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President's Note

Hello!

What a beautiful and busy and artful time of year! There are so many opportunities to increase our art skills here at Louisville Art Association! I hope you all take advantage of your membership and join in for a fun workshop, dabbler, art show, etc.

I'm looking out my window and see the white-capped mountain peaks and an infinite amount of different greens down here. So many shades of just one color. It inspires me to paint and go photograph. Or at least, finish one of my paintings and sort the photos I already have! Ani Liggett once told me, "Finished is better than perfect!" How true...

Please be sure to join us for our monthly Member Programs. Always interesting demos and great company. We can eat and drink and see each other now that COVID has subsided. Artists are fun people!

Volunteering is fun and working together toward a common goal is satisfying. Seeing all we do as an organization at LAA makes me happy to be a part of it. For example, when a show is all put together and the art is on display, it is so nice to know **YOU helped make all that happen**. Sign up today for a volunteer spot!

I look forward to seeing all your beautiful artwork and creativity and working alongside you as well.

Happy Summer to you all!

Sandy Price



June In-Person Member Program

**Our next monthly in-person Member Program
will be held on June 9th.**

****Note: There will be no Member Program in July****

June Demo: Dianne Widom, "Creative Expression with Gesso and Watercolor"

Monthly Member Programs are held on the 2nd Thursday of each month except July, at the Louisville Art Center. They begin at 6:30 pm with a networking/social time followed by a business meeting at 7:00 pm. At 7:30 pm our demonstration begins. Please feel to join us as a guest or become a member. Open to the public; all member programs are free.

The Louisville Center for the Arts, 801 Grant Avenue, Louisville, CO (intersects with Spruce St., in Memory Square Park).

May Member Program Photos



President Sandy Price leads the meeting.



May Member Program attendance.



Mini Show winner, Sheila Fossen.



Plein Air Painting Techniques Demo by Scott Roebuck.

New LAA Website

Members, we are excited to announce our new website at www.louisvilleartassociation.org.

Something New - We have a new Member Center that only members can access. Find the link on the Home Page under Membership. It is Password protected. **The password is LAA2022.** This is the same as your discount code for member workshops.

[Click here to visit our new website](#)

New Board Members Needed - REWARDS AVAILABLE



Why would anyone want to serve on a Board of Directors?

Here is what some previous LAA Board Directors have told us:

It's a great way to develop friendships with like-minded people. Being on the board creates a real sense of camaraderie. As the saying goes-- you work hard and play hard. You quite often laugh and have a good time together & often form long lasting relationships. You meet all sorts of people within the artist community and get to know many of the LAA members.

Did you know that all non-profit organizations have a board? That means that there are a lot of people just like you who find rewards through Board service. You could be one of them.

Contact one of us on the LAA Nominating Committee if you are interested. We'd be happy to talk with you.

Camilla Pratt, cjpratt@icloud.com
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Dori Stickles, dsgndori@gmail.com
Ken Roberge, kroberge301@gmail.com

LAA Members Impacted by the Marshall Fires

If you or another artist you know has been negatively impacted by the December 30 fires, please let us know. We have received generous donations of oil and watercolor paints, pastels, art papers, brushes, tools, an easel, jewelry-making materials, and beads. Many items are brand new.

Also, we need a volunteer or two to work on this project. Thanks!

Please contact Sheila at louisvillearts@gmail.com.

Sheila Fossen, LAA Vice President
and Board Member

LAA 2022 Show Schedule

- National Photography Show, Louisville Center for the Arts, May 27 - Jun 5
- Theme show, East Simpson Coffee House, July
- National Fine Art Show, Louisville Center for the Arts, Sep 2 - 11
- Fall Members' Art and Crafts Show, Louisville Center for the Arts, Nov 17 - 20

Members interested in volunteering to be on a show committee should email:
LAAMembershows@gmail.com

2022 National Photography Show Info

Dates: May 27 - Jun 5
Judge: Rob Lantz - Owner, RGallery + Wine Bar
Location: Louisville Center for the Arts
Entry Deadline: Closed
Reception and Awards: Fri, May 27
Show Committee: Kirk Fry, Richard Saxon, Dori Stickles, Lynn Sarkis

[Link to National Photography Show Page](#)

Please Volunteer to Help with the National Photography Show

We still have **MANY** volunteer slots available for the National Photography Show - please click on link to sign up.

Volunteering is a way to support The Louisville Art Association, catch up with old friends, make new friends, meet art lovers and other LAA members and artists!

[Click here to volunteer](#)

2022 Theme Art Show Info

This Year's Theme is "Everyday Beauty".

Dates: July
Location: East Simpson Coffee House
Show Committee: Jane Elvins, Kim Roller, Ani Liggett, Camilla Pratt

Everyday Beauty Theme Show & Art Sale June 30 - July 31

Hosted by East Simpson Coffee Company
201 East Simpson St.
Lafayette, CO 80026
www.louisvilleartassociation.org



2022 National Fine Art Show Info

Dates: Sep 2 - 11
Judge: Eriq Hochuli - Curator, Foothills Art Center in Golden
Location: Louisville Center for the Arts

Entry Deadline: Jul 18

Call Opens: Open . Click [here](#) for call on CAFE.

Reception and Awards: Sat, Sep 3

Show Committee: Malene Mortensen, Dawn Hendrix, Helen Harrison, Lynn Sarkis, Jodi Faught, Camie Rigirozzi Dawn Hendrix, Malene Mortenson, Dori Stickles, Sheila Fossen

2022 Fall Members' Art and Crafts Show Info

Dates: Nov 17 - 20

Judge: TBD

Location: Louisville Center for the Arts

Entry Deadline: Nov 7

Registration Opens: around Sep 19

Reception and Awards: Sat, Nov 19

Show Committee: Sheila Fossen, Cheryl Townson, Dori Stickles, Lynn Sarkis, Malene Mortensen, Suzanne Andrews, Sue Carmony

Special Opportunity at the Louisville Library

The Louisville Library is offering table space for LAA artists who would like to display and sell their arts and crafts at two upcoming **First Friday Art Walk events. One is June 3 and the other is October 7.** For both events, set up can begin at 4:00 and the event will run from **5:00-7:00 pm.**

The Library can accommodate **14 artists** at each event, and will provide a 2' x 5' table plus two chairs for each artist. Artists are welcome to bring artwork to sell during the event. All sales will be handled by the artist, and the Library will not require any commission. Artists are welcome to do demos or provide hands-on activities for visitors. Keep in mind that space is limited so there may not be room for easels, other stands, etc.

To reserve a space, **contact Erin Owen** at the Library. E-mail eowen@louisvilleco.gov. Phone (303) 335-4815.

Board Meetings and Communication

Board Meetings

The Board meets on the 2nd Wed of every month from 4-6pm

Meeting Date: June 8

Location: Louisville Library

Time: 4-6 pm in person

Members are welcome to attend. Contact Sandy Price at sk.price@comcast.net in advance to let her know you will be attending.

***New* Communications Request Forms on LAA Website**

To request Web additions, Facebook posts, and/or eBlasts, **click [here](#) to go to the member center for the form. Go to Resources and then open the Communicate to Members Tab on our website.**

Reimbursement Request Form

To be reimbursed for an LAA expense, you must submit your receipt and complete the LAA Reimbursement Request Form. **Click [here](#) for more information and to download the form.**

Volunteers Needed

Volunteer Opportunities

Workshop Committee Team Members

This involves setting up, general assistance if needed, enjoying the Workshop for free! Two coordinators per Workshop. Instruction and meeting beforehand. Contact **Sandy Price** at sk.price@comcast.net or 303-919-6375 text, voice, email.

Demo Coordinators for Monthly Member Programs

We need coordinators for the Member Meeting Demonstrations. Please contact **Steve Markman** smarkman@me.com if interested.

Photography and Digital Art (PANDA) Coordinators

Coordinator needed for the PANDA program. Please contact **Steve Markman** smarkman@me.com if interested.

LAA Newsletter Editor Volunteer Position *OPEN*

The LAA newsletter is created using the Constant Contact emailing and marketing online platform. Each month the newsletter editor gathers inputs from the LAA Board, other members, and sometimes from outside sources to update articles and/or create new articles. The editor proofreads articles for grammar, spelling and accuracy. The editor is responsible for inputting new and renewing memberships in the Constant Contact database. The editor should be comfortable using the Internet and various software products, such as Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint) and a photo editing software, such as Adobe Photoshop. This position requires 2-4 hours per month, but the task can be spread over several days to spread out the workload. It's the perfect volunteer position for someone who likes to work from home. Maureen Riesco will be available to train the new editor. If interested, please contact **Maureen Riesco** at maureen.riesco@gmail.com.

LAA Publicity Volunteer Position *OPEN*

The LAA Publicity Volunteer is responsible for advertising the 5 LAA shows each year. These include: the: Spring Members' Art Show, National Photography Show, Theme Show, National Fine Arts Show, and Fall Members' Art and Crafts Show. Working with the LAA Show Committee and the Daily Camera, the Publicity Volunteer will negotiate and place the newspaper print ads. The Publicity Volunteer also posts LAA shows on several online event calendars. This volunteer should be comfortable using the Internet and various software products; such as Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint) and a photo editing software; such as Adobe Photoshop. This position requires 2-3 hours per show. Maureen Riesco is stepping down from this position and will be available to train the new Publicity Volunteer. If interested, please contact **Maureen Riesco** at maureen.riesco@gmail.com.

Video Production Help Needed

If you have experience in areas of videography, video production, live broadcasting, or similar fields, please let us know. If you have made instructional videos, demos, or other electronic content of your art and can share the wisdom you have gained from this, please contact **Helen Harrison** at hhelenhh@mac.com or any Board member.

Outreach Position

As a member of the Communications Team, you will help publicize LAA's activities and offerings to local arts/cultural organizations. This position can also entail making new connections and strengthening existing ones with individuals and groups within the Louisville/Lafayette communities, giving LAA more of a recognizable presence, and hopefully building our membership. If Interested, contact **Jane Elvins** at drjane99@yahoo.com

LAA Member Programs

Drawing Study Group (DSG) - Tuesdays 10am - Noon

June 7, 14, 17, 21, 28

DSG is presently meeting on Zoom. Click this »LINK to go to the Featured Programs page. Then click the program information button under DSG. Click Register and fill out the form. The DSG offers instruction in many different

Plein Janes and Joes

Spring has sprung and we are all ready to get out there and make art. **We will be meeting on WEDNESDAYS not Fridays** to better meet people's schedules as many have obligations/events on Fridays and our friend Broomfield Art Guild paints on Thursday. We are a very welcoming

drawing techniques as well as varying subjects. The class rotates through topics every few months.

Contact: **Helen Harrison** at hhelenhh@mac.com

Art in Public Places (AIPP)

The AIPP program supports LAA member artists who want to show and sell their work in public spaces and businesses in our area.

All artists can sign up for 4 venues this year. Those artists who have already have two can sign up for two more.

Go to the LAA website and then into Programs and Shows. AIPP is at the bottom on that page. [Program Page Link](#)

All the instructions to sign up for next year can be found there. Be sure to read all the requirements and venue descriptions. Please click [here](#) for Sign-Up Instructions.

For more info, contact **Colleen Tucker** at tucker.aipp@gmail.com.

Portrait Saturdays

On hiatus until further notice

group, all levels, no instruction just a lot of fun. Below is the calendar of locations.

- June 1 - Jean Riordan's home 356 Driftwood Circle, Lafayette
- June 8 - Coot Lake 6247 63rd St, Boulder
- June 15 - Aquarius Trail head, Louisville Open Space, Highway 42 west of Empire Road
- June 22- Hecla Lake, Louisville
- June 29 - Old Town Niwot, 2nd & Franklin, Niwot

Click [here](#) for more details.

Contacts:

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Open Studio Mondays

On Hold 9am - Noon

Louisville Center for the Arts, 801 Grant Ave.

LAA artists meet to work on their own projects. No instruction, just friends enjoying art-making together. No fee for members.

Workshops

2022 Workshop and Demo Lineup

The LAA Workshop Committee is pleased to announce our upcoming Programs:

Date	Subject	Artist Instructor	Demo Date	Venue*
June 25 & 26, 2022	Paint the Town: Plein Air	Scott Roebuck	May 12, 2022	Art Center
July 16, 2022	Creative Expression with Gesso and Watercolor	Dianne Widom	June 9, 2022	Art Center
September 17, 2022	Value & Color	Sheri Farabaugh	August 11, 2022	Art Center
December 3, 2022	An Adventure in Watercolor	Annie Gifford	November 10, 2022	Art Center

[Click Here to Register for Workshops](#)

* We have returned to in-person workshops at the Art Center. Currently the city requires that indoor venues require masks so please remember to wear masks. If city restrictions require the Art Center to close, we will reschedule to online workshops and alert registrants. Refunds will be available as requested.

About Our Members

Welcome to Our New Members

Justine Anderson
Judy Hlawatsch
Katherine Keyes

Member Interview

Lynn Sarkis

Whenever you're volunteering for or attending one of LAA's member shows, you're likely to find Lynn Sarkis nearby. Her experience with producing these shows, added to her rich list of talents and skills, makes her an ideal person to be on the Show Coordinating Team (composed of Kirk Fry, Dawn Hendrix and herself). Lynn knows how to hang art, adjust lights, and set up show spaces. She knows all about the work behind the scenes that makes any show a success. Her current role on the Show Coordinating Team entails making sure the Arts Center space is reserved, providing information and assistance to the members producing any particular show, ordering award ribbons, procuring show budget from the Board for those spending the money, and working with Board Liaisons on behalf of the production teams. A bit about Lynn's background will help you understand why she is such a valuable asset to LAA.

Born into a family with six children, Lynn's early life was spent on a farm in rural north central Missouri. Here she learned early about hard work and resilience. Because opportunities were limited in such a remote location, as soon as she finished high school, Lynn moved out to Denver to seek her fortune. Her first job at age 18 was at the Colorado Department of Motor Vehicles coding traffic violations in a large, tightly structured environment for very low pay. Since this type of work soon becomes boring for anyone with ambition, Lynn figured out how the system worked, and with her supervisor's help, got promoted. Later, she worked for Community Colleges of Denver in the Registrar's office and when big layoffs resulted in her job's elimination, she took an exam and moved on to Colorado Employment and Training. Here she worked as a "Batch Girl" processing unemployment applications for keypunch/ processing on mainframe computers. Next was a job move into Information Systems (both hardware and software) for the State, which was situated downtown on Capitol Hill. Lynn has many amusing anecdotes about working in that part of Denver, including tales about her wonderful, quirky boss who became a great mentor.

It was the early 1980's when mainframe computers were being replaced with personal computers. Lynn was given one to take home, and though she tried to learn programming, it didn't suit her. She moved to Boulder and commuted by bus to work in Denver. In Boulder, Lynn took up rock climbing, which at that time was dominated by men. A boyfriend told Lynn she wouldn't like climbing, but this made her more determined than ever to get good at it! Within the climbing community, Lynn met Charlie Sarkis, her future husband and life partner. They married in 1988, and have enjoyed many shared outdoor and travel adventures over their 34 years together. Charlie is a climber, biker, traveler, hiker, and woodworker. He is a contractor by trade, and Lynn sometimes assists on his projects, especially since her own retirement.

When Lynn grew tired of her daily three hour bus commute to Denver, she accepted a job at the University of Colorado in Faculty Personnel where she verified data on all faculty records. She began taking classes at Red Rocks Community College in computer hardware systems and found she enjoyed taking things apart and troubleshooting. Later on, an opening came up in the CU Chemistry Department where Lynn started small but went on to practically run the department. She was department secretary, building manager, payroll administrator, Environmental Health and Safety Manager, and much more for twenty years until retirement.

As a young girl, Lynn always enjoyed doodling and had a great art teacher at school who encouraged her to try many things while never judging anyone or anything harshly. Like many girls of her era, Lynn learned to sew early and was taught quilting by her grandmother. Since retiring, Lynn has taken many workshops which have

helped inspire and direct her art. At times, a workshop can reignite her interest in a project already underway, or can challenge her to try a different direction. Charlie has been a pivotal force encouraging Lynn's development as an artist and cheering her on. The culmination of these various influences can be seen in the unique fabric art she creates now, along with her watercolor paintings.

Lynn's fabric art pieces have won several awards in LAA shows. Most recently her piece *The Good Dog* won People's Choice at the 2022 Spring Members' Show. Last year a fiber art piece won an Honorable Mention at the juried LAA National Fine Arts Show. In 2018 Lynn had a painting juried into the Colorado Watercolor Society Show, and she has had a couple of watercolor paintings juried into LAA's National Fine Arts Show. She says she doesn't enter many shows because she's still somewhat insecure about her work, but this impressive track record of awards indicates these insecurities are unfounded. Go, Lynn!

Lynn hopes to see LAA return more to its roots of being a stronger community for artists. The pandemic and other challenges have resulted in a somewhat fractured organization. She herself aims to collect the bits and pieces of herself which have been given away by spreading her time too thin. - **Jane Elvins**

Shop 'n Save

For LAA members with art gear to sell, buy, trade or donate. Send ad to Jane Elvins at drjane99@yahoo.com by the 15th of the current month; ad will run for 1 month in the next newsletter, free of charge. Money exchanges will not be handled by LAA, nor will LAA take any responsibility for transactions.

For Sale:

No articles for sale this month.

Other Opportunities

60th Anniversary for the Artists' Alpine Holiday Art Show and Sale Presented by the Ouray County Art Association in Ouray, Colorado

Show Dates: July 28 - August 6

Registration: From April 3 - midnight June 26. Entries will only be accepted through

[Onlinejuriedshows.com](https://www.onlinejuriedshows.com)

The Categories include: Oil/Acrylic, Watercolor, Drawing & Printmaking, Pastel, Mixed Media, Sculpture and Photography

Awards: Cash awards of over \$5000. 1st place in each media \$400, 2nd place \$200, 3rd place \$100. Best of Show \$500

Judges:

Glenn Randall (photography judge) <https://www.glennrandall.com/>

John Cogan (fine arts judge) <https://johndcoganfineart.com/>

Go to <https://www.ourayarts.com/> to see the prospectus.

Heritage Art Guild

LAA and the Heritage Art Guild have begun to cross-advertise our workshops. We will advertise their workshops here. To see what else is happening with the Heritage Art Guild, visit their website:

<https://www.heritage-guild.com/workshops.html>

LAA Website Member Gallery Updates

The new Member Gallery is now on our website. If you would like to update your photo and information, or if you would like to be included, now is your chance.

Please use the following guidelines:

- Send one image to louisvillearts@gmail.com
- Please put Member Gallery and your Name on the subject line
- Include your Website or Facebook address in the email
- Please rename your image with the title of your piece and attach it to the email.

If you have any questions, please email Gail at the above email address.

LAA Officers and Directors

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