

ANNUAL ART SHOW IN MAY!
BRUSH STROKES FROM THE
DESOTO ART LEAGUE



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APRIL 30, 2009 MEETING

Thursday @ 7:00 P.M.

THE HUMAN FACE - CAN YOU DRAW IT?

Presbyterian Church, 212 W. Pleasant Run, DeSoto, Texas

Danny R. Jones was born February 1, 1943 in Lubbock County, Texas, the third of six children of Walter and Reba Jones. Danny spent his childhood in Graham Chapel and Post, Texas, where he attended school. In the fourth grade, a teacher named Mrs. Raphelt influenced Mr. Jones to pursue a career in education.



After graduation from high school, Danny attended West Texas State University where he majored in art education. After college graduation, he taught for two years in northwest Texas and then moved to New Mexico for a year. He returned to Texas and taught near the Gulf for a year. From there he taught math at La Vega

High School in Waco where he was named "Teacher of the Year."

Mr. Jones went back to teaching art in Clarksville, Texas, where he met his wife Lynn. After having their first child, the Joneses were looking for teaching positions in the Dallas/Fort Worth area. Danny interviewed for a position at Mansfield High School that is now named Brooks Wester Middle School. They moved to Mansfield in 1974. His children Mike and Kay both graduated from Mansfield High School. Danny is currently retired from public school teaching and concentrating on his art and art workshops. In 2004 he was honored with a school, the Danny Jones Middle School, being named in honor of his achievements in the classroom.

Danny will give a presentation on drawing the human face, with an emphasis on proportion. We will be doing a "follow me" exercise starting with the eye and proceeding from there, according to the pace and needs of the group. He will supply paper and pencils, but you may bring a sketchbook and your own pencils if you prefer.

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OUR SUNSHINE LIST

The only report we have this month is one accident. Ava Freeman fell and suffered some bruises. The chair she fell on fared much worse.

Take care of yourselves and maybe next month this column will be completely empty.

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The April 2009 exhibit is a group of portraits by Joseph Acron, a local history teacher and artist.

The May 2009 exhibit which was scheduled to be by artist, Susie Cotton had to be cancelled. Susie may display her art later.

Robin Ingle, a Cedar Hill Artist, will take Susie's place. Robin and her husband Bill own the Visual Expressions gallery and art school in Cedar Hill. Robin's art will be well worth the trip to see during May.

VIRGINIA VAUGHAN WORKSHOP - Only a couple of weeks to sign up for this workshop, which is almost filled. Virginia is advertising it to her loyal following and they are signing up. To reserve your spot, see the workshop form on page 7 of this letter - fill it out, send in your money and have fun.

If you are planning to participate in the Ellis County Art Association Plein Aire Paintout at this time, this workshop will count as one painting session and paintings will be eligible for ECAA activities.

Call **Sandy Reese** at 972-217-1546 or email at sandy@sandyreese.com.

ARTWORK OF THE MONTH



Rudy Amato won First Place (left)
Gene Gregory won Second Place (center)
Joe Acron (new member) won Third (right)

Thanks to Calvin Axtel and his gang at Asel Art Supply for their continued support and merchandise gift certificates for our winners of 1st and 2nd places.

Remember—bring your artwork to the April meeting. Win a prize. This mini-show is open to all members. Exhibit your monthly artwork in the DeSoto City Library for a month.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The nominating committee, (**Julie Danford, Verna Geihl and Ken Reese**) reported back to the League at the March meeting with a proposed slate of officers and committee chairs. See the President's Letter for a complete listing of these nominees. These will be voted on at the April meeting. The floor will be open to nominations at this meeting. The person being nominated from the floor must consent to being nominated. Most positions involve minimal work, some for only a few hours a year, others for only a few days. All are important and tend to be satisfying. Please come and help with this process.

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Please make a special effort to patronize and thank these businesses and organizations that support us so generously. .



Visit Calvin Axtel and our friends at Asel Art Supply in one of their many stores throughout the metroplex. Asel is a great supporter of the DeSoto Art League. They are faithful and generous in providing support for all our activities. To Calvin and his crew: THANKS!

PRIVATE SCULPTURE SHOWING

The International Museum of Cultures has invited the Desoto Art League to a private showing of work by the Texas Sculpture Association. This is a free group offer. Tickets to the public reception are \$25, so this is a good deal. Details will be decided at the April meeting.

REFRESHMENTS

The Second Best Reason to come to Meetings

April - **Barbara Patrie and Jane Kahler**

May - Pot Luck Installation Dinner

Thanks to **Ken and Sandy Reese** for March refreshments.

Refreshments Coordinator for 2008-2009 is **Marie Pauken** who will be keeping up with who's turn is next. Please see Marie and volunteer for refreshments this coming year.

Contact Marie at: 972-617-3014 or maria@paukenart.com for information.

SPRING ART SHOW 2009

The Spring Art Show 2009 is coming up in May — Get ready.

The judge, Virginia Vaughn, from Austin, has been named finalist for "Texas Artist of the Year" this year. A Plein Aire Workshop is planned to coincide with the show with Ms. Vaughn teaching.

She will also do a gallery talk on the show and her choices at the show reception. **GET READY!** Show brochure attached.

JUST A LITTLE OVER 1 MONTH 'TIL SHOWTIME

The DeSoto Art League is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization as defined by the Internal Revenue Service. All gifts to the DeSoto Art League are tax deductible. All gifts and grants are appreciated.

THE PRESIDENT’S LETTER: Dear Members and friends:

April showers bring May flowers. I love spring and all the new life it brings. It is a time for renewal and so now is the time for the DAL to have new officers and committee chairpersons. Our league has been doing well and with member participation at the meetings and our Art Shows, we are fortunate to have lasted this long. We always strive for new growth in membership, new ideas and suggestions. Do you know someone who is interested in Art, who paints, sculpts, does watercolor? If so, please invite them to come to our meeting, we would love to have them join our very unique group. We cannot afford to become stagnant.

This past year we have had many wonderful demonstrations, and our Juried Art Show last year was a success. With that said, I am sure you have received your prospectus in the mail. Please consider entering our show this year. We will have plenty of exposure since it will coincide with the Grand Opening of the new retail and apartment facilities in front of City Hall. Our display will be from May 29th to July 31, 2009. So please take the opportunity to not only help our club by sharing your talent, but also enjoy the coverage our exhibit will have. We would like to have as many members as possible enter this show. The City of DeSoto has been generous in granting us the Cultural Arts

Grant the last few years and we need to show how much we appreciate their interest in our league and what we do.

This month we will vote on the proposed slate of officers and committee chairpersons for 2009-2010. The following is the slate of proposed officers and Committee Chairpersons. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor.

OFFICERS

| | |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| President | Julie Danford |
| 1 st VP – Programs | Sandy Reese |
| 2nd VP – Exhibitions | Connie Tilden |
| Co VP Exhibitions | Ray Siebert |
| 3 rd VP – Membership | Kenneth Reese |
| Secretary | Verna Geihl |
| Treasurer | Charlene Bradshaw |

COMMITTEES:

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| Publicity | Judy Burch |
| Historian | |
| Hostess | Marie Pauken |
| Telephone | Lou Tucker |
| Monthly Mini-show | Bryan Reynolds |
| City Hall Monthly Shows | Kenneth Reese |

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**ADDRESS CHANGES,
CORRECTIONS**

NEW MEMBERS

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BIRTHDAYS

April 2009

I missed two birthdays last month;

Julie Danford - 3/22

Jan Delipsey - 3/23

April:

Juliana Simonfalvi—4/20

Cora Streit - 4/22

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

WHO, WHAT, WHEN AND SOMETIME WHERE.....

DeSoto Art League members won major prizes at the Visual Arts of Cedar Hill Show this past week end: **Lisa Reinke, Ava Freeman, Marca Sue DeLacerda** and **George Cole** all won Honorable Mentions; **Elizabeth Schlij** and **Ken Reese** won Second Place Ribbons; **Tina Bohlman** won a First Place Ribbon and **Judy Burch** won Best of Show.

A note from art teacher Darla Bostic about a September workshop at Ghost Ranch. Check it out at www.darlabostick.com.

Carolyn Kilgo Weinman is chairing the Irving Art Association's "Unconditional Love Annual Juried Pet Art Show". Check it out at www.irvingart.org. Contact Carolyn at ck_weinman@yahoo.com.

Call Ken with your news at 972-217-1546 or ken_reese@prodigy.net

IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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| President | Dotty Germino | 972-224-2209 |
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| 2nd Vice President Award Shows | Sandy Reese | 972-217-1546 |
| Assistant for Shows | Judy Burch | 972-293-8748 |
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| Recording Secretary | Verna Geihl | 972-224-3046 |
| Treasurer | Cherene Bradshaw | 972-291-2368 |

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|-----------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| Publicity | Connie Tilden | 972-576-8190 |
| Newsletter | Ken Reese | 972-217-1546 |
| Public Display (Library) | Bryan Reynolds | 972-227-3984 |
| Public Displays (City Hall) | Ken Reese | 972-217-1546 |
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| Telephone | Lou Tucker | 972-223-6883 |
| Parliamentarian | Jane Kahler | 682-587-4232 |
| Visual Art Coalition | Barbara Patrie | 972-572-6237 |
| Sunshine | Verda Wright | 972-223-5151 |
| Membership Book | Julie Danford | 972-223-5851 |

Need a volunteer to do the May Installation Dinner stuff. Do we have a volunteer???????

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| Membership Book | Julie Danford |
| Visual Arts Coalition | |
| Newsletter | Kenneth Reese |
| Parliamentarian | Dotty Germino |
| December Silent Auction | Bob and Maria Pauken |
| Pot Luck Dinner - May | |
| Christmas Dinner | |

We have a few spots open, so please consider volunteering. I want to thank all of you for accepting these nominations. It is important that we have members who are dedicated and committed to serving to the best of their ability. It is the duty of each and every member to answer the call for help when the need arises.

I look forward to see everyone at our general meeting Thursday, April 30th.

Regards,
Dotty Germino

CITY HALL DISPLAYS

April 2009 - Joseph Acroind

May 2009 - Robin Ingle

June 2009 - DeSoto Art League Art Show

July 2009 - DeSoto Art League Art Show

August 2009 - **Elyse White and Lisa Reinke**

September 2009 - **Sherry Green**

October 2009 - "**A Fish out of Water**" (A home school group sponsored by the DeSoto Library. These are 6-12 year old students. Should be great. They are so excited to be the main artists in their own show)

November 2009 - Linda Schindler

December 2009 - DeSoto Art League Member Show.

January 2010 - Open

February 2010 - African Museum of Culture (Tentative)

April 2010 - **Carolyn Weinman**

We need artists to exhibit their art in the DeSoto City Hall for January, March and May 2010. The exhibits will hang for approximately one month. Family friendly work—No nudes or sexually suggestive work. Two or more of you can get together and exhibit artwork. Art League members have preference. City of Desoto Activities may dictate a change in dates or exhibit size.

Contact: Ken Reese Home:972-217-1546 Cell: 214-215-1546

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PLEIN AIR WORKSHOP

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WITH Texas Artist of the Year Finalist Virginia Vaughan
Sponsored by DeSoto Art League

DATE: May 29, 2009

PLACE TO MEET: Ellis County Art Association
501 W Main St.
Waxahachie, TX

In case of inclement weather we will paint at the ECAA building

COST: \$75 FOR MEMBERS OF DESOTO ART LEAGUE
\$80 FOR NONMEMBERS
\$25.00 DEPOSIT REQUIRED TO HOLD YOUR PLACE. **In case of emergency**, deposits will be refunded less \$5.00 fee.

The workshop will be limited to 15 participants so reserve your spot now.

Contact: Sandy Reese (972)217-1546
sandy@sandyreese.com
For further information

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE NO. _____

EMAIL _____

AMOUNT ENCLOSED _____

DESOTO ART LEAGUE
2008-2009 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION AND RENEWAL FORM

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Tel: _____ Wk/Cell _____

E-Mail: _____ Birthdate: Month _____ Date _____

Art Mediums: _____

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| REGULAR | STUDENT | PATRON |
| MEMBERSHIP | MEMBERSHIP | MEMBERSHIP |
| \$30.00 | \$9.00 | \$35.00 |

Mail to: George Cole, 213 Wesley, DeSoto, Texas 75115 972-223-5744



Put some art into your
life today!

April 2009

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know, it will help to
make clear what now
you do not know”
Rembrandt