

Crooked Creek Art League



Greetings, CCAL Members!

I hope December is finding everyone doing well, especially for this being such a busy season of the year. We will have one more CCAL event before we wrap up 2024. Our annual Christmas party will be this coming Monday, December 16 from 5:30pm-8:00pm. This takes the place of our regularly scheduled meeting. The party will be held at the Chapin Town Hall community room, 157 NW Columbia Avenue in Chapin. I hope you will plan to attend this fun event. Please bring a festive food item, hors d'oeuvres, veggies, fruit, dessert, finger sandwiches, meatballs, etc. 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.

A brief business meeting will be held at 6:00pm. This will also be provided by zoom to those who cannot attend the party. Attendance at the party or by zoom may count as one of the three required meetings toward entry into our juried shows.

As in the past, we are collecting donations of art supplies for Epworth Children's Home. Please bring your donations to the party so we can deliver them before Christmas.

Thank you to all who entered our Still Hopes Exhibition. A reception was held on December 7 and awards were given to the winners of the show. Congratulations to all our winners! Awards given to the artists can be found on our website. This exhibition will run through February 1. Thank you to our Still Hopes committee, Kay Fox, Chairman, Debra Kelly, and Vic Shuler for their excellent job in preparing for the exhibition and the reception.

As you make plans for the new year and the many opportunities to participate in or serve the art league, I hope you will mark your calendar for these upcoming events:

- Our next TAP gallery theme will be “Scenes from the Past.” Bring your original artwork to our next meeting on January 20 to be displayed in the Crooked Creek foyer until February 17. Remember to print your wall tag to attach to your artwork.
- Our Annual Juried Show will be here before you know it. Start preparing your artwork now for this wonderful show. Registration of artwork will begin on January 1. You can find the prospectus and all other information regarding the show on our website. Also, please think about how you might be of help with the various duties for the show or reception. You can sign up online under “Annual Juried Show” and see a list of the help that is needed. We will also have sign-up sheets at our next members’ meeting. Don’t forget to mark your calendar for the reception night on March 15.
- Our next workshop will be January 24-25 with Tammy Papa. Tammy will be teaching on “Color in Landscape.” To find out more about this workshop and to register, please visit our website and check out “workshops.”
- A watercolor workshop will be offered by Russell Jewel February 27-28. Russell will also be our lead judge for the Annual Juried Show. For further details and to register, please visit our website under “workshops.”
- If you haven’t renewed your membership for this league year, please do so before December 31. We want to keep you as a member of the CCAL!
- Our speaker in January will be Mary Presson Roberts. Mary’s presentation is entitled “Follow Your Own Path” and revolves around her journey in the art and photography world. Mary is a wonderful speaker and one you won’t want to miss hearing.

We have many more events and meetings coming up in the new year and it really does take an army to carry out all these great opportunities. I hope you will consider being a volunteer for the league, in an area of interest to you, in the coming year. We are always looking for cheerful volunteers to help serve.

As we approach the end of 2024, I invite you to consider a donation to the art league. We are a 501(c)(3) organization, and contributions may be tax deductible. Also, we welcome your help in either identifying or securing potential sponsors who can financially support what we do. We’re all in this together!

I am thankful to so many of you who have served our league this past year. Thank you for all you do to help make it a success. I am grateful to be able to work with you in all we do. I am also thankful for the many friendships made since being a CCAL member and I look forward to getting to know more of you in the coming months.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Sincerely,

Yvonne Beyer
President, CCAL