



## President's Message

Dear Members Of IAA,

I am still adjusting to the time difference after returning from Egypt. What is one to say about a country steeped and born of history from 27 BC? Just an hour outside of Cairo, a city of 15 million, the great pyramids of Giza and Sakkara loom in the desert dating back 5000 years. The stones of these pyramids weigh tons and are taller than I am and were made without modern tools. The paint used in the artwork of the tombs and temples from the Temple of Karnack near Luxor to the Temple of Abu Simbel remains beautiful today. As we floated down the Nile River to Aswan we returned to the past. While watching the water buffalo graze, the Egyptians slowly tending their lush green fields in the marsh, donkey carts loaded with alfalfa traveling the banks going to feed the horses, sheep and cows, we soon realized the peace and serenity of our surroundings. It was as if it was all happening in slow motion. Every now and then we would hear, "allo, allo" and there on the bank of the river would be young children waving their hello's to us!

Egypt is partly lush and green due to the Aswan Dam built by Anwar Sadat but the desert still remains filled with the mystery of the ancient Gods and Kings of Egypt. We will never forget our experience and the discovery of the land called "Egypt."

IAA is looking for new board members for the next season. It is difficult to continue to serve year after year but the rewards far outweigh any difficulty. We have come so far this year in building our organization and getting on track for wonderful activities in the future, so step up to the plate and give IAA some of your expertise by serving on the board.

Read your events scheduled for this month and attend the April 25<sup>th</sup> Membership Meeting at 7PM. See you there!

Nina Hardison



# IAA's 50th Anniversary Celebration

Reception - Sunday May 7, 2006

2:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Jaycee Park Center for the Arts  
2000 West Airport Freeway  
Irving, TX

## IAA NEWSROOM

April Hostess



Mary Treadwell

Artists of the Month



Mattie Kennney  
Karen Mahar

### Gallery Volunteers Needed!!!

We are in need of gallery volunteers. You can paint while you serve as gallery attendant! Call Nina or Dot to volunteer at 972-721-2488 or 972-721-8063 (voice mail).

### Step Right Up and Volunteer!

Volunteers are needed to work with Dot Blalock on the Texas & Neighbors show. Please contact Dot at 972-255-9337 or 972-721-8063 to volunteer.

### Nominating Committee Selections

Voting for the board for next season will take place at the next members meeting, April 25<sup>th</sup>. The Nominating Committee will present it's recommendations and members will be asked to vote for new board members.

**PLEASE VOLUNTEER TODAY!  
IAA NEEDS YOU!**

2005-2006

TEXAS & NEIGHBORS  
Regional Exhibition and  
Competition

April 23 - May 13, 2006

Janie Gildow, Juror

Reception April 23, 2006, 2:00 - 5:00 pm

Jaycee Park Center for the Arts  
2000 West Airport Freeway  
Irving, TX

For more information contact  
Dot Blalock @ 972-255-9337  
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## IAA 2006 Members Show

April 29 - May 26, 2006

The annual juried exhibition will be held at the Jaycee Park Center for the Arts.

Deliver works on Friday, April 28th from 10:00 am until 4:00 pm.

Pick up declined entries: Sunday, April 30th, 1:00 - 4:00 pm.

Take down and pick-up May 27th, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm.

Reception and Awards Ceremony will be Sunday, May 7th, 2:00-5:00 pm.

For information on entering, check the Rules. A quick summary for 2006:

\* Must be an IAA member in good standing

\* Members joining 90 days prior are eligible

\* All entries must be original (no workshop work; if photos must be artist's photo)

\* Work must be framed (when suitable). Not over 50 inches in either dimension.

\* Competition will be juried.

\* Fee: \$15 for 1-3 entries. \$5 for each additional (limit of 5).

## April Demo Jane Cross Mixing Colors April 25, 2005 7:00 pm

Jane Gillespie Cross has been teaching painting, ceramics and other art classes since the 60s to both adults and children. Her educational credits are: B.A. Art, Southern Methodist University, 1953; M.S., University of Texas at Arlington/Art Therapy, 1985; and Ph.D., Humanities/Aesthetic Studies, University of Texas at Dallas, 2001 (dissertation, Educating the Visual Imagination). She also studied with Betty Edwards, author of Drawing on the Right Side of the Brain. Since 1981, she has taught Discovering Drawing for SMU's Informal Courses for Adults. Some of her other classes for SMU have been Writers' Calisthenics, Mind Mapping, Drawing Plus Color—introducing students to five media—colored pencils, pastels, oils, acrylics, and watercolor. In fall 2004, Jane introduced Exploring Media: Right Brain Color which includes exercises from Betty Edwards' latest book, Color.

She is a partner and also teaches at Artists' Showplace, Arapaho and Coit, Dallas. Jane, an artist/poet/ teacher/writer, has given innumerable presentations to organizations on many subjects. She has also taught English Composition and Creative Writing at local universities and colleges. Her drawings and poems have been published in university journals and collections. Her goal with students is to assist them to discover their own unique ways of seeing the world and to develop their individual styles. Many of her former students have gone on to wonderful adventures in art, including exhibiting in museums, selling their paintings on the internet, and publishing their writings.

## Spring 2006 Invitational Workshops

**Perrin Sparks**

[www.perrinspark.com](http://www.perrinspark.com)

Pastel, Oil, and Acrylic  
Workshop

May 8-12, 2006

9:00 am - 12:00 pm

\$325 (members)

\$350 (non-members)

for 5 days

5 days of portrait or 3  
days of portrait work  
and 2 days of still life.

Must sign up for all 5 days  
or may sign up for the 1st  
day of the workshop only.

For information contact

**Karyl Barbosa**

@972-262-3638

## IN OUR GALLERIES

### EAST & West

4/29 - 5/26

IAA Membership Juried Show  
50th Anniversary Celebration  
and Show Reception

May 7, 2006

2:00-5:00pm

### East

4/1 - 4/28

Northlake College Students

Reception 4/2, 2-4 pm

### WEST (members ONLY)

4/1 - 4/28

Lynne Carpenter

Pastels

Reception 4/2, 2-4 pm

# AROUND OUR TOWNS!!

## Helen Cahill

Helen will be exhibiting at the Irving Arts Center in the FOCUS GALLERY, April 22 - May 14, 2006, with a Watermedia Show. Reception is Sunday, April 23rd, 2-5pm.

## June Holloway

June's pastel painting titled "He's mine", was accepted into the 2006 Texas and Neighbors show.

## Ann Hardy

Ann had paintings accepted in the Red River Valley National, Art Splash on the Square National Show, 2006 Texas and Neighbors Show, and two paintings (watercolor and oil) in the Artists Showplace Gallery Show, where she won an Ampersand Art Award for her painting "Chama Valley Creek."

## Earnest Benton

Ernie's painting "Love's Serenade" was accepted into the 2006 Best of National Artists & Artisans Competition. His painting "In The Groove" was accepted into Texas & Neighbors show, April 23 - May 13, 2006. Ernie also had his painting "Nubian Warrior" selected for an extended exhibit, "Choices from the Biennial" at the Fort Worth Community Arts Center. Ernie will also have a booth at the Dallas CityArts Festival this year. The Festival runs June 9-11, 2006, in the streets of the Dallas Arts District. For info go to: <http://www.dallascityarts.com>

## Lynne Carpenter

Be sure to visit Lynne's West Gallery show, "Doors and Windows: Looking In and Out of Life," April 1 - 28, 2006. The reception is April 2nd 2-4 pm.

## "Art in the Garden" Irving Arts Center

Local artists are invited to exhibit and sell their artwork in the Irving Arts Center's Sculpture Garden, 2-4 pm, May 14th and Sept 10th, 2006. No fees, no commission, no jury. Artists must bring all equipment. Call 972-252-7558, x225, for more information or visit [www.irvingartscenter.com](http://www.irvingartscenter.com).

## Opportunity for Artists

The Susan Kathleen Black Foundation is sponsoring "Blossom - Art of Flowers, An International Art Competition and Museum Exhibition," to be held at the Houston Museum of Natural Science, Houston, TX. Total cash awards are \$65,000, and "Best of Show Award is \$25,000! They will have several nationally acclaimed jurors; just to name a few: M. Stephen Doherty, Editor-in-Chief, American Artist Magazine, James L. Johnson, Director, Benz School of Floral Design, Dept. of Horticultural Science..AAF, AIFD, TMFA. Also, Susan Fisher, Arts Program Manager, The Art Institute at the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum. All this can be viewed on the Susan K. Black Foundation's website at: ([www.susankblackfoundation.org](http://www.susankblackfoundation.org)).

## Tuesday & Thursday Painters Group

Non Members Are Welcome  
Bring art supplies and a sack lunch  
Lots of fun every week!  
Tuesdays - 10am - 4pm  
Thursdays - 12:30 pm - 3:00pm

### ACAR

Art for Children & Adults at Risk, Inc.  
Wednesdays 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm  
[www.acartexas.org](http://www.acartexas.org)  
Call for more information: 972-721-8063

## Judy Gelfert

Judy is having a one-person show at the Fairmount Gallery in Dallas from April 1st - 21st. The reception will be on Friday, April 7th, 6-9 pm. She will be featuring works inspired during a recent trip to Europe. She will also be showing a painting in the Oil Painters of America National Juried Competition in May. The show will be in Missoula, Montana. Judy is giving workshop on June 24th at the Jaycee Center, and will be doing the May Demo for the members meeting.

## Marilyn Chandler

Marilyn's paintings "Fractured Tulips" and "Fractured Magnolia" were accepted into the Red River Valley National Juried Art Exhibition at the Red River Valley Museum in Vernon, TX. The exhibit will May 12th - June 30th.

## Margaret Smith

Margaret would like to announce that the website for the Lewisville Visual Art League is up and running, and is having a juried member show this June, called "Fresh Ideas..." the web address is [www.visualartleague.org](http://www.visualartleague.org),

## Jill Vanderkolk

Jill will be exhibiting a selected piece in Texas Visual Arts Assoc. 2006 Signature Exhibition May 6-30, 2006, at the Eisemann Center in Richardson. The reception will be Sunday, May 7th, 5-8pm. This is a lovely venue and worth the drive!

She will also be exhibiting at the Manske Library in Farmers Branch with the FBCCA., from May 6th-May 27th.

Jill also has two paintings hanging with RCAS's other 50+ members at Richardsons Library (2nd floor) on Arapaho Rd. Jill exhibited in the First Ever Oak Lawn Library Art Show (just closing) winning 2nd place with a mixed water media, and finding a new home for the collage with found objects!

## UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

*Texas Lettering Arts Council (East)*  
*by Connie Furgason*  
*May 20th - 21st 2006*

*Kaligrafos (East)*  
*by Donna Sabolovic*  
*May 27th - 28th 2006*

*Judy Gelfert (East)*  
*June 24, 2006*  
*9:30am - 3:00pm*

## Sally Meding

Sally was selected to be filmed making three holiday art-cards on April 5th for the Home & Garden TV (HGTV) show called "That's Clever". "It took about 12 hours to film-I was exhausted! I haven't been given the air dates yet-probably in November/December. I'll keep you posted," Sally says. She is also offering a 3-day Experimental Mixed-Media workshop April 26-28th and May 17-19th (10am- 4pm) at Aurora Images Gallery 803 E. Main St, Allen (972-390-1010) where student's will be hand-making and casting paper for incorporating into small compositions in mixed media.

## Call for Artist - Alternative Exhibition Space

Local artists sought for rotating exhibitions at the Irving Community Television Network studios. Contact June Boniedot for more information @ (972)721-2468 or email June at [jboniedot@ci.irving.tx.us](mailto:jboniedot@ci.irving.tx.us).

# IRVING ART ASSOCIATION

April 2006 NEWSLETTER

## *Jaycee Park Center for the Arts*

*2000 West Airport Freeway*

*Gallery Hours:*

*12:30 – 4:30 pm Monday- Thursday*

*1:00 pm – 4:00 pm Sundays*

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**MONTHLY MEETING: April. 25, 2006 7:00pm**

**DEMONSTRATION: Jane Cross - Mixing Color**



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