



# The Glenview Art League Newsletter

Advancing the study and development of fine art in our community.

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## President's Corner



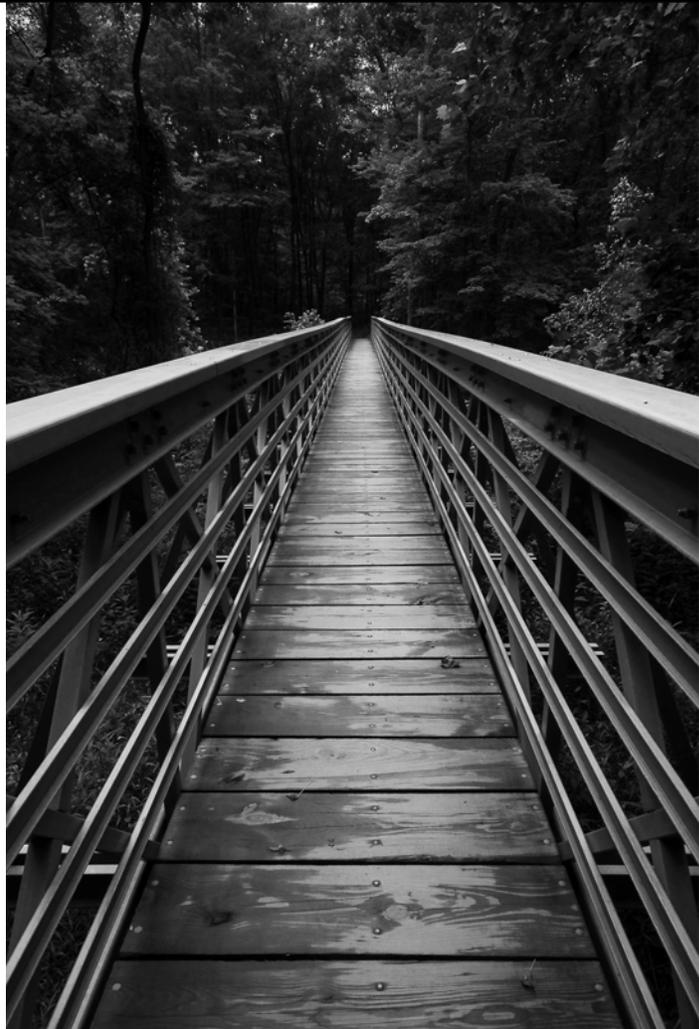
So much has changed in the past month! I hope you are all safe and comfortable during this quarantine. **Challenges and limitations call for creativity, right?** We would love to hear how you're finding ways to help and support each other, and how you're adjusting to these changes, in your art practice and in life. Share your

stories by email, post or phone message and we'll share them on the GAL website and in the May newsletter.

Some of our adjustments: th GAL March board meeting happened online. The spring changeover for our Exhibit Program must be pushed back, and the Spring Fling must also be postponed. We will let you know as soon as we have new dates. The GAL's Fine Art Scholarship deadline has been extended to April 15. We're preparing for summer events in hope that they will go on as planned.

**We are excited to announce that the GAL and the Glenview Public Library will host a 6 inch square art competition!** See details on page 3. We also invite you to participate in a new **online art challenge** (page 2).

*Stay safe, and keep up the creative work!*  
**Deb Anderson**



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### SAVE THE DATES - UPCOMING EVENTS

- Mon., April 20 ..... GAL Board Meeting, 7 p.m.
- Wed., April 22 ..... GAL Spring Fling - **POSTPONED**
- Sat., April 25 .... **Fine Art Scholarship deadline extended!**
- Tues., May 5 ..... **Art Demo: Dan Hill, author**
- July 25/26, 2020 ..... GAL's 67th Annual Summer Art Fair



Steve Puttrich completed a colorful oil landscape, working from a photo at the March art demo.

**Puttrich demonstrated painting techniques at GAL's March demo**

## Painting as storytelling

Steve Puttrich shared painting techniques and art philosophy at the Glenview Art League's demo on March 3, at the Glenview Public Library. Working in layers, he easily completed a colorful landscape in less than two hours. Attendees appreciated advice ranging from specific materials and tools to composition and meaning in artwork. He urged artists to interpret, rather than copy what they see, and to consider the focal point as a hero, and have all other parts of the painting relate to and emphasize that element. Check out the video Leslie edited with highlights from the demo on the GAL Instagram.

More of Puttrich's work, ideas, and class offerings are at [www.steveputtrich.com](http://www.steveputtrich.com) and on Instagram, @steveputtrich.

## UPDATES TO GAL EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

See also: [www.glenviewartleague.org](http://www.glenviewartleague.org)

The Exhibit Program spring changeover is tentatively rescheduled for Monday, May 4. Gallery managers will be sending out confirmation to affected artists.

The GAL's Spring Fling is postponed, new date to be announced.

The 2020 FINE ART SCHOLARSHIP deadline is extended to April 15.

Our 2020 SUMMER ART FAIR is planned for July 25-26. Artist applications are available at [www.glenviewartleague.org](http://www.glenviewartleague.org)



## Let's make some art together!

Join the **GAL Art Challenge**. In this time of social distancing, our first monthly theme is "CONNECTION," due March 31. Our April theme will be "GROWTH," due April 30. Make a sketch, drawing, sculpture, painting, photo, digital work, or any other type of creative expression and email an image of it to [glenviewartleague@att.net](mailto:glenviewartleague@att.net). Include the title of your work, a short description, and your website (if you have one).

All the submissions will be featured on the GAL website and social media. A small prize will be awarded by random drawing from all submissions.

# Calling All Artists!

## BE A PART OF THE GLENVIEW PUBLIC LIBRARY'S 90 YEAR CELEBRATION. JOIN IN A SMALL-CANVAS ART CONTEST!

The Glenview Art League, in cooperation with the Glenview Public Library, will sponsor a small-canvas art exhibition and contest this September. The art theme of the contest will be, **"READING IS TIMELESS"**, in conjunction with the Glenview Public Library's 90-year celebration. Canvases measuring 6 inches by 6 inches will be handed out, free, to the first 100 contestants. Each contestant will have six weeks to complete their piece of art and return it to the library for exhibition from September through November. All completed canvases will be judged on how well each entry follows this theme.



### The rules of the contest are as follows:

- 1 Blank canvases will be handed out in the lobby of the Glenview Public Library starting at 9:30am sharp to the first 100 contestants on Saturday, July 11th. All contestants must be 18 years of age or older. The front of the canvases must not be signed. Rather, the name of the artist and the title of the canvas should be written on the back of the canvas. The sides of each canvas should be painted.
- 2 Canvases must be returned to the lobby of the Glenview Public Library between 9:30am and 12:30pm on Saturday, September 5th. Canvases will not be accepted after this date.
- 3 All canvas entries will be displayed in the Glenview Public Library lobby starting September 16th and will remain on display through November 6th.
- 4 On Thursday, September 24th from 6:30pm to 8:00pm a reception will be held in the lobby of the library where the winners will be announced and refreshments will be served. The winning canvases will be judged on their artistic quality and "theme" representation.
- 5 All canvases must be picked up at the library on Saturday, November 7th between 9:30am and 12:00pm. After that time, any remaining canvases will be collected and held at the office of the Glenview Art League at 1920 Waukegan Road, #204 in Glenview. Pick up for all unclaimed canvases will be by appointment only from the Glenview Art League by calling Lee Colpi at 203-536-6153.





**Art Murawski constructed oversized paintbrushes for the 4th of July Parade in 2003.**

## Summer volunteer opportunities

In the past the GAL has participated in the Glenview SummerFest and the Glenview 4th of July Parade. These events are a great way for our group to connect with the community, promote our work, and attract new members. SummerFest 2020 is Saturday, June 27, from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Interested in volunteering for either of these events this year? Let us know so we can make necessary plans and reservations.

### MEMBER NEWS

**Steve Johnson** was awarded a first place ribbon in the Skokie Art Guild show “Nature’s Palette.” **Steve Gal** took second place.

**Gail Basner** has a package deal of a HEAVY DUTY EASY-UP TENT in mint condition, with four custom sides, five 3’ x 6’ display panels with dark grey knit covers; four weights; display bins; card holder, etc. Everything you need to setup and display. Asking price of \$500, or best offer. She hauled this equipment in a Dodge Caravan (stow-n-go) vehicle which fits and hauls the equipment beautifully. The use of this could possibly be arranged. To find out more, call Gail Basner at (847) 432-5992.

### LOCAL EVENTS

**Oil Lamp Theater** is adjusting their schedule in response to current health concerns and CDC recommendations. Visit [oilamptheater.org/healthupdate/](http://oilamptheater.org/healthupdate/) for updates.

The Village of Glenview has updated COVID-19 information available at [www.glenview.il.us/Pages/coronavirus.aspx](http://www.glenview.il.us/Pages/coronavirus.aspx). The Glenview Chamber of Commerce has a list of local businesses offering carry out, delivery, drive thru and various services during this time at [www.glenviewchamber.com](http://www.glenviewchamber.com).



**Watercolor painting by Tom Lynch**

### WATERCOLOR OPPORTUNITY

Watercolor artist **Tom Lynch** has a special offer for GAL members! Enter your name into a GAL-only drawing for a FREE spot in one of his two upcoming workshops on April 25-26 and May 11-15 in Oswego, IL. Email Tom ([tomlynch@msn.com](mailto:tomlynch@msn.com)) with “free workshop” in the subject line, ask to have your name included in the drawing, and note that you are a member of the Glenview Art League. Be sure to list which workshop you want to attend for free. The deadline to enter is Apr. 22, and the winner will be announced Apr. 23. See Tom’s website at [www.tomlynch.com](http://www.tomlynch.com) for details about his artwork, workshops, and the drawing, or email Tom or call (630) 851-2652.

Tom also offers **free access** to a live, online painting demo this **Sat., March 28, at 2 p.m.** Tom shares, “I hope these broadcasts will give you a break from the day’s news and bring continued enjoyment in your art journey.” Use this link to join in: <https://youtu.be/VEDTKODAX0I>