



"The purpose of Grand Valley Artists, Inc is to further self expression in the visual arts through appreciation, education, application and promotion of the works of the membership."

Presidents Message

September is here and with it comes more change. Artprize is just ahead and we have a lot to look forward to. Carol Laurn is co-ordinating volunteer efforts for GVA and I am sure she will get all the help she needs from all of you. Thank you for offering to help. We will also need help with hanging the show. If that sounds good to you, please contact me ASAP.

Our very capable vice president, Al Cianfarani and crew are preparing to organize the winter show. So be ready right after Art-prize for more fun....

Program this month is TREASURES. Art from GVA member collections. It should be very interesting.

Please know your efforts to make the club a great place to be doesn't go unnoticed.

Regards,

Robyn

GVA BOARD ACTIVITY

At the July Board meeting. Several decisions were made that will be effecting the operation of the club in the future.

FIRST - A search committee was formed for the office of President of GVA. As much as I care for the club, I believe it is prudent to have a variety of members making a contribution in leadership positions. **ELECTIONS** will be in November and the committee will make a recommendation to the club. Al Cianfarani is chair of this committee and I am sure he would be open to your input.

SECOND - An ongoing discussion regarding club liability and the photographing of nude models has evolved during the past several board meetings. A unanimous decision was made to suspend the photographing of **NUDE** or **Partially Nude** models to reduce our liability with the advent of the internet in particular. A new model release is being drafted and all members in sketch will be expected to sign in as usual, but on a new form. Your input on this subject is welcome at any time. Please support this policy in sketch.

ArtPrize 2011 Volunteer Information

Thank you for volunteering to help with our Art Prize 2011 venue at Huntington Bank. This year we are displaying 53 artists work.

Protection of the work and crowd control are the biggest issues. If you feel the Huntington Bank venue is getting too crowded close the inner door to the lobby and ask people to form a line. Inform people that our site is getting overcrowded and we want our guests to comfortably view the art work on display. In the past, we have found everyone to be very understanding. The line goes very quickly.

The official hours are:

Monday - Thursday	5 - 8pm
Friday	5 - 10pm
Saturday	12 - 10pm
Sunday	12 - 6pm

Make sure the outside doors are shut at closing time. EPS automatically triggers them to lock. At closing, one person should stand by each door to keep people from entering as the people currently inside leave.

After doors are secured:

1. Check to be sure everyone has left.
2. Bring in ArtPrize Venue signs from sidewalk located outside of both main doors.
3. Tell the manager at Friday's to lock the door that enters in to our lobby.
4. Put the aprons, bathroom keys, walkie-talkies & chairs in the ladies bathroom on the second floor.

Telephone Numbers

Police emergencies: 911

Medical emergencies: 911

Lost Children: GR Police non-emergency 616-456-3400

Should any problems arise or you have any questions please call either Carol Laurn at 669-3773 or Robyn Bomhof at 581-2994.

Jim Markle, PSA 2011 Workshops and Classes

• Ann Arbor, MI - Oct. 3, 4 & 5 - Workshop

Sponsored by: Budding Art Ideas

Contact: Diane Bennett www.buddingartideas.com or call 734-417-3824

• Livonia, MI - Nov. 11 & 12 - Landscape Pastel Workshop

Sponsored by Visual Arts Association of Livonia

Contact: Diana Jamrog, 734-838-1204 or email vaalart@yahoo.com

• Grand Rapids, MI - Oct. 31, Nov. 7, 14, 21 & 28 - Landscape Classes

Location: Grand Valley Artists, Inc.

Times: Mondays 1:00pm to 4:00pm or 6:00pm to 9:00pm

Contact: Jim Markle, 616-458-8559 or jimcmarkle@earthlink.net

Jim Markle is a signature member of the Pastel Society of American and a Master Member of the Great Lakes Plein Air Painters Association. He has over ten years of experience teaching, all levels of participants, in the U.S., Canada, France and Italy. He's the inventor of the Jim Markle Pastel Easelbox and travels extensively throughout Europe and the United States painting en plein air. Great American Art Works markets his North American Landscape Set of pastels.

Oil and Pastel Workshops by Kathleen Kalinowski

Let Your Colors Sing with Pastel - Painting the Landscape from Start to Finish

Take your understanding of applying color in layers to the next level and improve your pastel paintings. Emphasis on color harmony, color temperature and achieving atmospheric perspective in the landscape. Demonstration on setting up for a good beginning to finishing touches. Individual instruction and critiques.

Date: Oct. 20-21, 9am - 4pm

Location: Grand Gallery in Ada, MI

Cost: \$110

Level: Beginner with some experience to intermediate

Class size limited to 10.

Let Your Colors Sing with Oil - An Alla Prima approach using Oil to Paint the Landscape

Learn the Alla Prima method. Demonstrations on color mixing and applying paint with emphasis on color temperature and harmony. Individual instruction and critiques.

Date: Oct. 27-28, 9am - 4pm

Location: Grand Gallery in Ada, MI

Cost: \$110

Level: Intermediate

Class size is limited to 10

Contact Kathleen by e-mail, Kalinowski@chartermi.net, to get more information. Visit Kathleen's web site to see her works in pastel and oil, www.KalinowskiFineArt.com.

Cadwallader Painting Workshop

Follow your passion and improve your paintings. Study with artist Ken Cadwallader in his Grand Rapids studio every Tuesday from 10am - 5pm. For more information or to enroll contact Ken at ken.cadwallader@gmail.com or call 616-566-1238.

Time: Tuesdays 10am - 5pm

Fee: \$150 for 5 weeks. Plus model fee

Location: Cadwallader Studio (Downtown GR)
www.kennethcadwallader.com

Frank Webb Workshop

Few openings are left for the September 27-29 watercolor workshop with a master artist. Demo's, one-on-one critiques, emphasis: to go beyond technique and find your own voice.

Cost: \$350

Date: September 27-29

Location: Franciscan Center

Call Cathy at the Franciscan Center in Lowell to register: 616-897-7842.

Questions about content, materials, etc. Contact John Knight at knightart1@juno.com.

Open Studio Sunday Afternoons

A few GVA members have been meeting at 2:30pm for 2-3 hours to work on our own art projects. If you want to join us, please call Krista at 451-2143 to make sure we are meeting. We meet all year round, especially in the winter.

Program Notes

• **Thursday, October 13, 7:30pm** - Movie Nite featuring portrait artist Nelson Shanks "The Portrait as Fine Art". Shanks is a world renowned portrait artist, teacher and founder of Studio Incamminati. In this video he demos as well as discussing his philosophy.

Coming up at One Trick Pony

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| • James Johnson | 8/1 - 9/12 | Watercolor |
| • ARTPRIZE | 9/12 - 10/10 | |
| • Holly Stures | 10/11 - 11/28 | Pastel |
| • Margaret Otley | 11/28 - 1/9/11 | Mixed Media |

One Trick Pony is located at 136 Fulton St SE, open Monday - Wednesday 11am to 11pm; Thursday - Friday 11am to 12pm; Saturday 5pm to 12pm. For artist information please contact Barb Wood at 942-0585.

Membership

Just a reminder. A one year membership runs from Sept.1, 2011 to Sept 1, 2012. Print your renewal form and join today.

Welcome New Members

Carol Wilken	Rebecca Stafford
Stephanie Wiles	Joni Szykiel

"Painting is an attempt to come to terms with life. There are many solutions as there are human beings." George Tooker

Members In The News

• Kathleen Kalinowski has two paintings accepted in the MI ARTS all Media Art Competition, at the Holland Area Arts Council, on exhibit during September. She also was chosen by designer Jeffery Roberts to be a plein air artist during the Redesigning Home 2011 event, sponsored by the Grand Rapids Magazine. She is showing during Artprize at Huntington/50 Monroe and will be the featured artist at Grand Gallery during October.

• Jim Markle was invited to participate in the week long 5th Door County Plein Air Festival in Wisconsin in July. Forty artists from throughout the U.S., Canada, Mexico and Russia were invited in this well known plein air festival.

He also spent a week in the Adirondacks painting at the Plein Air Magazine's first international paint out.

Jim was also invited to again participate in the "Pastels Only 2011 Invitational" national exhibit in Cape Cod.

Dominican Center: Marywood Gallery

"Patterns of Nature"

Exhibit from Sept. 1st to Oct 31.

Reception is on Sunday October 9th from 12 noon to 3pm.

Artists: Jan Upp - Watercolor
Don Upp - Fine Art Photography

Gallery Hours: Mon. - Thurs 7:30am to 9pm
Friday 7:30am to 8pm
Sat. & Sun 8am to 6pm

Address: 2025 Fulton NE Gr. 49503

Note from Jim Markle

A number of people at my presentation on "The Pennsylvania Impressionist and the New Hope School" of artists asked if I would put a list of the painters I discussed in the newsletter. Here are twelve artists whose work I showed and discussed. As I mentioned that evening, this is by no means the only artists who lived and worked in the New Hope area. I had to edit the long list down to a reasonable size for the presentation. These might be considered the most well known of the group.

William L. Lathrop (1858-1938)	Edward Redfield (1869-1965)
Daniel Garber (1880-1938)	Harry Leith-Ross (1886-1973)
Fern I. Coppedge (1883-1951)	George Sotter (1879-1953)
John Folinsbee (1892-1972)	Henry B. Snell (1858-1943)
Walter Baum (1884-1856)	Robert Spencer (1879-1931)
Kenneth Nunamaker (1890-1957)	
Walter Elmer Schofield (1867-1944)	

If you Google their names you should be able to see more examples of their work.

Thank you for your interest.
Jim Markle

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GVA Website

We are adding things regularly and need people to provide input. If you have something to announce about workshops, upcoming events, etc. We want to hear about it and maybe even put it on the web.

<http://www.grandvalleyartists.com>

Bookmark it! Use it. Love it!

Newsletter Information

Please have all entries for the newsletter sent to Steve Kelly by the 12th of each month to ensure prompt delivery. Please use the following email address for all GVA Newsletter information including photos: gva@gezora.com. Steve Kelly can still be reached at **616-334-4131** or mail to 1331 Leffingwell, Grand Rapids, MI 49525.

A Reminder About Art Liability

If you bring artwork for critique, enter it in a show, or leave it in the GVA facility, it is at your own risk. While your artwork will be handled with all possible care, we are an organization of volunteers. At any time, an unintended accident may occur. Grand Valley Artists, Inc. and its members will not be responsible for any loss or damage to the art whatsoever.



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Calendar

September

Saturday	Sep 10	10:00 AM	Life Sketch
Monday	Sep 12	10:00 AM	Portrait Sketch
Thursday	Sep 15	7:30 PM	Life Sketch
Saturday	Sep 17	10:00 AM	Life Sketch
Monday	Sep 19	10:00 AM	Portrait Sketch
Tuesday	Sep 20	6:30 PM	Board Meeting
Wednesday	Sep 21		ArtPrize Opens
Thursday	Sep 22	7:30 PM	Life Sketch
Saturday	Sep 24	10:00 AM	Life Sketch
Monday	Sep 26	10:00 AM	Portrait Sketch
Thursday	Sep 29	7:30 PM	Life Sketch

October

Saturday	Oct 1	10:00 AM	Life Sketch
Monday	Oct 3	10:00 AM	Portrait Sketch
Tuesday	Oct 4	7:30 PM	Photo Group
Wednesday	Oct 5	7:30 PM	Open Studio
Thursday	Oct 6	7:30 PM	Critique
Saturday	Oct 8	10:00 AM	Life Sketch
Sunday	Oct 9		ArtPrize Ends
Monday	Oct 10	10:00 AM	Portrait Sketch
Thursday	Oct 13	7:30 PM	Life Sketch
Saturday	Oct 15	10:00 AM	Life Sketch
Monday	Oct 17	10:00 AM	Portrait Sketch
Thursday	Oct 20	7:30 PM	Life Sketch
Saturday	Oct 22	10:00 AM	Life Sketch
Monday	Oct 24	10:00 AM	Portrait Sketch
Thursday	Oct 27	7:30 PM	Life Sketch
Saturday	Oct 29	10:00 AM	Life Sketch
Monday	Oct 31	6:00 PM	Jim Markle Workshop

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