



December 24, 2018

Dear Fellow Crooked Creek Art League Members,

A huge thank you to all who came out to Ron and Carol Weathers' lovely home for the League's Christmas Party. Everyone brought food and there was lots of it and it was delicious! We enjoyed fun party games coordinated by Kay Young, Brian Fox and Roger Buenzow and Ron Weathers serendipitously won the Ornament Contest that Karen Larrabee organized! We were thrilled to welcome several new members including Sean Rogan, Kelly Pelfrey and Melinda Moseley. And the Christmas Party does count as one of the three meetings necessary to be a member in good standing and be eligible to enter the annual show!

Membership Renewal/Patron Membership

Remember to renew your membership if you have not already done so. Dues must be paid by December 31st or your membership will lapse. Most have paid at this point.

Annual Juried Show

Your juried co-chairs Ann Peake and Kay Young are busy planning the show. If you are interested in getting involved and helping set up or break down the show, help with the refreshments, set up or clean up at the March Awards Ceremony, there will be sign-up sheets at the January meeting. Hopefully everyone is planning or working on their pieces for the show. We are still raising money, special thanks to Randy Spencer and Kay Young for their efforts. As always, we appreciate any and all assistance our members are able to provide in helping fund the show.

May Competition

More to come on the May Competition at the January Meeting but the theme has been determined by Melinda Smith who will be spearheading the event this year while Ann Peake focuses her efforts on the Juried Show. The theme is "Angels Among Us" and Melinda will be distributing the prospectus at the January Meeting after which it will be posted on our website in case you are not able to make the meeting.

Workshops

There are four more workshops scheduled for the season beginning in February and they are steadily filling up. We have Russell Jewel, The Smith Twins from Charleston Shannon Smith Hughes and Jennifer Smith Rogers, Frederick Graff and Laurie Meyers. For workshop details, visit our workshops page at <https://www.crookedcreekart.org/ccal-workshops>. Members can sign up online for any of our workshops this season. Signing up online will ensure your spot, otherwise you will need to have your deposit to Workshop Coordinator Sandra Oliver to guarantee your spot. Email Sandra with any and all workshop related questions at soliver497@bellsouth.net.

Monthly Meetings

For our January meeting, local photographer Thornton Kirby will be discussing his beautiful work which you can see at his website: <https://www.thorntonkirby.com>. In February Laurie Meyers will be doing demo ahead of her workshop in May. As a special treat, her business partner Marissa Vogl will be accompanying her and they will discuss their work and their lovely and popular gallery Meyer Vogl in Charleston. You can see their work at <http://meyervogl.com>.

Lastly, we need folks to bring food to the January and February Meetings. If you are able to do so, please contact Ginger Robinson, our new Refreshments Chair, at danarobinson7@hotmail.com.

Thank you to those who do more than their share providing delicious food for our meetings! And thank you to those who give tirelessly of themselves regardless of currency-money, food or time! It all helps to make the League happy and healthy!

Look forward to seeing everyone at the meeting January 19th! In the meantime, Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and Happy New Year!

Sincerely,

Sonya Diimmler
President, Crooked Creek Art League