



President's Letter – March 2026

Hello to all! I hope this note finds you well and that you have been able to enjoy some of the beauty of Spring. I want to update you and remind you of a few things”.

- **Saturday April 4 from 10 AM – Noon** is the Non-Winners Juried Show Art Pick up. Winning entries will remain on display in the CC Park lobby.
- **Monday April 20 from 5:30-7:30** is the April General Meeting at CCPark.
 - Brian Fox is our guest speaker
 - Bring your TAP Gallery Entrees: Theme is “Still Life” (Subjects can be natural or man-made inanimate objects arranged in creative compositions.)
- **Monday May 18 5:30-7:30** is the May General Meeting at CC Park
 - 2026 May TAP Gallery contest theme is "Roots & Wings." The theme is open to literal and interpretive approaches. See more details at <https://www.crookedcreekart.org/single-post/announcing-roots-wings-2026-annual-contest>
 - The Summer Exhibit Contest Entrees will be on display May 18-Sept. 20

Attention New Members and Members at-large: We are seeking more members to sign up for our Public Galleries Program, which is a great opportunity to get visibility for your work. Contact Dianne Neil (GlassArtByDianneNeil@gmail.com) for more information. Dianne is also planning to be available at the April meeting if you'd like to speak with her personally.

Attention All Members:

- Every year we have opportunities to give back to CCAL by volunteering to lead or participate in one of our project areas. For example: Sponsor Drive, workshops, social media, juried shows, communications, guest speakers, grant writing, and more. Please consider participating in one of these many areas. Contact Michael Naughton or any board member for more information. We are recruiting for the 2026-27 CCAL season.
- Did you know?? Every Wednesday from 9 am to Noon, CCAL hosts open painting in the Art Room at Crooked Creek Park. All are welcome.

Finally, thanks to everyone involved in the Juried Show and Sale this year! We are grateful to everyone who participated in the success of this year's show, including but not limited to:

· Members who entered the show	· Community and member sponsors of the show!
· Our webmaster Barbara Teusink for all the behind-the-scenes work for registration, and getting all the data and photos onto the website	· Our 2026 Judges Marissa Vogl, lead judge and Robert Clark, Photography as well as our Guest student judges, Ciaran Sligh of Benedict College and Hailey Mixan, Columbia College.
· Our Juried Show Chair Kay Fox and volunteers for all the planning, set-up, take-down, and patience!!	· Jo Alford for recruiting food donations from members and businesses, and for setting up the lovely spread of food for us!
· The CC Park desk staff who are always ready to help if needed	· Our Crooked Creek Park hosts
· Our Top Tier Techs for assisting with the awards ceremony	· Kay and Brian Fox's family and friend who help get everyone signed in to the reception
· Brian Fox for donating his time to take photos of the winners.	· Roger Lindler for donating his time to create the flower arrangements
· Sponsors, guests, neighbors, and family members who attended the show and reception	· Our Benedict College and Columbia College guest judges for their art displays

I look forward to seeing you in April!

Michael Naughton

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