



December 2, 2019

Dear Fellow League Members,

Greetings to all, and I hope you had an enjoyable Thanksgiving.

The busy holiday season has arrived, and December brings our **annual Christmas party** on **Monday, December 16** from **6:30 to 9:00**. The League thanks **Ron and Carol Weathers** for again hosting the event in their lovely home. The address is **2136 Amicks Ferry Road, Chapin, SC 29036**. A map is available on our web site under Events, Monthly Meetings. Please bring a **finger food** to share. Meats and soft drinks will be provided. If you wish, you may bring any other beverages. This is always a fun night with good food, good friends, and good conversation. **REMEMBER: This meeting does count toward the three meetings required for entry into the 2020 Juried Show so remember to sign in at the party.**

Entries for the **Still Hopes Fall Exhibit** should be delivered to Crooked Creek Park, **Saturday, December 7**. Bobbi Sorensen, Randy Spencer, and others, will be available from 10:00am-1:00pm to accept your work. If you cannot be there between those times, you will need to make arrangements with someone to deliver your artwork for you that day. The **reception and awarding of awards** for the exhibit will be at **Still Hopes Retirement Center on Tuesday, December 10, from 6:00pm-8:00am**. The address is 1 Still Hopes Drive, West Columbia, SC. Everyone is invited to attend.

We welcome the following **new members** to CCAL who have joined since the last newsletter – James DiFrancesco, Dawn Faber, Jane Honeycutt, and Sharon Weber. If I left anyone out, please let me know.

Congratulations to **Al Leitch** for his winning entry, "Silent Night," in the TAP Gallery for October. The **theme for November, "My Best Friend,"** is extended until the January meeting. If you have 2D artwork relating to the theme that you would like to hang, please take it to the TAP (The Artists Place) gallery and hang it between now and the end of December. We will ask the park staff to judge the first week of January. For the new members who do not know where the TAP Gallery is located, it is to the left when you enter Crooked Creek Park. The Art League thanks the staff of Crooked Creek Recreation Center for their participation in selecting the winning entry each month.

The theme for the TAP Gallery for January is **"Winter Sights and Scenes."** Please bring your 2D art to the **January 20** meeting. Cathy Dubiel will be in the TAP Gallery to help hang your work.

I encourage you to check out the remaining **four workshops** offered beginning with **Billie Shelburn's February 7-8 workshop, "Creative Watermedia Techniques."** Members may reserve their spots for any of the workshops either online or by paying a \$50 deposit to **Kate Heald, Workshop Coordinator**.

Cathy Dubiel, Public Galleries Coordinator, would like to remind members to sign up to show your artwork in one of the venues. Sign-up sheets are at the registration table prior to the meetings, and you may contact Cathy with any questions. The following area locations have generously allowed us to showcase CCAL artists.

TAP Gallery (all members) – 1 month depicting the theme of the month
TAP Gallery Showcase (1 artist) – multiple pieces of smaller 2D artwork or 3D pottery, sculpture, carvings, etc. – 2 months
BB&T (1 artist) – 1 piece – 1 month
Blue Lavender Spa (1 artist) 1 piece – 1 month
Chapin Chamber of Commerce (1 artist) – 1 piece – 1 month
Chapin Library (1 artist) – multiple pieces – 1 month
Artistic Prosperity Town Hall (1 artist) – multiple pieces – 2 months
Palmetto Fine Arts (3 artists) – multiple pieces – 2 months
The Coffee Shelf (2 artists) – multiple pieces – 2 months plus an opportunity for a “meet the artists” evening event.

We are excited that we will have a **new venue** beginning in January. Cathy provided the following information about the two-month hanging beginning in January. The location is **Chapin Town Hall**, and about ten 2D art pieces approximately 16” x 20” each can be accommodated. This will be a one-person show. If you are interested, please email Cathy at catherine.dubiel@yahoo.com. (Notice that there is dot/period between her first and last name.)

The **Community Project wall mural** for Crooked Creek Recreation Center is well under way, and you can see the work-in-progress by going down the hallway on the restroom side of the building. Thank you to coordinators, Karen Larrabee and Sonya Diimmler, and our other artists who have undertaken this project for the League.

While online registration for the **2020 Juried Show** is not available until February 1, you may want to look at the **Prospectus** which is available on our website under Events, CCAL Juried Show. You must be a Member in Good Standing (dues paid by the end of December and have attended three meetings prior to registration) in order to enter your artwork. In conjunction with the Juried Show, a CCAL member suggested that a **Joe Counts Memorial Award** in the amount of \$50 be given to an amateur artist’s painting to be selected by the juror. A fund has been set up; and if anyone would like to contribute, please give your contribution to Maureen Carter. The \$50 award will be given annually beginning with the 2020 Juried Show until the fund is depleted.

This is a reminder that **\$25 dues** for the League year must be paid before the end of December meeting. You may pay either online through our website or to Jean Kirkley or Melinda Moseley.

See you at the Christmas Party on December 16.

Sandra Oliver, President
Crooked Creek Art League