



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

President's Column



Fall has arrived with summer temperatures and lots of clear days! I am waiting for those cool autumn mornings and seeing the leaf changes. South Texas weather is always interesting to say the least.

As you can tell in the newsletter, there are a number of classes starting this month and our Fall Art Show on the docket too. There is always lots to plug into as a member of the Victoria Art League if you so desire. I just finished taking Mary Smith's watercolor class and learned some new techniques. Even though I have painted in watercolors many years, it is always good to hear from different instructors and gain new information. I encourage everyone to do the same!

I need all you artists out there and any friends you know who draw, paint, photograph, stain glass, wood, etc. to consider getting ready for our Fall Art Show in October. Jim and Judy Feig will be chairing this event so we know it will be a good show.

I want to encourage you to come to our September 13th meeting at 2:00 to view Liz Rodriguez's, our Artist of the Month, selections and listen to Dave Ludlow, our demonstrator talk about Portrait Techniques at 2:30. See you there.



Mary Jeffers Smith teaching a watercolor workshop this past month in the gallery..

Demo Artist for August Dave Ludlow "Portrait Techniques"



Dave will be doing a presentation of his technique in painting acrylic portraits. A work in progress will be used during the demo. This will include preparing the canvas, image planning, and all the steps start to finish. Techniques in blending and glazing will be demonstrated. It will be an "open for discussion" demonstration.

Classes Being Offered this Month:

Michael Windberg - oil painting on Mondays from 6-9. Cost is \$30 a session. Class is now meeting but more can plug in. Call him at 649-2833 or email him at mrwindberg@gmail.com to sign up. An afternoon class will still be possible if enough people sign up.

Jim Feig-a Beginning Digital photography class will be starting on September 10th and an Advanced class starting in October. Call Jim at 361-576-0578 or 649-8738 for more information.

Bill Bauer - Beginning pottery starting September 14th or 15th depending on demand and an **advanced class** starting on September 17th. Both classes either 1-4 or 6-9 running for 6 weeks at a cost of \$125. Call Bill at 361-649-8309 for more information and to enroll.

Allen Lara - Drawing classes starting September 22nd from 9-12. Cost will be \$35 per session. Call him at 361-212-6648 to enroll or for more information.



Sara Aleman, our Children's Coordinator will be offering classes in October. She had two successful classes during the summer and wants to continue teaching those talented young people. Call Sara at 512-767-8383 or email her at sara.aleman520@gmail.com for more information on times and cost.

Donations to the Building Fund

Hotel Occupancy Tax

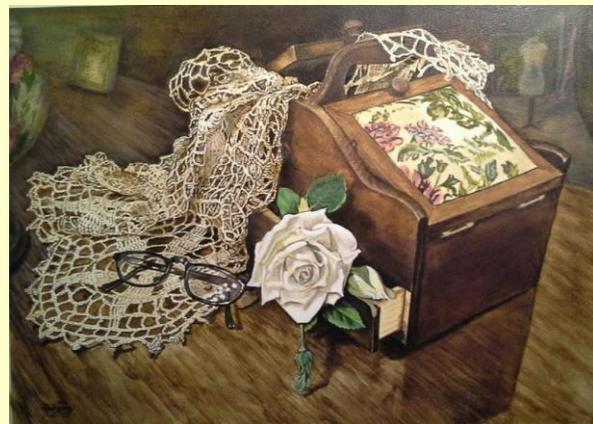
REMINDERS TO MEMBERS!!

1. **Membership Dues** are now being taken. Need to be in soon so you can be in the yearbook!
2. **Fall Art Show** will be in October. The show is scheduled for October 18th. Entries will be accepted the 14th and 15th. Rules and Regulations will be in next month's newsletter as well as the web page.
3. **Selections in the Harold Nichols Gallery** are being rearranged. If you want to bring a new selection, remove any to show new art, or if you do not have any on display and would like to please do so Monday, August 30th. Call Dave Ludlow at 503-312-1972 for more information.

Artist of the Month

Lizbeth Aleman Rodriguez

Lizbeth Aleman Rodriguez was born in Texas and is a self-taught artist. She was inspired by watching her father sketching in a notepad “it was fascinating to watch a blank sheet of paper come to life”. She studied art 2 years under teacher Karen Burleson while attending Victoria High School, winning several awards including scholastic gold keys, and best of show. She was also named artist of the year by her graduating class. For the past 26 years she has designed backdrops for church plays, and created banners for occasions of all kinds. Having an in- house studio she paints at every chance she gets. Liz paints mostly in acrylics, but also works in pastel and colored pencil. She enjoys painting still- lifes, wildlife and pet portraits, always paying close attention to the most intricate details, and trying to capture the right mood or characteristics of her subjects. Her work hangs in private galleries in Texas, Utah, and Oregon. She is a member of the Victoria Art League and displays her work regularly at the Nichols Art Gallery. You can also see more of her work on her instagram page [@larodriguezart](#) .For commissions, contact her at Larodriguezart@gmail.com



Or call 361-648-6304.



Don't Forget
PAINTING THE TOWN

Call Eunice Collins at 576-4043 for times and cost. Look up Painting the Town Victoria on her Facebook page

The VAL Board will be meeting at 2:00 in the gallery on September 2nd. Interested members are always welcome.

New Members to the Art League

Ingra Sparkman

Pat Fagan

Maggie Charles



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