

CALENDAR

5/1	Artwork pickup for Pruyn House Exhibit	9:30am – 3:30pm
5/2	General Meeting, Scholarships Awarded, Demoist Ed Ticson - Art History talk	6:00pm @ St. Matthews
6/13	Annual Potluck Supper in the Pruyn House barn	4:00pm
8/1	Drop off for Summer Show Hanging Summer 2023 Show	10:00am – 2:00pm 2:00pm
8/2 – 8/29	Summer 2023 Show Guilderland Public Library	
8/15	Summer Show Reception	5:00pm – 7:00pm
8/30	Pick up Summer 2023 Show Artwork	9:30am – 8:00pm

Spring Greetings!

Hello, CAL Members. Spring has finally arrived, and trees are budding! It has been a good year of art creating and sharing. Thank you to our Board members and the many volunteers who enable CAL to provide quality shows, demos, workshops, and our vibrant website.

I am happy to report that all the current Board members have agreed to stay on for another year. Much appreciated!

Our annual banquet will again be a potluck supper at the beautiful Pruyn House barn. The event will be held **Tuesday, June 13, starting at 4pm.** Members are welcome to come earlier and paint plein air in the gardens. Closer to the date, we will email asking for members to let us know what food they are bringing to share. CAL will provide beverages and paper goods.

Hope to see you there!
Meanwhile, happy creating!
Barbara Via

May 2 General Meeting and Demo

Ed Ticson, Art Instructor at Siena college, who recently provided a CAL workshop on portrait drawing, will be providing an Art History talk at our May 2 General Meeting. He will be showing images and talking about Women Artists in Paris, 1850-1900.

Prior to Ed's presentation, at 6:30pm, we will be awarding our Student Scholarships. Please join us at 6pm to mingle, meet the students, and celebrate these young artists.

Please gather at 6pm at St. Matthew's, Old Loudon Rd, Latham. Note: this is earlier than our usual meeting time.

50th Anniversary of CAL Happens in 2024!

Lee York is leading a small group to begin brainstorming on how best to celebrate this CAL milestone. More information, and a call for volunteers will be forthcoming.

Pruyn House Old Fashioned Sunday

Every year, the Pruy House hosts a wonderful event, with music, sheep shearing and black smithing demonstrations, live animals to pet, flowers to purchase, food vendors, etc. This year, it is **Sunday, Sept 10**, noon-4pm. CAL is always invited to participate by having members bring artworks, notecards, etc., to sell. Sometimes we paint along so folks can observe us creating art. It is a fun time. If members wish to participate, please contact Barbara Via 518-441-7464.

A reminder email will be sent in August.

Another Opening, Another Show...

We know that Spring is around the corner when the **Pruyn House** hosts the **Colonie Art League Show**. It is a tribute to the wonderful, historic location, the quality of the artwork, as well as the dedication of the people who work to create the show, that make it so special.

This year there were 61 exciting entries to the show which made selecting the winners quite a challenge. The entries came in over a period of two days and the volunteers who did the intake, numbering the paintings for display and getting the details about the artists and their creations need to be thanked for their efforts. They include: **Pat Ryan, Lorenz Worden, Cathy Laccetti, Meg Carrick, Jacqueline Smith, Mary Gaillard, David Chapin and Nancy Lyons.**

A heartfelt thanks goes out to the team of volunteers who worked together to showcase and hang the paintings. These folks include: **Mary Ann van Alstyne, Mary Gaillard, Jane Levy, Oksana Burr and Kathleen Lyons.**

The table decorations for the reception were lovely and we can thank **Marjorie Ward and Nancy Lyons** for them. Also, all the members who brought goodies to share, thank you very much.

Our judge this year was the dynamic **Ed Ticson** who did a wonderful job of not only picking the show winners and providing commentary on the pieces chosen, but also addressing questions for other artists on how to improve their work. He deserves our grateful thanks.

Once again **Pam Agan-Smith and Lee York** did an outstanding job as Show Co-Chairs making this a memorable event. Pam Agan-Smith and our CAL President, **Barbara Via** also provided comments about the show for a newscast shown that evening on WMYT Channel 13.

Once again, thank you to **Tami Sherry**, the Administrator of the Pruy House who provided a warm and gracious welcome to CAL and its members. We appreciate your support.

Congratulations to our 2023 Pruy House Art Show Winners!

1st Place: **Ned Lacy** for *Fishing Boat*

2nd Place: **Kevin Kuhne** for *Lombardo's Restaurant*

3rd Place: **Ruth Crotty** for *Claire in Purple*

Honorable Mention: **Deborah Balconoff** for *Legacy*

Honorable Mention: **Larry Johnson, Jr.** for *Tina*

Honorable Mention: **Lynda Spielman** for *Un Vieux, "Backstreet"*

Honorable Mention: **Kristin Woodward** for *Blue on Blue*

Pictures from the show by Anna Stoliker:



Kristin Woodward



from left: Sue Lunow, Barbara Via, Pam Agan-Smith, Nancy Lyons, Kristin Woodward and Paula Haavind

Colonie Art League Summer 2023 Show Guilderland Public Library

2228 Western Ave., Guilderland, NY, 12084
518-456-2400
www.guilderlandlibrary.org



Important Show News!

For many years, the Colonie Town Hall has hosted a CAL show during the months of May and June. However, as renovations will be taking place there, they will be unable to host a show for us this spring. Our show co-chairs, **Pam Agan-Smith** and **Lee York** have secured show space for CAL at the **Guilderland Public Library** during the month of **August 2023**. Details are as follows:

Schedule of Activities and Call for Art

Show dates: Wednesday, August 2 to Tuesday, August 29

Intake: Tuesday, August 1, 10 am to 2 pm

Entry Fee: \$10.00 (cash or check only)

Hanging: Tuesday August 1, 2 pm

Opening Reception: Tuesday, August 15, 5 pm to 7 pm
(Please bring a snack or refreshment to share)

Pick-Up: Wednesday, August 30, 9:30 am to 8:00 pm



This library space is limited, therefore the size limit for each painting is limited to 24 x 24 inches, including outside frame dimensions. We have yet to determine if this will be a judged show with prizes. More information is forthcoming in future emails to CAL members.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED: If you can spare some time to help with the intake, hanging and/or reception, please email **Pam Agan-Smith:** (pandg85@gmail.com)

Feel free to contact the Show Co-Chairs with questions or for further information:

Lee York: 518-772-0859 and) or **Pam Agan-Smith** 518-813-3583 (pandg85@gmail.com)

Guidelines for Entry, Display and Sale of Art For the CAL Summer 2023 Show at the Guilderland Public Library

Entry Fee: \$ 10.00 (cash or check only)

- Two-dimensional work only
- One work per artist/CAL member
- **Maximum size - 24 inches height or width (including outside dimensions of frame)**

- Work must have been completed within the last three years and NOT have been exhibited previously in any CAL exhibit (excluding Art Associates Gallery Shows)
- Work must either be framed, or museum/gallery wrapped
- **Remember to be sure your painting is wired for hanging! No saw tooth or other hangers please**
- Affix entry form below to the back, upper left-hand corner
- Watercolors (except if on canvas), pastels and drawings must be under glass
- Work must be dry
- Artwork must remain on display for the duration of the exhibit
- Original art only
- Sales will be the artist's responsibility
- **You must be a current CAL member to participate. Please visit our website for a membership form.**

Entry Form for the CAL Summer 2023 Show

Please complete 2 copies of this form. Affix one (1) copy to the back, upper left-hand corner of your artwork. Bring the other copy when you drop off your artwork at intake.

The nonrefundable entry fee is \$10.00 (**cash or check only**)

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ email address _____

Title _____

Medium _____ Price or NFS _____

Membership Update

A BIG WELCOME to *New Members* to CAL:

Robyn Diaz

Jill Evans

Paul Lawton

Jennifer Wilkerson

Vicky Paulter

As of the date of this newsletter, we have 172 paid members in CAL!

Member News

Tracy Loring will be participating as a maker at the Spring Makers Market at Arlene's on May 12 and 13. She would love to meet fellow guild members if you stop by! <https://arlenesartist.wixsite.com/mmaa/spring>

Get Well

To our members, **Annetta August, Nan Stoliker, Rich Ruotolo, Monique Cunningham** and **Judy Rosolowski**.... We wish you all speedy recoveries.

Art Classes with Kris Woodward

Watercolor, Pastel, Acrylic, Oil and Drawing

Kris has two classes a week: Wednesday from 6 to 9 and Thursday, 9:30-12:30 at St. Matthews. She teaches all mediums and works with you and your particular medium. In the nice weather she will hold classes at her home in the gardens. For more information contact kristin.woodward10@gmail.com. Covid shots are required.

Community Art Venues

Gallery 5 - A new group called Gallery 5 has formed in Schenectady to highlight the work of regional artists by hosting pop-up exhibits. The first pop up will start on Friday June 9 in a space big enough for 40 to 50 works. A second pop up will be planned for this Fall. They hope to eventually find a permanent location. Here is a link with more information:

<https://digital.olivesoftware.com>

The Schenectady Art Society is inviting every artist to join them at their Plein Air painting and bring your own food picnic event. It will be on June 22 and on June 23 from 9 am to 2 pm at Mabee Farm historic site. It is free and open to anyone (not just SAS members).

On the first day Kevin Kuhne will be holding a workshop/demo on Plein Air painting during the picnic. It is \$40 cash and open to anyone too. To reserve a seat contact **Laurel-Le Lipski** on (518) 466-6543.

Niskayuna Library community room

Contact: Circulation Desk 386-2249

Ballston Community Library community room

Contact: Deborah 399-8174 ext. 2

CAL Volunteers Needed

Dee Foley is looking for another member to assist her with identifying and contacting potential demoists. Dee's contact info is in the Board of Director's list at the end of the newsletter.

CAL Library

The library at St Matthew's is in the back room, open from 10 AM to 2 PM and 6:30pm to 9pm Wednesdays. Books and DVDs. Call to make sure that the church is open, Chris 518 879-2927 or Kris 518-461-2809.

Member Classes, Workshops and Services

Join us for Wednesday Open Studio

Where: St. Matthew's Church in Latham

How much? \$5 donation

For whom? open to all CAL members

When? anytime on Wednesdays, 10-2

Enjoy painting with friends. Bring your lunch, art supplies, and a dose of humor. Take advantage of the CAL DVD's and library.

CAL Website

Our website www.colonieartleague.com, is not a commercial website and does not sell directly or indirectly to potential clients. It will only display your wares and contact information if someone wants to buy. There is a page for CAL members to display artwork which is labeled "Member Art for Sale". One option if using the CAL website is to make a page with your name on it and include a few examples of your artwork along with your contact information, phone number, or email address. If you wish to participate, email the details to ruotolodesignshack@gmail.com.

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CALnews **Schedule**

We will send out five issues per year and email blasts for additional information as necessary.

Below is the proposed schedule:

1) SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER ISSUE

August 5th - Newsletter copy deadline for articles/info

2) NOVEMBER/DECEMBER ISSUE

October 5th - Newsletter copy deadline

October 15th - Newsletters get emailed to membership

3) JANUARY/FEBRUARY membership list and show information only

January 5th - membership list and show info sent to Jean

4) MARCH/APRIL ISSUE

February 5th - Newsletter copy deadline

February 15th - Newsletters get emailed to membership

5) MAY/JUNE ISSUE

April 5th - Newsletter copy deadline

April 15th - Newsletters get emailed to membership