



# The Glenview Art League Newsletter

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

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## President's Corner

*What the really great artists do is they're entirely themselves. They're entirely themselves, they've got their own vision, they have their own way of fracturing reality, and if it's authentic and true, you will feel it in your nerve endings.*

— DAVID FOSTER WALLACE



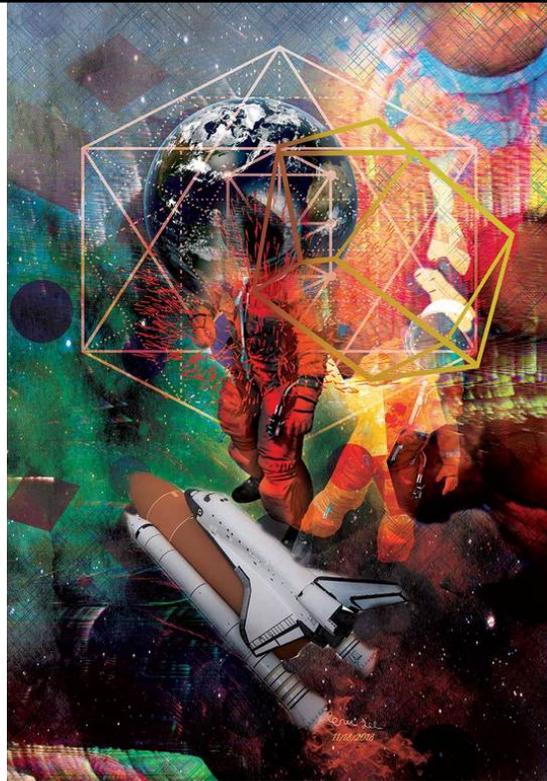
How important is it to develop a cohesive body of work? Many artists wonder how to find their style. If an artist makes enough work will a style just naturally emerge?

Artists can have more than one medium, of course, more than one style. Our approaches also change over time, and there is always more to learn, in theory and technique. I've been thinking about focus, sharpening my focus. What is our true work, and does our artwork reflect who we are, our vision - is it authentic and true?

The GAL gives us opportunities to discuss topics like these with artists of many experience levels and perspectives. We look forward to future in-person gatherings, and for now can connect and share artwork through email, online, and in these pages. **Thanks for your stories, ideas and art!**

This month the GAL board members are thrilled to award the 2020 Robert T. Sherman Fine Art Scholarship to **Jasmine Carag!** Check out her work inside. We also made the difficult decision to cancel our **2020 Summer Art Fair** (page 2). Such a disappointment, but there are some positive signs that we are getting through this.

**Keep up your creative work!**  
**Deb Anderson**

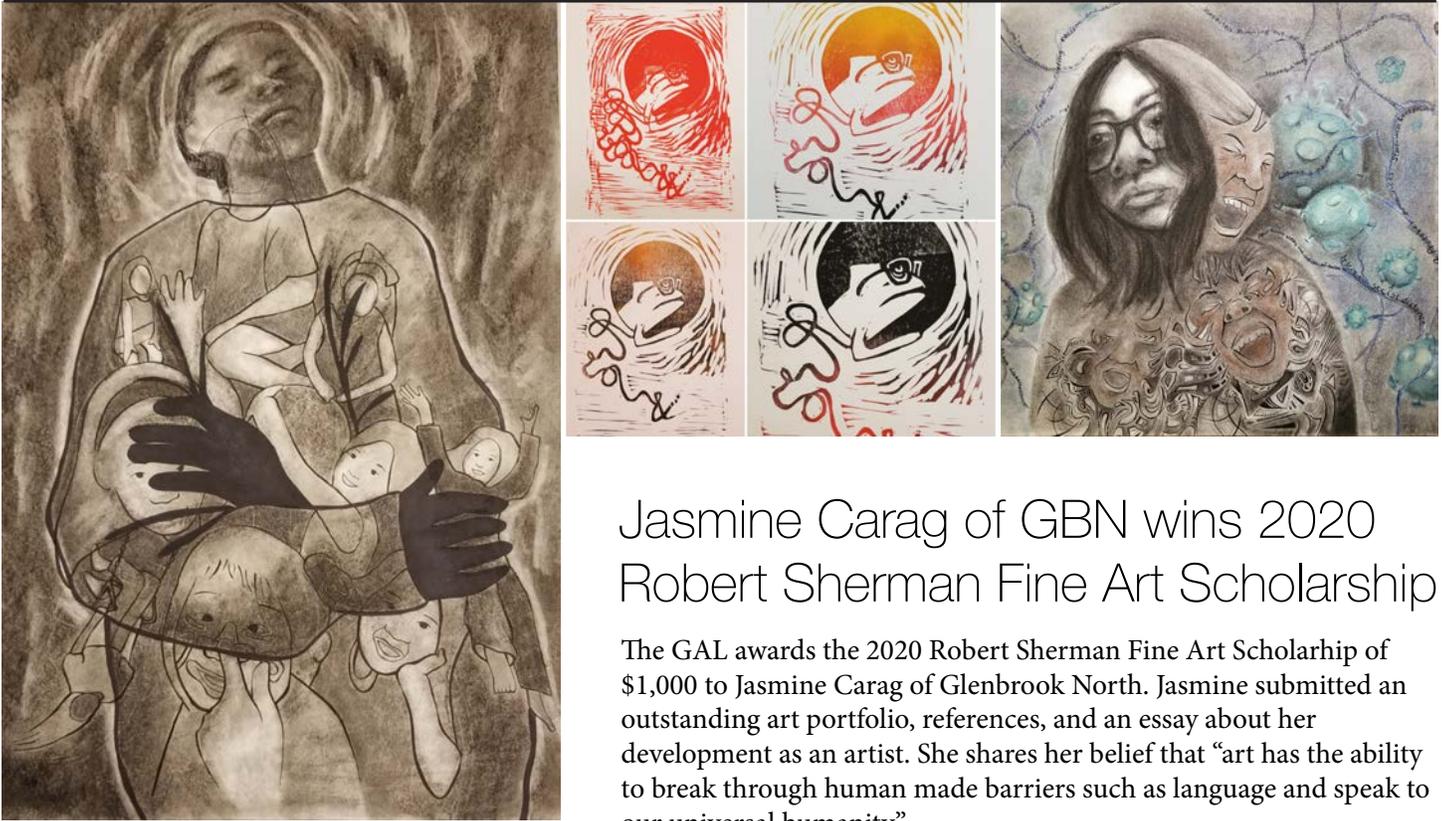


**Boom Boom Space, digital, 18 by 24 inches, by Eric Lee.**

### SAVE THE DATES - UPCOMING EVENTS

Mon., June 15 . . . . . GAL Board Meeting, 7 p.m.  
Sat., July 11 . . . . . Pick up canvases for small works show at  
Glenview Public Library

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## Jasmine Carag of GBN wins 2020 Robert Sherman Fine Art Scholarship

The GAL awards the 2020 Robert Sherman Fine Art Scholarship of \$1,000 to Jasmine Carag of Glenbrook North. Jasmine submitted an outstanding art portfolio, references, and an essay about her development as an artist. She shares her belief that “art has the ability to break through human made barriers such as language and speak to our universal humanity.”

Jasmine is accepted to Lake Forest College. The GAL commends her efforts and wishes her the best of luck on her journey as an artist.

*Three pieces from the art portfolio submitted by Jasmine Carag for the 2020 Robert Sherman Fine Art Scholarship.*

## 2020 Summer Art Fair called off due to safety concerns

*We'd like to share with all GAL members the following letter to artists who registered for the Glenview Art League Summer Art Fair this year.*

Thank you for registering for the 67<sup>th</sup> Annual Glenview Art League Summer Art Fair scheduled for Saturday, July 25th and Sunday, July 26th, 2020 to be held on the grounds of Lyons School in Glenview, IL. At our Board Meeting on May 18, 2020 we discussed our plans for our 2020 Summer Art Fair. The COVID-19 Pandemic completely transformed our lives in so many ways. During this discussion, our collective focus concerned the safety and well-being of you the artists, members of the Glenview Art League and the community.

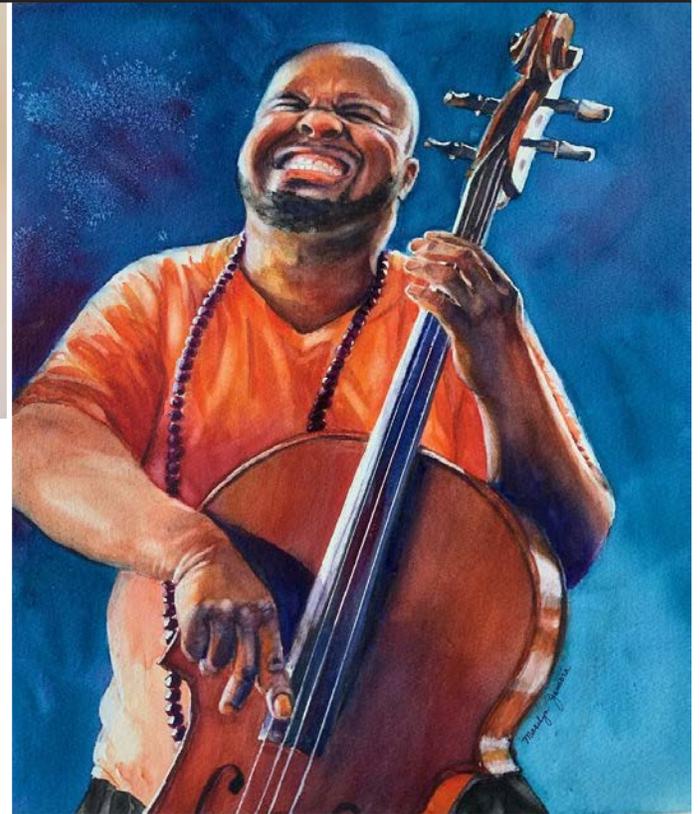
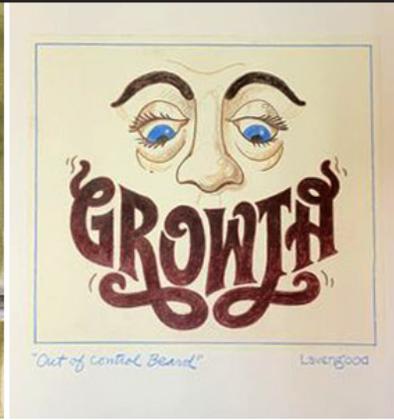
We also considered the five-phase Restore Illinois Plan of Illinois Governor Pritzker to re-open the State's economy. This plan centers on data regarding the number of COVID-19 cases in Illinois and the continued rate of

transmission as well as capacity for testing and contact tracing. We began some Phase 2 activities just this week and need to be in Phase 4 to allow gatherings of 50 or more people. We usually host 70 to 80 artists and hundreds of guests.

Thus, for your safety and to comply with our Governor's recommendations, with regret we decided we must cancel the 2020 Summer Art Fair. You should expect a return of your application fee in the mail.

Should you have any questions or concerns do not hesitate to contact us. We look forward to seeing you next year.

***We will certainly miss working together this summer as GAL Summer Art Fair volunteers, hosting our biggest annual community event and fundraiser. We look forward to coming back with an excellent and safe event in 2021, and will find new ways to connect and support each other in the meantime!***



Monthly art challenge submissions (left to right) by Peter Brinkerhoff (May, Music), Jim Lavengood (April, Growth) and Marilyn Jamora (May, Music).

### Monthly Art Challenges

## Bringing art to the yards for June and July challenges

For June and July the theme is **YARD ART!** Let's share creativity with our neighbors by making artwork on yard signs that everyone can enjoy while walking around the community. If you have old, used yard signs you can paint over them, or purchase blank signs at hardware stores and online. Paint them, display them outside and send us a photo and address. Be sure to get permission before posting yard art on private or public property.

The GAL will gladly promote yard artwork with a laminated GAL logo tag and a map at the GAL website so more people can find them. Send tag requests, questions and suggestions to [glenviewartleague@att.net](mailto:glenviewartleague@att.net) or (847) 724-4007. Share photos of other types of yard art, as well!

Thanks to all artists who participated in the April and May online Art Challenges! See the entries at the GAL Pinterest page and the GAL website. All participating artists were entered in a random drawing, and **Stanislaw Kielar** won a GAL mug for April.

May challenge entries are due by the end of the month. The theme is "MUSIC." Email an image of your artwork to [glenviewartleague@att.net](mailto:glenviewartleague@att.net) (postal mail also works). Include the title of your work, medium, a short description, and any website and social media links you'd like to share. Let us know if you want your work promoted on Pinterest. Invite friends and neighbors to participate. Challenges are open to both members and nonmembers.

## Save these dates for small-canvas art contest/exhibition!

The GAL's upcoming collaboration with the Glenview Public Library was featured in the Library's "Summer Lines" Newsletter for June-August 2020. We're excited to co-host and see members participate in this fun event as part of the Library's 90th anniversary celebrations! The theme of the event is **Reading is Timeless**. Questions? Contact the GAL, and see [www.glenviewartleague.org](http://www.glenviewartleague.org) for more details. Be sure to save the following dates.

**July 11:** Blank 6x6 inch canvases will be handed out, free, to the first 100 contestants, library lobby, 9:30 a.m.

**Sept. 5:** Completed canvases must be returned to the Library lobby between 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

**Sept, 24:** A reception will be held from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in the Library lobby. Winners will be announced and refreshments served.

*"Start where you are.  
Use what you have. Do what you can."  
- Arthur Ashe*

## MEMBERS NEWS

**Eric Lee** will be doing a Zoom Live Feed for Amdur Production's Northbrook Art in Park Fest virtual art fair on June 6, 12-4 p.m. Shop the fair online from June 6-June 13. Link: <https://artzipper.com/artists/eric-lee> (click on Zoom/Video Chat).

## CALLS FOR ARTISTS

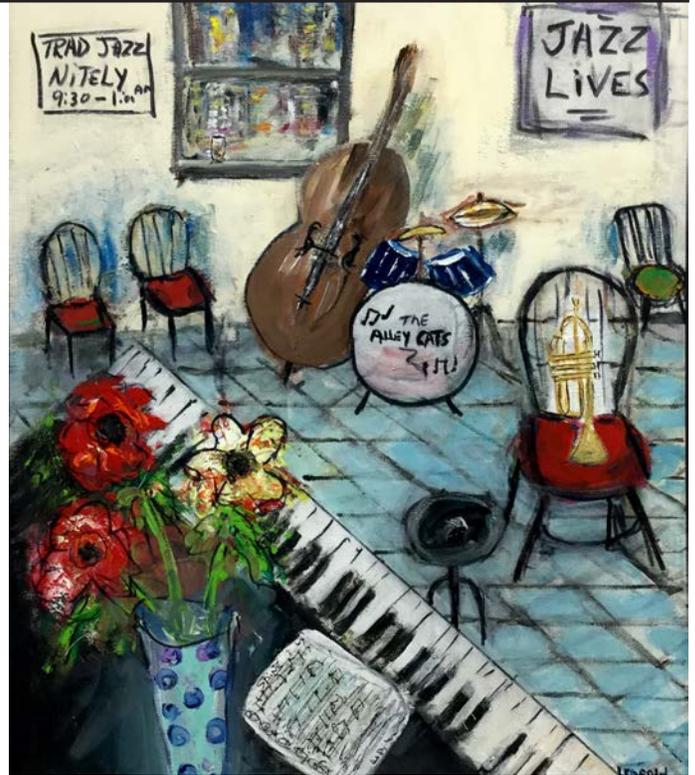
**The School of Rock Glenbrook** (coming July 2020) is seeking 4 to 6 volunteer artists to paint rock and roll music-inspired large, unstretched 4 by 7 foot canvases. They will supply the canvas and \$100 towards supplies.

The art can include a favorite lyric from a rock and roll song, it can be made with spray paint, printing, stencils, anything you can think of. It can be inspired by any rock and roll era from the 1950s to the 1980s to today. It should be authentic, cool, and edgy. Have fun with it!

The pieces can be painted off-site and delivered by early to mid-July so we can reveal them with our grand opening. There may be a special preview night before the grand opening for the artists.

For more information please contact: Amy Renzulli, owner, School of Rock Oak Park and Glenbrook, (708) 577-3387 or [arenzulli@schoolofrock.com](mailto:arenzulli@schoolofrock.com).

**JourneyCare** has volunteer opportunities for artists willing to create and donate artwork to commemorate, honor and cheer hospice patients during the pandemic when visits and other forms of celebration and memorial are difficult or impossible. If you are interested contact Kelly Behrens at (847) 845-3651 or [kbehrens@journeycare.org](mailto:kbehrens@journeycare.org).



*Monthly art challenge submission by Robert Leopold (May, Music). "The band is taking a break."*

## Pinterest for GAL and artists

GAL has a new presence on Pinterest ([www.pinterest.com/glenviewartleague/](http://www.pinterest.com/glenviewartleague/)), the online image sharing site where users can explore and save billions of images including quotes, crafts, recipes and yes, art! A free account is required to view images and boards on the site (see [www.pinterest.com](http://www.pinterest.com)).

So far we've used Pinterest boards to share submissions to the monthly online challenges. (For artists who prefer their work not be on Pinterest let us know.) In the future we'd like to share photos from our events, demos and more. We aim to credit artists and include contact information that can lead to more interaction and sales. Artists retain all copyrights to images posted to Pinterest. We give Pinterest rights to show and share the images.

We get feedback on how many people view our posts. If you're interested in stats about your artwork email Leslie at [glenviewartleague@att.net](mailto:glenviewartleague@att.net). Do you use Pinterest to share your artwork, or to explore the work of other artists? We'd love to hear your insights and keep the conversation going on the website and in future newsletters.