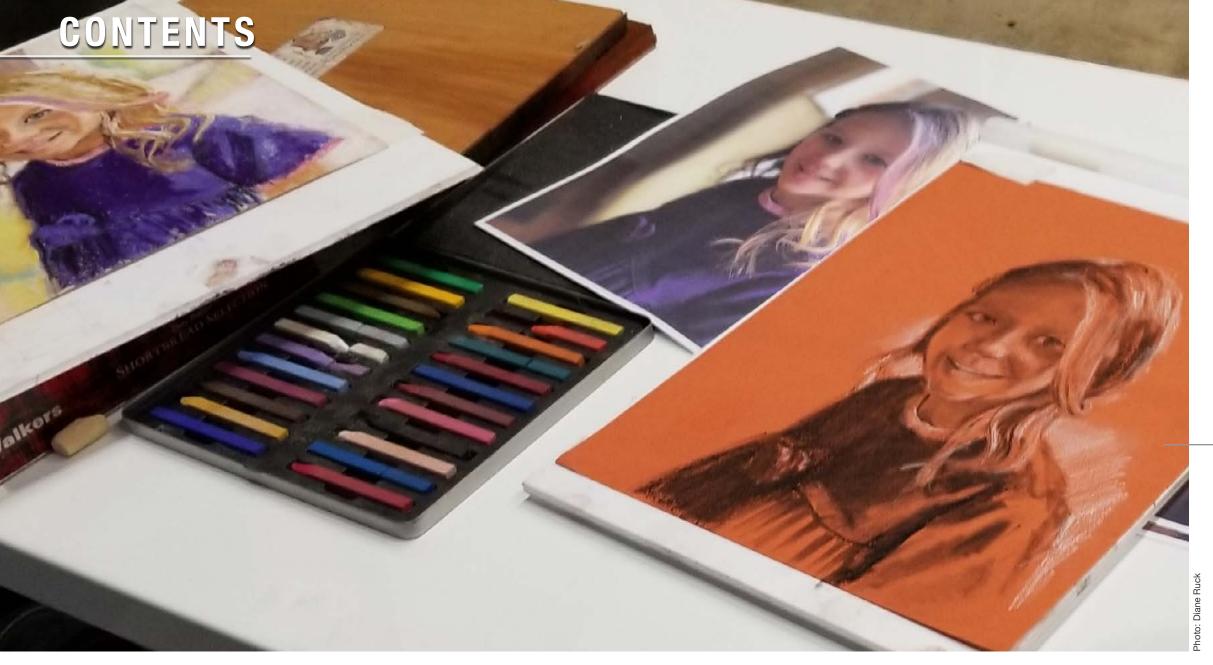
ISSUE #2 MAY 2022 OPAL NEVS OPAL ARTISTS LEAGUE

2022 EDITION

WELCOME TO THE AMAZING WORLD OF PASTELS. RIGHT HERE IN OHIO.





OPAL PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE Pam Hartford updates members on an exciting line-up of activities and some helpful links.







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MEETINGS, EXHIBITS, EVENTS & CLASSES Check out the latest events, have your work seen, take a class, or teach other aspiring artists!



06 **OPAL FEATURE:** ANGELA GAGE DEMO

Angela explores painting surfaces and gives tips on her technique, use of color, and some helpful insights on proportion in portrait paiting.





WHAT'S IN YOUR SKETCHBOOK?

Member, Vicki Moon Spiegel scheduled to discuss the value in keeping a sketchbook. Don't miss it!

OPAL PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Hello OPAL!

I hope everyone is doing well as the calendar turns to May. Though the weather has not been all that cooperative, the flowers of April have been absolutely beautiful. Hope they have been an inspiration to you.

As discussed at the April meeting, our in-person, **Fall Member show**, will be hung on September 2, 2022. This means take-in for the show is on or just before this date and members will be allowed to submit up to 3 pieces for the show (not previously shown in an OPAL exhibition). Prizes will be awarded. The Juror/Judge has not yet been selected, but the theme is..."Travel Notes." Details will be forth-coming from Nina Hawranick, our Fall Show Coordinator, as we get closer to the date.

Our **May meeting, Thursday, May 5, 6:30-8:30 pm** at Co-Hatch Polaris, is a critique by OPAL member, **Joe Kovach**. Members attending the meeting are asked to bring up to two paintings they would like Joe to critique. If you have any pieces you are working on for the Fall show, maybe this is a good chance to get some valuable feedback early.

Pertain Gillespie-Buckland, Our Workshop Chairperson, has been busy trying to set-up a workshop for OPAL members. Because of schedules already being filled, we will not be having one in 2022. We will be having a demonstration for our organization by **Carol Strock Wasson** on Thursday, September 22nd from 6-8pm for all members. Location is to be determined. This will replace our regular September meeting. Looking forward to 2023, Chris Ivers has been scheduled for an in-person OPAL workshop for the weekend of May 6th. So mark your calendars. More details to follow on both of these exciting events as they get closer.

As many of you know, OPAL is a member of the **International Association of Pastel Societies (IAPS)**. By being a member, our members are able to take advantage of the offerings of IAPS. There is a biennial convention, exhibitions you can submit to, a video library, and information about other pastel societies around the world, among other things. You can visit their website here https://www.iapspastel. org/ to see all the benefits available to you.

Finally, do not forget that if you are interested in **contributing to the newsletter**classes you teach, exhibitions you are in, awards you have won, workshops you know about, or any other information that might benefit our members-please submit your information by the 15th of the month for the next month's newsletter, emailing Mayme at mayme@lehaus.com.

Happy Painting! Pam Hartford **Board members present:** Pam Hartford President, Nina Hawranick 1st VP, Chris Hall 2nd VP, Diane Ruck Past President, Mary Bauer Treasurer, Lynn Carty Recording Secretary, Mayme Hausman Corresponding Secretary. 20 members in attendance.

Next meeting: May 5, 2022, 6:30-8:30 PM, Co-Hatch-Polaris 1554 Polaris Parkway 43240 Meeting opened by Pam Hartford at 6:30PM.

Newsletter is up on OPAL website and was emailed to members in March by Mayme Hausman. The newsletter looks great. Submissions for newsletter (shows, classes, awards, sales, etc.) to Mayme by 15th of month mayme@lehaus.com

There is a Gallery page on OPAL website, features one painting per member, showcases member work. Submit electronically under 5 megs to ContactUs@ohiopastelartistsleague.org

Take advantage of the **free member's portfolio on website**. Send up to five pictures and a short bio to ContactUs@ohiopastelartistsleague.org

The Fall Show will be at Westerville Community Center, hanging date is Sept. 2, 2022. The theme is **"Travel Notes"**, submit up to three pieces of new work, prizes will be awarded.

Mary Bauer reported OPAL has 42 paid members, two new members. Dues are \$30.00 per year. If you aren't getting OPAL email and paid your 2022 dues contact Mary at maryibauer24@gmail.com

May 5th meeting is a critique by Joe Kovach. Bring one or two pieces for critique. The meeting will be at Co-Hatch-Polaris 1554 Polaris Parkway 43240.

June 4th meeting is Saturday 1-4PM with **Jacob Aguilar**, most requested artist in Diane's survey.

Chris Hall in contact with Dublin Arts Council about a possible 2024 Spring Show at their facility.

Pertain has set up a Workshop with Chris Ivers on Saturday May 6, 2023.

Angela Gage was our presenter. Angela is well known for her portraits. She demonstrated her process and painted a portrait of her granddaughter. Angela did a fantastic job sharing her technique, use of color and measuring facial features with us. Thank you Angela!

Refreshments provided by Lynn Carty and Kathy Smithson.

Respectfully submitted, Lynn Carty recording secretary April 12, 2022

MEETING MINUTES 4.7.22

6:30-8:30 PM at Co-Hatch Library 752 High St. Worthington, OH 43085

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PAINTING PORTRAITS

DEMO WITH ANGELA GAGE



The OPAL March meeting was a fun-filled evening as member Angela Gage gave an informative demo on portrait painting.



PAPER - PROPORTION - TECHNIQUE Members were able to paint-along as Angela showed studies on a variety of papers and showed examples ranging from monochromatic to full color studies. She also reviewed some of the guiding principles of proportion on the face: eyes-nose-mouth, eyebrows and ear alignment, and to think of the teeth as "shapes" rather than individual teeth. Additional notes: remember that children's features are softer than adults; start with darks then move to "lights;" and that it's often helpful to look at your piece upside down or in a mirror to assess proportions.



OPAL members enjoying the demo at the beautiful Co-Hatch space in Worthington.

Photos: Diane Ruc

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MEETINGS



May 5, 2022 **JOE KOVACH - CRITIQUE** 6:30 - 8:30 pm -Bring a painting or two for critique Location: CoHatch-Polaris 1554 Polaris Pkwy, Columbus, OH 43240

June 4, 2022 (Saturday) JACOB AQULIER ZOOM DISCUSSION 1:00 - 4:00 pm Jacob Aquiler Video (https://www.patreon.com) Location: CoHatch-Delaware 18 E. William St., Delaware, OH 43105

July, 7, 2022 **OPAL MEMBER MEETING - TBD** 6:30 - 8:30 pm Location: CoHatch-Polaris 1554 Polaris Pkwy. Columbus, OH 43240

August 4, 2022 OPAL MEMBER MEETING 6:30 - 8:30 pm Vicki Moon-Speigal: Use of a sketchbook Bring your sketchbooks to work during the demonstration/discussion Location: CoHatch-Delaware 18 E. William St., Delaware, OH 43105



September 22, 2022 CAROL STROCK WASSON DEMONSTATION 6:00 - 8:00 pm Location: CoHatch-Easton 4182 Worth Ave. Space I-115 Columbus, OH 43219 Open to all members. This will replace our regular September meeting.

October 6, 2022 **PASTEL VIDEO NIGHT -PAINT ALONG - Painterly Fall Trees** 6:30 - 8:30 pm Location: CoHatch-Worthington-Hardware 659 High St. Worthington, OH 43085

November 3, 2022 **OPAL MEMBER MEETING** 6:30 - 8:30 pm Location: CoHatch-Polaris 1554 Polaris Pkwy. Columbus, OH 43240

December 1, 2022 **OPAL MEMBER MEETING HOLIDAY** POTLUCK/PAINTING SWAP 6:30 - 8:30 pm Location: CoHatch-Worthington – The Library 752 High St. Worthington, OH 43085

EXHIBITS

through May **ARTWORK BY KATHY SMITHSON** Location: Fusian Restaurant 79 S. State St. Westerville, OH 43081

SUBMIT ARTWORK:

SUNBEAR ARTISTS SUPPORT UKRAINE!

Submit artwork or purchase sunflower art and a portion of the proceeds will go to humanitarian relief for the Ukraine people. Visit sunbearstudio.com for more information.

CALL FOR ENTRIES: Pastel Society of New Mexico's 30th National Pastel Painting Exhibition. Entries accepted starting April 1, 2022 for the landmark 30th National Show. Show runs from Friday, August 5-Wednesday, September 21, 2022. For more information: ShowSubmit.com ENTRY DEADLINE WILL BE FRIDAY, MAY 27, 2022.

September 2022 Date TBD Fall OPAL Member Show Theme: "TRAVEL NOTES" From City/country/mountains/oceans and everything in between.Juried and prizes. Only paintings done within past 2 years. More info to come, so start creating! Westerville Community Center Cleveland Ave., Westerville, OH 43081

CALL FOR ENTRIES: Pure Color 2022 6th Annual ONLINE International Exhibition of Pastel Paintings Sept. 1-30, 2022. Over \$3,000 in Cash Awards! Online Entries accepted June 1-August 1, 2022. Online Show runs: Sept. 1, 2022-Sept. 30, 2022. For more information: prospectus at onlinejuriedshows.com

IT'S EASY TO GET YOUR **ARTWORK ONLINE** There is a Gallery page on the OPAL website. Members may submit one piece of artwork electronically (under 5 mb) to ContactUs@ohiopastelartistsleague.org

Take advantage of the free member's portfolio on our website. Send up to five images and a short bio to be listed. Email to ContactUs@ohiopastelartistsleague.org

EVENTS

April 9-Summer 2022 WESTERVILLE'S ART HOP The Arts Council of Westerville's Art Hop Artists will be demonstrating and selling throughout the city. For details visit: https://www.artscouncilofwesterville.

CLASSES



Friday, May 6, 2022 WHEN LESS IS MORE: SUGGESTION VS DETAIL IN PASTEL PAINTING Instructor: Nina Hawranick 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm Location: Sunbear Studio 22 West Main St. Westerville, OH For more information: www.sunbearstudio.com

FEATURED ARTIST

USE YOUR SKETCHBOOK DEMO & DISCUSSION



MARK YOUR CALENDAR! August 4, 2022 OPAL MEMBER MEETING HOSTS: Vicki Moon Spiegel: "USE YOUR SKETCHBOOK" 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Bring your sketchbooks to work during the demo and discussion

CoHatch-Delaware 18 E. William St., Delaware, OH 43105





USE YOUR SKETCHBOOK, a talk about the value of practice, play, and creating in a sketchbook. I'll bring some of my sketchbooks and some books by other artists that I admire, for your reading list and talk about all the things you can do with your sketchbook.

I've been an artist my whole life. I graduated from CCAD, where I picked up the sketchbook habit. I've filled 130 and counting and use all kinds of media in them. I carry one all the time. I've spent years at the Columbus Zoo as a docent and a Graphic Artist in the planning department. I currently have artwork in two central Ohio galleries: Sunbear in Westerville and 43023 in Granville. I also volunteer at The Works creating fused glass workshops.

HAVE A QUESTION? ContactUs@ohiopastelartistsleague.org

OPAL BOARD:

President – Pam Hartford Treasurer – Mary Bauer 1st Vice President – Nina Hawranick 2nd Vice President – Chris Hall Corresponding Secretary – Mayme Hausman Recording Secretary – Lynn Carty

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS:

New Member – Nina Hawranick Meeting Programming – Diane Ruck Workshops – Pertain Gillespie-Buckland Show/Exhibition – Bob Sako Refreshment – Cathy Stoessner Web – Pam Hartford

NEWSLETTER:

Please submit your amazing photos, articles and events to **mayme@lehaus.com** by the 15th of the month to be included in the following month's newsletter.