

## HAPPY NEW CREATIVE YEAR TO VAAL MEMBERS MEMBERSHIP MEETING JANUARY 17

### VAAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

January 17, 2013 – 7:00 PM

Getting back to art after the holidays at a VAAL membership meeting is the best thing to do.

Carol Kabrin has been invited to present to us. Kabrin is an Emmy-award winning artist, a native of Detroit, now living in Dearborn, Michigan. For over three and a half decades and continuing, Ms. Kabrin has covered famous trials and hearings for local as well as network television news as an artist reporter. The Supreme Court of the United States in Washington D.C. was Ms. Kabrin's main assignment for over 12 years, on exclusive retainer, with ABC network news.

If Ms. Kabrin must teach that evening, she will be re-scheduled for another month and an interesting DVD by George James demonstrating painting on YUPO will be shown.

It will be a "win-win" either way: both programs are sure to be interesting and entertaining.

See you in the VAAL classroom at 7:00 PM!

### WINTER CLASSES

It's not too late to sign up for a class. Check out the Schedule and have some fun, learn something new, see old friends, make new ones! It's a perfect way to spend a winter day.

### MEMBERSHIP / GALLERY FEES

Membership and gallery fees are due on January 1 for the year 2013. Yearly fees are as follows: Membership \$30  
Gallery \$10

The VAAL Directory will be distributed at the February meeting. Dues must be received by February 1 for your name to appear in the Directory.

If you have your own personal website through VAAL, those annual fees are \$30, due on the anniversary of original set up.

### VAAL HOLIDAY SHOPPE

VAAL's third Holiday Shoppe was another huge success. We are already looking for new and interesting vendors for next year.

Many thanks and appreciation go to Yvette Goldberg, Marge Masek, Janus Benda and Mary Kehoe for running and organizing the Shoppe this year.

### CONGRATULATIONS WINNERS

Fall Exhibit  
November 2012

First - Kathleen O'Connell  
Second - Alison Kardell  
Third - Regina Dunne

Honorable Mentions  
Fred Keebler  
Tom Lyons  
Rosa Paulus  
Gwen Senatore  
Al Weber

Thanks and appreciation to our Chairperson Barbara Gage Rex.

The Popular Vote winner will be announced at the January meeting.

### POSITION CHANGES

We are extremely grateful for Laraine Walowich's dedication to VAAL as both our Registrar and Scheduler over the past years. We thank her and are going to miss her. However, she is taking a well-deserved retirement.

Beginning with the Spring Semester Edie Goodsell will be filling this position. Diana Jamrog will continue as Registrar.

### CLASSROOM UPDATE

Some changes can be seen around the VAAL classroom:

new fluorescent lights, ceiling tiles replaced, front windows sealed, wooden easels hung, shelf installed above storage shelves in back room, and class rearranged. Take a look!

### **LIBRARY**

The Library will be put back in shape soon with both new donations and favorites available. Please check your shelves at home and return any VAAL books so that others may share.

### **ART NEWS ABOUT OUR MEMBERS**

VAAL artist, Sue Mallick has two art pieces at the William Costick Center in Farmington through April 4, 2013.

### **CALLS TO ENTER**

Scarab Club, Detroit is accepting entries for a spring show "Blooms, Bugs, Beasts" from May 18 to June 23. The theme will be flowers, insects, animals, landscapes and seascapes. Deadline for entries April 29. 313-831-125

### **ACRYLIC PAINTERS**

Northlight Books is calling for acrylic paintings for a new hardbound book on "The Best of Acrylic Painting". It is their first annual hardbound book to showcase the best in contemporary acrylics. Deadline, Feb. 1, 2013

### **Michigan Fine Arts Competition**

The Birmingham Bloomfield Arts Association will hold the Michigan Fine Arts Competition

to be held from June 28 to August 23. This exhibit is open to all artists in all media. To receive a prospectus, email [BBArtCenter.org](mailto:BBArtCenter.org), memo MFAC 2013.

### **Grosse Pointe Art Center**

Call for entry begins January 9 – 12 for "Urban Edge" Opening night is Friday, Jan. 18  
6 – 6:30 pm members preview;  
6:30 – 9 pm for general public.  
313-881-3454

### **EXHIBITS OF INTEREST**

**The Henry Ford Centennial Library** is presenting an exhibit titled, "Dearborn Senior Services 2012" This features art work done by artists 50 years and older. January 14 to February 27. 313-943-3095

### **Plymouth Community Arts Council**

Announces "The Art of the Automobile" through January 31. This is a solo show by Raelee Edgar called "Fast Lane Reflections" 734-416-4278

### **Northville Art House**

Presents Patricia Candor with "Hiding in Plain Sight. The personal and creative evolution of an artist from 1978 to the present. Thru January 26. Reception: January 11, 6 – 9 PM, 215 Cady St. Northville



### **MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

VAAL General Meeting dates for the winter and spring:

- Thursday, January 17
- Thursday, February 21
- Thursday, March 21
- Thursday, April 18
- Thursday, May 16

7:00 P M

VAAL Classroom  
37653 Five Mile Road  
Livonia

### **INTERESTED IN YOUR OWN PERSONAL WEBSITE?**

As a member of VAAL you can have your very own website created by our Webmaster, Fred Keebler. Fred will help you create a one of a kind website for a yearly fee of \$30. For more information email Fred Keebler at: [fredkeebler@fredkeebler.com](mailto:fredkeebler@fredkeebler.com)

### **GALLERY / VAALART.ORG**

You can also exhibit in the Gallery on the VAAL website for an annual fee of \$10.

### **HAVE AN ITEM FOR THE NEWSLETTER?**

We would love to share your current news in our newsletter. Newsletters are published in January, April and September. Please send all notices to [dorothyann70@yahoo.com](mailto:dorothyann70@yahoo.com)

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