



# Newsletter

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## *Letter from the President*

As the leaves fly and temps sink below 65 degrees, it can be easy to disregard the opportunity a change of season may bring. Everyone experiences change differently with a sense of yearning for what is no longer there, throughout all aspects of life. It is often this time of renewal we pause, reflect, and create.

Art creates a bridge; it brings the emotions of the creator to be experienced by the viewer and interpreted through exponential perceptions. It opens windows and doors to each other, as does change.

## **IMPORTANT MEMBERSHIP UPDATES:**

**NO** formal meeting in November and a reminder there are **NO** meetings scheduled during **January and February**. Member dues are late after January 30th, so we ask you plan ahead and bring your check to the Nov. 5<sup>th</sup> reception, the Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> party, or mail to: **VAA, PO BOX 674, Chippewa Falls, WI 54724**

## **Annual Fall Member Show**

***“COMING TOGETHER, One Small Piece at a Time”*** hosted by the Heyde Center is set up and running. Thank you to the members and volunteers along that make this happen every year!

Load out this year is scheduled:

November 21<sup>st</sup>, 10 AM-6:30 PM

November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 10 AM – 2 PM

Any concerns regarding pick-up please contact me directly @ [tford67.tf4@gmail.com](mailto:tford67.tf4@gmail.com)

A SURPRISE this year added will be Board awards handed out at our Reception on November 5<sup>th</sup>.

SEE YOU THERE!!!

## *Current VAA displays*

**Lucy's Deli/Foreign 5** – Frank Nowak & Carol Way

**Altoona Library** – Ken Krautbauer & Karen Bejin

**Artisan Forge Studio Wall** – Karen Scarseth, Jane Mohler, & Kathy Stockton Behnke

**Sweet Driver's** – Barb Harling & Leslie Snyder

## **Upcoming Valley Visual Art Events**

Elmaro – Member, Jeff Nelson, with meet and greet scheduled for Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1-4 PM

Pablo's Annual “Confluence of Art” with several VAA members through November 13th

Free Art Journaling classes for local Chippewa Valley residents at the Heyde Center starting in September and ongoing, see Heyde's website for class listing, times and dates.

October 29<sup>th</sup> & Nov. 5<sup>th</sup> – Free Public workshops from 9 – 12 at the Heyde, limited spaces still available contact Beth at [bethcreekmore@gmail.com](mailto:bethcreekmore@gmail.com)

Congrats to member Scott Von Holzen who is showing at the new “Gallery 1802” in LaCrosse

Heyde Center is hosting several VAA member classes over the coming months, check their website for details.

*Thank you to Dave and Lindamerry Udel for doing a wonderful member program on matting and framing right before our member show. Many questions were answered, and a wonderful handout was shared with members about this subject.*

*Please contact Kathy @ [kasbehkne@gmail.com](mailto:kasbehkne@gmail.com) to inquire about becoming a presenter at one of our meetings.*



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### ***WRAP/STAMP/VAA***

The shows are up and look great. Between them we have more than 210 pieces of art. It's a must-see display.

Dates to remember:

**November 3 from 3:00-5:30** is the presentation by professional artist, Allan Servoss, on "How to Achieve Unity in your Art" free to all who entered the WRAP/STAMP Shows and \$5.00 for anyone else who'd like to attend.

**November 5 from 12:00-4:00** is the Artist Reception with Music, Awards, Silent Auction, Dessert Buffet and cash bar. This will be a fun event, please plan to attend.

Thanks to everyone who entered the show and a special thanks to those members who volunteered on our check-in days. We couldn't have these kinds of events without your help.

### ***Programs are Interactive and Inspirational***

If you enjoy our programs, and you'd like to share via presentation or demonstration with our members, or have an idea or contact, please email Kathy Stockton-Behnke at [kasbehnke@gmail.com](mailto:kasbehnke@gmail.com)

Programs are not beholden to formal meetings, we encourage alternative times and places to offer classes, demos, and programs to members. Our goal is to have next year booked with great content for our members to grow and be inspired to keep creating!

**Join the FUN!**

❄️ **It's beginning to look a  
lot like Christmas** ❄️

Set the date, Thursday, December 1<sup>st</sup>  
is our annual Christmas Party, 5-9  
PM.

An email invite is on its way to ALL  
members, Stay Tuned.

### **Website GALLERY**

The opportunity to be featured on the VAA Website Gallery is almost here. If this is something you'd like to be part of, go to the EVENTS page on the website and locate the instructions link for new members.

Existing Members can follow the instruction link for updates.

Reminder it is not a site to sell from, but is an excellent resource to have your own web link.

**Updates to be done November 28<sup>th</sup> – December 17<sup>th</sup>**



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## NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS:

We **WILL NOT** be meeting the months of January and February due to inclement weather that almost always causes us to cancel. We will resume our regular scheduled meetings at the Heyde with a pastel program by Kay Brothel-Hostvet in March 2023. Stay tuned to your emails and the website for updates and current events during that time. A newsletter will go out those months, so please submit any events you may be involved in to share with other members. Please feel free to reach out to myself or any board members with questions during this time, as well. Thank you, Tammy, President

Additionally, all those who wish to remain eligible to display, utilize the website gallery page, and have access to member programs and events must keep their dues current. Please plan accordingly.

Thank you, Beth Creekmore, Treasurer.

### ***Attention***

Reminder to email any updates, personal exhibits, and accomplishments to [tford67.tf4@gmail.com](mailto:tford67.tf4@gmail.com) before the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month to be included in the newsletter/website.

Also, please visit the website often, as events are ever changing; it provides a one stop place providing information for members and the community.

[www.valleyartassociation.org](http://www.valleyartassociation.org)