

Youth Engaged in Art – art for kids throughout the year



During the school year, AAC members provide art activities for children at the Arlington Boys and Girls Club.

Here are some examples of the fun creative projects for children:

- ◆ Felt capes for pets, some of which were donated to N.O.A.H. and featured on their website;
- ◆ Painting metal butterflies made by AAC member Mike Nordine
- ◆ Glass ornaments
- ◆ Decorating ice cream cones to look like Christmas trees.
- ◆ Decorating boxes with papers, plastic lids and caps
- ◆ Creating Valentines
- ◆ Painting wood ducks and tulips
- ◆ String art, shoe art

Summer camp

During summer day camp, the children sketched out their names on mat board and painted them, decorated pendants and strung beads in patterns on the cords on which the pendants hung, preserved their notebooks with decoupage embellishment, and went on an art walk followed by a drawing session at Terrace Park.

YEA at the Eagle Festival

In February at the Eagle Fest, children decorated ceramic tiles with oil paint markers, made necklace pendants, drew animal prints and the animals that make them, and assembled pinecone animals.

YEA at the Street Fair

In July, children decorated ceramic tiles, painted rocks, made scratch art postcard and decorated wooden pendants.

YEA in Art at Legion Park

During AAC's Art in Legion Park last summer children helped paint two murals that are now hanging in Arlington's Community Garden at the library. This year, kids of all ages will have a chance to paint new fish for the fish pole in Legion Park.

Free face painting

At these three events, children also had the opportunity to have their faces painted for free, thanks to AAC members and friends.

Storybook Gardening

The final 'Storybook Gardening' class for this summer is Saturday, Sept. 10. These popular garden projects, coordinated by AAC board member Char O'Neal, are a coopera-



tive effort by volunteers from three community groups: Friends of the Arlington Library, Arlington Arts Council and Sno-Isle Library staff.

Once a month, free activities in the Arlington Community Garden are built around a children's book, beginning with a reading of the book, activities include a gardening project and an art project inspired by the book's topic.

Anyone wishing to help with next year's classes should contact Char at charleenoneil@outlook.com.

And more

YEA also provided art supplies for children at the city's Easter Egg Hunt, Arlington Food Bank and for 25 backpacks at the Back 2School Rally.

• We welcome youth entries in our eagle photo and haiku poetry contests at the Eagle Festival.

Art in public places for the community to enjoy

Art at the Library

AAC has been displaying art at the Library for 14 years! Since most of the available display area is on the walls, the art needs to be two dimensional, but AAC bought a display case last year for three dimensional art. The library exhibit provides an excellent opportunity for AAC members to show their work, which is enjoyed by many library patrons as well as staff.

The rotating exhibit changes quarterly. The next change is Sept. 9 at 9 a.m. Any member wishing to participate or who may have questions, please call Virginia at: 360-403-1011. Nonmembers who want to join in the fun can join the AAC for a mere \$20.

Art along the Way

AAC's Art Along the Way program provides a chance for members to display their art in businesses around Arlington, where 15 venues host an individual's work for three months at a time.

Participating artists must move their work to the next location quarterly. Contacts are left with the venue for potential sales.

A 16th location, Alpine Vision Clinic in Smokey Point, provides space for over-sized paintings and framed photographs. Any AAC member can hang artwork there. For additional information or questions, call Virginia at 360-403-1011.

More art in Arlington this year



1. At left, the **Salmon Pole** marks the salmon bearing Portage Creek at 204th Street in Kent Prairie. The fish were laser cut out of metal by Mike Nordine and AAC members; the post was acquired with help from Terry Marsh; installed by city employees Eric Hentila and Ray Drake, and Kelly Larson brought in the city's bucket truck to help Mike and Tim Johnson attach the fish.

2. Above, **Going to Ride** by Janet Myer on the pillar under the Haller Bridge of the Centennial Trail, over the Stillaguamish River, painted by AAC members in four different painting sessions. Thanks to the city's water department crew for cleaning the pillar for painting.

3. Lower left, we upgraded the **Sound Garden mural**, featuring art by the late AAC member Jim Walker, with a high tech print on aluminum, with technical assistance from John Pe-

ters at Penway Printing. Also, the **Terrace Park stage backdrop** mural designed by Christina Harvey was repaired.

4. Above, two new murals painted by children and community members at last year's Art in Legion Park are now displayed at the community garden across from Arlington Library.

5. Thanks to Harry Engstrom for replacing Three Beauties with the new Dairy Queens.

Coming soon

- A mosaic glass globe created by members of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in honor of the church's centennial; a windchime/bell/gong near the Sound Garden; and mosaic mile markers on the Centennial Trail.



Legends of the Blues IV set for Nov. 19 at BPAC

This year's Legends of the Blues IV is set for Saturday, Nov. 19 at the Byrnes Performing Arts Center. The concert brings to Arlington world champions of the International Blues Challenge (IBC) in the solo and duo categories, Ben Hunter and Joe Seamons, along with Randy Oxford's All Star Slam, and two-time world



Kevin Sutton and Jim McLaughlin

champion harmonica player, Jim McLaughlin, with 2012 IBC champion Kevin Sutton, on guitar. The All Star 12-piece



Ben Hunter and Joe Seamons

ensemble includes Rae Gordon, Aury Moore, Polly O'Keary, Stanislove, Jeff



Randy Oxford

Nicely, John Kessler, Joel Gamble, Eddie Mendoza, Willy Straub, Angelo Ortiz, Richard Sabol and Randy Oxford.

The show features five vocalists and several instrumentalists who have been selected to represent the Pacific Northwest at the 2017 IBC in Memphis.

Also this year, in March, we brought the renowned Orrin Evans Trio to the Byrnes Performing Art Center, opening with AHS Jazz Band.

AAC monthly meetings with art demos, workshops

AAC meets on the second Tuesday every month, usually at the Arlington Boys & Girls Club, but, while the club is being remodeled in the next few months, we will be meeting at the Stillaguamish Conference Room, in the city's Public Works Building at Haller Park, 1100 West Ave.

In response to popular request, our meeting format has changed a bit...the general meeting will begin at 5:30 p.m., and demos will begin at 6:15 p.m.

Next up – Judith Echegaray



◆ On September 13, Judith Echegaray will be showing us how she makes her fabulous papier maché creatures, starting

at 6:15 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 13. Judith is showing her amazing sculptures at Art in Legion Park, and the workshop provides an opportunity to hear about her inspiration and techniques.

2016 workshops

We had fun this year trying our hand at a variety of art forms during our meetings:

- ◆ In January, we watched a slide show on murals in Playa Del Carmen in Mexico.
- ◆ In February, Karen Lyons demonstrated fish printing on fabrics.
- ◆ In March, Greg Kevin Delaney demonstrated the potential of polymer clay.
- ◆ In April, Arlington High School's jazz vocal group "Flight" directed by Jeff Swanson, gave a preview of their concert.
- ◆ In May, Gayle Picken spoke on creating successful art shows.

- ◆ In June we had a member auction of art and art supplies
- ◆ In July Karla Kay Rasmussen demonstrated silk painting.
- ◆ Our August summer picnic potluck meeting was at the home of Andrea and Gary Govett.
- ◆ On October 11, we will be strategizing for the auction on Saturday, Oct. 15.
- ◆ On November 8, we have scheduled a legendary photographer Randall Hodges, of Edmonds.

For next year

We are always looking for new ideas for our workshop/demos to help us meet our goal of providing art inspiration to AAC members and friends. Send suggestions to Vicki Johnson at vljfrog@gmail.com.



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'Bringing ART to Arlington'

Art in Legion Park DOWNTOWN ARLINGTON

Music

- Michael Gotz & friends, jazz
- The Winterlings
- Swingnuts Jazz

Fine Arts & Crafts

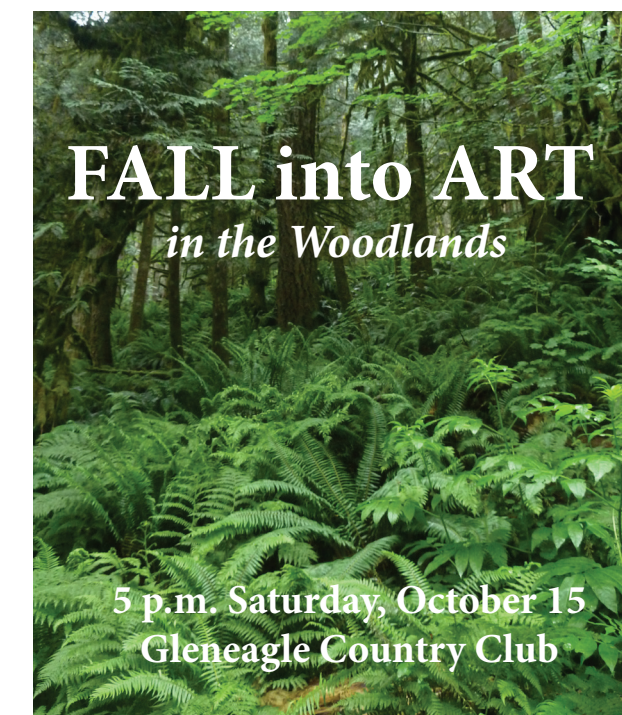
Beer, Wine, Food

Fun art projects for kids of all ages

Celebrating Stilly Valley Creativity
September 10 & 11 – 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Music continues until 7 p.m. Saturday evening

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FALL into ART *in the Woodlands*

5 p.m. Saturday, October 15
Gleneagle Country Club

Fall into Art AUCTION

Our 14th annual Fall into Art Auction will be set "in the woodlands" this year, at Gleneagle Country Club, 7619 E. Country Club Drive. Doors open 5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15

The auction is our one major fundraiser each year that enables us to continue in our mission to bring art to Arlington. Everyone who arrives before 6 p.m. will receive an Early Bird beverage, thanks to our sponsors, and a chance to win the Early Bird Raffle Prize.

Our Art Advocate of Arlington this year is Jeff Nicely, blues concert coordinator and overall supporter of the arts in Arlington.

Our sponsors cover costs so all proceeds can be used to provide more art experiences for the community. More sponsors are welcome; art and other donations are also welcome; please call Virginia Hatch for information, 360-403-1011.

How to go

Tickets are \$35 per person. They will be available at Art in Legion Park, at Flowers by George, or by phone with Jean Olson, 360-435-5866.

Please join us in our efforts to bring art to Arlington

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City _____ State _____

Email _____ Phone _____

- AAC Membership -- \$20
- AAC Special Friend -- \$50
- AAC Enthusiast -- \$100
- AAC Patron -- \$250
- AAC Fiend -- \$500 and up

AAC members and friends are encouraged to contribute to our mission by donating art, time and/or cash to our annual Fall into Art Auction. This year we are seeking cash sponsors for the auction. The options are \$1,000 to be the official auction sponsor; \$500 for champagne sponsor; \$100 for table sponsors. Donations are due by Oct. 1 for recognition in the program. Send your donations to Arlington Arts Council, c/o Jean Olson, 1003 E. First Street, Arlington, WA 98223. For information call Jean, treasurer, at 360-435-5866 or Virginia, auction chair, 360-403-1011.

Art in Legion Park is a fine art show presented by Arlington Arts Council, featuring the talent of AAC members and friends from the Stillaguamish Valley region and beyond.

- ◆ Paintings by Gary Govett, Bill Koger, Marcello Cicchini, Jacques Drapeau, Melvin Cook
- ◆ Pastels by Vicki Johnson and Kathy Critchfield
- ◆ Watercolors by Joe Clapper
- ◆ Photography by Berta Baker, David Lunde, Sarah Arney
- ◆ Jewelry by Lee Beitz, Donna Aney, Rosa Armendariz, Alison Gamage, Patricia Higley and Kathy Tao-Alexanderson.

Other interesting mediums include papermache' sculptures by Judith Echegaray, turned wood bowls by Stuart Fountain and gourd art by Joe & Nancy Wilson.

Kids of all ages will have a chance to paint a fish to put on the fish pole in Legion Park in a project coordinated by AAC's Youth Engaged in Art committee. Free raffle drawings offer art donated by the artists and the beer and wine garden features Arlington's own Skookum Beer and Washington wines, from noon to 7 p.m. Saturday and from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday.

Music schedule

SATURDAY-----
10 a.m. - Paul Nyenhuis
11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Michael Gotz ensemble
4 - 7 p.m.
The Winterlings
SUNDAY-----
11:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Swingnuts Jazz