



Idaho Art Lab Newsletter

August 24, 2011

In This Issue:

Upcoming Events | Nature Conservancy show review | Current CALL TO ARTISTS! Student Art Contests | Construction Phase 2 UPDATE | Current needs | Apartments available in Art Lab building | Upper Valley Art Guild's Plein Air events

Current Events ...

Art Center & Gallery Hours:
Tues. - Fri.: 10:00am - 6:00pm
Sat.: 12:00pm - 9:00pm
Closed Sunday & Monday

Address:

7 N. Bridge Street
St. Anthony, Idaho 83445

Phone: (208) 932-0893
Remember as: 208-93-208-93

Email: info@idahoartlab.org
Website: www.IdahoArtLab.org



www.Facebook.com/IdahoArtLab



NOW through Saturday, September 17th

Please join us Saturday, Sept. 17th, from 5pm - 9pm for the **Closing Reception!** A free event. Refreshments will be served. Enjoy the newly opened Art Center ...bring your paints and create if you want!

The Hodgepodge

Marion Hamilon (St. Anthony)
Kenny Matthews (St. Anthony)
Nathan Matthews (St. Anthony)
Alynn Crapo (St. Anthony)
Lamont Firth (St. Anthony)
Peggy Knight (Teton)
Jay Hepworth (Rexburg)
LaPriel Stein (Rexburg)
Tammy Meiners (Rexburg)
Mark Alldrege (Rexburg)
Burch Drake (Sugar City)
Vicki Gray (Sugar City)
Shauna Crandall (Driggs)
... and in the Student Art Gallery, artwork by our local aspiring artists.

Ruth Stringam Nordstrom Showcase



This artist's showcase is to thank Ruth for painting portraits of Jim & Marion Hamilton for our Marion Hamilton Gallery of Art. Thank you, Ruth, for your support & enthusiasm!

Bio: I have always had a passionate interest in the artistic world, having been drawn to paints and canvas as a child. I studied art at BYU, BYU-Idaho and with other prominent instructors. The late Sergei Bongart greatly influenced my own artistic interpretation and creation.

My challenge is to put on canvas the beauty of the world, the people of the world and the inspiration of their lives. Having grown up in the shadows of the Canadian Rockies, I spent my early years attempting to capture the grandeur of those mountains on canvas. I am still inspired by the majesty of those mountains as well as the majesty of the mountains that now surround me.

Most of my work is done from life and/or out "en plein air". I truly believe this type of study is essential to begin to understand the relationship of color, which, when handled correctly, is a symphony of beauty.

Nature Conservancy Art Show Review



The Idaho Art Lab worked with the Nature Conservancy to organize the first annual Art Expo during Island Park's "Pioneer Days" on July 22nd & 23rd. Pioneer Days' events usually offer only antique, collectibles and crafts, so the Art Expo was very well received.

Artists were offered space to show their original artwork at the Nature Conservancy's Flat Ranch Reserve. No entry fee was charged and no commission taken. Fourteen artists took advantage of this opportunity and the show went great! Sarah Close was kind enough to play cello during the Expo.

Participating artists were ...

Daniel Hidalgo
Sally Close
Dan Larson
Isaiah Heyer
Casey Collins
Mary Maurer
Marcia Cox

Michelle Martin
Bill Fronce
Lynn Hagler
Chellee Lowder
Dede Draper
Burch Drake
Kenny Matthews

Current Calls To Artists!



Teton Arts Council artists and Inmates are invited to submit up to 5 pieces of original artwork (more if small works, fine crafts, custom jewelry, etc.) for exhibition in the From the Edge to the Basin art show. This is a thank you show for the Teton Arts Council and the Saint Anthony Work Camp for their help. Space permitting, every artist's work will be included. All mediums are acceptable, including assemblages. Two dimensional artwork must be wired to hang. Maximum size (including frame) is 5 ft. high by 6 ft. wide, however, smaller pieces are preferred. To submit artwork, please read and sign the Liability Waiver/Sales Agreement (www.idahoartlab.org/call-to-artists.php).

Entry Fee: \$5.00 per piece for TAC artists
(Contact us if submitting more than 5 pieces).

Drop off date: Tuesday, July 26th - Saturday, July 30th

"Meet The Artists" Reception: Thursday, August 11th , 5pm - 9pm

Show Dates: Thursday, August 11th - Saturday, September 17th

Pickup date: Saturday, September 17th - Saturday, October 15th

The Jury Process:

Space permitting, every artist's work will be included. If we must jury ...

1. We will exhibit fewer pieces of each artist to enable us to show every artist's work
2. Local artists have preference
3. Presentation of artwork (Is the piece wired, ready to hang? If the piece is sculpture, jewelry or fine craft, is a pedestal or display available? Is the frame, matting and artwork in excellent condition?)
4. Involvement of the artist (If they've exhibited before, did they attend the "Meet The Artists" Reception? Have they volunteered or offered support?)

We are an artist's gallery. Our goal is to exhibit fine artworks while allowing the budding professional artist a chance to exhibit their developing artwork as they discover their true artistic calling. Take advantage of this unique opportunity and submit your art for this show! We love new artists!

Student Art Contests (Kindergarten - 12th grade)

Winners receive a Winners Certificate and their art exhibited in the gallery.

No entry fee!

Artwork needs to be of standard size: 5x7, 8x10 or 11x14 unless it is a 3D piece of art. We re-use donated frames to frame each Winner's artwork.

We select artists by drawing randomly from a hat. If a child brings in framed artwork, wired ready-to-hang, we will almost always find room for it.

Upcoming Deadlines:

July 30th - From the Edge to the Basin
(Anything goes!)

Sept. 10th - Crash Into Fall
(Demolition Derby & Harvest theme)



We had five Volunteer Days set up and no one showed. So, the ceramic and pottery studios are still not open. Please help if you can! We mostly need help manning the gallery so we can get things done in the art center. You can work on your art while you watch the gallery.

The art center is NOW OPEN! Shane Kunz & Daniel Hidalgo got the utility sink installed. We have set up the flat files and lockers in the Volunteer Studio. Easels, drafting tables, project tables, etc. are ready for your creations. Come on in and play!

We now offer **FREE** use of our:

- easels
- drafting table
- project tables
- light tables
- paper cutters
- straight edge board
- internet access (for volunteers only)
- and more!



Current Needs

We are in need of the following items:

- Volunteer Electrician (to install track lighting)
- Wet/Dry Shop Vacuum (10+ gallon)
- Dust Mop (to keep the hardwood floors dust free)
- Art Supplies for kids to hang out and do art (crayons, markers, paper, etc.)
- Plein Air Easels (portable easels with an art box for carrying art supplies for plein air workshops)
- High firing Kiln (our Cone 6 is great but artists are already asking about Cone 10 firing)
- Volunteers

Apartments available soon in the Idaho Art Lab building

Several apartments will be available in our building in August. Imagine having your own, huge art studio to play in just seconds away! To learn more, contact Debbie Kunz at 208-624-4382. Debbie & Shane Kunz are the kind couple who have donated our use of this building. Please pay it forward by spreading the word about these apartment openings. Thanks!

Upper Valley Art Guild's Plein Air events



Our Fiscal Sponsor, the Upper Valley Art Guild, is planning Plein Air events throughout summer. No cost, but a small donation is greatly appreciated. Contact the Guild a day or two before the event to see where the meeting place will be. Hope to see you there!

Saturday, September 10th: Plein Air trip to Meadow Lake, Time TBA

For more information: Contact Jay Hepworth at mamahepworth@aol.com or call (208) 757 7610