



Long Beach Art League

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The Long Beach Art League expresses sincerest gratitude to Jude Post, daughter of founder Leona Post, for her generous donations. The funding has been instrumental to our organization and has enabled us to successfully promote the visual arts in the City of Long Beach. In addition, LBAL provides the community with a variety of art learning experiences which include meaningful classes for seniors and art scholarships for talented high school students. We are deeply grateful for Ms. Post's devoted support and commitment to the arts.

**Next Meeting - In Person at Long Beach
Public Library on Wednesday
June 1, 2022 at 7:00PM**

Membership Show

Leona Post Memorial Juried Membership Show

Judged and Critiqued by

Jan Guarino

“As a watercolorist, I long to embrace all the wonderful things this medium has to offer, blossoms, drips, unexpected things that happen - lost edges, movement of pigment. I want to keep them all to remember that it is very much like life itself. Most artists feel that this medium is difficult to control and the most challenging to paint with. But I feel the total opposite of this. I long for all of the uniqueness and beauty watercolors have to offer and to leave room for the viewer to fill in what may be missing or nearly suggested.”

Art will be received on Saturday, May 28, 2022, 11:00-12:00 noon on the second floor of the Long Beach Public Library. The Show is open to members only. There is a \$10.00 Entry Fee.

Send a high resolution image of your art along with the title, medium, and size to Denise Bory: sundaze517@aol.com by May 20.

Pick up of “Words and Pictures” and Receiving of The “Leona Post Membership Show” is on **Saturday, May 28, 11:00-12noon.** at the library. Please make sure your artwork is properly framed and securely wired.

When you enter the show, you are agreeing to the date and time of delivery and pick up. You cannot pick up your work early or exchange artwork because it destroys the look of the show. In addition, we are not able to store any painting that is not picked up, so you must make arrangements if you cannot make it at that time. You are leaving your art at your own risk. We are not responsible for any loss or damage that may occur. **If you have questions, please refer to the exhibition guidelines posted on our website.**

Art in the Plaza: Once again, we have the opportunity to show and sell our artwork, every Saturday throughout the summer from May 28 to October 29, at Kennedy Plaza. Members are entitled to use our canopy for the day to display their art at no cost and no sales commission owed. Look for a flyer in your email box with more information. Sign up for a date by contacting Dina Fine at dinafine125@gmail.com. We are also planning art events that adults as well as children can enjoy. If anyone has an idea and would like to help make this happen, please contact Dina Fine or Kathryn Ramsey at bluenyrose@aol.com.

ON THE BOARD

As we near the summer break, let us take the opportunity to express our deep appreciation to the LBAL Board of Directors and volunteers for a successful year despite the difficulties presented by the pandemic. This large group of generous and productive individuals provided numerous creative exhibition and learning opportunities for visual artists and the public. The names of our many Board

members are on the Membership page of the LBAL website at www.longbeachartleague.com. Below is an introduction to our President and Vice President. Other Board members will be featured in future issues of our newsletter.



President Kathryn Ramsey

Kathryn Ramsey, who joined the *Long Beach Art League* in 2015, has graciously and devotedly served as President for 3 years and was a past Vice President and Newsletter Editor.

Her optimism, hard work and steady leadership have kept our organization functioning and flourishing during the trying times of a pandemic. Seven years ago, the City Manager appointed Kathryn to the Long Beach Council for the Arts (LBNY-Arts) to assist in its mission to enhance the cultural environment and encourage artistic awareness. For her valued contributions to the art community, Kathryn received an Achievement Award at the 2017 *Women in the Arts* event sponsored by *Artists in Partnership*.

Kathryn had a very successful 25-year career in the educational management industry. However, her passion has always been the arts - collage, photography and jewelry. In retirement she has enjoyed sharing her creativity and expertise with seniors in art programs at the Magnolia Senior Center in Long Beach. With daughter Karen Chandross, Kathryn has opened Etsy shop *KtoKDesigns* at www.etsy.com/shop/KtoKDesigns. On sale are beaded pouches, jewelry and gifts that are beautifully handcrafted with new and vintage beads. For information about the *Long Beach Art League* or *KtoKDesigns*, email Kathryn at bluenyrose@aol.com.



Vice President Jaclyn Feldman

Jaclyn Feldman, a retired self-employed business woman, educator and reading specialist, is Vice President of the *Long Beach Art League*. She is also Chairperson of Membership and Good and Welfare. Because of her dynamic personality and vast experience as a volunteer, she has been a great resource for our organization. Jaclyn is a strong advocate of all the major forms of art and encourages others to support the arts by attending exhibits, going to the theater, reading books, donating funds, etc. Jaclyn, an award-winning artist, is involved with numerous groups such as *Artists In Partnership*, *West End Arts*, *TriCounty Artists of Long Island*, *Village Art Club of Rockville Centre*, *National Art League*, *Art League of Long Island* and the *Huntington Arts Council*.

In an effort to give back to the community for all of life's blessings, Jaclyn donates her time to many organizations. For example, she has scheduled lectures for the *Molloy College Lifelong Learning Mill II* program and is Vice President of Education for the *National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW)*. She holds two Board positions at *Temple Emanu-El*, *Corresponding Secretary* and *Sisterhood Good and Welfare*. Remarkably she also finds the time to volunteer for charities such as the *Long Beach Soup Kitchen* and *NCJW thrift shop*. In 2019

Jaclyn was deservedly awarded the Lifetime Achievement Award at the *Women in the Arts* event sponsored by *Artists in Partnership*. For information about *Long Beach Art League* membership and/or good and welfare, email Jaclyn at jaclynfeldman@me.com.

GET ON THE BOARD

You are invited to join the LBAL Board of Directors, a group of delightful people who are committed to promoting the visual arts in our City of Long Beach. We are looking for responsible and organized candidates who enjoy working with a team and are willing to donate several hours monthly. The open positions and duties are listed below.

- *Vice President* – The candidate will be working closely with the President on administrative matters and assist in overseeing the monthly activities of the organization.
- *Programmer* – The candidate will be responsible for scheduling programs, demonstrations, lectures, etc. several months during the year.

No experience is necessary for either position but the willingness to learn is required. Please consider volunteering your expertise to the members of our Board of Directors who will be very supportive. Contact Kathryn Ramsey at bluenyrose@aol.com if you are considering one of the positions.

NEW MEMBER

Alice Somma



The *Long Beach Art League* heartily welcomes new member Alice Somma, a talented photographer, retired NYC Department of Education social worker and charming individual. For five years she has resided in Barnum Island in Island Park. Originally from Brooklyn, New York, Alice truly appreciates the wonderful photo opportunities available in her current picturesque community which include the boardwalk, beach, wildlife nature preserve and Nickerson Beach.

Alice always had an interest in photography and capturing special moments. The start of her passionate hobby began when a colleague became a mentor who lent

her an old Pentax camera and taught her how to develop photos. The first memory of watching her images come to life in the darkroom thrilled her! After retirement, photography became a serious avocation so she joined the Park West Camera Club, one of the oldest and most active camera clubs in New York City. The weekly meetings, group trips and monthly newsletter have been a great source of knowledge, inspiration, growth, meaningful friendships and encouragement. She further improved her skills by taking photography courses at Long Island University and B&H Photo as well participated in travel workshops to Vermont, Quebec, Adirondacks, the Palouse in Washington State, Death Valley in California and more.

Over the years, Alice's camera became her constant companion. Her photographic adventure began when a real estate agent's assignment gave her a chance to capture the old world charm of the spectacular interiors of historic homes in Fort Greene, Brooklyn. She has lovingly documented the lives of her four grandchildren, photographed the beautiful places she has visited (local, abroad and while fly fishing) and on occasion, worked as a photographer at weddings. Although Alice had always enjoyed street and lifestyle photography, she has broaden her interests to include nature, landscapes and events such as the Polar Bear Splash. Alice's photos have been chosen two consecutive years for juried exhibitions at the Freeport Memorial Library, sponsored by the Long Island Arts Council. Afterwards she was asked to do a solo show, *Through Alice's Looking Glass*, of thirty-five of her favorite photographs.

Alice, a perceptive student of life, has put her heart and soul into her photography with amazing accomplishments. You can view her stunning images on *Instagram*.

WHAT'S HAPPENING



The *Art and the Sea* event on May 1st, the Allegria Hotel's first art exhibition, was a huge success. Close to 40 visual artists participated in this exciting and uplifting art show which was organized with the cooperation of the *Long Beach Art League*, *West End Arts* and *Artists In Partnership*. LBAL's Lisa Cangemi (in photo) helped curate the show and reported that an estimated 1,800 guests attended the event. Our Art League was very well represented with impressive artwork by members such as Thomas Baker, Lisa Cangemi, Jaclyn Feldman, John Howard, Stefani Jarrett, Adriena Masi, Aija Meister, Alice Somma, Richard Verity and Stephen Wyler. Grand exhibitions such as this one

would certainly establish Long Beach as an art community. A heartfelt thank you to the Allegría for providing a phenomenal venue for artists to showcase their work!

Tri County Artists of Long Island Presents a Membership Show at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation at 48 Shelter Rock Road in Manhasset on exhibit from May 1 to May 31 2022. Reception: Sun, May 15, 2022 from 1:00 to 3:00 PM. Long Beach Art League members whose art is on display: Lisa L. Cangemi (*President*), Naomi Diracles,, Jaclyn Feldman, Shoshanah Findling, Kay Ray, Selma Stern and Richard Verity .

Barcelona Painting Tour. LBAL's Marc Josloff will be a featured instructor in this thrilling traveling artist vacation in Barcelona, Spain from September 14th – 21st. There will be creative Art Workshops with Marc teaching watercolor painting and *journaling* (sketching and watercolor) as well as providing assistance and artful guidance in photography. Marc's teaching partner will be Howard Rose who is a specialist in oils. In addition to getting four very special art experiences, the trip will include a cultural tour, plein air painting, food & wine tasting, group meals, a cooking class, relaxing by the hotel's rooftop pool and much more. For more information and booking, go to website www.paintawaytours.com. You may also email beatrice@paintawaytours.com or call (646) 809-4790.

Impressionism: A World View is an exhibition at the *Nassau County Museum of Art* located at One Museum Drive in Roslyn Harbor. This beautiful show of sun-filled landscapes and colorful portraits will be available until July 10, 2022. Impressionism, the most popular style of art worldwide, began in Paris by a group of painters which included Renoir, Degas, Cézanne and Pissarro, all of whom are represented in the exhibit. This show combines the artwork of important French originators with Impressionist inspired works from Asian, European and America from the 1800s to recent times. For museum hours, admission rates and detailed exhibit information, go to www.nassaumuseu.m.org. Long Beach Public Library cardholders can obtain free tickets to the museum by going to www.longbeachlibrary.org/museum-passes to get PRINT-ON-DEMAND passes or by calling the Reference Desk at 516-432-7201 for assistance.

Please submit member news for WHAT'S HAPPENING to lindahaber@hotmail.com or dinafine@aol.com.

THIS AND THAT

Members' Bulletin Board

Free Online Photography Classes. B&H Photo Video offers creative-focused educational seminars and lectures at its Ninth Ave. store's event space, and they are available to the public free on YouTube. There is large selection of wonderful online photography classes led by photo veterans and industry specialists. An example of a program, which may be of interest to everyone, is titled *Visual Flow: Mastering the Art of Composition with Ian Plant* at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qxGwNVNrB64&t=943s>. There are many interesting classes for the serious photographer too. Search for *B&H Photo Video* on YouTube (www.YouTube.com) to gain access to quality learning sessions and have fun!

It is with great pleasure that we welcome visual artist **Marc Josloff** to our Art League. He is an award-winning artist and photographer who does painting and photography workshops and presentations. In addition, Marc has served as a judge in regional art exhibitions. You can view his impressive works on the website www.josloffgalleries.com.

We extend a hearty LBAL welcome to visual artist **Lisa Dawn Romano**. She is a professional photographer (portraits, event, sports, etc.) and artist (charcoal, pencil). Her business website address is www.lisadawnphoto.com.

The *Long Beach Art League* welcomes new member **Steven Walker**.

Our very best wishes to the following LBAL members for a wonderful birthday in May/June: Nancy Beck, Lisa Cangemi, Jane Colgan, Linda Chong Haber, Maxine Landau, Joan Lazarus, Linda R. Levy, Kay Ray and Stephen Wyler. Please email the month and day of your birthday to Membership Chairperson Jaclyn Feldman at jaclynfeldman@me.com to receive a birthday ecard.

We wish a speedy recovery to Past President and long time member **Marilyn Kestin** who recently underwent hip surgery.

Growing our wonderful organization is of great importance. A membership application is available on the homepage of our website at www.longbeachartleague.com. Please share it with fellow artists. For more information about joining the Art League, please contact Membership Chairperson Jaclyn Feldman at jaclynfeldman@me.com.

Members who have exhibits or classes that they would like to share on our Facebook page, please send any info and photos to Denise Bory at sundaze517@aol.com.

Find out how to get more involved, promote your artwork or volunteer your talents to the *Long Beach Art League* by reading the *Membership Information* documentation which is available on the homepage of our website at www.longbeachartleague.com. Please share it with fellow artists who might be interested in joining our organization.

If you have any questions about the procedures and policies for submitting artwork for an *LBAL* show, please read the *Exhibition Guidelines* documentation which is available on the homepage of our website at www.longbeachartleague.com. The Entry Form is on the last page of the guidelines.

Go to our web page: **longbeachartleague.com** to see our current online exhibit. You can also link to our Facebook page and our current exhibit.

Members are invited to submit items of interest for THIS AND THAT to lindahaber@hotmail.com or dinafine@aol.com

Stay healthy and safe. We look forward to seeing you in June-Kathryn Ramsey

