

August 2021

Conway League of Artists Newsletter

Conway, Arkansas



2021 Fall Programs

Please note these may be changed, so be sure to check for updates. More information about our programs will appear in the newsletters, etc.

Annual Dues Reminder

From Richard Talley, Membership Chair

It's that time again. The dues year for Conway League of Artists runs from July 1st to June 30th of the following year. This means that the dues for July 2021 through June 2022 are now due.

Please note that only members who are current with their dues may participate in CLA shows.

Members can renew or join in two easy ways: online through Paypal (\$26) by using the link on the CLA website (conwayleagueofartists.com) or by sending a check for \$25 payable to CLA to Richard Talley, 1805 Hillman St., Conway, AR 72034 (and include your current contact info: snail-mail address, phone number, email address). You will receive new membership card by return mail.

We hope that you will renew or join as we are planning a fresh new beginning after the past 18 months.

Important! Show dates and information may be found on the next page. Entry forms will be available soon, and will be sent electronically to CLA members. Forms will also be available on the Conway League of Artists web page.

August

A program was planned, **but due to the current rise in Covid cases, there will be no in-person meeting in August.** We will continue to watch the current health situation to decide when to begin in-person meetings again. This will be posted on the CLA website and sent by email. Thank you for your patience.

September

Painting in the Louvre CLA member Sandy Arnault will share her extraordinary experience recreating Renaissance art at Paris' Louvre Museum.

October

Art – It's Personal! Sheila Parsons and other CLA members will create works of art using different medium right before your eyes!

November

Frame it Right! Jana Bowman, owner of Fran's Frame Shop in Searcy, will address various issues in choosing the right frame for your painting.

CLA Fall Show Information

The Faulkner County Library will host the 2021 CLA Fall Show from September 25th through October 30th.

Drop off for artwork will be Saturday, September 25th from 1 – 4 pm.

Entry Fee: \$20 for 1 / \$25 for 2 / \$30 for 3

Each member of Conway League of Artists may submit up to three entries.

*Membership in CLA must be current to participate. Annual dues of \$25 may be paid at time of drop off on September 25th. (Please pay dues with a separate check).

Categories:

- 1) Land/City/Waterscape
- 2) Animal/Wildlife
- 3) Still Life/Floral
- 4) Portrait/Figure
- 5) Abstract
- 6) Sculpture/3D

Show judge will be Holly Laws, Associate Professor of Art at the University of Central Arkansas, who teaches classes in Three-Dimensional Design and Sculpture.

Early next month, entry forms will be sent electronically to CLA members and will be available on the Conway League of Artists web page.

Show Chair is Shirley Bowen. Please be reminded that all artwork must remain on display through the final show date.

Quotes to Ponder

Which is most meaningful to you, personally?

“The creative process is a process of surrender, not control.” – **Julia Cameron**

“The world always seems brighter when you’ve just made something that wasn’t there before.” – **Neil Gaiman**

“Creativity takes courage.” – **Henri Matisse**

“Art speaks where words are unable to explain.” – **Unknown**

“Art, freedom and creativity will change society faster than politics.” – **Victor Pinchuk**

“The beauty of art is that it allows you to slow down, and for a moment, things that once seemed unfamiliar become precious to you.” – **Kehinde Wiley**

CLA Member Spotlight

SANDY ARNAULT

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Sandy Arnault was born and raised in Albert Lea, Minnesota. She began by drawing horses with her father at a young age and then started painting at age ten. Farming life and rural life lessons are her foundation. Sandy's success as an artist has been shaped by her childhood, the opportunity to study with professional artists and her continuous learning over the years.

Her respect and love of the land is shown in her art. Farm animals and nature are naturally what Sandy loves to paint. Her work is representational art. Paintings she has done have been shown in many places throughout the world, such as Arkansas, Arizona, Mississippi, Minnesota, Texas and Paris, France.

Having the privilege to study with several great professional artists has led to her growth as an artist. Some of these accomplished artists are Greg Beecham, Bruce Greene, Martin Grelle, Phil Beck, John Fawcett and Tina Garrett. Sandy has had many significant experiences during her journey as an artist but one particular highlight was in 2000. Sandy and a large group of other Americans painted in the famous Louvre in Paris, France. The Louvre is the world's largest museum and an incredible historical monument. This three week endeavor was invaluable. She has also traveled to Spain, France, Canada, Central America and across the USA to study the works of many famous artists.

Sandy and her husband, Larry, reside in Searcy, Arkansas on a 70 acre farm where they continue the tradition of raising cattle, horses and Australian Shepherds. Sandy owns and operates her own art studio on the back of their land. It is Trinity Art Studio, a place for artists to gather and paint nature's beauty. This also serves as a place for teachers to hold art and painting workshops. It allows teachers and students to observe the nature in a calm, peaceful environment.

Sandy's subject matter encompasses what surrounds her life in the country.

Sandy Arnault is serving as CLA Vice President and will be working with programs this year.

