

Crooked Creek Art League



Greetings, CCAL Members!

Our November 2024 CCAL meeting is coming up soon. I hope you are planning to join us this coming Monday, November 18, at 6:00pm. Plan to come early for refreshments and fellowship beginning at 5:30pm. After our brief business meeting we will welcome our presenter, Rachel Parker Varner. Rachel's presentation is titled "Social Media Tips and Tricks for Artists." This should be a very informative presentation that you won't want to miss.

Please don't forget to sign up on the sheet that will be passed around at our meeting to help with refreshments. Everyone enjoys the food that is provided each month so let's all help with providing enough for all to enjoy. Our next regular meeting will be in January (off-site Christmas party in December) so the sign-up sheet will be for then.

The holidays are fast approaching, and we all have lots to do during this time. You will want to mark your calendar for our CCAL Christmas party that will be held on Monday, December 16, 5:30-8:00pm. This is our regularly scheduled meeting night. The party will be held off-site at the Chapin Town Hall community room, 157 NW Columbia Avenue in Chapin. A brief business meeting will be held and provided by Zoom to those who cannot attend the party. Attendance at this event may count as one of the three required meetings toward entry into our juried shows. Please bring a festive food item, hors d'oeuvres, veggies, fruit, dessert, finger sandwiches, meatballs, etc. for the party as well as any serving utensils needed. All food should be in place by 5:30pm. Bring your own beer or wine if desired. Paper goods and non-alcoholic beverages will be provided.

We will collect donated art supplies for Epworth Children's Home at the party. They are always grateful for what the league provides for their children. Start shopping now for sales on art supplies!

Here are some other reminders as you plan your calendar for the coming weeks:

- The Still Hopes Exhibition registration is still open. Please register your artwork soon if you are planning to participate. Online only registration will be open through November 21, or until we receive a total of 50 pieces. The show will run from November 30 - February 1. A reception will be held on Saturday, December 7, from 4:30-6:00pm.
- The TAP Gallery theme for this coming month is "Scenes from the Wild." Please bring your original artwork for this theme to our meeting on Monday night. The artwork will be displayed in the Crooked Creek Park foyer until our meeting on January 20. Let's try to have many members bring their artwork to showcase at the park for people to enjoy. Remember to print your wall tag to attach to your artwork.
- Many preparations are being made for our upcoming Annual Juried Show. Registration of artwork will begin on January 1, but we are looking for volunteers now who are willing to help with various duties for the show and reception. Please checkout the sign-up sheets at the table when you come to our members' meeting to see where you might be able to help. You can also sign up online under "Annual Juried Show" and see a list of the help that is needed. This is our big show of the year, and it takes many volunteers to help with the needs of the show. Let's all pull together to make this year's show a great one!
- As you begin to think about 2025, plan to register now for our next workshop on January 24 – 25 with Tammy Papa. Tammy will be teaching on "Color in Landscape." Come learn how to harness the power of color and explore its limitless possibilities. Pastel, oil, or acrylic welcome! To find out more about this workshop and to register, please visit our website.
- On February 27 – 28 a watercolor workshop will be offered with Russell Jewel. Russell will also be our lead judge for the Annual Juried Show. For details on the workshop, please visit our website and check out "workshops."

- Don't forget to check out our website for all the latest news and happenings as well as important events and sign-ups. As always, if you cannot attend our members meeting on Monday, we also offer the meeting by Zoom. A link to the meeting will be emailed to the membership on the day of the meeting.

As you prepare for the Thanksgiving holidays, I hope you are mindful of the many things that we should be thankful for. One of the things that I am thankful for is this art league. I am thankful for the many friends I have made and the opportunities to gather together to engage in learning more about the world of art. I hope you will have a blessed Thanksgiving as you gather with friends and family this holiday season.

Sincerely,

Yvonne Beyer
President, CCAL