

January P.A.L.'s Art Buzz.....



New Officers begin term January 2010. President- Dan Cohee of Cotter, Vice-President, Dana Johnson of Yellville, Treasurer- Keith Probert of Flippin, and Secretary- Dorothy Anderson of Yellville. Carole Jones of Yellville will serve as Director, finishing the term of Pat Canary. January 9th is regular business meeting at 9:00 a.m.

Artist, Vaughn Johnson from Little Rock will be featured in a one-man show at P.A.L.'s Fine Art Gallery during January. Special exhibit will feature three generations of artists.

(Copy of article by Anni Wooster follows)

Pictured are three generations of artists (left to right) Jo Rowell, Vaughn Johnson and Dana Johnson, whose work will be on exhibit at the Palette Art League (PAL) Gallery during January. The painting behind the three artists, titled "Stags" is one of the featured paintings by Vaughn Johnson, during the Palette Art League sponsored one-man show in January, in its main gallery.

Vaughn Johnson, whose quiet intensity is reflected in his paintings, began his art career early in life, following in the artistic footsteps of his mother and grandmother. He won the children's Barrett-Hamilton Award at age 4 for his pastel titled "Snowbird."

Following graduation from Yellville-Summit High School in 1991, Johnson has combined an artistic career with a career in mental health, graduating from the University of Central Arkansas at Conway with a double major. Johnson, who resides in Little Rock, is an advocate for art therapy for mental health patients and also serves on the Arkansas Mental Health Planning Advisory Board.

As a residential and commercial designer by profession, Johnson's painting "Stags" was pictured in Southern Homes and Gardens Magazine after being exhibited in a Little Rock designer home during the annual public tour to raise money for the Arkansas Symphony Orchestra. Johnson explained

that every year a home is selected by designers to decorate selected homes for the fundraising event.

Johnson's exhibit will be open each Wednesday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. and Thursdays through Saturdays from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. during the month of January, with an artist's reception planned January 9, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the gallery.

Jo Rowell, Johnson's maternal grandmother is an accomplished artist and a distinguished and successful art instructor, and has a long artistic career in the Yellville area, having moved with her family in 1962 from Texas. She taught art at Yellville-Summit Schools for 32 years. Rowell has continued to teach privately and is in her 38th year of instructing. Rowell said that in 1976 she opened Intriguing Treasures, or "I.T." for short, and has been teaching art classes there along with providing art instruction for the local school district.

Rowell is especially proud of her students who have carried their artistic training on into their adult careers, such as an illustrator for Hallmark Cards, an architect and art teachers.

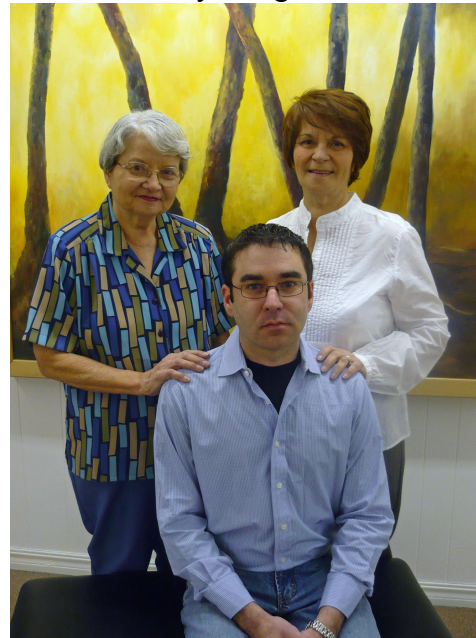
Rowell also is one of the founding members of the Palette Art League, which was formed to promote artists and art in the community. A few years ago PAL purchased the building located on Highway 62 West in Yellville, which is operated by member artists on a volunteer basis.

Dana Johnson, Rowell's daughter, is an artist in her own right and serves as a PAL member and on its board of directors. Johnson, who was a teenager when her family moved from Midland,

Texas, said she discovered she had found her true home in the beautiful Ozarks. Following graduation from Y-S Schools, she pursued her own interests in art while working to help support her growing family. Besides paintings of many subjects, including pet portraits and murals, Johnson also uses her creative nature to illustrate brochures, logos and billboard signs for local businesses. Johnson stated, "I have ventured into many mediums, such as oils, pen and ink, china painting and watercolor; however, the pastel medium has become the most satisfying, thus my favorite. The details and textures that can be achieved with pastels are endless."

Like her mother and son, Johnson has received many awards for her creations and numerous pieces are among private collections in Texas, Oklahoma, Missouri, New Jersey, Saudi Arabia and Arkansas.

PAL is pleased to invite artists and art enthusiasts to visit the gallery and view the creations by Vaughn Johnson.



The President speaks...

Upcoming events.....

Now that we have our 501c Non-Profit status, a gallery building and a web site, this will be the year of expansion for the Palette Art League. I have a vision of the Palette Art League becoming the leading art center for all of North Central Arkansas and Southern Missouri. Our web site is expanding. A face-lift is happening at the gallery. Exciting times have arrived and I invite all artists to join us in making the Palette Art League the hub of art in the Ozarks.

Dan Cohee
President

Fellowship of Artists on Thursdays, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., League members gather at this time to visit, paint, brainstorm and share a passion for creating. Member, Carole Jones, will be hosting the event.

Three-Day workshop in China Painting.... February 15,16, &17th. Workshop will begin 10 a.m. to 2.p.m., cost of workshop \$60.00 plus supplies. Dana Johnson, will be the instructor.

Young Artists of Ozark Show, At the Gallery, March 15 thru

March 20. Prospectus is available upon request or On website..

Information of interest....

Crystal Bridges will be a premier art institution dedicated to American art and artists, learning and community gatherings. The museum takes its name from the nearby natural springs and the unique glass-and-wood building designed for the natural setting by world-renowned architect Moshe Safdie. The complex will encompass more than 100,000 square feet of public space, including galleries, meeting and classroom spaces, a large auditorium, areas for outdoor concerts and public events, and sculpture and walking trails.

Crystal Bridges will house a permanent collection of masterworks of American art that ranges from the colonial era to contemporary work. The museum also will display a constantly changing array of special exhibitions featuring art from museums and collections throughout the region, the nation and abroad. The 100-acre site of the museum complex is located in Bentonville, Ark. For more information about Crystal Bridges, visit

www.crystalbridges.org

The Arkansas Sculptors Guild is seeking entries for the *5th Annual Arkansas Sculpture Invitational* to be held June 18th, 19th, and 20th, 2010 in Morrilton, Arkansas. Applicants must reside in the states of Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Texas, Nebraska and Arkansas.

Exhibiting sculptors will be chosen from submitted digital images. A juror panel will be provided with a master CD containing numbered images only with

no names or identifying markings. Applications must be post marked by February 1st, 2010. Acceptance Notifications will be sent out February 15th, 2010.

For updates and more information visit www.arkansassculptureinvitational.org A copy of the prospectus and application may also be downloaded from the web site

Life Drawing Sessions: *A call to artists interested in drawing the figure* Registry member Drew Gentle is organizing life-drawing sessions at The Space in Eureka Springs every Wednesday from 1: 30 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. Artists are asked to bring their own paper, medium, and easel.



Session drawing by Carol Saari

A live model will pose during the sessions and a different model will be

provided each week. Drew is asking for a "pay what you can" donation between \$5 and \$15 to cover costs. The Space is located at 2 Pine ST, on the corner of Spring and Pine across from the Eureka Springs Post Office. For more information about the sessions, or inquiries concerning modeling for future sessions, call Drew at (479) 253-4949 In the event of "iffy" winter weather, call Drew to make sure session will be held.

Engaging Hands, Creative Minds:

The winter exhibit at Fresh Air Art Gallery includes works by ten artists with over 300 collective years of perfecting their crafts. Glassblowers, potters, sculptors, bead makers, jeweler's, and photographers have come together in Clinton, AR, bringing with them a lifetime of experience.

The roster of exhibiting artists includes: Ed Pennebaker from Osage, Arkansas, glassmaker with 29 years at his craft; Joe Bruhin from Stone County, a nationally recognized potter; Helen Phillips from Yellville, Arkansas, who creates functional, sculptural and coil process forms; Newt and Amy Lale, owners of Osage Clayworks in Osage, Arkansas, who will show pottery: Adrianna Morrisette from Leslie, Arkansas, showing functional pottery; Tom and Sage Holland from Meadow Creek, bead makers; Phillip Walrod, Stone County, is showing salt-print photographs; and Bill Ward from Bee Branch, writer and photographer.

Right: glass

by Ed Pennebaker

The exhibit will be on view at the Fresh Air Art Gallery, 358 Main Street, Clinton, Arkansas, until mid-March. For further information call Carol Corning at 501-745-2266 or visit www.freshairyoga.org.

Arkansas Arts Center

World of the Pharaohs will be on view through July 5th, 2010. The exhibition explores the long-vanished world of ancient Egypt through art and artifacts that span over 3,000 years of dynastic history. More than 200 magnificent objects that have taken their place in the history of Egypt will be on view. The exhibit is sponsored by Harriet and Warren Stephens, Stephens Inc., the Capital Hotel and the Little Rock Convention and Visitors Bureau.

World of Pharaohs is the largest exhibition to ever be held in Arkansas. The Arkansas Arts Center will extend its hours September 25, 2009, to July 5, 2010, to accommodate visitors to the exhibition. The show will be on view



Tuesdays from 9:00 a.m. until 8:30 p.m.; Wednesday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.; and Saturdays and Sundays from 9:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. Admission to the World of the Pharaohs is \$22Adults;

\$20 Seniors (60+); \$18 College Students with ID; \$15 Military with ID; \$14 Youth; and Free for Children 5 and under. A companion audio tour is available for \$5. Arkansas Arts Center members receive free tickets to World of the Pharaohs.

All tickets are timed and dated for entry. Advance purchase is recommended. For additional information, to purchase tickets or to become a member, visit www.arkarts.com and click on "Explore the World of the Pharaohs!"

The Arkansas Arts Center is located at 501 E. 9th Street, Little Rock, AR. Phone Number: 501-372-4000 and the web address is www.arkarts.com for additional information.



If anyone would like to share additional information about an upcoming art event contact The Palette Art League at info@paletteartleague.org.

2nd Annual Art Expo at the Gallery. July date to be announced soon

The 65th Annual Turkey Trot Festival, Palette Art League Show..... October 7,8,9,2010.

 5 th Annual Arkansas Sculpture Invitational June 18-20, 2010

<http://www.arkansassculptureinvitational.org>

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The 2010 5th Annual Arkansas Sculpture Invitational Show and Sale will be held in Morrilton, Arkansas. The City of Morrilton, Arts Council of Conway County and the Arkansas Sculptors Guild invite you to participate in Arkansas's oldest and largest Sculpture Invitational. This years show is open to all sculptors who resided in the Mid America Arts Alliance States.

***** **A Special**

Need...Volunteers are needed to help keep the doors open. Members having a few hours a day once a week or even once a month would be helpful. Contact Dana Johnson at 870-656-4193, or contact an officer or email member@paletteartleague.org

*****The P.A.L.'s Fine Art Gallery is located in Yellville at 300 Hwy 62 West across from First Federal Bank.. Business Hours are Thursday thru Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.