



NEWSLETTER

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President's Palette

I am frequently asked questions about the BVAL, ACBV, and LSAG. I realize that many of you know the details of each of these organizations and how they relate to each other but we have many new members that do not and also we can all use a refresher from time to time. So, this month I will try to give a basic description of each organization

Brazos Valley Art League (BVAL) organized in 1973 when two art groups, one in Bryan and one in College Station, merged. From 1978 until November 2003 meetings were held at the Brazos Center. In 2002, when groundbreaking took place for the Arts Center Building, the BVAL invested \$100,000.00 in the building. We moved into the new home in November 2003 where we have an office space, and limited use of the Studios (classrooms). At this time we have 2 Judged Art Shows a year (one spring and one fall) plus two Member Shows per year in The Texas Gallery.

The object of the BVAL is to promote the creative visual arts within the Brazos Valley area by means of exhibits, programs, classes, or similar activities that help to elevate the level of art appreciation. Membership is open to the adult public for a membership fee of \$25.00. Meetings are held the first Monday of most months at noon. The exceptions are: September - 2nd Monday and no meetings in July and August. By being a member you are eligible to show/sell your work in the four shows mentioned above. Works winning ribbons in the Judged Shows are eligible to be entered in the Lone Star Art Guild Convention held in May each year.

A slate of officers is selected by a nominating committee appointed by the presiding President. The

Officers are voted on at the General Meeting in April each year and Installed at a May meeting. The current Officers making up the Board of Directors is listed elsewhere in this newsletter. The listed officers will serve until May 2009.

The Brazos Valley art League is one of the many affiliates of the Arts Council Brazos Valley and as a member of the BVAL you are automatically a member of the Lone Star Art Guild.

The BVAL website is: www.bvartleague.org

Arts Council Brazos Valley Their mission is to make the arts accessible to all citizens and visitors of the Brazos Valley through funding, promotion, advocacy and partnership building. The ACBV has more than 50 affiliates. 2275 Dartmouth Street is home to the Arts Council of Brazos Valley, the Texas Gallery, Brazos Valley Art League and the Brazos Valley Veteran's Memorial Office. The 5,000 Sq.Foot facility also houses conference and class rooms and an extensive permanent collection of art featuring works from regional and Texas artists, sculpture, paintings and artifacts from around the world dating from the 11th century to the present. The Arts Center is open Monday thru Thursday 9am - 6pm, Friday 9am - 5pm, and Saturday 10am - 2pm. For more information about the Arts Center, events and rental opportunities contact the ACBV at: 979-696-2787. The Texas Gallery is a 1,700 sq. ft. art gallery co-operated by [the Arts Council of Brazos Valley](#) and [the Brazos Valley Art League](#). There are up to sixteen exhibitions each year in the Texas Gallery, including but not limited to: individual artists, Special Olympics athletes, Student Scholarship recipients, Arts Council of Brazos Valley Artist in Residence, and Brazos Valley Art League Member and Judged Shows

To learn more about the ACBV go to:
<http://www.acbv.org/>

Lone Star Art Guild is a nonprofit organization which was started in Brenham, Texas on April 17, 1961. It is made up of any art leagues that wish to be a member within a 200 mile radius of Houston, Texas. The object of the guild is to advance the study and dissemination of fine art in all of its forms by promoting the appreciation of art and fine craftsmanship through workshops, lectures, demonstrations and exhibits.

Each member league usually has monthly meetings with demonstrating artists that is open to all LSAG members. Each member league sponsors at least one Juried show during the year that is run according to the Lone Star Art Guild rules. All leagues may participate in any of the shows of the other league's shows that are declared open.

Each year, in May, one or more of the leagues hosts a Convention. The Convention consists of artwork that has won an award at any of the Lone Star Art Guild member league shows throughout the year. The 2009 LSAG Convention will be May 8 - 9 at the Brazos Center in Bryan.

Each member league pays \$1.00 per member dues to the LSAG. At this time there are 23 leagues that make up the LSAG.

To learn more about the LSAG go to:
www.lonestarartguild.org

I hope the above information has been of some help to you. If you have additional questions please feel free to call me (979-279-3853) or email me:
www.marysart413@aol.com . I will try my best to answer any questions you might have.

Hope to see you at our first fall meeting on September 8 at noon. Also, be sure to be getting your art work ready for the Judged show on October 4. We will be taking in the art on Friday, October 3, from 10am - 2 pm.

Mary Burkhalter,
President - BVAL
2nd Vice-president - LSAG

If you have your own website and would like to be included as a link from the BVAL website, contact Daniel Xiao, at Danziao@tamu.edu.

The Member show will be Dec. 1st through The 19th.

SEPT MEETING

Monday, **Sept. 8th**
12:00 Noon

This meeting will be one week late due to Labor Day on the 1st.

The demo will be given by Debi Jasek and Barbara Peevey of Brazos Glassworks. It will be a demo on different style of jewelry making. It will be an interesting and fun meeting. Be sure to come.

EXHIBITS

Brazos Center

Sept & Oct Mildred Druce

College Station Conference Center

Sept & Oct Laura Arth

BVAL Studio Art Center

Sept & Oct. Lois Harris
Willi Riley
Nov & Dec Michele Wertz
Nancy Gallaway

Texas Gallery

Sept Dana Blanchard
Reception Sept 4
Oct Todd Reynolds
Reception Oct. 3

JURIED SHOW

Oct. 4th – Oct 17th

The drop off date for the juried show will be **Oct. 3rd, from 10:00am – 2:00pm**. We will be unable to take in any paintings after 2:00. Please have your entries in by then.

We want to be sure to have a place for your work. You can submit up to three pieces. If you cannot bring them before 2:00 please Call Mary Walters, at 903-536-3737, and make arrangements with her.

The judging for the show is Oct 4th. Our judge will be Marty Hatcher. The gallery doors will open on Saturday at noon and the reception will last until 2:00pm.

The show will be taken down on Oct. 17th.

