



November 2022 Newsletter

Dear HAL members and friends,

We are fast approaching our Winter Exhibition, so I'll review dates:

- 12/6 Receiving, 4-6 pm; 2 paintings (Forms will be coming!)
- 12/13 Reception, 7-9 pm
- 1/3/23 Take down of the show, 4-6 pm

We currently have no donations for Awards for our Winter show. If you know of a business or individual who would like to have his/her name in our program as a supporter of HAL arts, please ask for a donation for a HAL prize. We have a form for the donor that can be used for tax deduction purposes.

Don't forget: Bring a \$15 art gift for our scholarship raffle!

There has been a tightening of some regulations at the Hamden Senior Center. We can no longer bring home-cooked food to the Center because of health safety concerns and lawsuit possibilities. Hence, our food for our Opening Reception will be appetizers and desserts, either prepackaged or made by a licensed place, such as a restaurant or grocery store kitchen. This actually makes sense, since by 7 pm, most of us have already had our evening meal. We are guests of the Center, so we want to respect its guidelines. We will, of course, have beverages.



Remember that we are meeting WEDNESDAY, November 9, because voting will be taking place on Tuesday, our usual meeting day. Our presenter is Lisa Miceli, who will demonstrate "Painting Clouds in Watercolor." For those of us who do not use watercolor, the presentation will be a revelation; for those already skilled in that medium, it will perhaps give them some new ideas about approaches, materials, and techniques.

I am going to go over HAL's upcoming events. All are free for HAL members only and require that you register on our website. Times and venues are there as well.

- Saturday, November 12 – Sandra Wakeen, who painted an oil portrait at our October meeting, will give a critique of our paintings, possibly noting a point or two about our work that we had not noticed because we are so close to it.
- Sunday, December 4 – Howard Park, our September presenter will lead a "Speed Painting" class, meant to help us loosen up our technique or perhaps even discover a new one. Note: This workshop is full; you may sign up for a waiting list.
- Thursdays, November and December - We will offer a chance to paint a still life, which will be set up by the attendees themselves. Since this is our first go at this type of painting session, we will experiment. We are considering having three set-ups each week so that there is choice, and possibly having a critique at the end of the class.

To repeat, all of the above are for HAL members only and are free, so remember to pay your dues (\$30 to Diane Chandler, 204 High St., Wallingford, CT 06492) by check or PayPal or Venmo on our website.

(<https://www.hamdenartleague.org/join.html>). Times and venues are on our website

(<https://www.hamdenartleague.org/events.html>). Again we have to mention that these events would not have been possible without the grant we received. We are applying for another one for the year ahead. Keep your fingers crossed that we receive it!

HAL members, please let us know if you are displaying your art somewhere and/or have won an art award. We will announce it in our next Newsletter. Also, if you are teaching a course, we will announce it on our website (hamdenartleague.org). You deserve to be recognized!

Here are some HAL Members that are currently in our news:

- Liz Scott has two pieces in the Connecticut Women Artists Annual National Juried Exhibit at the West Hartford Art League, Oct. 16-Nov. 13.
- Mike Eagle has a one-man show at Water's Edge Resort, Westbrook Nov. 1-Feb. 1, 2023. He is also giving a lecture at the Lyme Art Association in Old Lyme, Dec. 8. At 8 pm. The topic is "Art as Illustration."
- Quite a few HAL members were in the New Haven Paint and Clay Club Exhibition at Creative Arts Workshop: Dody Gall, Sharon Morgio, Mary Lou Pellegrino, Dan Rosner, Sheila Creed, and Liz Scott.
- HAL painters who were accepted into last month's Guilford Art League show were Liz Scott, Mike Eagle, Diane Chandler, Rosemary Serfilippi, Wendi Kohli, and Jeanette Wimmer.
- Gina Dunlap just won Best in Show at Arts Center East exhibition in Vernon. The theme of the show was The Thinning of the Veil. Her painting is called THE MORRIGAN .. oil on canvas. The Morrigan in Irish mythology, is a shapeshifter, woman / raven. She appears in time of war, famine and great stress as a harbinger of these events.
- Patty Meglio will be teaching a "Drawing Hands and Feet" class in two sessions, Nov. 5 and 12, at Artsplace in Cheshire.
- Patty will also be teaching a general drawing class at Artsplace in late November. Check HAL's website (hamdenartleague.org) for details.

Keep painting,
Rosemary Serfilippi
President, Hamden Art League

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