

Victoria Art League, Inc.

News & Events



905 S. Bridge Street, Victoria, TX 77901 Mailing Address: P.O. Box 5011, Victoria, TX 77903
361-572-0825 - Gallery Hours: Tuesday - Saturday 1 pm - 5 pm

Farmer's Co-op - C. L. Thurmond Building

President's Corner

Wow – is it ever hot around here! I know everyone is working hard trying to keep their lawns watered and plants alive in this Texas heat. Even I (who cannot keep an ivy alive) have been watering my few live plants to keep them functioning.

You know, anything we want to survive must be nurtured and so it is with your art. If you are a painter, a potter, a sculptor or a drawing artist, in order for your expertise to become better, it must be nurtured and fed with new food. A talent can become stagnant if not used so I encourage all of you to continue learning new methods or get better at the ones you have now.

We will have some workshops and classes coming up in the next few months so be sure and read this newsletter to get all the information. I hope all of you have a safe and fun July 4th and know how blessed we are to live in a free and democratic country!



LOOK! LOOK! LOOK!

Pictured below is a look at our new roof over the gallery. No more buckets and pots under leaks! Many thanks to the H.O.T. funds and the Trull Foundation for their generous donations along with many individuals and other businesses to get another major repair accomplished.



See the new doors to the classroom? Thanks to Dave Ludlow and Bill Bauer for staining them. Want to help paint the doorframe, steps and wall? Call 649-8309



ARTIST and DEMO OF THE MONTH

Christine Thieme

Christine studied at Victoria College under Fred Spaulding and Nate Heuer. Painting, pottery, wood block prints, drawing, and photography are some of her interests. She enjoys Raku pottery and slab building. Throwing pottery is an on-going endeavor in her studio.

Christine states that she loves to paint with glazes, and make each item a canvas; be it a bowl, plate or platter. She likes to use nature for her theme.

Most of the Victoria Art League members will remember Christine's beautiful bowls and platters with their vibrant colors and designs.

Learning about woodblock printing is her newest interest. She started about one year ago under Nate Heuer at the Victoria College Art Club. He allowed the students to explore using the tools to create line. Combining the lines to obtain depth and movement within the woodblock printing creates the artistic piece. Christine will demonstrate how she does this at our monthly meeting on July 14th at 2:30 in the classroom.

Memorials and Gifts to the Building Fund

The Trull Foundation

Upcoming Events/Activities

Sunday: July 14th - monthly meeting at 2:00 in the gallery

Mondays

- Paint-in and Pottery work—anyone welcome; 10:00am-2:00pm; each person pays a small building use fee. 578-8432

Classes Being Offered This Summer

Sonny Timme - adult instruction - Mon from 6-9 Wed from 1-4 and Thurs from 1-4 . Call Sonny at 578-8722 for more info

Jim Feig - Advanced digital photography starting July 11th. Beginning photography starting July 16th. All classes from 6:30-8:30 in the classroom. Call Jim at 576-0578 for more information

Bill Bauer - beginning pottery. July 22-August 2. This will be a 2 week session from 1-4 or 6-9 .

William Vickery - stained glass classes starting the first Tuesday in July from 6:00-8:00 for 5 weeks on Tuesdays. Call him at 361-235-2416

2013-2014 Membership Fees Due!

We encourage all past members and new members to renew their memberships during the month of June in order to be included in our yearbook. Members who have joined in the last 3 months do not have to renew. Cost is:

Individual - \$30
Individual and Spouse - \$50
Full-time Student (college) - \$20
Family membership - \$50
Junior Member - \$15
Supporter - \$50 Sponsor - \$100
Benefactor - \$250 Patron - \$500
Patriot - \$1000

We Still Need More Gallery Sitters!!

One of the most important jobs at VAL is keeping the building open to the public. We need to keep it open Tuesday-Saturday from 1-5 PM. A small dedicated group is trying to do this now but we need more of you to help. It is not hard and requires no special skills and we will train you. People who teach classes or exhibit artwork are especially encouraged to help. We ask that you do this only one afternoon a month. For information or to volunteer, call **Judy Feig at 576-0578**. It is a very pleasant place to spend an afternoon.



PAINTING THE TOWN

The very successful social painting class "Painting the Town" is being offered at numerous times and days in our facility. A person who has never really painted will purchase a canvas with a subject already on it and the class will follow the instructor (Sarah Weatherly or Peggy Yandell) in completing a painting in a two hour session. Everything is provided and for \$35 the participant leaves with a finished painting. Members of the Art league pay only \$30. There have been so many classes that this undertaking seems to be taking on a "life of its own!" Eunice Collins is heading this up and she is excellent in plugging the Art League and its amenities to the participants of the class. We have had new members and more sales since this class started. Call Eunice Collins at 361-576-4043 for more information and to see what evenings are available or maybe how you can help.

Victoria Art League Summer Art Fun

Come and make a variety of two and three-dimensional projects - drawing, pastels, mosaics, sculpture and more

Grades 3 and 4

July 8-11 10:00-12:00
July 22-25 10:00-12:00

Grades 5 and Up

July 15-18 10:00-12:00
July 29-Aug1 10:00-12:00

\$64 per four day session, \$12 supply fee, \$4 building use fee Total: \$80

To reserve space send \$20 deposit to
Michele Evans, 407 Monterrey Dr.
Victoria Tx 77904
Home (361) 572-8093
Cell (361) 649-8092
Email mpevans@suddenlink.net

**Classes held at Victoria Art League
905 S. Bridge St**

We are cleaning up the patio and grounds this month - The plan is to take down the open shed (that is about to fall down) in the backyard and get rid of a lot of old lumber, old windows, etc on the patio. If anyone is interested in taking any of this, please call Susan or Bill Bauer at 575-3216 to schedule a time to come look at what is around. We will be cleaning this out tentatively on Saturday, July 21st at 9:00 am. Come help please!

New Members
Ammie Martinez
Roy Lott
Aida Lott



Message Board

VAL Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 3rd in the gallery at 2:00. Besides the VAL Board, interested committee members and/or members are invited to attend.

The July monthly meeting will be on July 14th in the gallery. We will meet at 2:00 for refreshments and to view our Artist of the Month. Our demo artist will be Christine Thieme who will be demonstrating woodblock printing.

Upcoming Workshops

October 24,25,26

Woodcarving with Lem Smith
Details in the workshop binder at the Art League

November 11,12,13 Dalhart Windberg
Cost: \$450 for the 3 day workshop. List of supplies needed at the Art League.

We have new touch locks on the front door and the classroom. If you are a gallery sitter, please call Judy Feig for the combination or if you need in to work on your art, call one of the officers for the numbers. This is just



wonderful!



Return Service Requested

