

January 2025



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President's Blurb

Dear Members and Friends of the Lafayette Art Association,

Happy New Year! As we step into 2025, I want to take a moment to express thanks for your invaluable support in the successes we achieved together in 2024. From our recent **6x6 Fundraiser** (which brought together a diverse array of mini-masterpieces) to the successful **Deck the Walls Christmas Exhibit** - your creativity, enthusiasm, and dedication played a vital role in making these events truly special. *A Special Thank You* to **Bonnie Camos and Susan Chiquelin** for chairing Deck the Walls and to all of our volunteers whose time and talents contributed to the success of these events. Every contribution makes a difference!

As we look ahead, I'm filled with excitement for **The Bird Show**, an upcoming exhibit that will celebrate the beauty and spirit of birds in all their forms. This unique show, **chaired by Ginger Kelly and Cathy Mills**, will showcase the incredible talent of members and non-members and remind us of the profound connection between art and nature. In 2025, we also have ambitious plans to grow our membership and expand our volunteer base. Together, we can achieve new heights, ensuring that the Lafayette Art Association remains a hub for creativity and collaboration.

Please follow us on social media and read your emails! Voting for new board members and officers will be sent out by email take soon. Please take the time to read the roster- your vote is important!

Thank you for being an essential part of this journey. I look forward to a new year filled with inspiration, growth, and even more artistic successes for the LAA and for our members!

Sincerely,
Your President of Your LAA, Margo Baker



NEWS2NOTE:

EXHIBIT:

- 1/7-1/17 **Deck The Walls Pick-up Art**
- 1/11 **Artwalk**
- 1/16 **Board Meeting**
- 1/18-1/25 **Submissions for LAA Bird Show, Open to Members and Non Members**
- 1/28-2/22 **LAA Bird Show Exhibit: Unique Artist Interpretations Of Our Feathered Friends**
- 1/20-2/24 **Watercolor classes with Tom Powers, 1:30-3:30pm**

On View At Our Satellite Gallery:

- **Vermilionville:** Regina Steele
Jan thru March

UPCOMING FEBRUARY

- 2/8 **Artwalk**
- 2/13 **Board Meeting**
- 2/14 Valentine's Day**
- 2/22 **The LAA Bird Show Reception**
- 2/22-3/1 **Pick-Up Artwork from The LAA Bird Show**
- 2/25-3/8 Submit for Annual LAA Watercolor Guild Exhibit**
- Open, Non Juried Show and Sale**
- 3/11-4/5 Annual LAA Watercolor Guild Exhibit**



THE BIRD SHOW



LAFAYETTE ART ASSOCIATION

Birds The Word!

Enter your best artistic interpretation
of our feathered friends!

SUBMIT ART:

Jan 18 to
Jan 25

SHOW:

Jan 28 to
Feb 22

- OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS & NON-MEMBERS
- All media categories: 2D and 3D
- Art must be able to fit through the front door
- Entry Fee: \$25.00 per entry, up to 3 entries allowed
- Fundraiser event for the Lafayette Art Association
- Best of Show winner will receive an LAA gallery show to be scheduled during 2026

Celebrate your love for our feathered friends with this creative opportunity!
For More Info: gingerkellyglass@gmail.com or cbmillsart@gmail.com

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LAArt&about

Condolences to: Dusty Reed, Kandy Reed, and Danielle for the recent



passing of their father, Mr. Keith Reed. Mr. Keith always had kind words and big hugs to share! His love and support for Dusty was evident, as he and his wife, Faye, were present at nearly every show and event celebrating Dusty's work. Mr. Keith will be greatly missed! Please keep the Reed family in your thoughts and prayers.

ART Opportunity

Calling all Acadiana artists and makers! NEW DATES FOR ACADIANA OPEN STUDIO TOUR: March 22-23

After a year-long hiatus, we're coming back stronger than ever with a new date and renewed energy. This free, all-ages, self-guided tour will once again showcase the inspiring spaces where creativity comes to life. Visitors will meet artists, watch live demonstrations, and experience the rich artistic heritage of Acadiana across multiple parishes. It's a wonderful opportunity to connect with the community, share your craft, and invite people into the heart of your creative world. All members in the Acadiana area are encouraged to participate! Whether you're hosting visitors in your studio, offering demonstrations, or showcasing your work, your involvement will make this year's event unforgettable. If you have any questions please email Lynn Jenkins at Lynn@louisianacrafts.org.

UPCOMING At The LAA Spring Garage Sale!

The date for our Spring garage sale is not set yet, but as soon as it is, we will let you know! In the meantime, if you are doing any cleaning and/or downsizing, please keep our garage sale in mind! It's a great way to help your LAA and at the same time, clean out your space! At the moment, we don't have room to store donations, but, we will let you know soon when to make the drop off! For more information about the garage sale and what items will be accepted this year, please contact gingerkellyglass@gmail.com.

Call For Art:

Create! Magazine International Women's Issue 2025 Call for Entries

Deadline: Feb 1, 2025. Annual print and digital publication celebrates the creativity, resilience, and brilliance of women artists around the world who resonate with the theme of celebrating women in art.

Why Submit? **Visibility and Recognition:** Whether you're an emerging or established artist, this is an opportunity to share your work with a global audience of curators, collectors, and art enthusiasts reaching over 200,000+ readers. **Plus Prizes:** Enhance your career with interviews, memberships, and other exclusive opportunities. Online submissions, createmagazine.submittable.com/submit Questions? email us at info@createmagazine.com.

PLEASE NOTE:

We've updated our business hours: We are now open Tuesday through Saturday, 11am-3pm.

Of Art/Artists Concern:

Important Reminder for All Working Artists and Arts Businesses! From the Office of the Louisiana Director of Civic Design & Cultural Districts: Effective January 1, 2025, the local sales tax exemption on art will no longer be supported by state law. **Want this incentive to be reinstated?** Connect with the LA Partnership for the Arts Executive Director Ed 'Tiger' Verdin (337.578.7114), your legislator or contact local governing authorities to inquire about the feasibility of reinstating the exemption by passing a local ordinance. The Louisiana Office of Cultural Development and the Division of the Arts are exploring alternative incentives to benefit artists and those who support them in Cultural Districts.

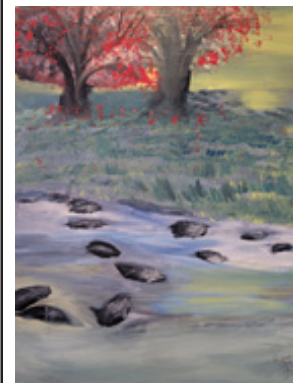
Words of Wisdom:

"Learn the rules like a pro so you can break them like an artist."

Pablo Picasso

"Art is a line around your thoughts."

Gustav Klimt



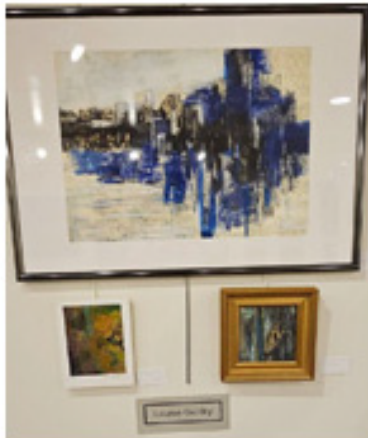
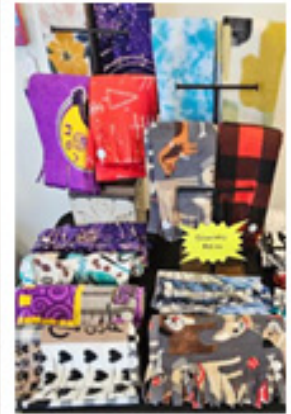
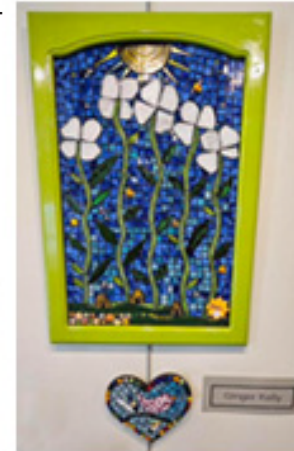
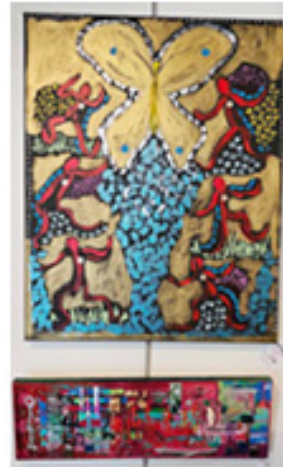
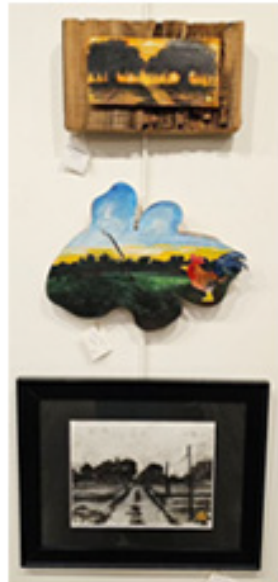
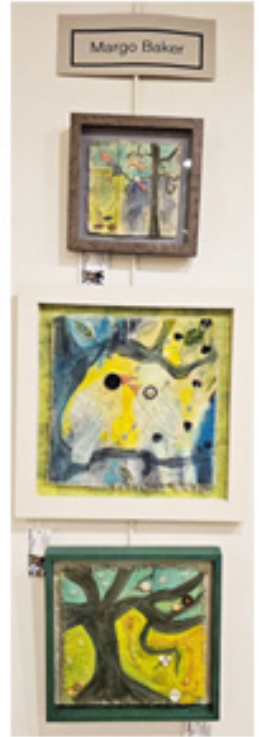
Congrats to:

Regina Steele whose artwork is presently on view at the LAA's satellite gallery, Vermilionville - La Cuisine de Maman (300 Fisher Road), now thru March 31st.

We sent out a call to deck our walls for a Xmas Market exhibit, and what a beautiful display we had! Thanks to Bonnie Camos and Susan Chiqulein for chairing this special exhibit!

Deck THE Walls

Thank you to everyone who visited and shopped the creative works of our friends and members: Laura Davis' joyful work; Ted Bertrand's colorful Louisiana landscapes; Bonnie Camos' collection of multimedia works, encaustic collages, linocuts, and monoprints; Louise Guidry's dynamic abstract works; Ginger Kelly's beautiful glass mosaics and her sister Vicki Hamilton's cheerful scarves; Susan Chiqulein's unique, functional pottery to treasure for a lifetime; the ceramic work of Susannah Craig, the talented owner of Pottery Alley, as beautiful as her heart; Cathy Mills' whimsical ceramic and multimedia creations; and Margo Baker's plasma-cut designs on reclaimed metal, and her mixed media works brought many a smile this holiday season!





JANUARY 2025



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
CLOSED FOR THE HOLIDAYS, 12/24-1/6/2025						
5	6 Epiphany	7	8	9	10	11 Art Walk
PICK UP DECK THE WALLS Jan 7th -Jan 11th						
12	13 POSTPONED VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION LUNCH	14	15	16 BOARD MEETING @5:30	17	18 Submit for Open Bird Art Show 1/18-1/25
19	20 Martin Luther King Day Tom Powers' Watercolor Class 1:30-3:30	21	22	23	24	25
Submit for Open Bird Art Show 1/18-1/25						
26	27 Hang Bird Show Tom Powers' Watercolor Class 1:30-3:30	28	29	30	31	1
FRONT & MAIN GALLERY: Open Bird Art Show 1/28-2/22						
FOYER: Bird Show Chairs/Ginger Kelly and Cathy Mills 1/28-2/22						

February 2025



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat		
	Jan 27	Jan 28	Jan 29	Jan 30	Jan 31		1	
	Hang Bird Show	FRONT & MAIN GALLERY: Open Bird Art Show 1/28-2/22						
		FOYER: Bird Show Chairs/Ginger Kelly and Cathy Mills 1/28-2/22						
Ground Hog Day	2	3	4	5	6	7	8 Artwalk	
	Tom Powers Watercolor Class 1:30-3:30	FRONT & MAIN GALLERY: Open Bird Art Show Thru 2/22						
		FOYER: Bird Show Chairs/Ginger Kelly and Cathy Mills Thru 2/22						
9	10	11	12	Board Meeting	13	Valentine's Day	14 15	
	Tom Powers Watercolor Class 1:30-3:30	FRONT & MAIN GALLERY: Open Bird Art Show Thru 2/22						
		FOYER: Bird Show Chairs/Ginger Kelly and Cathy Mills Thru 2/22						
16	17	18	19	20	21		22 Bird Show Reception	
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23	24	25	26	27	28		March 1	
	Tom Powers Watercolor Class 1:30-3:30	Pick Up Bird Art Show Thru 3/1						
		SUBMIT WATERCOLOR EXHIBIT: 2/25 thru 3/8						