

March 6, 2020

Dear Fellow League Members,

Everyone is excited about the **2020 25th Anniversary Juried Show**! This is the largest show to date, and the artwork is amazing. We are pleased to honor some of our founding members at the reception on **Friday, March 20**. The event will begin at 6:00pm with heavy hors doeuvres in the first meeting room on the left. Plan to arrive in time to eat, view all the art, and vote on either Member's Choice or People's Choice. The awards program and founding members recognition will begin at 7:00 pm in the front area of the gym. The co-chairs Barbara Teusink and Kay Fox are doing an excellent job coordinating this milestone event.

Remember that we do NOT have a regular 3rd Monday night meeting this month.

We welcome the following **new members** to CCAL who have joined since the last newsletter – Julia Lanford, Daikan McPhail, and Lori McCourt. If I left anyone out, please let me know.

The theme for the **TAP Gallery** for February was "**Hearts Desire.**" Ruby Deloach's painting, *Lucky in Love*, was selected by the park staff as their award winner. Congratulations, Ruby! The paintings on display now will need to be removed before April 4 in order to hang the award winners from the juried show. Those who brought paintings for "Hearts Desire" may want to take their paintings home following the reception.

The dedication of the Community Art Project, "**The Art of Lake Life,**" mural was held March 3. The League is proud of the work done by our team of artists led by co-chairs Sonya Diimmler and Karen Larrabee, Pam Bulak, Kay Stallings, Anne Sweeney, Barbara Teusink, Tommy Thompson, and Shin Wilbanks. In addition to the mural, there is an interactive Community Input Wall and a Scavenger Hunt. If you have not had an opportunity to view this wonderful mural, be sure to take time at the reception or plan a visit to the park.

There are two workshops remaining for this year. Russell Jewell's "Plein Aire: Plain and Simple" will be April 3 and 4. Leslie Pratt-Thomas' "Composition and Oil Painting Techniques" will be May 1 and 2. All media are invited to participate in either or both workshops. There are still openings for these, and registration may be made online through our website or by contacting workshop coordinator, Kate Heald.

Member of the Year nominations will be accepted any time prior to the **beginning** of the April meeting. Your nomination may be completed on-line through our website under the tab CCAL Artists. You may also download the form, complete the information, and submit either in person, by email, or regular mail. The Member of the Year will be announced at the May meeting.

Please check your **email address and telephone number** in the Membership Directory on our website. I had difficulty getting in touch with several people because their telephone numbers had changed since they first joined the League. We will also have a membership list at the April meeting so you can make any needed corrections.

On a lighter note, I had a gentleman approach me at the in-take for the juried show. He asked if we had any artists who would like to paint a vintage VW van. I said that there might be someone. Then I found out that he did <u>not</u> want a painting; he wanted his vintage van painted in a 1960s psychedelic theme. I told him this request was probably more difficult to fill. So, if anyone is interested in actually painting the van (think Woodstock), please let me know; and I will give you the gentleman's name and telephone number.

I hope to see many of you at the reception on Friday, March 20.

Sandra Oliver, President Crooked Creek Art League