

CALENDAR

January

- 2 Board Meeting 6:30
- 2-6 Cat Guardians-Auction
- 5-6 "Texture & Depth" drop off
- 25 Naper Settlement Show
- 26 4th Friday social event 7-9
- 26-27 "Texture & Depth" pick up
- "The Beauty Myth" drop off

February

- 6 Board Meeting 6:30
- 12 Main St. Promenade program deadline
- 23 4th Friday social event 7-9
- 23-24 "The Beauty Myth" pick up
- "Dreams & Creations from the Night" drop off

March

- 5 Board Meeting 6:30
- 11 Hang Promenade
- 22 4th Friday social event 7-9
- 22-23 "Dreams & Creations from the Night" - pick up
- "Drip, Dribble & Splash" - drop off

REMINDER

Please pick up your work from the gallery after the monthly show. Work left for **more than 10 NAL business days** will be considered property of NAL.

CHECK OUT OUR WEB SITE!

Keep up with the latest events, classes, art work & more!

Don't want to maintain your own web site?
Set up a gallery on ours for \$25/year.
Need help? Let us know!

Already on our web site?
Time to update your photos!

For details
call 630.355.2530
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NEWS



Art by: Norman Rockwell

BOARD NOTES FROM JANUARY

The Board of Directors thanking you for your volunteerism, your dedication and your support of the Naperville Art League.

May the new year bring everyone happiness, joy and many inspirations.

-Next Board meeting 02/06/2024.

-NAL Board of Director's Meetings Minutes are available upon request.

**39th Riverwalk Fine
 Art Fair
 will be Sept. 21 & 22
 2024**

The mural on the south side of our building, called *World's Greatest Artists*, is part of Naperville's Century Walk. Informational brochures are available at our Gallery.



**WELCOME NEW
 MEMBERS IN
 DECEMBER 2023**

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“CAT GUARDIANS”- AUCTION

Cat Guardians is a no-kill, cageless shelter for cats in Lombard, IL.

For over 30 years, they have matched abandoned and stray street cats with loving families, and provided a permanent home for cats that have not been adopted due to age, medical conditions or socialization issues.

They are funded entirely by your generous donations and staffed entirely by dedicated volunteers.

The auction pieces you can see at NAL: 01/02-06/2024, and the bidding will be online on their site: www.catguardians.org.



NEWS

NAPER SETTLEMENT: Invites you to see the newest outside exhibit which is honoring the Naperville community. As together we recognize 2024 as the 150th anniversary of the Naperville Fire Department.

This exhibit opens on **January 25, 2024** at the Naper Settlement. 16 NAL artists are showcasing their fabulous art.



CONTACT US!

If you have information you would like to appear in the NAL Newsletter, please submit via e-mail at naperartleague@aol.com, call 630.355.2530 or send it to the gallery at 508 N. Center St., Naperville, IL 60563. Items must be received by the end of the month in order to appear in the next month's newsletter and are accepted on a first come, first served basis as space is limited.

IN MEMORIAM MS. DOROTHY STEVENS



Dorothy Welthin Stevens was born October 1, 1940 in Swainby, England to Gilbert Gledden Armstrong and Evelyn Gertrude Mary Armstrong (née Morton). She grew up in Eaglescliffe, attended Queen Victoria High School in Stockton-on-Tees, and got her first degree from Derby Teacher's College outside Nottingham. Dorothy came to the United States in 1964 to have some "adventures," working as a private special education school teacher, governess, and at the British Consulate for several years in the Chicagoland area, traveling and hiking throughout the country, and taking up folk dancing where she met her husband, Charlie Stevens. They were married on October 11, 1969 in Minneapolis.

Dorothy completed her US teaching degree through College of DuPage and North Central College while raising her children. She eventually took a full time kindergarten position in Goodrich School in Woodridge where she worked until her retirement in 2004. She developed many of her own curricula materials, particularly Math in Motion, a hands-on early childhood teaching method. Dorothy was fascinated by and insightful about the potential of young children her whole life.

Dorothy took great pride in and care of her garden at her home on 75th Street, sharing plants

with friends and teaching many about different plant names. She also set up a craft and art studio in her basement, pursuing many different activities. She found her greatest joy in painting which she did with the Naperville Art League for many years until shortly before her death. Dorothy loved to travel and hiked through natural areas on all her trips across the US and around the world. She returned to England many times on her own and with her family, instilling in her children a continuing love of her homeland and connection to important family and friends there. She loved to see what young people were capable of, to find homemade solutions for problems, and to be aware of the latest news. She loved nature and art and instilled a love of these things in her children and grandchildren. She had a natural enthusiasm for swimming, conservation, and family history.

Dorothy died on December 24, 2023 in Naperville, Illinois from complications of gallbladder cancer. On learning of her diagnosis, she said there was nothing else she felt she needed to do, and she wanted to spend as much time with her children and grandchildren as possible. Brett and Hanna are so happy to have been able to be with her these past few months, sharing special and everyday moments with her and her large network of dedicated friends. She is survived by her sister, Sylvia, her son, Brett (Joelle Mader), daughter Hanna (Gordon Buchanan), and granddaughters Greta, Wendy, and Emily. A memorial service will be held in May 2024 at the DuPage Unitarian Universalist Church at 1828 Old Naperville Rd, Naperville, IL and Dorothy and her husband Charlie's remains will be interred in the Naperville Cemetery columbarium.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests contributions to causes that Dorothy was committed to over her life, UNICEF (www.unicef.org), and public broadcasting (the station of your choice).

CHECK OUT OUR ONGOING CLASSES!

All Ages / All Skill Levels
Day & Evening

OIL PAINTING/ACRYLIC

Adults: Tuesdays (see calendar for dates)

10:00 am—12:00 pm
3week class \$84

OIL PAINTING/ACRYLIC

Adults: Tuesdays (see calendar for dates)

6:30—8:30 pm
3week class \$84

ONGOING OPEN STUDIO

Adults: Wednesdays

6:30 pm—8:30 pm
\$5/session—discounts available

WATERCOLOR PAINTING

Adults: Thursdays
11:00 am—1:00 pm all levels
4-sessions \$120

NAL & NPD Classes

ADULTS

- Oil Portrait Painting
- Mosaics workshop
- Ceramics workshop
- Planning & Painting in WC with Benita

CHILDREN

- Drawing Classes
- Elements of Arts
- Ceramics workshop
- ...and many -many more.

We are constantly adding new adult and children classes. Please check out our website for a class schedule.

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