



LAA NEWSLETTER

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JOIN US FOR OUR FIRST 2022
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
TUES, APRIL 19th @ 5:30
Let's Get This PARTY Started!



President's Blurb

Happy Spring, Everyone! I look forward to seeing everyone **Tuesday, April 19th at 5:30 PM for our general member meeting.** This will be a great chance for our members to meet our new officers, share ideas, sign up for upcoming events, and schedule volunteer time. Hope to see y'all!













Your President of your LAA,
Dusty Reed dusty@cajunpicasso.com

NEWS2NOTE:

- **Kids Are Artists Too**
EXHIBIT: Thru 4/9
RECEPTION: Sat., 4/9 2-4pm
- **Artwalk:** 4/9
- **Closed for Easter:** 4/15 & 4/16
- **4/16 LAA at Moncus Park Farmer's & Artisan Market**
- **4/17 Easter Sunday**
- **4/19 Members General Meeting @ 5:30**
- **Member Spring & Summer Show**
SUBMIT: 4/20-4/23 & 4/27-4/30
- **4/26 Newsletter Deadline**
- **4/28 LAA Board Meeting @ 5:30**
- **4/27-5/1 Festivals**
- International/Downtown**
- **APRIL Mini Workshop:**
4/30 Clay Handbuilding: Slab Construction with Edward deMahy 10am-3pm

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

- **NEXT 1st SATURDAY ARTS MARKET:**
May 7, 10am-3pm
- **Member Spring & Summer Show**
EXHIBIT: 5/4-7/2
- Members VOTE:** 5/4-5/14
- AWARDS Reception:** 5/15 • 4-6pm

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
27 LAA Gallery Hours: Open: Wed, Thurs & Fri Noon to 5pm Saturdays, 10am -2pm CLOSED: Sun, Mon & Tues	28 Main Gallery: Kids Are Artists Too Thru April 9th Reception: 4/9, 2-4pm	29 	30 Bonnie Camos 	31 Sharon Brotherton April 1 Margo Baker Simone Palmer	2 Dusty Reed 	2 Dusty Reed 
3 	4 The Foyer: Moncus Park's 12 Days of Christmas Paintings thru April Laf Main Library: Jim Johnson, 2nd floor. Paintings 4/8-6/8	5	6 Bonnie Camos 	7 Sharon Brotherton 8 Margo Baker	9 Dusty Reed Kids Are Artists Too Reception, 2-4	9 Dusty Reed Kids Are Artists Too Reception, 2-4
10	11 LCG: Thru May Art Students of Dusty Reed and Margo Baker Exhibit	12	13 Bonnie Camos 	14 Sharon Brotherton	15 CLOSED Good Friday	16 Dusty Reed ART WALK LAA at Horse Farm
17 	18 Vermillionville: Nan Bonin, Gladys Chapman, Liz White Thru June	19 LAA GENERAL MEETING 5:30 	20 Bonnie Camos 	21 Sharon Brotherton	22 Margo Baker Simone Palmer	23 Dusty Reed LAA at Horse Farm
24	25	26	27 Bonnie Camos Festivals International 4/27 Thru 5/1 	28 Sharon Brotherton LAA BOARD MEETING 5:30	29 Festivals International Thru Sunday, 5/1	30 Dusty Reed 
PICK-UP FREEZE FRAME WORK 3/23-3/26 and 3/30-4/2						
Kids Are Artists Too! Exhibit 3/6-3/9						
Submit for Spring & Summer Show 4/20-4/23 & 4/27-4/30						
Submit for Spring & Summer Show Thru 4/30						

WELCOME THESE NEW MEMBERS:

Cheremie/Bernhardt Family
Craig-Handley Family
Herrmann Family
Ivy Kohll
Heather Troclair
Sue Van Hoose

CONGRATS TO:

Ginger Kelly who will be at the botanical Garden sale in New Orleans April 2 and third. She's also been accepted into The New Orleans Jazz and Heritage Festival at the Louisiana Marketplace May 5-8. This is her 15th year of being accepted! **PROUD of you Ginger!**

CONGRATS TO:

Ceci Neustrom for her recent exhibit, *The Acadian Heritage Series*, at the Morgan-Anders House.

CONGRATS TO:

Carol Miller and Cynthia Alleman for their Mardi Gras sculpture and painting exhibit at Nu Nu's Artist Collective in Arnaudville, now thru May 1st. Congrats Girls! It's a really fun and great show all should see!



Please Join Us
for the LAA
35th Annual
Youth Art
Competition
Awards Reception

**This Saturday,
April 9th, 2-4pm**

Kids Are Artists Too!

Last Week of Exhibit! April 6-April 9th

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SUPPORT YOUR ART GALLERY | MEET NEW PEOPLE
GET INVOLVED WITH THE ARTS
KEEP OUR GALLERY OPEN

DAILY GALLERY VOLUNTEERS

LAA volunteers play an invaluable role in the successful daily operation of our gallery by giving their time, Wednesday to Friday 12-5 and Saturday 10-2, to keep the doors open every week. Still, we are always in need of people to gallery sit. If you'd like to volunteer to gallery sit, but don't know how, we'll team you up with someone who is very knowledgeable.

Sign Me Up!

It's really easy - just contact us: info@lafayetteart.org

CONGRATS TO:

Paula McDowel for having her metal clay piece, *Stuck In My Brain and Under My Skin* (one of only 22 from over 100!) selected for the Superbly Sintered Masterful Designs in Metal Clay Exhibition at the first annual Alliance for Metal Clay Arts World-wide Conference. See the art selected for the exhibit at amcaw.org/superbly-sintered/ and vote for Paula's piece to win the Best in Show Award! This is MAJOR!!



At the Hilliard

April 20: Creative Conversation with L. Kasimu Harris

Hear from New Orleans photographer L. Kasimu Harris as he walks through his exhibition *L. Kasimu Harris: Vanishing Black Bars & Lounges*.

Mid City Merchants Hot Art Cool Nights Arts & Music Festival Looking for Art Vendors

Baton Rouge, LA • Friday, May 6th, 6-10pm. An evening to celebrate local art, food, and music held each Spring in the Mid City Art & Cultural District. Spots available both inside and out of the Gallery and Art Learning Center. Registration is open to makers of art/handcrafted items.

For more information:
<https://www.midcitymerchantsbr.org/artist-interest-form>



LAA Mini Workshop:

Clay Handbuilding: Slab Construction



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1008 E. St. Mary Blvd, Lafayette

with *Edward deMahy*
Saturday, April 30th

10am-3pm

\$60 Members/\$70 Non Members

Slab construction starts by rolling out and creating smooth slabs of clay that are then formed around molds or shaped by hand. Additional decorative designs are pressed into the clay and/or attached to create a unique form. You'll have the opportunity to build 2 slab constructed objects: a vessel, a wall-hanging, or a platter. Schedule a convenient time in the following week to glaze your work at Edward's studio (where he'll also fire). You'll then be notified to pick up your finished work at the LAA. All tools and supplies will be provided.

FOR MORE INFO AND TO REGISTER:

Text or call Edward

337.322.1058

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: April 22

6 Week Course • Thursdays • 1:30-3:30pm

Watercolors with Tom Powers

New Classes Begin April 7-May 12

Watercolor, a fun, low-cost option if you want to learn to paint, offers a lot of possibilities for creative self-expression. Weekly paintings will be done from a supplied sketch by Tom along with a photo reference. He'll demonstrate his technique and process and you'll learn about the characteristics of watercolor paint, so you can know what to expect when you start painting.

All levels accepted. Supply list upon registration or request.
 Please contact Tom with any questions you may have.

For more info/to register:

Email Tom at tompow1008@yahoo.com



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Words of Inspiration

"You do not even have to believe in yourself or your work. You have to keep yourself open and aware to the urges that motivate you. Keep the channel open." Martha Graham

CONGRATS TO:

Dusty Reed and Margo Baker for their ongoing efforts on behalf of the LAA First Saturday Arts Market! If you missed it, Taylor Trache with News 15 covered the February Arts Market and interviewed Dusty. Great Job! Taylor will also interview Margo regarding the Kids Art Artist Too Exhibit, so stay tuned to KADN Fox15!

CONGRATS TO:

Edward deMahy and Dusty Reed for their success at the recent Festivals Acadiens! Both booths were busy all weekend! Looking Good too!

Lafayette Art Association Hosts First Saturday Arts Market



A Colorful Reception was held at LCG for the art students of Dusty Reed and Margo Baker.



This student art exhibition at Lafayette City Hall will be up through April. Please go by and check out the work of these very talented artists!



Happy Easter!



A Great Big



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Thanks

To These Awesome People For Their Support
and Donations To Kids Are Artists Too!

Kart Ranch

Camilla Drobish

Guy Kilchrist

Palmer Graphics

Jay & Elizabeth Fletcher

Pam Gremillion

Barbara Stevens

Linda Lejeune

Kandy Vallot

Simone & Terry Palmer

Faye Reed

Michelle Landry

Cathy Williams

Regina Steele

Winnie Bacque'

Joyce Linde

Kaye Landry

John Boudreaux

Vaughan Burdin

Becky Collins

Kerry Palmer

Margaret Melancon

Doug Nehrbass

Trish Ransom

Kelly Cormier

Burnell Lemoine

THANKS TO:

Margo Baker and Ginger Kelly for their ongoing efforts on behalf of the LAA at the Lafayette Farmers & Artisans Market every third Saturday of the month!

Last month they set up a booth for the kids to make colorful paper fans. It was a crowd pleaser, especially in combination with being next to a booth where the two writers were reading some of their children's books (this is also a new LAA member, Carol Stubbs, writer).

The plans are to have a kids art project every time. The LAA has a booth at the Horse Farm every 3rd Saturday, 8am-noon.

Have any ideas for an easy craft? Let us know!

Want to donate some simple craft supplies? We're in need of quick dry glue, glue sticks, tape, scissors, markers, colored pencils, hole punches, construction paper, pipe cleaners, beads, pom poms, fabric scraps, paints, wet wipes, paper towels, and more!

Want to volunteer?

We really could use some extra help! Please call the LAA and ask for Margo or leave a message. It's a lot of fun!



The LAA is Now At The Horse Farm - Every 3rd Saturday of the Month!
8am-12 noon; Moncus Park



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MARKET**



March Mini Workshops were Plenty & Busy! We had a total of 4! Plus a 2-Day Workshop!

The month started out with Susan Chiqulein's 2 part **Ceramic Bunny Plates** mini workshop, followed by Edward deMahy's much anticipated **Clay Handbuilding/Pinch Pots** class. Nicole Dalhquist also had a very creative 2 part mini workshop, **Alcohol Inks and Mixed Media**. And, finally, but, not least, was Bonnie's **Encaustic Monotype** workshop - always fun and additive too! Kathy Dumesnil's 2 Day workshop- **Creating Ephemeral & Concertina Book** was awe inspiring as the many participants learned several new "tricks". I've taken a little break in April - with Arts Market, Kids Reception & Easter, its a full month! Plus Ed's 2nd Clay Mini Workshop, **Slab Construction**, on 4/30.



Here are a few pics from Bonnie Camos' **Encaustic Monotypes** Mini on 3/19. There were 8 participants! The numbers are great - let's keep going!



Edward's 3/12 Clay mini was the first of (3) Clay Handbuilding Workshops (another, Slab Construction on 4/30 and the third in May). There were 11 participants plus a wait list. The finished student work was put on display during April's First Saturday Arts Market and it was amazing!





Nicole Dalhquist's 2 Part mini, **Mixed Media with Alcohol Inks** on 3/13 & 3/20 was also a new venture. Participants built up a textured focal point using a molding paste and then finished with alcohol inks. Looks like Margaret Melancon is adding another medium to her talents!



This girl was quite envious of the participants in Kathy Dumesnil's 2 Day Workshop, **Creating Ephemeral & Concertina Book** on 3/26 & 3/27. I was lucky enough to be able to drop in on a demo, but I sure was itching to get my hands dirty trying out some of the various techniques!



LAA's Main Library display during the first quarter of 2022 was done by Ginger Kelly, glass mosaics (2nd floor), and John Boudreaux, (3rd floor) photos and mixed media.



Ginger Kelly hung her beautiful glass mosaic work at the Lafayette Library.





And, how could we forget Cheri Fry's February Intro to Watercolor Mini Workshop!

This was a surprise "extra" that this fabulous instructor thru together for the LAA just short of her 2 Day Watercolor Workshop in February (photos to come!)

It was so well attended, Cheri added an extra morning class to accomodate the number of participants - 6 in the am and 13 in the pm! What a day and for an intro, the finished work was truly amazing! Cheri will be busy all summer with building a house and teaching locally, but we look forward to another set of workshops in the Fall! And, congrats to Cheri for being accepted into a gallery in Baton Rouge!

Are we having fun yet? Margaret sure is! You go girl - between you an me, it's hard to say who wins the prize for attending the most Mini Workshops!



Donna Arkle's 2 grands, Avery & Madi Arkle were real troopers! And, two very talented young ladies!



Cheri's Am Class: Anne Broussard, Guy Kilchrist, Cathryn Wright, Barbara Stevens, Cheri Fry, Jody West and Dianner Greaves.



Cheri's Pm Class: Donna Arkle and her 2 grands, Avery & Madi Arkle, Cheri, Adrian Guidry, Marcelle Guidry, Ivy Kohl, Sara Godwin, Karen Johnson, Barbara Feske, Margaret Melancon, Patricial Hanks and Betty Fletcher