

CALENDAR

April

04/30 Pick up "Retro"
Drop off "Estuary"

May

1 Pick up "Retro"
Drop off "Estuary"
4 Board meeting 6:30
21-22 Pick up "Estuary"
Drop off "Eclipse"

June

1 Board Meeting 6:30
25-26 Pick up "Eclipse"
Drop off "Viva la Vida"

July

6 Board Meeting 6:30
23-24 Pick up "Viva la Vida"
Drop off "Baobab Tree"

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.

Members — Sign up now to volunteer to work at our 36th Riverwalk Fine Art Fair.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Welcome Spring! I cannot believe it is April! After a long winter and an even longer "unprecedented" year, we can finally begin to enjoy the emergence of the crocus and daffodils, the nubile buds on the trees, warm sun on our face and ART in our heart!

NAL is all a bustle as well. Our kid's classes are in full swing (in accordance with safety regulations of course), with a burst of pent-up activity! Our adult classes and open studios are beginning to blossom and our gallery is enjoying the sweet sounds of art appreciation. We have a lot going on, trying to keep our members in the loop via our website and social media as well as opening our doors and welcoming a steady stream of new and returning members, and 'actual people'.... A few at a time.... Many who are visiting for the 1st time. The PAC was "DYNOMITE", Marvelous March frame sale is "ON", "Retro" exhibit is feeling GROOVY, and we are ankle deep in our yearlong 60th Anniversary celebration! Our silent Auction is just days away and includes many "vintage" works. We are busy

interviewing long-time members, spotlighting them on our website, and soaking in their memories. Our gift shop is also enjoying some attention and I encourage anyone with unique small works to bring them in.

This is a time to stop and smell the roses, breath in the new, exhale the old, and appreciate what we have. We as artists are fortunate indeed! A heartfelt thank you to all you artists, members, supporters and appreciators. NAL would not be here without you and we are over the top excited for the coming year!

Sincerely, Your pres. Sally Sharp

BOARD NOTES

Membership count is up... and the number of Supporting Memberships increased this year.

Board openings: Treasurer, Dir. Education, Dir. Development, Dir. of Member Services, Dir. of Building & Grounds, Dir. of Programs & Hospitality and Secretary.

Riverwalk Fine Art Fair planning is proceeding. Sponsorships, publicity, street banners, artist booth assignments, adver-

tising, Info Booth planning, and lots more is happening. Volunteer signup has begun.

**CHECK OUT OUR CLASSES!**

All Ages / All Skill Levels
Day & Evening

OIL PAINTING

Adults: Tuesdays (see
calendar for dates)
6:30–8:30 pm

ONGOING OPEN STUDIO

Adults: Wednesdays
10:00 am–1:00 pm
6:30 pm–9:00 pm

\$5/session—discounts available

KIDS CLASSES

Grades K–5: Thursdays
4:00 pm–5:00 pm

Teens: Thursdays
5:00 pm–6:30 pm

\$20/class or \$98 for 6 classes

**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

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.

AWARD WINNERS: RETRO

Best of Show Marilyn Polivka, *"Sandy Shore"*.

Best Theme Award Kirk Kerndl, *"Mercury Comet"*.

Merit Awards

Jennifer Hauser, *"Infestation"*

Maureen McKee, *"Lemons and Grapes"*

Jim Braun, *"Untitled"*

Beth Hobby, *"Retrograde"*

Sally Sharp, *"Throw Back"*



Judge: Peggy Dee

MEMBERS NEWS/NEWS FOR MEMBERS

Off-Site Exhibits featuring member art can be found at: Elate Salon, Ellman's Music Center, Lucky Penny Diner & Deli, Sweetwater Coffee & Tea, Tasting deVine, and the Main Street Promenade. To learn more about participating in the program, contact Naperville Art League's front desk.

News update: 5th Avenue Project Moves Forward The 5th Avenue Concept Principles have officially been approved, and Ryan Companies has been given a green light to begin creating a concept plan for the 13-acre development surrounding the Naperville Train Station and 5th Avenue.

Naperville City Council voted unanimously in favor of the move, after a lengthy community engagement process that included open house meetings, working groups, steering

BOARD MEMBERS

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Patricia Melekus
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Board Member-at-Large: Debbie Venezia

RFAP Director, Debbie Venezia
Art Around Town Coordinator: Beata Nowak

EXHIBIT & EVENT NEWS

The current Gallery show, "Retro", runs through April 30th.

Please pick up your artwork on April 30th and May 1st.

The next membership show called "Estuary" and the drop off dates are: April 30th and May 1st.

Don't forget to put a wire on your art, and paint the canvas' sides, please. As a member you can enter up to 2 pieces/exhibit.

In July, we will celebrate Frida with a Fiesta in the Parking Lot. More info is coming soon.

Our 36th Annual Riverwalk Fine Art

Fair is coming soon in September, if you wish to volunteer, please contact us. We will send out soon the sign up sheet and the description of each volunteer position.

Coming in October:

For the first time, we will have two Public Art Competition in one year. We are collaborating the first time with Aurora Area Interfaith Food Pantry. The theme is "In Focus".

Patricia Melekus 😊
Director of Exhibits

Memberships are now
year-to-date!!

**NEW MEMBERS
WELCOME!**

Upcoming Exhibits

Estuary 5/4 - 5/21

Eclipse 5/25 - 6/25

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Riverwalk Fine Art Fair



is Sept. 18 & 19

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.

This year we are celebrating our 60th Anniversary.

PLAN TO VOLUNTEER AT RIVERWALK FINE ART FAIR

NAL Classes

The classroom has been busy with, new classes, an oil painting classes, drawing classes for kids, and more. While spring is always a fun time, we are looking forward to an equally enjoyable summer schedule.





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