

GVAL NEWSLETTER September, 2007



Gilbert Visual Art League provides local artists with opportunities to exhibit their work in the community, to form associations with other artists, and to practice and improve their art skills. The organization strives to benefit both the artists and the community by promoting workshops, classes, and exhibits as well as coordinating volunteer opportunities to foster arts and art appreciation in Gilbert.

A note from GVAL board members...

Dear Members,

Welcome back after a hot busy summer. Regular open to the public meetings will start this month.

ART SHOW

We regret that we must cancel the previously scheduled art show at Brunswick Zone XL because of their recent change in personnel and policy toward tax exempt organizations. We are actively seeking another venue suitable for a major juried art show. Please contact a board member if you are aware of a suitable space.

EVENTS

The ART EXPO show in Las Vegas on Sept 28th – 30th will be attended by several of our members. We hope to learn a lot from this show.

Another event coming up that you may be interested in is the Learning & Product Expo: Art being held in Pasadena, CA on Oct 12-14, 2007. Classes offered with this show that actually begin on Oct. 11th. You can get an idea of what may be offered by going to the website www.learningproductexpo.com, and hit the button for Pasadena, CA, then go to class descriptions. This will give you some idea of what goes on at this expo and the class costs.

GVAL Web Site

We are continuing the work of improving our web site making it more dynamic and interactive. We would like to put art done by our members in various spots on the site on a rotating basis. We also want to link members' websites to our site. If you would like to do that, let Lana know your website info by

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September Meeting

At our next meeting on Sept. 6th we will have two speakers from among our membership.

Jean Smith will be speaking about portraits and oil. Jean's interest in art began at a young age. While raising her six children, she taught dance and did costume and set creation. She returned to college when her youngest was in junior high and has since gone on to get her master's degree in art education. She has also studied at the Scottsdale Art School and has studied under multiple artists. Her teaching experiences include parks and recreation classes, community college, high school and K-8 schools. She currently teaches as adjunct university faculty. She enjoys painting still life subjects and landscapes in plen'aire, though portraiture is her most beloved artistic subject. We are looking forward to an interesting talk from Jean.

Our second speaker will be Andrew Kirshberg. He will be talking to us about copyrights. Andy is an entrepreneur, business owner and artist. His medium of choice is acrylic on canvas. He promotes his work mainly through his website, [A. Kirshberg.com](http://A.Kirshberg.com). He copyrights most of his work and has an understanding of copyright. He knows where to get things done in the greater Phoenix area when it comes to art. His presentation should be very informative.

Meeting time/place

The next meeting is on **September 6th, 2007 at 7PM**. Our meeting place located at the intersection of Guadalupe and Gilbert. We will be meeting the 1st Thursday of the month at the office of **Maricopa Workforce Connections (MWC) Career Center at 735 North Gilbert Road, Suite 134, Room 7, Gilbert, AZ**. That's in the same plaza as BIG LOTS, Arby's and Bank of America on the southeast corner of Gilbert Road and Guadalupe Road.

-Georgia, Lana, Helen, Kristie, Cheryl, Dee, Rose and Andy

Upcoming meetings

September: Jean Smith - Portraits and Oil

Andy Kirshberg – Copyrights

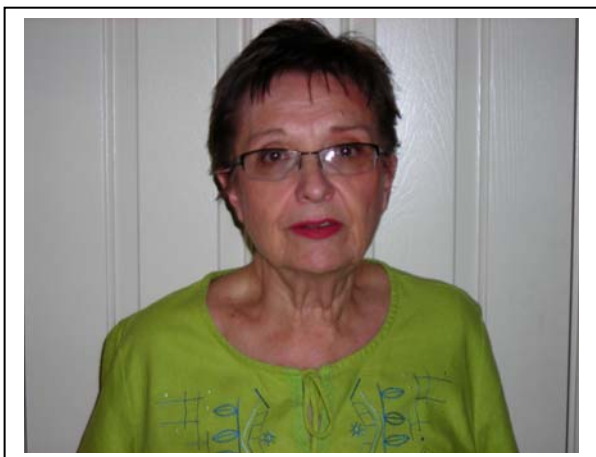
October: Representative from the Art on Boston Gallery

Anita Morris – Painting; Oils & Acrylics

November: Mike Evans – Twin Knolls Framing

Feature

We are now featuring an artist from our membership in the newsletter monthly. Please submit artist profiles of yourself and your art so that we may feature you in a future edition of the newsletter. Thank you.



Featured Artist

K. Grover

Born: Rexburg, Idaho

Raised: Salt Lake City, Utah

**B. S. degree from the University of Utah –
Major: Interior Design**

**For inspiration I use my travels. Most of the
U.S., Europe, Canada, England, Ireland, the**

Isle of Mann, Australia & New Zealand.

Instructors: Paul Coze, George Dibble, David Manje, Wendall Waters, G. Alvin Gittens, Leonard Baer, V. Douglas Snow, Frank Webb, Floyd Breinholt & Verla Birrell

Have been weaving in earnest since 1990 when I bought my first loom.

Shows

Entered my first show in 2004.

GVAL annual show 2004 – 2nd Place in Show Watercolor entitled “Cactus Flower”

**GVAL 2005 – Best in Show Wearable Art “Rags, Tags, Wags & Obediah
Also won third in Oil Painting division in this show**

Arizona Watercolor Association Spring 2006 Show- Won a Merchant Award for painting “Girl Talk”

GVAL 2007 – Won 2nd and 3rd places in watercolor division for “Girl Talk” and “Yesterday”

**1st Vice President, Membership Chairperson for Arizona Watercolor Association for the year
2006-2007**

GOALS: My goal is to paint 2 or 3 days a week and keep improving. I like to try new techniques and papers. I love what I do and do what I love. I weave during the cooler seasons and try to do silversmithing during the winter.

