



## Crooked Creek Art League Monthly Newsletter

President's Letter – September 2025

### September Monthly Meeting

Thank you to everyone—over 70 members, including 20+ on Zoom—who joined our September 15 meeting! September is a busy time, so I appreciate your participation. If you missed it, remember we meet on the third Monday of each month at Crooked Creek Park. Join us next time on October 20, either in person or via Zoom.

I apologize for any difficulties experienced during the Zoom call, especially with hearing audience questions. We're looking into purchasing wireless microphones to improve sound and hope to implement this by October or November. Please email any other Zoom concerns to [ccal25prez@gmail.com](mailto:ccal25prez@gmail.com) so the Executive Committee can review and address them. Delivering hybrid meetings is a new challenge, and we're committed to learning best practices with support from our tech team to enhance future meetings. Your suggestions are welcome!

### Membership and Mentorship News

I'd like to extend a warm welcome to our newest members! Your enthusiasm and creativity enrich our league, and we look forward to seeing your contributions. We welcomed new members and guests at our September meeting.

If you're new, Dale and Don Bishop, our Mentoring Committee chairs, are available to help you get involved at CCAL and connect with other artists. Their contact info is in the Membership directory on our website.

For those renewing members, thank you for your continued support and dedication. Please remember to renew your membership for the 2025-2026 season if you haven't already, so the \$10 penalty is not applied.

### Member Spotlight

Every month Palmetto Fine Arts and Custom Framing hosts a featured artist. Watch the blog for more information

## Business Opportunity

A local business would like to host periodic ‘wine and painting’ events at their location. Contact Michael Naughton at [ccal25pres@gmail.com](mailto:ccal25pres@gmail.com) as soon as possible for more information.

## Sponsorships and Donations

As always, I’m inspired by your commitment to your craft and to supporting one another. The Crooked Creek Art League is more than an organization—it’s a community of artists who lift each other up. I encourage you to reach out, collaborate, and continue sharing your ideas. Our Sponsorship and Donation drive is underway. This drive helps to fund the services and events that we offer and support annually. We need your help to be successful. **Our goal this year is \$8,000.** Contact me at [ccal25pres@gmail.com](mailto:ccal25pres@gmail.com) to volunteer to visit one or two businesses!

## Renewing Sponsors and New Sponsors

Happy to report that Harrell, Martin and Peace P.A., Caughman Harman Funeral Home, and Irmo Insurance Agency are now 2025-26 Renewed Sponsors!! Welcome to The Color People, a new 2025-26 Sponsor from Newberry!

## Looking Ahead: Exhibitions, Workshops and Events

### Workshops and Learning Opportunities

September kicks off our first workshop of our 2025-26 series. Check out the website, the topics and the artists/facilitators, then register early, as participant size varies per workshop. Early registration helps the coordinators with upfront planning as well.

Every month CCAL hosts a guest presenter to do a demonstration, share their story, teach us business skills and/or engage us in discussions that help us learn from each other, and the guest artists themselves. Check our website to see upcoming presenters.

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October 11	<p>Chapin Fall Festival</p> <p>CCAL Booth at Chapin Town Hall</p>
October 20	Monthly Meeting Monday October 20
October 20- November 17	<p>Monthly Art Theme - Portraits</p> <p>Person or animal in any format (no nudes)</p> <p>Bring your themed art with you to 10/20 Meeting</p> <p>Exhibited at The TAP Art Gallery in Crooked Creek Park through November 17</p>
Ongoing	<p>Public Gallery Exhibits</p> <p>Requires registration every art season beginning in September</p> <p>Details available and remember to sign up online</p>
October 17-18	<p>Workshop – Floral Impression in Clay – Olga Yukhno</p> <p>Online registration required</p>
<p><i>Note: Details about all events at <a href="https://crookedcreekartleague.com">https://crookedcreekartleague.com</a></i></p>	

If you have suggestions, questions, or news to share in future newsletters, please don't hesitate to contact me. Let's keep the creativity flowing!

Wishing you a joyful and art-filled month,

Michael Naughton

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