



September 2017

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS
Richard Bergquist – Sept. 11
Jeff Valdez – Sept. 25
Denise Eggman – Sept. 28

UPCOMING EVENTS
Labor Day Art Show

Next Meeting
September 13th, 2017

12:30pm

at the
Keeling Shaefer Back Patio
154 N Railroad Ave, Willcox, AZ
[Directions Here](#)

President – Yolanda van der Lelij
Vice President –
Secretary – Kaia Thomas
Treasurer – Louise Walden
Historian – Open

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Message from the President

Hi all,

Hope everybody had a wonderful summer! I heard some people went to see the eclipse, others still going on vacation and some members stayed home and had a good time also.

We return from Summer break with some changes, starting with Peggy Ottens handing over the newsletter to Kaia Thomas. I would like to thank Peggy for all the wonderful work she did all these years, much appreciated! And like Peggy always told us "send those stories in" and send them to Kaia.

We are releasing the September newsletter a little early so we can let you know that Jack Light will again have an art show at the Eldorado Community Center over Labor Day weekend. Last year we had a good show, this year we should have a good show also.

We have our meetings at the Keeling Schaefer tasting room in Willcox every second Wednesday of the month at 12:30. I hope to see some new members with fresh input when the meetings resume in September!

Louise reserved the studio 128 for the Willcox Wine Festival Art Show in October. We need to discuss how many paintings/ photographs everybody can bring and make a schedule for volunteers, which will be on the Agenda for the September meeting.

Hope to see you all soon!

WAL President - Yolanda van der Lelij



The object isn't to make art, it's to be in that wonderful state that makes art inevitable. ~ Robert Henri



Upcoming Events

Greetings Art League Members!

September is shaping up to be an exciting month with lot's of events taking place! This coming Labor Day Weekend is particularly packed. We have our 2nd Annual Labor Day Weekend Art Show – open to all artists and art forms, our sister group, San Pedro River Arts Council, will be having their Grand Opening for their new location of the Endeavor Gallery in Benson. Also that weekend, Bisbee will have their 16th Annual Garden Tour that includes an invitation for plein air painters to paint in the gardens, which some of our Art League members will be participating in. Also towards the end of September there is an entry deadline for the 2017 Cochise County Artist Show and Sale, free entry and open to ALL Cochise County Artists being hosted by The Quarles Art Gallery in Benson, AZ.

So let's cover those in detail shall we?...

2nd Annual Labor Day Weekend Art Show

We so enjoyed last year's Labor Day Weekend Art Show that we decided to do it again! The show is open to all artists and art forms – photography, paintings, sculpture – whatever your medium! (*The Art League will reserve the right to refuse any art deemed not acceptable – keep it family friendly!*)

The show will again be held at the Eldorado Community Center, which is 2 miles east of the junction for Hwy 181 and 186 – it's very near the entrance to the Chiricahua Monument and has lovely views all around. Entry fee is \$5 per piece, limit of 4 pieces. The Willcox Art League will retain a 20% commission for any art sold. It's the responsibility of the Artist to deliver and pick up their work. It's an interesting location in that it gets a lot of visiting traffic to the monument, especially on a holiday weekend. Hope you can join us! The show flyer will be attached to the email, for those who would like to share and spread the word! Anyone available to help with the show or has any questions, please contact Jack Light:

520-253-0309 or email: ampres@vtc.net

Drop Off and Set Up: Sept. 1st 10am – 5pm

Show Open: Sept. 2&3 9am – 5pm

Show Open: Sept. 4th 9am – Pick Up 4pm

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Endeavor Gallery Grand Opening

After months of remodeling, construction, and just plain hard work- the [San Pedro River Arts Council](#) are pleased to announce that the NEW Endeavor Gallery is up and open and ready for business!

They hope you will come celebrate with them this coming Saturday, **September 2nd** at the Grand Opening in the new location on [San Pedro at 4th Street in Benson](#) any time between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. See what has been accomplished, and enjoy some refreshments, a chance to meet with your fellow artists and members, and maybe even win a door prize!



16th Annual Bisbee Garden Tour

The Bisbee Bloomers are pleased to announce their 16th Annual Bisbee Garden Tour on Saturday, **September 2**, 2017 from 10 AM to 4 PM. This year's tour will feature gardens in the Warren and Galena districts of Bisbee, and a bonus one-acre garden just 10 miles from the traffic circle toward Douglas. Also included in the tour is a stop at the Shady Dell Vintage Trailer Court in Lowell, which hosts vintage trailers in a park-like setting where shade trees and greenery abound. The self-guided tour will highlight both new and older gardens in a variety of styles that demonstrate the unique microclimates that exist in the mile-high city.

There will be plein air painting demonstrations by local artists Clement Scott and Kaia Thomas and music and refreshments along the tour as well. Anyone interested in viewing or to paint, visit their [FB page](#) for more info, or contact **Bridget at 529-366-2200** email srbridget@gmail.com





2017 Cochise County Art Show and Sale

Art League Members, Doug and Sharon Quarles of The Quarles Art Gallery in Benson, Az, will be hosting to an ALL ARTISTS of Cochise County Art Show and Sale during the entire month of October and it's FREE to enter! Entries must be postmarked by **September 22nd**. Here is the Show and Sale PDF file for more information and entry form. You can also visit their website HERE for more information.

Willcox Historic Theater Members Display

Don't forget to check out our members display at the Willcox Theater! Currently, members Louise Walden and Yolanda van der Lelij are displaying until October. We have a rotating display of art work and photography by members that goes up quarterly, so you just might be next for display! Let us know if you would like to participate. Contact Louise Walden at 520-507-3104 or email at jlwalden52@gmail.com



If there are any stories, poetry, photos, events or announcements that you wish to have included in future newsletters, please email any information to: Kaia Thomas kaiathomas@gmail.com

For those of you members on this mailing list who have not yet paid your dues for 2017, I will be forced to remove you from the newsletter list... I don't want to do that...I want you to continue being a member and support the arts! Here is a link to the [MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL](#) or send payment to:

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Also if you think of anyone who might like to be a member, send them our way!

We wish everyone a creative and beautiful September!!

~The Willcox Art League

Secretary Kaia Thomas