



A Work of ^{The} *LRA*



The League of Roanoke Artists

An organization for artists and those who support art Since 1958
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There's art in all we do and know

To be thankful is an art. To go through difficult times and still find the blessings we have is an art. To be able to view the sun rise or the sunset is art. To be art. W.J. Cameron said "Thanksgiving, after all, is a word of action." We ourselves are walking pieces of art. Some days this piece of art doesn't look so good and I have to make an effort to find the art around me. But it's there, no question.



The holiday season is upon us. Some have loved ones that are no longer with us, some have family and friends far far away. But there are roaming pieces of art in our life that look at us as if we were in The Louvre. Appreciate those pieces of art. Enjoy the art in your life, enjoy life.

Monica R. Schlagetter,
Editor

"I tell you, the more I think, the more I feel that there is nothing more truly artistic than to love people."
Vincent van Gogh

Holiday Greetings



The Board of Directors would like to thank all our members for the support you have given us this year. We hope 2006 will be a wonderful year for you all.
HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!

The LRA 2006 Calendar of Events plus more to come...

Critiques	3rd Sunday of each month - 3 pm
February 19	General Meeting at the Blue Ridge Arts Council - 3 pm (Center in the Square, Roanoke)
March 14	Lewis Gale Gallery Change - 10-12pm Consultants in Cardiology Gallery Change - 10-12pm
May 9	Lewis Gale Gallery Change - 10-12pm Consultants in Cardiology Gallery Change - 10-12pm
July 11	Lewis Gale Gallery Change - 10-12pm Consultants in Cardiology Gallery Change - 10-12pm
September 12	Lewis Gale Gallery Change - 10-12pm Consultants in Cardiology Gallery Change - 10-12pm
October	The 2006 Showcase
October 27- 29	Fall Retreat
November 14	Lewis Gale Gallery Change - 10-12pm Consultants in Cardiology Gallery Change - 10-12pm

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Gallery News

LEWIS GALE GALLERY

The Lewis Gale Gallery will change on **January 10, 2006** between 10 a.m. and Noon. Please bring one medium to large painting or two small paintings. Remember that the cases cannot hold deep frames.

Future change dates are:

March 14, 2006, May 9, 2006, July 11, 2006, September 12, 2006 and, November 14, 2006.

CONSULTANTS IN CARDIOLOGY

The Consultants in Cardiology Gallery will change on **January 10, 2006** between 10 a.m. and Noon.

Future change dates are:

March 14, 2006, May 9, 2006, July 11, 2006, September 12, 2006 and, November 14, 2006.

All changes will take place between 10 a.m. and Noon. For questions about either gallery or to report a sale, please contact Margaret DuBois at 375-2976 or e-mail at W-MDuBois@worldnet.att.net.

CONGRATULATIONS

FOR SALES AT LEWIS GALE GALLERY AND CONSULTANTS IN CARDIOLOGY GALLERY:

Consultants in Cardiology: **Bobbi Phillips**

Lewis Gale Gallery: **Jan Nashold, Marianne Grimm, Betty Williamson, Julia Woodford, Robert Akers, Kathy Jo Sledd, and Carol Montgomery**

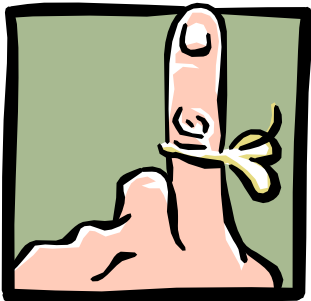
REMINDER TO ALL

Pictures NEED to have wires attached near the tops of frames so that they will hang flush to the walls. We cannot hang pictures that have saw tooth or bracket hangers. Also please remember to have your name, name of picture, medium and price firmly attached to the back of your pictures in case they get separated from the LRA cards in the galleries.

If you have any questions about the Gallery, please contact: Carol Frye 540-336-4410 or Frances Boyd 540-774-2958

Please keep in mind the Gallery specifications. We look forward to hanging your work!

Carol Frye, Gallery Coordinator



CRITIQUES

Enjoy this fun, informal and friendly opportunity to have your pieces critiqued by fellow artists. Make it a date for the **3RD SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH** to join us for an LRA Critique at 3:00 pm in The Blue Ridge Arts Council building. It is a chance to exchange ideas with each other and get a different outlook on your art. We look forward to seeing you there!

Critiques meetings are held on the 2nd floor of The Blue Ridge Arts Council, 20 E. Church Avenue, Roanoke City Market Area. Enter first glass doors, ring bell, door will buzz open. Look for the elevator on your left, go to the second floor. Any questions, please call Frank Murphy at 540-345-6497.

PLEASE NOTE: THERE WILL BE NO CRITIQUE IN DECEMBER

BREAKING NEWS!

NEW opportunities to show off your artistic flare!

The LRA + Youth = ROYA?

The League of Roanoke Artists is bringing art to young people of the area.

This is a new program for the League and thanks to the work of Nancy Stellhorn and Betty Williamson bringing art to youth has begun at the Baptist Community Center on 17th Street, S. E. in Roanoke. Nancy and Betty bring art (and snacks) to disadvantaged 6th and 8th graders enrolled in the after school program there the third Thursday of each month. They have discovered that these children respond to art (and real artists) and are expressing themselves in different mediums that are provided by the League with the hope that we can kindle an interest here that they will want to pursue.

The ROYA Baptist Community Center program has started again for this school year. Robert Akers, Betty Hancock Bright and Betty Williamson went there on Oct. 20th and introduced photography. Each child received a disposable camera, camera tips, examples and hands on experience using the cameras. Robert gave each child one of his photos from a car show (in a simple mat)...and that was a big hit! When the cameras are returned we will have the film developed and photo albums ready for them!

Betty Hancock Bright has made a presentation to the Roanoke Optimist Club outlining ROYA and expressing our wish to continue and expand in this area. The League received a \$500.00 grant from the Optimists for this purpose.

This is an exciting time. The ROYA program will expand with other possibilities of introducing art to youth. It will not just be just disadvantaged youth but anywhere we see the need to expand and offer art. Do you have some ideas for our new program? If so call Nancy Stellhorn (297-3263).

Reach
Out to
Youth through
Art



ROYA needs a LOGO

You have the artistic flare and we need you to put that to work. Please send logo ideas for the ROYA program to:

The League of Roanoke Artists
P.O. Box 20634
Roanoke, Virginia 24018

Or e-mail them to Betty
Hancock Bright at
hancockbettyart@hotmail.com

Please send your submissions
by January 13, 2006. Thanks!

Permanent Art Collection for the Roanoke Woman's Shelter

The League of Roanoke Artists and the Blacksburg Regional Arts Council have been asked to participate in a new type of art show.

This will be a juried show. Artists that enter this show will not receive an award. The artists that enter this show, and if accepted, will present their paintings to the Woman's Shelter in Roanoke as part of their permanent collection. This art show will hopefully become a wonderful part of the League of Roanoke Artists and the Blacksburg Regional Arts Council winter calendar event.

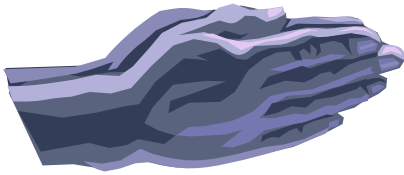
The prospectus for this show will be sent out sometime in February. The new woman's shelter needs artwork to help add color, humor and warmth to the temporary home for these families.

Look for further information. Any questions you may have, please contact Nancy Stellhorn at 297-3263.

 AMERICAN FRAME
1.800.628.3633

A414 - This is an important number for members to remember... it means money for the LRA! American Frame sends us 5% of all orders from LRA members (and it really adds up). Members can save up to 50% on custom quality frames. If you do not have a catalog you can order one by calling toll free 800-537-0944 or visit them on-line at www.americanframe.com.

The music that really turns me
on is either running toward
God or away from God. Both
recognize the pivot, that God is
at the center of the jaunt.
::: Bono :::



Applause! Clap! Clap! Clap!



Lynda Calkins and **Ann Stinnett** were recently awarded the following at the Cape Charles Sidewalk Art Show.

Lynda won first place in the show for her wood cut prints and **Ann** was asked to place her work in a gallery in Cape Charles - of which she has already sold pieces. The show was held in September with the Chesapeake Bay as the background - tough day but someone had to do it.

Call to Action

Thursday, November 10, I attended the Art Museum of Western Virginia, Women's Luncheon at Hotel Roanoke. Lisa Collis, First Lady of Virginia and Susan Allen, First Lady of Virginia from 1994-1998, were the guest speakers, celebrating women, art and education. I wish I had seen more of you there. The new art museum will be a very visible part of Roanoke in many ways and we as The League of Roanoke Artists need to be an active and visible participant.

If you are not a member of the museum, consider doing so. The Museum is reaching out to area artists and we, the LRA and its members, should respond.

Betty Hancock Bright

Two works that were sold from the Showcase

Annabella's Grotto
(digital) by Leslye Bloom



Chilhowie Cows
(1st Acrylic)
Mary Buck Bryant

I don't like to say I have given my life to art. I prefer to say art has given me my life.
::: Frank Stella :::

20th Annual SHOWCASE of the Arts

This years showcase was wonderful. Each year the league gets complimented on the outstanding artwork, and each year is better than the last.

Leslye Bloom, Mary Buck Bryant and Shelly Koopmann each sold a painting they had entered in the showcase. *Congratulations!!*

Special thanks to all who helped hang this show. You are a great group to work with. Again, the Jefferson Center is being booked for the 2006 Showcase. Mark your calendars.

Nancy Stellhorn

List of Awards for 2005

Best In Show

David Wertz for "Streak of Infidelity"

Tink Ewald Memorial Award

Katy Sulzman for "Grand Ole Tree"

Betty Hancock Bright Award of Distinction

Barbara Norman Lashley for
"Oniggio & Pietro Consoyre"

W.E. Williams Memorial Award

Helen Hubler for "American Soldier"

First Place Awards

First Place Oil/Pastel

Patricia Placona for "Practice"

First Place Photography

Susan Bidwell for "Black Spirals"

First Place Mixed Media

A.B. Stringfellow "Spring Fever"

First Place Acrylic

Mary Buck Bryant for "Chilhowie Cows"

First Place Watercolor

Lois Bittner for "Garden Ladies"

First Place Other Mediums

Janet Sachs for "July"

Second Place Awards

Second Place Oil/Paste

Shelly Koopman for "Hamptons Sunset"

Second Place Photography

Ann Stinnett for "Friday Night at
Floyd Jamboree"

Second Place Mixed Media

Martha Rhodes for "Trickle Down Effect"

Second Place Acrylic

Marianne Grimm for "Rose and Pearls"

Second Place Watercolor

Myrtle Hooker for "The One That Got Away"

Second Place Other Mediums

Susan Egbert for "The Dhow"

Merit Awards

Merit Award Oil/Pastel

Linda Hall for "Desert Heat"

Merit Award Photography

J. Gregg Adams for "Floating Leaves
and Reflections"

Merit Award Mixed Media

Evie Robison for "Amelias' Morning"

Merit Award Acrylic

Virginia McGuire for "A Day in the Country"

Merit Award Watercolor

Frankie Doyle for "Some of Grandma's
Cranberry Glass"

Merit Award Other Mediums

Lynda Calkins for "Where's the Beef?"

Judges Choice Awards

Gina Louthian Stanley for "Landscape #2"

Linda Rae Russo for "Benjamin"

Susan Lockwood for "Brooklyn Bridge"

Peggy Brandt for "From Within"

Betty Hancock Bright for "Good Morning"

Martha Mayo Brown for "Botetourt Farm"

Rita Carroll for "Temptation"

Barbara Chemello for "South of Tubac"

Ruth Frederick for "Metamorphosis 11"

Betty Williamson for "Wine Time 11"

Jane Haddad for "Patrick & Eisen"

Douglas Ann Lewis Slusher for "The Laurels"

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20th Annual SHOWCASE of the Arts



This year's Award of Distinction is in honor of Betty Hancock Bright and her invaluable contributions made to The LRA and the Art community. Thank you Betty!

Shelly Koopman graciously accepts the Second Place Award for her work called "Hamptons Sunset".



"Black Spirals" by Susan Bidwell takes home the First Place Award for Photography.

Linda Hall enjoying the fruits of her labor with a Merit Award for her piece "Desert Heat".



Douglas Ann Lewis Slusher receiving her Judges Choice Award for "The Laurels".



Frankie Doyle's watercolor piece receives a Merit Award.



Ruth Frederick excited to receive her Judges Choice Award.



A crowned jewel in The LRA, Betty Hancock Bright, and her wonderful prince, John.

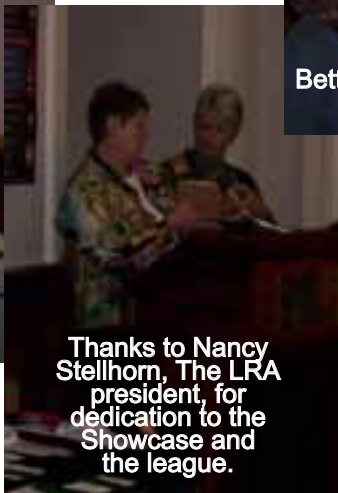


Lynda Calkins proud of her award for her woodcut print that received a Merit Award in the Other Mediums category.



Betty Hancock Bright

Ann Stinnett



Thanks to Nancy Stellhorn, The LRA president, for dedication to the Showcase and the league.



Carol Fye and her mother greeting those who attended the reception.

