

# Art League of Willcox

Our goal...to promote interest in Fine Art and to extend opportunities in education and activities for the Fine Artists and Photographers of our community.

## January 2015 Newsletter

(with 13 attachments. Agenda, Minutes (2), Financial, Western/Christmas, amended proposed Bylaws(4), Miniature Show info & entry form(2), Tombstone Show info & entry form(2))

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**DUES....DUES...DUES....ARE DUE...**

**GO TO <http://willcoxartleague.com/> FOR A MEMBERSHIP FORM**

### Monthly Meeting

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**\*\*\*will start at 1:00\*\*\***

**Please note time change**

**Brass Rail Room at Doc's**

**Plaza Restaurant**

**Wednesday, December 10, 2014**



*Pieter Bruegel the Elder, 1565, Oil on wood panel, 46 in × 63 ¾ in, Kunsthistorisches Museum, Vienna, Austria*

Editor's note: I will be out of the area for several weeks beginning January 15. If you have any communications that should go to out to the membership, please contact Lisa Glenn at [lglenn@vtc.net](mailto:lglenn@vtc.net) or Martha Christensen at [marthaartnheart@gmail.com](mailto:marthaartnheart@gmail.com)

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#### MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

I hope that each and every one of you had a wonderful Christmas and a very happy New Year. Now it is time to get to work and make the Art League as vibrant and inviting to everyone as we possibly can. I look forward to your ideas to increase the membership, provide interesting and educational art opportunities, and make the Art League and its goals more visible in the community. To do this, we will need everyone's commitment to give some of their time and effort toward these goals.

It has been suggested that we have some trips to view art and photography shows or exhibits (Tucson Museum of Art Masterworks show through Feb. 22, the Amerind Foundation, galleries in Bisbee or Tucson, etc.), and have more workshops, maybe on Saturdays or even Sunday afternoon. Please give these ideas some thought. Outside activities like these would be beneficial to us all.

I look forward to seeing you all at the January 14 meeting at 1:00 p.m. at the Brass Rail. Call a friend or art/photography acquaintance and bring them along!

Lisa

#### *January Birthdays*



*4 – Janie Swartz  
13 – Dave Ottens  
15 – Bill Nolan*

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**THE SULPHUR SPRINGS VALLEY 18<sup>TH</sup> INTERNATIONAL MINIATURE AND SMALL WORKS ART SHOW** WILL BE PRESENTED BY THE ART LEAGUE OF WILLCOX, FEBRUARY 2 – 28, AT THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. *JILL DREDGE* AND *MARTHA CHRISTENSEN* ARE HARD AT WORK ON THIS SHOW. THERE IS AN EXPLANATION OF RULES AND AN ENTRY FORM ATTACHED. THIS IS A MAJOR ART LEAGUE SHOW SO PLEASE PARTICIPATE.



*Ansel Adams, Oak Tree, 19487, photo, Yosemite NP, CA*

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**TOMBSTONE ASSOCIATION OF THE ARTS  
35TH ANNUAL OPEN JUDGED SHOW  
MARCH 2, 2015 – MARCH 31, 2015**  
*Please see the attachments for rules & entry form*

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Hanging your work on the Art League racks at the Chamber of Commerce is a great opportunity to show and sell your artwork as thousands of people visit each year. Keeping your work small will entice people to impulse buy as it won't take up much room in a packed car. Consider using local themes that are unique to this area.

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**DON'T FORGET-** both the newly revamped Webpage: <http://willcoxartleague.com/> and Facebook page: [Willcox Art League](#).

The member pages on the Website are *for your benefit*. Currently only three artists are utilizing them. They are a way to put your artwork before the public. Post your pictures with a link to your own website (if you have one). Email Peggy at [3greys@gmail.com](mailto:3greys@gmail.com) with your information.

Hi Everyone! Since I became the Art League Historian last summer after 1 ½ years membership, I have been enjoying learning more about the history of this 32 year old organization. I would like to share some of the history with other newer members in our Newsletter, from time to time. This issue I would like to share something about the lives of the individuals that the League honors during the Spring Art Show by giving memorial ribbons in their names.

I have not been able to find much information in our historical records on Betty Leithead, Edith McAlister, Charles Leighton, Jr., or Sarah Rose Broeder, all memorial ribbon honorees. If you have information you would like to share with the rest of the League, please send it to me.

---Martha Christensen

*Sue McIntyre* spent much of her youth hiking and camping in the wilderness of Idaho and Wyoming. She had a love of animals and nature that was translated into her paintings. Sue only took art classes beginning in 1994, after an early retirement from her career. Sue continued with her painting growth after that first class by taking painting at Cochise College every semester. Sue took ill with Acute Leukemia in 2002 but continued enjoying the camaraderie of the Cochise College Art Department. Sue then began working in colored pencils, and was able to continue doing art while being treated for Leukemia. Sue's work was much appreciated by fellow artists and local community members. Sue was a member of the Art League of Willcox from 1996 and served as secretary from 1996 until 2002. In 2004 Sue and her husband Mac moved to Rock Creek in the Chiricahua Mountains.

*Peggy Williams* had an interesting and diverse art career. She studied commercial art for two years at San Antonio Tech, and then worked in photo engraving departments for companies from Dallas to Seattle. She then worked in advertising in New York City for nine years. In Willcox Peggy painted two portrait murals at the former Rex Allen Theatre, now our Willcox Historical Theater. Peggy was a fervent believer that every human needs to express him- or herself creatively. As an artist, Peggy looked at every painting or drawing as an experiment and as an adventure. She believed it is crucial to surround yourself with positive people and to learn from every mark an artist puts down.

*Maggie Richardson* loved her family, her friends, her church, traveling, her art and her politics. An Arizona native, she lived in the Willcox area since 1980. Maggie was loved in return by all who knew her. Maggie's art reflected her loves of family and travel with a softness of color and form that gave off a feeling of tranquility to those who viewed her work.

*Ann Boyd Wade*, for whom our Spring Show is named, was born in Merkel Texas. She came to Willcox with her parents in 1953 as a child. She graduated from Willcox High School and went on to attend college. Ann and her husband Donald farmed cotton, blended their families, and raised their daughter in the Willcox area. Ann was active in her four children's organizations and also volunteered for numerous community organizations and served on various boards. She was President for the State Farm Service Agency for two terms.

Ann discovered a passion for painting in the early 1980's. She soon became a talented painter. She was one of the original painters for the Rex Allen Museum and she donated many of her pieces to charities as fundraisers. Through her creativity she made many many treasured friends. Every painting Ann did captured a portion of her caring personality which enriched so many lives in Willcox.



*Andy Goldsworthy, Polar Vortex, January 10/11 1987, ephemeral installation, ice, Scaur water, Dumfriesshire, Scotland*

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\*Huachuca Art Association 1/2015 Newsletter <http://huachuca-art.com/wp-content/uploads/2010/08/January-ArtyFacts->

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\*San Pedro River Art Association <http://sprarts.org/>