



# The Glenview Art League Newsletter

*"Advancing the study and development of fine art in our community"*

DECEMBER 2018

## President's Corner



Happy holidays from the Glenview Art League. We are grateful that you are doing creative work, sharing your vision with the community, and supporting your fellow artists. It's significant and it makes a difference!

Safeguard your creative energy through these next few months. November and December can be a busy time, even a stressful time. The cold temperatures and diminishing light may effect our moods. Pay attention to what revs up your inner artist, and you may lessen or even avoid artistic blocks, burnout, and the roller coaster highs and lows that many artists sometimes experience.

In *The Artist's Way*, Julia Cameron recommends "artist dates" or time set aside each week for "nurturing the creative consciousness." She writes, "An artist date is a chance to spoil your artist... something enchanting as opposed to something demanding." This might involve visiting a gallery, browsing in an art supply store, playing with new materials. Or it might be unrelated to art: reading, exercise, time spent walking outdoors, cooking. Anything that feels fun, experimental, or indulgent may restore the bank of inspiration that you draw from to make your artwork.

What are your favorite ways to keep your artistic energy levels stoked up? Visit the GAL website and share your ideas by clicking the link on the front page.

**NOTE: the Exhibit Program needs a new coordinator. Please consider taking on this vital role. This is one of GAL's most popular programs, and so let's keep it going strong.**

I hope to see many of you at the GAL Potluck coming up on Friday, December 7. Thanks for your thoughtful and informative responses to the GAL member survey (see results inside). Save the dates for our upcoming events, and make plans to volunteer or visit our 30th Annual Youth Art Fair on February 23.

Keep up the creative work!  
Deb Anderson



*"Summer Days" by Bob Leopold, oil on canvas, 18 by 18 inches*

### SAVE THE DATES - UPCOMING EVENTS

- December 2018 ..... No Demo Meeting!
- Fri., Dec. 7, 5:45 p.m. .... Member Potluck / ART SHARE
- January 2019 ..... No Demo Meeting!
- January 21 ..... GAL Board Meeting, all welcome
- Tues., Feb. 5, 7 p.m. .... Demo by Kristin Hauss, Watercolor
- Mon., Feb. 18, 7 p.m. .... GAL Board Meeting, all welcome
- Saturday, Feb. 23 ..... 2019 Youth Art Fair
- July 27-28 ..... GAL's 66th Annual Summer Art Fair

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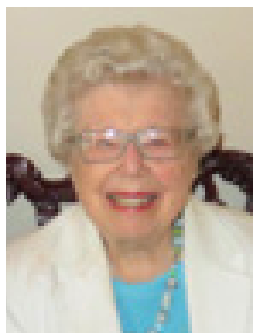
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## In memory of longtime member Dorothy Bernice Faierson

November 30, 1913 – November 3, 2018  
(one month shy of her 105th birthday!)



Dorothy Faierson became involved with the Glenview Art League in the very early days. She loved to share excitedly of the early art fairs as they evolved over the years. She initially served as treasurer and began her term as president of GAL in 1962. She remained president for many, many years. Dorothy helped keep the art league going when it was in danger of dissolving.

Dorothy has had a lifelong interest in art. Along with serving as president of

GAL, she was a devoted member of another art group which met at the Glenview Community Church for 40 years.

Dorothy painted in many art mediums, and seemed to favor acrylics in later years. She exhibited at Lutheran General Hospital, Quaker Oats Gallery, Kraft, Walgreens, and many area banks.



Paintings by Dorothy Faierson

Dorothy's advice to artists was to "paint as much as possible." She felt her experiences as an artist broadened her perspective and heightened her awareness.

We are very grateful for Dorothy's active involvement in the League.

— The GAL Board of Directors

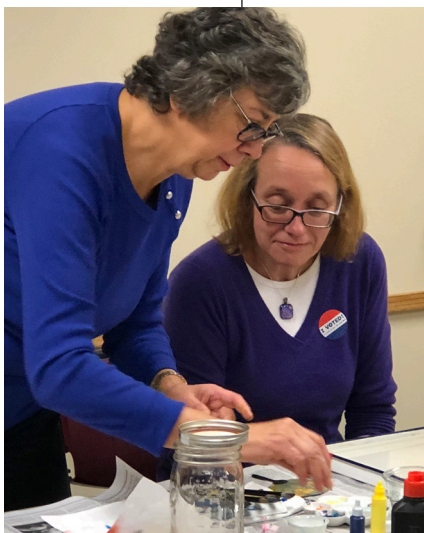


## Oakton's annual "Empty Bowl" event to benefit food charities

Oakton's Community College's Annual "Empty Bowl" Event is set for Saturday, December 1. Choose your favorite bowl—then share in a meal of soup and bread as a reminder of those who are in need around the world. The bowl is yours to keep! Many local ceramics artists have donated hundreds of beautiful, handcrafted bowls made especially for this free event. Live music sets the mood. Admission is free.

A raffle of unique artwork will also be held. Tickets are \$3 each; four for \$10; 10 for \$20.

Donation for each bowl: \$16. All proceeds go to local food charities. For more information, contact [emptybowls@oakton.edu](mailto:emptybowls@oakton.edu) or (847) 635-1699. Sponsored by the Ceramics Club at Oakton Community College and funded by the student activity fee. Empty Bowls is a nonprofit, global movement that has raised millions of dollars for food banks, soup kitchens, and other meal programs. Held at: Oakton Community College's TenHoeve Center, 1600 E. Golf Road, Des Plaines, IL.



## GAL's artist demonstrations

Next art demo: Feb. 5, 2019 (no demos in Dec. and Jan.)

Pamela Martinez demonstrated Suminagashi at an event sponsored by the GAL on Nov. 6 at the Glenview Park Center. The art demo, open to GAL members and the general public, drew a large crowd. Suminagashi is the ancient meditative Japanese practice of gently floating ink pigments on the surface of water with a brush and then capturing the ink image on absorbent rice paper. Her heartfelt expression of the historical background and time honored technique of the ancient art, in combination with numerous, talented demonstrations and one-on-one tutorials, were well received and appreciated. She detailed the spiritual practice and self-expression of Suminagashi that easily captured the imagination of those present.

Save the date for the next GAL art demo on Tuesday, Feb. 5, 2019 from 7-9 p.m. at the Glenview Park Center. The demonstration will be given by Kristin Hauss, a watercolor artist and art professor at Oakton Community College.

Left: Pamela Martinez demonstrates her Suminagashi technique to Kathie Green, GAL administrative director

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*“Trust in what you love, continue to do it, and it will take you where you need to go.”*

~ NATALIE GOLDBERG, *Writing Down the Bones*

## ART SHARE and Holiday Potluck

RSVP to [glenviewartleague@att.net](mailto:glenviewartleague@att.net)

Friday, Dec. 7 is GAL’s annual ART SHARE and Holiday Potluck. All members and guests are welcome: bring a piece of artwork you would like to discuss and a dish to pass. A number of people have already sent their RSVP’s via email to [glenviewartleague@att.net](mailto:glenviewartleague@att.net). We look forward to another wonderful time this year. Each artist will discuss their artwork, asking for feedback from others or just sharing how much fun it was to create their particular piece of work. The event takes place from 5:45-9 p.m. at the Glenview Public Library, at 1930 Glenview Road.

## Donate to GAL

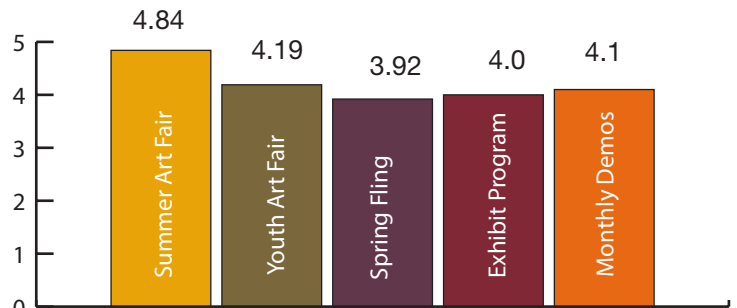
Giving Tuesday is coming up on November 27! Did you know contributions to the Glenview Art League are tax-deductible? As a nonprofit charitable organization GAL seeks to advance the study and development of fine art in our community. We have been serving the needs of the Glenview-area artists for more than 60 years. Consider including GAL in your year-end giving.

## The 2018 GAL Survey Says...

Our GAL members came through with strong response to the 2018 Member Survey. Here are some highlights—more results are linked on the GAL website. The Summer Art Fair remains popular. Comments included, “Very well organized and advertised, “a wonderful mix of artists of excellent quality,” and “less commercial, feels like the old art fairs... a good thing”

GAL members value opportunities to share their work. Many rated the Exhibit Program highly and others recommend more member shows and more exhibit venues with more traffic. Ideas for possible workshops included art promotion and social media, product reviews, plain air painting, fine crafts, and more. There is interest in field trips to museums, painting locations, artist studios, architecture tours and more,

GAL is a motivated group, full of creative ideas. This feedback is appreciated, as is the steadfast effort of our volunteers, present and past. Let’s work together to keep our traditions going strong, and bring new programs to life as we go forward.



GAL ACTIVITIES RATED ON A 5 POINT SCALE

## MEMBER NEWS

**Gail Basner** will be exhibiting a large collection of water colors at the North Suburban YMCA for December. A reception will be held on Sunday, Dec. 9 from 1:30-4 p.m. The address is 2705 Techny Rd, Northbrook. Please join her for refreshments and holiday cheer!

**Steve Johnson** has two paintings at the “Inchworks” show at the Winnetka Community House’s 2nd Floor Gallery at 620 Lincoln Avenue, Winnetka, IL November through January 15th. Also, three paintings at the Independent Artist Showcase at Wilmette Park District, 3000 Glenview Rd, Wilmette. And lastly, he has a painting at the Anatomically Correct show of Plein Air at Emily Oaks Nature Center in Skokie.

**Charlotte Kaplan** has six large framed pieces of her fiber art on display in the entrance lobby of Edward R James, 2550 Waukegan Rd, Glenview until January 9th, 2019.

**Ray Piskule** has a vintage J.Y. Taylor Spotlight opaque projector model TS7 that he is looking to give away to anyone who may have a use for it. Many sign businesses used these types of units, for projecting corporate logos and images onto paper for perforated patterns or directly on to different substrates. Note that the projector is made of steel, so it is on the heavy side. The dimensions are 20" high by 14" wide by 18" deep. Contact Ray for more info at [ropiskule@yahoo.com](mailto:ropiskule@yahoo.com).

**Elaine Tejcek** will participate in three Des Plaines Art Guild Group Shows during December. They are located at 1.) the Frisbie Senior Center, 52 E. Northwest Highway; 2.) the Des Plaines Council Chamber, 1420 Miner St.; and, 3.) the Des Plaines Public Library, 1501 Ellinwood St. Open to the public anytime during working hours.

**Kay Thomas** is exhibiting in “A Brush with Nature” at the Heller Nature Center, 2821 Ridge Rd, Highland Park through Dec. 28.