



Celebrating the Art of Making . . .

November 2014

The Well-Crafted Word

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Time is Ripe for Food for Thought

Artists have focused on the food that sustains us from the days of cave paintings of prehistoric hunts to contemporary renderings of soup cans.

Nourish & Flourish: The Food Show gives members the opportunity to create art in all media that reflects the ways in which food influences us. The show also poses these questions: Where does our food come from? How does too much or too little change our lives?

During the month of Thanksgiving, we express gratitude for abundance in our own lives and encourage artists and gallery visitors to make donations of non-perishable food for persons in need. You can drop off donations during the opening reception on Friday, Nov. 7. You also can leave donations during regular gallery hours: Thursdays, 12-6 pm; Fridays and Saturdays, 12-9 pm; and Sundays, 12-6 pm. The gallery will be closed on Thanksgiving Day, but open the remainder of Thanksgiving weekend.

The show runs through Sunday, Nov. 30, at Del Ray Artisans gallery at the Nicholas A. Colasanto Center, 2704 Mount Vernon Avenue, in Alexandria. The gallery is free, open to the public and wheelchair accessible.

For more information, go to TheDelRayArtisans.org or contact curators Cathy and John Messina (jncmessina@att.net) and Michele Reday Cook (mredaycook@gmail.com) or Del Ray Artisans Director of Curating Lesley Hall (Curating@TheDelRayArtisans.org).



Library Show Spotlights Tales Through Art

There's a story behind every piece of art rooted in an artist's experiences or his or her view of social and cultural events. *Art and Story*, an exhibit at the Shirlington branch of the Arlington Public Library, explores this connection.

The show is part of Del Ray Artisans' Gallery Without Walls program and a joint fundraiser by DRA and the Friends of Shirlington Library. A portion of art sale proceeds will be donated to each organization.

The exhibit runs through Sunday, Nov. 30. To see the art, visit the Shirlington Library during its hours of operation: Sundays and Tuesdays 1-9 pm; Mondays and Wednesdays 10 am-9 pm; and Fridays and Saturdays 10 am-5 pm. The library is located at 4200 Campbell Ave, Arlington, VA.

For more information, please visit TheDelRayArtisans.org/shows/gww/ or email Gallery Without Walls Curator Eileen O'Brien at GWW@TheDelRayArtisans.org



"Then" by DJ Gaskin, collage

Welcome! New Members who Joined Recently:

Linda Critchfield — Print, Mixed Media, Collage

Khadija (Kem) El Mrani — Jewelry

Heidi Gallegos — Friend

Kisoon Griffith — Painting, Drawing

Monica Hoke — Oil, Acrylic

Jeanie Mossa — Mixed Media

Scott Neylon — Photography

Gary Nooger — Friend

Lewis Smith — Photography

Kathy Sullivan — Watercolor, Photography

Kick up Your Heels at the Halloween Dance

Witches, warlocks, zombies and masked denizens of the night, oh my.

These are just a few of the characters you may encounter at our adults-only Halloween Ball on Friday, Oct. 31. Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20. Buy your tickets at the gallery or online at: TheDelRayArtisans.org/HalloweenBall

Attendees are required to wear costumes so get your outfits ready.

Organizer Kathy Turner has a special music playlist to set the mood and plans to run the silent film *Nosferatu*, the granddaddy of all vampire movies, in the gallery's alcove. There will be snacks and beverages.

The party starts at 8 pm in the DRA gallery, 2704 Mount Vernon Avenue, in Alexandria.

Give the Buddy System a Try

Is fear keeping you from volunteering to curate a show? We've got a cure for that.

Director of Curating Lesley Hall told members at our annual election meeting her goal in 2015 is to let would-be curators shadow or pair up with experienced show coordinators. The goal is to let people learn the various aspects of putting together a show with guidance from others. This would reduce the fear factor while expanding the pool of potential curators for future shows.

Theresa Kulstad, a seasoned curator, said she would be happy to buddy up with someone for her March show, *Dream On*. Contact Lesley at curating@TheDelRayArtisans.org

Members Pick DRA Leaders

At the Annual Meeting on Oct. 18, members elected the following slate of 2015 Officers and Board Members:

Officers:

- President** — Kim Joy
- Vice President** — John Bordner
- Secretary** — Kathryn Brown
- Treasurer** — Kimberley Bush

Directors:

- Archives** — Sean Crumley
- Communications** — Open
- Community (Business Liaison)** — Marlin Lord
- Curating** — Lesley Hall
- Facilities** — Donn Grover
- Fundraising Events** — Open
- Grants & Sponsorship** — Michelle Del Carlo
- Membership** — Linda Elliff
- Outreach** — Diana Manchak
- Programs** — Tamara Wilkerson
- Technology** — Dawn Wyse Hurto
- Volunteers** — Gale Goldfarb
- Youth Programs** — Open

Congratulations to all those elected. Thank you for your willingness to volunteer your time!

If you're interested in an open position, please contact Michele Reday Cook, President@TheDelRayArtisans.org



Painting by Michele Reday Cook

Pets and Humans: A Love Story on Display

Join us for the reception of *Rescue Me* on Friday, Nov. 14 at the Vola Lawson Animal Shelter.

Mingle from 7-9 pm and view the works on display in this fund-raising exhibit, which is the result of a partnership between Del Ray Artisans Gallery Without Walls program and the Animal Welfare League of Alexandria. The exhibit ends Jan. 25, 2015.

The show's theme revolves around dogs, cats and other domesticated animals whose love has "rescued" the humans in their lives. Artworks by DRA members celebrate the human-animal bond and include paintings, drawings, collages, photographs and mixed media.

A percentage of each sale will go directly to the Animal Welfare League of Alexandria and Del Ray Artisans—both 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations. Additionally, donations of clean, used blankets and towels are being collected for animals in the shelter. You can drop off donations at the shelter year-round.

The shelter is located at 4101 Eisenhower Ave., in Alexandria. *Rescue Me* can be seen during shelter hours for adoption and viewing: Monday through Thursday 12-7 pm; Saturday and Sunday 12-5 pm. The shelter is closed on Fridays.

For more information, please visit TheDelRayArtisans.org/shows/gww/ or contact Gallery Without Walls curator Eileen O'Brien at GWW@TheDelRayArtisans.org

DRA Members Shine at Del Ray Festival

Kudos to several of our members who demonstrated their creative techniques and skills for throngs of people attending Art on the Avenue.

These artists volunteered their time to show visitors what the art of making art entails. We thank Michelle Del Carlo for her fiber work; Seana Gallagher for oil painting; Maria Illingworth for mosaic making; and Jen Nicholson for calligraphy. They each demonstrated their artwork at a booth located in front Del Ray Artisans gallery.

DRA also thanks members Stacy Rausch and Imani Russell for setting up the Del Ray Artisans booth and Millie Mateu, Dawn Wyse Hurto, Jeff Lodge, Jen Nicolson, and Maria Illingworth for taking down the booth.

Special appreciation to member Alice Kale who demonstrated painting skills in front of Your Dog's Best Friends then auctioned off the piece for \$300 to benefit Del Ray Artisans! Thank you, Alice, for your generous donation.



L-R: Michelle Del Carlo, Maria Illingworth, Seana Gallagher. Photos by Stacy Rausch

Holiday Market Needs You and Your Baked Goods

The 19th Annual Holiday Market will be the first 3 weekends in December (Dec. 5-7, Dec. 12-14, Dec. 19-21). The market offers unique handmade fine arts and crafts from 14+ artists each weekend (including pottery/ceramics, photography, jewelry, cloth, paper crafts, and glass); and admission is free! All crafts are handmade and artists donate a portion of their sales back to DRA. Different artists are featured each weekend, so come to all three markets! For more details, including a list of the artists, visit: TheDelRayArtisans.org/HolidayMarket

There will be a reception each Friday (Dec. 5, 12 and 19) from 6-9 pm. Come early to enjoy some delicious hot food from a local restaurant! There will be lots of holiday cheer, and the exhibitors will be open for business. The Holiday Market continues each Saturday (Dec. 6, 13 and 20) from 10 am-4 pm and Sunday (Dec. 7, 14, and 21) from 12-4 pm.

Each Saturday and Sunday will feature a Holiday Bake sale to benefit the Alexandria Tutoring Consortium (www.alexandriatutors.org), a local non-profit working to make sure every child in Alexandria can read and succeed. Please donate baked goods to support this worthy cause. We need cookies, brownies, muffins, loaves, cakes, candies and any of your favorite, homemade and delicious goodies. Food donations must be individually packaged and priced when dropped off. Bring your baked goodies to the gallery the first 3 weeks of December on Thursdays from 12-8 pm or Fridays from 12-9 pm. We also need helpers to work at the Bake Sale during the Market each Saturday and Sunday. Contact HolidayMarket@TheDelRayArtisans.org if you have questions or would like to help out at the Bake Sale.

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 () _____

Email 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 12 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 above receive DRA mailings.

DRA has "gone green!" A monthly notice is sent to all members via email 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 12-hour per year volunteer commitment:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter | <input type="checkbox"/> Facilities | <input type="checkbox"/> Archives | <input type="checkbox"/> Outreach | <input type="checkbox"/> Anything DRA needs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising | <input type="checkbox"/> Grants | <input type="checkbox"/> Publicity | <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteers | <input type="checkbox"/> Financial | <input type="checkbox"/> Other, special talents: |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Programs | <input type="checkbox"/> Website | <input type="checkbox"/> Gardening | <input type="checkbox"/> Administrative | <input type="checkbox"/> 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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TheDelRayArtisans.org

Gallery Hours:

Thursday: noon-6 pm
First Thursday:
(May-Sep.) noon-9 pm
Friday: noon-9 pm
Saturday: noon-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.

2014–2015 Calendar

November 2014

- 7-30 **SHOW: Nourish & Flourish: The Food Show** Michele Reday Cook and Cathy & John Messina curators mredaycook@gmail.com jncmessina@att.net
- 10 Partners in Art, 2-4pm
- 10 Life Drawing, 7-9pm, Short (clothed)
- 11 Board Meeting, 7 pm
- 12 Life Drawing, 11am-1pm, Gesture
- 12 Life Drawing, 2-5pm, Short/Long
- 13 Life Drawing, 6:30-9:30pm, Long
- 18 SocialLights, 7-9pm
- 19 Life Drawing, 6:30-9:30pm, Long
- 27 THANKSGIVING, Gallery will be closed Thursday, but open Friday-Sunday
- 29 Speed Dating, 8pm

December 2014

- 1 Life Drawing, 7-9 pm, Short
- 3 Life Drawing, 11am, Gesture (clothed)
- 3 Life Drawing Holiday Party, 1 2 pm
- 3 Life Drawing, 2-5 pm, Short/Long
- 5-7 **Holiday Market** HolidayMarket@thedelrayartisans.org
- 9 Board Meeting, 7 pm
- 10 Life Drawing, 6:30-9:30 pm, Long
- 12-14 **Holiday Market** HolidayMarket@thedelrayartisans.org
- 16 SocialLights, 7-9pm
- 19-21 **Holiday Market** HolidayMarket@thedelrayartisans.org

January 2015

- 2-Feb 1 **SHOW: The Color Pink** Betsy Mead curator egmead@gmail.com
- 5 Partners in Art, 2-4 pm
- 7 Life Drawing, 11-1 pm, Gesture (clothed)
- 7 Life Drawing, 2-5pm, Short/Long (clothed)
- 13 Board Meeting, 7 pm
- 14 Life Drawing, 6:30-9:30 pm, Long
- 17 **WORKSHOP: Create a Glass Gingerbread House**, 10 am-2 pm
- 18 Life Drawing, 9:30-11:30 am, Gesture
- 20 SocialLights! 7-9 pm
- 21 Life Drawing, 2-5 pm, Short/Long
- 22 Life Drawing, 6:30-9:30 pm, Long
- 28 Life Drawing, 6:30-9:30 pm, Long

February 2015

- 6-Mar 1 **SHOW: Board Showcase**
- 9 Partners in Art, 2-4 pm
- 10 Board Meeting, 7 pm
- 11 Life Drawing, 11 am-1 pm, Gesture
- 11 Life Drawing, 2-5 pm, Short/Long
- 17 SocialLights! 7-9 pm
- 18 Life Drawing, 6:30-9:30 pm, Long
- 22 Annual "Art Swap", 3-5 pm
- 22 Life Drawing, 9:30-11:30am, Gesture (clothed)
- 25 Life Drawing, 2-5 pm, Short/Long (clothed)
- 26 Life Drawing, 6:30-9:30 pm, Long

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Mark the New Year Artfully

The DRA 2015 Wall Calendar is now available for purchase at the gallery! For just \$15, you get a year's worth of art to peruse and enjoy. This is a fundraiser and the profit will be used to support Del Ray Artisans. For a list of the 47 featured artists, visit:
TheDelRayArtisans.org/about/shop.html

Visit **ArtsEventsAlexandria.com** for performing and visual arts happenings in Alexandria. Del Ray Artisans is a member of **Alexandria Convention & Visitors Association** and **Alexandria Arts Forum**, who make possible this website.

Special thanks to the City of Alexandria, Alexandria Commission for the Arts, Virginia Commission for the Arts, and National Endowment for the Arts, for their continued support of Del Ray Artisans, a 501(c)(3) organization.





From the President

October 20, 2014

As you may know, I'm stepping down from my role as DRA President at the end of this year. I've served on the DRA Board for 7 years, starting as Director of Curating and then as your President. It is time for new leadership. Given the breadth and depth of skills, knowledge and experience among our membership and newly elected 2015 Board, I know our organization will be in good hands.

In 2015 you'll be seeing some new Board members, but there will be old hands to retain our organizational history and make transitions smooth. As Immediate Past President, I'll still be available to the Board as an advisor during 2015.

Since I joined the Board in 2008, much has changed. The time and dedication given to DRA by our Board and a few "uber" volunteers is reflected in the many new programs and activities that keep the gallery busy virtually every day and night of the week. I'm proud to be a witness to DRA's artistic growth. Here are some examples of that growth:

- Exciting monthly exhibits now bring in needed funds for DRA through entry fees and art sales and draw gallery visitors and new members. Our Gallery Without Walls program, which displays members' art in off-site locations, has grown to three rotating exhibition sites. More venues are possible — we just need additional volunteers to coordinate them!
- Life Drawing grew from a single weekend session to several sessions each week while programs like Partners in Art and SocialLights offer support and artistic growth to interested members. We've experimented with unusual events such as Speed Dating that introduce new audiences to DRA. We also offer a variety of outreach activities and events each year for artists and the community.
- Our annual High School Art Exhibit is so successful that other student art programs have applied to participate. We've started planning an expansion of the student art exhibit and will move ahead with new programming in 2015. The long-established children's Art Camp is now under professional leadership and has expanded to two weeks each summer. Our newest summer program, Grown-Ups Art Camp, had a successful second season.
- We've been creative in raising money to help support exhibits and other programs despite the fact the Board's fundraiser position has been vacant for several years. The annual yard sale, a partnership with the Little Theater of Alexandria this past June and mini-fundraisers held in conjunction with several of our exhibits bring in major funds.

DRA's challenge for the coming years will be to maintain the current level of programming. We cannot continue the quality and quantity of exhibits and activities without increased participation from our membership. About 25-30 members (including the Board) are responsible for planning and implementing most of what we do each year. It is unfair and unsustainable to depend on a handful of volunteers to make things happen for everyone else. So, fellow DRA members, how will you contribute to keep DRA running?

Most members do not meet the required 12 volunteer hours per year — one hour a month! If you can't volunteer, consider making a tax-deductible contribution to provide funds to hire paid staff to aid overworked volunteers. Go to our web site (www.TheDelRayArtisans.org) and click on "Donate" or "Join/Renew" in the top right corner for more information.

By any standard, DRA is a successful volunteer arts organization. It has been an honor serving on the DRA Board.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michele Reday Cook".

Michele Reday Cook



2015 Calendar of Events: We wanted you to have this handy 2015 calendar even though events may change and new ones will be added throughout the year. Please check the online calendar for current schedules: calendar.TheDelRayArtisans.org

January 2015

- 2 – Feb 1 SHOW: The Color Pink**
Betsy Mead curator egmead@gmail.com
- 5 Partners in Art, 2 – 4 pm
7 Life Drawing, 11 – 1 pm, Gesture (clothed)
7 Life Drawing, 2–5pm, Short/Long (clothed)
13 Board Meeting, 7 pm
14 Life Drawing, 6:30 – 9:30 pm, Long
18 Life Drawing, 9:30 – 11:30 am, Gesture
20 SocialLights! 7 – 9 pm
21 Life Drawing, 2 – 5 pm, Short/Long
22 Life Drawing, 6:30 – 9:30 pm, Long
28 Life Drawing, 6:30 – 9:30 pm, Long

February 2015

- 6 – Mar 1 SHOW: Board Showcase**
- 9 Partners in Art, 2 – 4 pm
10 Board Meeting, 7 pm
11 Life Drawing, 11 am – 1 pm, Gesture
11 Life Drawing, 2 – 5 pm, Short/Long
17 SocialLights! 7 – 9 pm
18 Life Drawing, 6:30 – 9:30 pm, Long
22 Annual “Art Swap”, 3 – 5 pm
22 Life Drawing, 9:30–11:30am, Gesture (clothed)
25 Life Drawing, 2–5pm, Short/Long (clothed)
26 Life Drawing, 6:30 – 9:30 pm, Long

March 2015

- 6 – 29 SHOW: Dream On**
Theresa Kulstad curator
tkulstad@verizon.net
- 9 Partners in Art, 2 – 4 pm
10 Board Meeting, 7 pm
11 Life Drawing, 11 – 1 pm, Gesture (clothed)
11 Life Drawing, 2–5pm, Short/Long (clothed)
17 SocialLights! 7 – 9 pm
18 Life Drawing, 6:30 – 9:30 pm, Long
22 Life Drawing, 9:30–11:30am, Gesture
25 Life Drawing, 2 – 5 pm, Short/Long
26 Life Drawing, 6:30 – 9:30 pm, Long

April 2015

- 1 Life Drawing, 11 am – 1 pm, Gesture
1 Life Drawing, 2 – 5 pm, Short/Long
- 10 – 26 SHOW: Student Show**
Student Show Team curators
- 13 Partners in Art, 2 – 4 pm
14 Board Meeting, 7 pm

April 2015 (cont.)

- 15 Life Drawing, 6:30 – 9:30 pm, Long
19 Life Drawing, 9:30–11:30am, Gesture (clothed)
21 SocialLights! 7 – 9 pm
22 Life Drawing, 2 – 5 pm, Short/Long (clothed)
23 Life Drawing, 6:30 – 9:30 pm, Long
29 Life Drawing, 6:30 – 9:30 pm, Long

May 2015

- 1 – 31 SHOW: Mix (Mixed Media Show)**
Judy Gula & Karen Schmitz curators
schmityk@yahoo.com
- 4 Partners in Art, 2 – 4 pm
6 Life Drawing, 11–1pm, Gesture (clothed)
6 Life Drawing, 2–5pm, Short/Long (clothed)
7 First Thursday, open until 9 pm
9 Spring Art Market, 10am – 4pm
ArtMarket@thedelrayartisans.org
- 12 Board Meeting, 7 pm
13 Life Drawing, 6:30 – 9:30 pm, Long
17 Life Drawing, 9:30–11:30am, Gesture
18 Member Benefit Program, 7:30 pm
19 SocialLights! 7 – 9 pm
20 Life Drawing, 2–5pm, Short/Long (clothed)
21 Life Drawing, 6:30 – 9:30 pm, Long

June 2015

- 4 First Thursday, open until 9 pm
- 5 – 28 SHOW: Building Bridges**
Lori K Gordon curator
- 8 Partners in Art, 2 – 4 pm
9 Board Meeting, 7 pm
10 Life Drawing, 11 am – 1 pm, Gesture
10 Life Drawing, 2 – 5 pm, Short/Long
16 SocialLights! 7 – 9 pm
17 Life Drawing, 6:30 – 9:30 pm, Long
21 Life Drawing, 9:30 – 11:30 am, Gesture (clothed)
24 Life Drawing, 2 – 5 pm, Short/Long (clothed)
25 Life Drawing, 6:30 – 9:30 pm, Long

July 2015

- June 29 – 17 Grown-Ups Art Camp**
GUAC@thedelrayartisans.org
- 3 First Thursday, open until 9 pm
14 Board Meeting, 7 pm (not at the gallery)
- 20 – 25 Art Camp Week 1**
27 – Aug 1 Art Camp Week 2



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August 2015

- 6 First Thursday, open until 9 pm
- 7 – 30 **SHOW: Au Naturel**
curator tbd
- 10 Partners in Art, 2 – 4 pm
- 11 Board Meeting, 7 pm
- 12 Life Drawing, 11–1pm, Gesture (clothed)
- 12 Life Drawing, 2–5pm, Short/Long (clothed)
- 16 Annual Cookout & Pie Contest, 5 – 7 pm
- 18 SocialLights! 7 – 9 pm
- 19 Life Drawing, 6:30 – 9:30 pm, Long
- 23 Life Drawing, 9:30 – 11:30 am, Gesture
- 26 Life Drawing, 2 – 5 pm, Short/Long
- 27 Life Drawing, 6:30 – 9:30 pm, Long

September 2015

- 3 First Thursday, open until 9 pm
- 4 – 27 **SHOW: ALTARS Religious Rituals**
David Camero curator
- 8 Board Meeting, 7 pm
- 9 Life Drawing, 11 am – 1 pm, Gesture
- 9 Life Drawing, 2 – 5 pm, Short/Long
- 14 Partners in Art, 2 – 4 pm
- 15 SocialLights! 7 – 9 pm
- 16 Life Drawing, 6:30 – 9:30 pm, Long
- 20 Life Drawing, 9:30 – 11:30 am, Gesture (clothed)
- 23 Life Drawing, 2 – 5 pm, Short/Long (clothed)
- 24 Life Drawing, 6:30 – 9:30 pm, Long

October 2015

- 2 – Nov 1 **SHOW: Skeletons**
Tracy Wilkerson curator
RecycledWorks@yahoo.com
- 3 COMMUNITY: Art on the Avenue, 10–6pm
- 5 Partners in Art, 2 – 4 pm
- 7 Life Drawing, 11 – 1 pm, Gesture (clothed)
- 7 Life Drawing, 2–5pm, Short/Long (clothed)
- 13 Board Meeting, 7 pm
- 14 Life Drawing, 6:30 – 9:30 pm, Long
- 18 Life Drawing, 9:30 – 11:30 am, Gesture
- 17 SocialLights! 7 – 9 pm
- 20 Life Drawing, 2–5pm, Short/Long
- 22 Life Drawing, 6:30 – 9:30 pm, Long
- 29 Annual Meeting with Elections, 7-9 pm

November 2015

- 6 – 29 **SHOW: Under \$100**
Stacy Rausch curator
stacy@lovetocreate.net
- 9 Partners in Art, 2 – 4 pm
- 10 Board Meeting, 7 pm
- 11 Life Drawing, 11 am – 1 pm, Gesture
- 11 Life Drawing, 2 – 5 pm, Short/Long
- 17 SocialLights! 7 – 9 pm
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- 26 **THANKSGIVING:** The gallery will be closed Thursday, but open Friday-Sunday.

December 2015

- 4 – 6 **Holiday Market**
HolidayMarket@thedelrayartisans.org
- 8 Board Meeting, 7 pm
- 9 Life Drawing, 11 – 1 pm, Gesture (clothed)
- 9 Life Drawing Holiday Party, 1 – 2 pm
- 9 Life Drawing, 2 – 5 pm, Short/Long
- 11–13 **Holiday Market**
HolidayMarket@thedelrayartisans.org
- 15 SocialLights! 7 – 9 pm
- 16 Life Drawing, 6:30 – 9:30 pm, Long
- 18–20 **Holiday Market**
HolidayMarket@thedelrayartisans.org

Artwork Receiving Dates for 2015 Shows:

The Color Pink	Dec 28 & 29
Dream On	March 1 & 2
Mix	April 26 & 27
Building Bridges	May 31 & June 1
Au Naturel	Aug 2 & 3
ALTARS	Aug 30 & 31
Skeletons	Sept 27 & 28
Under \$100	Nov 1 & 2

IMPORTANT: Artists must review each Call for Entry for specific show details, requirements, dates and times.

2015 Gallery Hours (except in July & Dec.)

Thursdays	12 – 6pm
First Thursdays	12 – 9pm (May-Sept.)
Fridays	12 – 9pm
Saturdays	12 – 9pm
Sundays	12 – 6pm

DEL RAY ARTISANS ~ CALL FOR ENTRY ~ ALL MEMBER SHOW

The Color Pink

January 2nd - February 1st, 2015

Opening Reception January 2nd, 7:00pm – 9:00pm

Artists have used the color pink throughout the centuries to evoke purity, hope, seduction, romanticism, and many other emotions. Softer pinks often are associated with compassion, nurturing and love, while deeper pinks are more assertive. Surrealist artist Elsa Schiaparelli created “shocking pink”; artists Christo and Jeanne-Claude achieved fame by wrapping the islands of Miami’s Biscayne Bay with bright pink fabric.

What can YOU do with the color pink? Will you make something sweet or sassy...sublime or shocking? This show challenges Del Ray member artists to use any shade of pink as little or as much as they like to create an artistic statement and evoke one or more of the many emotions associated with pink.

Curator: Betsy Mead (202-276-0695, egmead@gmail.com)

Entry Details:

- This is a *Members only* exhibit.
- Receiving takes place **Sunday, December 28 & Monday, December 29** from 6-8pm. The Curator will judge all work submitted and with the help of a curating committee make awards for 1st, 2nd, 3rd place, and Honorable Mention.
- Artists may submit up to 3 pieces of artwork. Entry fee is \$5 per piece. Entry fees are non refundable.
- No limit to use of colors to achieve a variety of shades and hues of pink. **Pink must be visible on the canvas.**
- Artists must provide an **Artist Statement** for each piece AND an **Artist Bio** – email these items to the Curator at egmead@gmail.com
- Your art must be ready to hang or display with wire and screw eyes, mounting and/or display stand, framed, matted, or with edges finished. **We cannot show work that is not ready for exhibition.** See www.TheDelRayArtisans.org/shows/artguidelines.html for details.
- When your art sells, you are asked to make a 20% donation (tax deductible) to Del Ray Artisans.

Accepted Artist Requirements:

- Artists are responsible for drop-off/pick-up arrangements.
- **All artists MUST gallery sit and volunteer** with set-up, hanging, opening/closing receptions and/or take down. Please bring your calendars so you can sign up for duties at receiving. We’ll ask you to contribute a food or beverage for the opening reception.
- Insurance for artwork is the responsibility of the artist. Neither Del Ray Artisans nor the City of Alexandria can be held liable for any loss or damage.
- Permission to photograph any work for publicity purposes is automatically granted by the artist as a requisite for entering the show.
- Work must be original (no reproductions) and **not previously exhibited** in a DRA show.
- Any artwork left over 30 days after the close of the show will become property of Del Ray Artisans.
- Print out and keep a copy of both sides of this form for your records.

Special Events:

- Win a lighted pink glass gingerbread house designed and built by artist Betsy Mead at an opening night raffle.
- ‘Create a Glass Gingerbread House’ workshop on Jan 17th, 10:00am – 2:00pm.



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Alexandria, VA 22301-1124
www.TheDelRayArtisans.org
703.838.4827

Gallery Hours

Thursdays: Noon – 6 pm
Fridays: Noon – 9 pm
Saturdays: Noon – 9 pm
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Entry Form ~ Del Ray Artisans Gallery ~ Jan 2nd - Feb 1st, 2015

Drop Off Dates: Sunday, Dec 28th & Monday, Dec 29th, 2014 from 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Entry Fee: \$5 per piece (non-refundable). Up to 3 pieces.

Artist Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone(s): _____

E-mail: _____

List artwork below:

	TITLE	MEDIA	PRICE
1)	_____	_____	\$ _____
2)	_____	_____	\$ _____
3)	_____	_____	\$ _____

Don't forget to provide an *Artist Statement* for each piece AND an *Artist Bio* – email these items to the Curator at egmead@gmail.com

I agree to abide by the policies and regulations set forth in this Call for Entry, I hereby release Del Ray Artisans, the Officers, the Board of Directors, staff, volunteers and the City of Alexandria from any responsibility or personal liability to me from any damage, claims or loss in connection with this show.

Check here to have Del Ray Artisans automatically take a 20% tax-deductible donation from the sale of artwork.

Signed _____ Date _____

Important Dates:

Artwork Drop Off:	Sunday, Dec 28th & Monday, Dec 29th, 6:00-8:00pm
Non-Accepted Artwork Pickup:	Saturday, Jan 3rd, 12:00pm -6:00pm
Opening Reception:	Friday, Jan 2nd, 7:00-9:00pm
Glass Workshop:	Saturday, Jan 17th, 10:00am-2:00pm
Show Closes/Artwork Pickup:	Sunday, Feb 1st, 6:00-8:00pm

I agreed to GALLERY HOST on _____

I will staff the opening reception as _____ time slot: _____

I will bring: ___ drinks, ___ veggies, ___ fruits, ___ cheese, ___ sweets (check one)



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