active Members enjoy privileges of exhibiting in shows and are expected to contribute at least 10 volunteer hours per year. This does not include volunteer commitments for exhibiting in shows.

Friend

\$35 Friend of DRA

Friends may participate in workshops, classes, and programs as members. Friends do not have exhibition privileges. Volunteer hours are not expected.

All membership levels receive DRA mailings.

DRA has "gone green!" A monthly notice is sent to all members via e-mail when the newsletter has been published online. Paper copies of the newsletter are available at the gallery.

I would like to make an additional donation to Del Ray Artisans in the amount of \$ _____.

I would like to make an additional donation to the DRA Ted Eichers Memorial Art Scholarship for \$ _____.

I would like to make an additional donation to the DRA Art Camp for Youth for \$ _____.

Please indicate committees on which you will serve to meet your 10-hour per year volunteer commitment:

- Communications Newsletter Facilities Archives Outreach Anything DRA needs
 Fundraising Grants Publicity Volunteers Financial Other, special talents:
 Programs Website Gardening Administrative Shows _____

Signature _____ Date ____ / ____ / ____

Checks payable to: Del Ray Artisans. Mail to: Del Ray Artisans, Membership, 2704 Mt. Vernon Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22301, or join online: www.TheDelRayArtisans.org.



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Gallery Hours:

Thursday: noon-6 pm
First Thursday
(May-Sep): noon-9 pm
Friday: noon-9 pm
Saturday: 10 am-9 pm
Sunday: noon-6 pm

Submission Deadline: 15th of the month
Editor: newsletter@thedelrayartisans.org

Del Ray Artisans, founded in 1992, is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to promote art for the benefit of artists and the community.

2013 Calendar

October 2013

- 4 – 27 **SHOW Del-Ray-geous** (All-Member Show) Dawn Wyse Hurto Lesley Hall curators dawn@dawns.com lesley.ruthless@gmail.com
- 5 COMMUNITY Art on the Avenue, 10am-6pm
- 7 Partners in Art, 2-4pm
- 7 Life Drawing, 7-9pm, Short
- 8 Board Meeting, 7pm
- 9 Life Drawing, 11-1pm, Gesture (clothed)
- 9 Life Drawing, 2-5pm, Short/Long (clothed)
- 13 WORKSHOP Pop-Up Sewing: Decorative Pillow, 11:30am-1:30pm
- 16 Life Drawing, 6:30-9:30pm, Long
- 20 Life Drawing, 9:30-11:30am, Gesture (clothed)
- 20 Annual Meeting/Elections, 5-7pm
- 21 Partners in Art, 2-4pm
- 22 Craft Night, 6-9pm
- 23 Life Drawing, 2-5pm, Short/Long (clothed)
- 27 Closing Reception, 3-6pm

November 2013

- 1-Dec 1 **SHOW Del Ray Dozen Invitational Photography Show** Rob Rudick Jen Chappell curators robrudick@yahoo.com jen.chappell@cox.net
- 4 Partners in Art, 2-4pm
- 6 Life Drawing, 11am-1pm, Gesture
- 6 Life Drawing, 2-5pm, Short/Long
- 11 Life Drawing, 7-9pm, Short
- 12 Board Meeting, 7pm
- 13 Life Drawing, 6:30-9:30pm, Long
- 20 Life Drawing, 6:30-9:30pm, Long
- 28 THANKSGIVING, Gallery will be closed Thursday; open Friday-Sunday

December 2013

- 6 – 8 **Holiday Market**
HolidayMarket@thedelrayartisans.org
- 9 Life Drawing, 7-9pm, Short (clothed)
- 10 Board Meeting, 7pm
- 11 Life Drawing, 11-1pm, Gesture (clothed)
- 11 Life Drawing Holiday Party, 1-2pm
- 11 Life Drawing, 2-5pm, Short/Long

- 13-15 **Holiday Market**
HolidayMarket@thedelrayartisans.org
- 18 Life Drawing, 6:30-9:30pm, Long
- 20-22 **Holiday Market**
HolidayMarket@thedelrayartisans.org
- January 2014**
- 3 – **SHOW Primary Colors** Betsy Mead curator egmead@gmail.com
- 2 Feb Board Meeting, 7pm
- 6 Partners in Art, 2- 4pm
- 6 Life Drawing, 7-9pm, Short
- 8 Life Drawing, 11-1pm, Gesture (clothed)
- 8 Life Drawing, 2-5pm, Short/ Long (clothed)
- 9 Life Drawing, 6:30-9:30pm, Long
- 14 Board Meeting, 7pm
- 15 Life Drawing, 6:30-9:30pm, Long
- 19 Life Drawing, 9:30-11:30am, Gesture
- 22 Life Drawing, 2-5pm, Short/Long
- 23 Life Drawing, 6:30-9:30pm, Long
- 29 Life Drawing, 6:30-9:30pm, Long

Please Note: The annual volunteer hour commitment for membership has been increased to 12 hours per year — only 1 hour per month!



- Artwork Dropoffs**
Del-Ray-geous, Sept 29 & 30, 6-8pm
- Primary Colors**, Dec 29& 30
- Reincarnations**, Feb 2 & 3

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