

The Glenview Art League Newsletter

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

SEPTEMBER 2025

Check out a review of 2025 Summer Art Fair on page 5!

Watercolor demo with Heidi Andersen

Following our All Member Meeting on Wed., Oct. 1.

Note: the September art framing demo is cancelled (to be rescheduled)

The GAL welcomes Heidi Andersen to share techniques in watercolor painting at 7 p.m. on Wed., Oct. 1, at the Glenview Public Library. Heidi has worked with watercolor for the last 20 years. She has had individual exhibitions in the U.S., Denmark and Mexico, and has participated in more than 90 juried and open exhibitions, winning several awards in abstract and figurative painting.



Finding joy and freedom in the painting process and considering painting a journey of discovery, Heidi works to achieve spontaneity and transparency in the watercolor medium. A continued fascination with pigments and their unique behavior inspire her to paint abstract landscapes while the unpredictability of watercolor results in dramatic floral expressions. *The GAL hosts art demonstrations throughout the year. These events are free and open to the public.*

Left, watercolor painting by Heidi Andersen.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mon., September 1 - **LABOR DAY**

Note - the September demo is cancelled (to be rescheduled)

Sat., Sept. 13, 9:30 a.m.-noon -
Completed 6x6 artwork due at the
Glenview Public Library

Sat., Sept. 13, 10 a.m. - **Outdoor
Artists** gathering at The Grove

Mon., September 22 - **GAL Board
meeting**, members welcome

Thurs., Sept. 25, 6-7 p.m. -
Reception for 6x6 Exhibition at
Glenview Public Library

Wed., Oct. 1 - Annual **All Member
meeting**,
Art Demo with watercolor
artist **Heidi Andersen**

Tues., Oct. 30 - Reception for Busey
Bank's third **1868 Exhibit**

Mon., Nov. 3, 7 p.m. - Mural
Presentation with Anne Farley
Gaines, Glenview Public Library

Wed., Dec. 3, 5-8 p.m. -
Winter Wine and Art Walk

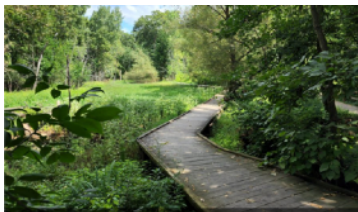
*Masthead contains detail of
A City Park, by William Merrit Chase, 1887,
at the Art Institute of Chicago*



It's almost here!

The 2025 6x6 Competition

Drop off completed canvases on Sat., Sept. 13, 9:30-12 p.m. at the Glenview Public Library. Please note: if you cannot make it this day, make arrangements for someone else to drop off your entry. Canvases will be installed in the library lobby and be on display Sept. 18-Nov. 15. Artwork pick up on Sat., Nov. 14. Reception and awards on **Thurs., Sept. 25, 6 p.m.** at the library.



Outdoor Painters meeting

The Grove, Sat., Sept 13

Join the GAL's Outdoor Painters to sketch, paint, and socialize from 10 a.m. to noon. Bring your own supplies. If you'd like to RSVP and receive updates, email Mary Olson at maryolson845@gmail.com.

GAL All Members Meeting

Oct. 1, 7 p.m. at the Glenview Public Library

We'll look back on another creative year for the Glenview Art League, and vote on the 2026 board at our annual All Members meeting at 7 p.m. on Oct. 1, at the Glenview Public Library. Email contact@glenviewartleague.org to nominate candidates. This short meeting will be followed by the watercolor demo by Heidi Andersen.



Volunteer Opportunity:

GAL to create art piece for
Oil Lamp Theater event

The GAL is making plans to create a large venetian-style mask prop for the MasqueRAVE Event on October 18. Work sessions will take place in the GAL office or the Spark Center, on dates to be determined.

Everyone interested in taking part in the project should email the GAL at contact@glenviewartleague.org.



Busey Bank 1868 Exhibit reception on Oct. 30

Exhibit features work of GAL member artists

You're invited to attend the reception for the third 1868 Exhibition at Busey Bank on October 30, from 5-7 p.m.

The GAL values this ongoing collaboration with
Busey Bank.

Selected artists will be emailed by Busey Bank staff shortly, and drop off for accepted artworks will be arranged.



Glenview Mural Project

Join the Glenview Mural Team!

The GAL has been awarded a creative placemaking grant to bring a community mural to Glenview Road. There are numerous ways to get involved. One way is to join the team. The team attends virtual and in-person planning meetings and training, promotes the program, hosts community events, and assists the lead artist in painting the mural. Contact Deb Anderson at debrhanderson@gmail.com.

Illustrate a Coloring Book Page

The GAL is putting together a coloring book with the theme of nature in Glenview, to complement and promote the mural project. If you'd like to contribute a line drawing for the coloring book, check out the suggested list of animals and plants, and email us with your pick. Illustrations due September 4.

Mural Painting Events

GAL members and others will have numerous opportunities to promote the project and paint pieces of the mural led by artist Anne Farley Gaines. Here are a few upcoming events - more details to come!

Sat., Sept. 27 - Glenview Blocktoberfest, with GAL info table in the Kid Zone

Fri., Oct. 24 (time tbd) - Community painting session at the Glenview Public Library

Mon., Nov. 3, 7 p.m. - Mural Presentation with Anne Farley Gaines and community painting session at the Glenview Public Library

Fri., Nov. 7 and Nov. 20, 3:30 p.m. - Community painting sessions at The Grove



Call for artists:

Winter Wine & Art Walk

Wed., Dec. 3, 5-8 p.m. on Glenview Rd

The Friends of Downtown Glenview are collaborating with GAL member artists to host the second Winter Wine and Art Walk. Artists will be paired with local business to share their work at this festive one-night event. Local businesses will each host one artist, indoors. Space will vary - more details to come. Last year's event was fun and well attended, even with some wild winds.

[Check it out on the FDG Instagram!](#)

Interested artists should fill out the form (find link at the GAL website or request by email) and send three photos of current work to contact@glenviewartleague.org by Wednesday, Oct. 22.



GAL All Members Show

Jan.-Feb. 2026

The GAL All Members art exhibit at the Glenview Public Library will be on display from Jan. 15 to March 17. GAL members are invited to apply and submit 1-3 pieces of artwork for display in the lobby. Selections will be made as space allows. Email the GAL at

contact@glenviewartleague.org, with the title, dimensions, medium, and price of each art piece.

Artwork drop off on Sat., Jan. 10 from 9:30 to noon. All artwork must be framed with hanging wire (no sawtooth hangers). Artwork pick up on March 18, and an artist reception is planned for Friday, January 23, 7-6:30 p.m.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Anna Mielniczuk, John Mefferd, Rafael Casas, Amber St Clair, June Dondlinger, Jisu Oh, and Donald McCluskey

MEMBER NEWS

Art in the Garden: A Grassroots Art Fair is coming up on Sept. 6-7 at 1740 Grove, in Glenview, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. both days. More information and an artist list is at www.grassrootsartfair.com

Richard Smyth completed this “on the spot” commission for a classic car owner. This was done at the Pontiac Indian Uprising Show. Luckily he was working in an air-conditioned space as the heat outside was above 90 degrees Fahrenheit. This took two days of work plus finishing done at home. Pen, ink and watercolor.

Christiane Bouret will be doing a portrait demo for the Arlington Heights Art League on Sept., 18.

Kerri Mangold has a painting in a group art exhibition called “Fresh Terrain” at the Chicago Fine Art Salon located at 2623 W. Chicago Ave., Chicago Aug. 1-Sept. 5, and a second painting in a group art exhibition called “Small Works and Prints” at Art City, also in Chicago.

Sandy Sheagren is exhibiting at Oil Lamp Theater during the “Sondheim on Sondheim” production, now through mid-Sept.

Jim Brooksher’s painting, “Fall Buggy Ride,” was accepted into the TWSA Biennial Exhibition. Also, a collection of Jim’s Work, “Memorable Places In Watercolor,” will be shown at the Lake Villa Library from Sept. 8-Oct. 31, with a watercolor painting demonstration on Sept. 24 at 5:30 p.m.

Beverly Behrens’ botanical art was on display at the grand opening of the gardens of the Lake Forest/Lake Bluff History Center, Aug. 22. Behrens’ paintings are included in the permanent signs for the historically-themed gardens. She had a solo show of 14 watercolors July-Aug. at the Lake Forest/Lake Bluff Senior Center at Dickinson Hall, 100 Old Mill Rd, Lake Forest.

Jisu Oh shares: “This piece shows my love for eyes (I have a strange obsession with eyes) and geometric shapes. I chose flowers and clouds as secondary elements because I felt that they really brought out the beauty in the eyes. The references are from Unsplash (@einfari, @iccup, @danramirez1998) and Satine Zillah ((A)Flowers). In addition to working on this painting, I finally gathered the courage to open my art tutoring/critique service! I feel that this could be a very fulfilling journey for me.”



1) artwork by Richard Smyth, 2) Richard Smyth at work, 3) painting by Jim Brooksher, 4) Anna Cherkashina with 1st place plein air painting, 5) painting by Jisu Oh

COMMUNITY NEWS

The Paint Northbrook Plein Air Event was hosted by the Northbrook Arts Commission in August. Artwork from the event will be on display at the Northbrook Public Library Sept. 6-22. Awards: 1st Anna Cherkashina (shown above, with her winning painting and event judges Bruce Bondy, Terry Luc, and Chris Shaban), 2nd Christina Body, 3rd Deb Anderson, and Honorable Mentions Robert Akers, Karen Beauprie, Bridget Halloran, and William Marvin.

Anderson Arts Center in Kenosha, Wisconsin invites artists to display their work and participate in the Winter Juried Exhibition this Nov. through Jan. Submit any two pieces of any type of art to be considered (\$20 entry fee). Application deadline is Oct. 17. Reception and award ceremony planned for Nov. 16. For details email curator@andersonartscenter.com, or call (262) 653-0481.

Weathering it all - 2025 Summer Art Fair in Review!



Above, clockwise from upper left: patrons enjoy the fair, Best in show winner Alex Deriy, vase by award for excellence winner George Machart, 1st place winner Kittie Yohe and Ray Piskule at the Glenview's Own tent, artwork by award for excellence winner Jolee Klugherz, and award for merit winner Allison Norfleet Bruenger.

Photo credit: Yaseen Fawzi.

Review by Amy Taylor: It's a WRAP! The 2025 Glenview Summer Art Fair was FANTASTIC! All the artists are gone but WOW did they have some outstanding work! We thank ALL of you who came, bought, bid, hauled, complimented, chatted, snacked and persevered the rain (aka, played in mud puddles)! Our community of patrons ARE THE BEST!

A round of applause to those that made this show happen:

Sponsors: Lapham-Hickey Steel (Gold Sponsor), Busey Bank (Silver Sponsor), Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices, Koenig Rubloff Realty Group, The Doetsch Team, Del Vasey Insurance Agency, Wildbird Shack of Skokie

Volunteers and collaborators: Lee Colpi, Sandy Sheagren, All the Toms: (Pope, Sheagren and Tom D with the Glenview Park District), Deb Anderson, Kittie Yohe, Yaseen Fawzi, Debbie DePalma, Jen Yao, Carrie Pizarro, Ray Piskule, Nancy Halliday, Kerri Mangold, Adele Aaronson, Iris Jutovsky, Maureen Hanlon, Colleen Sullivan, Mary Olson, Carol Krofl, Bob Leopold, Meredith Anderson, Holly Anderson, Bek Oliver, Joe Katz, Sophia Pizarro, Kristina Rankey, Jordan Ayers, Claire Gore, Agneta, Vicki and Voichita from Lyon School, The Friends of Downtown Glenview, Glenview Chamber of Commerce, Goode & Fresh Pizza Bakery, talented artists, friends, and park squirrels.

2025 GAL Summer Art Fair Award Winners

Best in Show: Alex Deriy,
Liquid Mosaic, mixed media

Awards for Excellence:

Jolee Klugherz, *mixed media*

George Machart, *Machart Glass, sculpture*

Stuart Roddy, *painting*

Awards for Merit

Eugene Benes,
Pens by Gene, sculpture

Marie Miklaszewski, *jewelry*

Allison Norfleet Bruenger, *jewelry*

Glenview's Own Exhibit

1st Place – Kittie Yohe

2nd Place – Lee Colpi

3rd Place – Bob Leopold

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