

## Summer 2010 Newsletter

### Lazy Days of Summer

Summer always reminds me of drippy popsicles, lawn sprinklers, and flip-flops. Chicago always is a great place to spend those hot days watching the kids, young and old play in the waters at Millennium Park. I love to watch the kids run around, splashing as they go, waiting patiently for the fountain to appear out of the mouth of the wall face.

This summer I am hoping to achieve more than a suntan. So far, my camera has taken some excellent shots of my budding garden, with its bright colors of yellows and oranges, I think a great watercolor picture could be made of that! However, let's not forget that summer is a time for family. Getting together to share a memory or two, even share a moment of just silence.

We all need summer to energize ourselves, to break away from life's tedious stresses and find comfort in each other and in the world around us. Life is short and so I say, that it is with family and love ones that we should spend the most with, because those are the ties that bond.

I find that in my artwork I find such peace and contentment, I'm sure others feel the same. We have many talented artists who not only are creative, but also help in so many other ways. I'm am honored to know and to work with such talented people here at the Plainfield Art League.

So, enjoy your summer, it's a time for relaxation.

Sue Midlock

Exhibit Coordinator

### Art in the Garden

On July 11th, 2010 PAL will host it's second annual "Art in the Garden" art show and sale at the Fields on Caton Farm Road.

Registration Fee is \$50.00 and we still have spaces available. Art in the Garden is open to members and non-members.

We are still looking for volunteers to help out with this event. Volunteers are needed to help during the show, assigning spaces, manning the PAL booth, etc. If you are interested in helping please call or e-mail.

Come visit the show and enjoy the beautiful gardens at the same time!

### 2010 Exhibit Calendar

7/14 Pick Up Local Images

7/17—9/8  
Reflections

9/11—11/10  
Summers End

**WELCOME  
NEW MEMBERS**

**Amanda Chakraverty**

**Freddie Harmon**

**David & Phyllis Krawczyk**

**Margaret Rozhon**

**Joe Vlasek**

## *Check Out Our Website*

All of our events, classes, sponsors are located there!

Do you want to add a photo to our gallery page? How about a link to your website? This is a free benefit to our members.

Go to our "Links" page and at the bottom click on "PAL Website Images Specifications".

This will tell you everything our webmaster needs in order to add you to our gallery page.

Plainfield Art League has a new mailing address:

PO BOX 1543  
Plainfield, IL 60544

## **Local Images Exhibit Winners**

Judge: Kyle Mesa

Best of Show: Cheryl Carman

Best of Theme: Murley Wheeler

First Place: Sue Midlock

Second Place: Dianne Grieco

Third Place: Vita Pennington

Congratulations to all the winners!

## **Mixed Media/Open Mic Nite**

The Plainfield Public Library presents a Mixed Media/Open Mic Nite, hosted by PAL, on Friday, July 30, 7:00 to 9:00 pm at our gallery.

Bring your best poetry, short stories, songs or comedy to perform (acoustic only).

The public will also be able to enjoy or purchase art work provided by our members.

Our next exhibit will be hanging just in time for this event.

Members willing to volunteer for this event will be allowed to bring additional original art and prints to sell. Please contact the art league if you are interested.

### ***CONTACT US!***

If you have any information you would like to appear in the PAL Newsletter, please submit via e-mail at [info@plainfieldartleague.org](mailto:info@plainfieldartleague.org).

You may also mail it to PO BOX 1543, Plainfield, IL 60544.

All items will be accepted on a first come, first served basis due to limited space.

## **GALLERY STAFFING**

With the opening of our new space we need to be open to the public on a regular basis. Saturday's and Sunday's or any other time someone is available.

We need every member to contact us to schedule a day and time that you can "man the gallery".

All members that "man the gallery" will be allowed to bring their own art to hang on the "cage", bring a print rack and if space is available display their work on easels.

All work must be removed at the end of their "shift". PAL would appreciate a donation of 20% for any work sold.

Contact Barb Tampa at 815-773-9451 to schedule your time.

## Call for Artists—Riverdays Art Show

On Sept 11th, 2010 PAL will host Plainfield Riverdays Art Show along the DuPage River in downtown Plainfield.

Registration Fee is \$50.00 and applications are located on our website. The art show is open to all artists—so please pass the word.

The Plainfield Riverfront Foundation is expecting thousands to attend this one day event which includes a beer garden, live music and fun activities for the entire family.

We are also looking for volunteers to help out with this event. Volunteers are needed to help during the show, assigning spaces, manning the PAL booth, etc. If you are interested in helping please call the art league.

### We still need help in the following areas:

Secretary / Membership: Create agenda, take minutes, maintain membership database, welcome packets for new members

Corporate Sponsorship: send out letters to local companies, follow-up, meet with potential sponsors. No computer skills required, just a willingness to reach out and talk with businesses.

Grants: apply for Art grants

Vice President: second liaison to members: duties to be determined

Others: AFA Liaison, Hospitality, Exhibits, Gallery Maintenance, etc

Art Instructors: Any medium, adults and children. Can be ongoing class, mini workshops, evenings, days., etc— LET’S TALK!

Most positions require very little time per month. PLEASE come talk with us so we can best fit where YOU can help us.

### **Sponsors of the Plainfield Art League**

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