

September 7, 2006

Dave Dunlap - Stained Glass

Our guest for the September 7th meeting will be Stained Glass Artist, Dave Dunlap. Dunlap's interest in working in glass started while he was a student at Ohio State University in 1973. He formed a partnership with another glass worker after graduating and began creating windows for restaurants and homes. Currently he works out of his studio, Dunlap Art Glass, which is located in Lewisville.

Dunlap's custom-designed windows can be seen at many local venues such as the First Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Denton, The Chapel at the Medical Center in Lewisville, and the Valwood Park Baptist Church in Farmers Branch. Dunlap also does restoration work, and he is presently involved in a major restoration project at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Muenster.

At the VAST meeting, Dunlap will demonstrate an advanced glass technique called plating. Thus, the title of his program "Stained Glass: Using Multiple Layers of Glass Plating in Stained Glass Windows." Dunlap's technique involves using two or more layers of glass to create effects and colors that can not be achieved by using one layer. This technique was used extensively by the Tiffany Studios and their contemporaries, but it is seldom used today because it is very time consuming and expensive. It also requires a deep knowledge of the materials available to the artist.

Dunlap lives in Double Oak with his wife, Julia Elaine. He has one son who lives in Highland Village with his wife and two children. He is looking forward to demonstrating his artistry and showcasing his technique in stained glass. *Carmen Underwood*

2007 Gala in the Planning Stage - George Cadell

We are excited to announce that our 2007 Gala will honor George Cadell, a local sculptor, educator, and former recipient of the prestigious GDAC Community Arts Recognition Award. Cadell is widely known for his bronze sculptures of figures and wildlife. He is retired from teaching art at Denton High School. His sculpture, *Diver*, is part of the Denton Public Art Collection located at the Denton Water Park.

Much of Cadell's work pays tribute to the Native American culture, and we are planning our food and entertainment for the evening with a Native American theme. The gala is scheduled for Friday, January 19, 2007, in the Center for the Visual Arts, Denton. Cadell will present a slide lecture demonstrating the process of creating a work of art from conception through completion.

If you would like to help out, please contact Ingrid Scobie, 940-566-5507 or iwscobie@hotmail.com. Watch for more info!

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Jim Johnson
Sketches of the
Frank Barrow Memorial
pen and ink
July, 2006

Mark Your Calendar

September 22	Fiesta-on-the-Square 2007 VAST Calendar Available
October 1, 2-4 pm	VAST's 1st Annual 125-Mile Visual Arts Exhibition; Opening reception at Banter
October 20, 9-11:30 am	VAST Visioning Meeting, CVA

Calling All VAST Members: Visioning Meeting Friday, October 20, 9-11:30 am

Over the last three years, VAST has built on its solid foundation in many new directions. This spring we formed an Advisory Board with members from both universities and the business community to help guide us into the next five to ten years. In order to develop these goals we applied for a consultant grant from the Texas Commission on the Arts. We are very hopeful that we will receive this grant.

VAST members are the MOST IMPORTANT VOICES in this goal-developing process. We hope that every single member will become involved. We have contracted with a consultant who specializes in goal setting. She will meet with the entire membership on Friday, October 20, from 9-11:30 in the Center for the Visual Arts. She will ask a series of discussion questions to see where we, as an organization, wish to go. We will also email you a form to fill out and send directly to the consultant to help her prepare for the meeting.

This is an exciting and wonderful opportunity to shape VAST's future. So mark your calendars!! Please let me know if you have questions, lynne.cagle@verizon.net. *Lynne Cagle*

Fiesta Colors: An Exhibition of Paintings and Quilts

VAST will once again partner with the Denton Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and present an exhibition of paintings and quilts at the Fiesta-on-the-Square event September 22. The exhibition is moving this year from the third floor to the hallway on the first floor of the historic Courthouse-on-the-Square. Paintings in any style of any subject in any medium and quilts in any style with "fiesta" colors are eligible. "Katie bar the door" when it comes to color. Think bright-yellow, orange, red, purple, blue, green, white, and black. This is an opportunity to show those works with the purest hues.

Members may exhibit up to two pieces each. Submit your exhibition information to Lynne Cagle at lynne.cagle@verizon.net by Friday, September 8, and please include the following: Artist name, title, medium, price, size (h x w), and whether you have a standing easel or quilt stand.

Works must be delivered to the courthouse between 5 and 5:30 pm on Friday, September 22. All work must be collected at the end of the exhibition at 10 pm.

VAST will have a table in the Fiesta tent where we will be able to sell our calendars and note cards and pass out flyers about the exhibit in the courthouse. We will need a couple volunteers to work at this table and also need volunteers to sit the exhibition. For questions, contact me at 940-383-1092 or texjo@msn.com. *Jo Williams*

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A Tribute to Denton's Finest

In the words of Winston Churchill, "We make a living by what we get; we make a life by what we give."

Earlier this summer, the Denton community lost three of its most dedicated members – **Frank Barrow**, **John Alexander**, and **L. A. Nelson**, men who made a "life" because they truly gave back to the community. I had the privilege of counting Frank and John as long-time personal friends.

Frank Barrow, along with his wife Betty Ann, was a huge force in Denton and in Denton Community Theatre in particular. Frank, a former mayor of Denton and a founding member of DCT, was a talented and gifted actor and director. But he also supported the theatre with his presence and with his pocketbook. No job was too small for him. He was just as willing to sweep the floor as to play a leading role. I will forever remember Frank for his full and robust laugh and for all the good times we shared.

John Alexander and his wife Carol patronized the arts in Denton. John was an advisor and board member of the Music Theatre of Denton and of the Greater Denton Arts Council. He first and foremost supported Carol in her highly-successful endeavors as a set designer for many theatre productions. John was born in New Jersey and later lived in the New York City area before moving to Argyle in 1979. I will remember him for his unique humor; he loved to tease Johnny about his white/grey hair, and by calling me "his second wife."

Martha Len Nelson, culinary expert and a stalwart force in the arts community in Denton, lost her husband, L. A. Nelson. Nelson was also a former mayor and an attorney, who championed the causes of the less privileged.

It is people like Frank Barrow, John Alexander, and L. A. Nelson who have made this community rich in culture and spirit. They and their wives are an inspiration to me and serve as models for how to live a "life."
Jo Williams

Long-time North Texas Area Art League (VAST) member, **Rosalie Fulton**, 85, passed away on August 8, 2006. Rosalie was a really fine painter of western art and achieved much acclaim with her painting. She went on cattle drives in Montana in the summers to gather her visual information. She never seemed to age in all the time that I knew her and was as beautiful at 80+ as she was when I first met her over 20 years ago.
Jo Williams

2006-2007 Monthly Programs

October 5, 2006	Mark Merki, CPA - Tax Issues
November 2, 2006	Brent Phelps - Photography
December 7, 2006	Barbara Oliver Hartman - Fibers & Quilting
January 4, 2007	Eric Hansen - Glass Blowing
February 1, 2007	Dianne Hicks - Watermedia/Handmade Papers
March 1, 2007	Linda McCall - Oil
April 5, 2007	Beverly Montgomery - Watercolor
May 3, 2007	Craig Nance - Faux Finishes

Regular meetings are usually held at 7:00 pm at the Center for the Visual Arts, 400 East Hickory, Denton, TX.

Members Exhibition 2006

I want to take a moment to reiterate my statements from the Exhibition Catalog: I am so proud of this year's Members Exhibition. The show was a fabulous reflection of the diversity and quality of our members' artistic talent. I want to extend my sincere appreciation to everyone who entered work. The Members Exhibition is our opportunity to shine! Congratulations also to our award recipients! Be sure to check out their work in our online catalog. - Lynne

Committee Chairs:

- Lacie Smith, Exhibition Chair
- Jo Williams, Installation
- Rebecca Hines, Reception
- Ingrid Scobie, Awards Coordination
- Billie Jean Kam, Online Catalog

Committee Members: Teena Anderson, Mary Jo Armstrong, Marcia Ashcraft, Dana Blanchard, Darla Bostick, Catie Cagle, Lynne Cagle, Garrett Chandler, Claude Cheek, Bobbie Cordes, June Dalton, Lisa Daniels, Sharon Dawson, Nancy Donley, Mary Emerson, Brandon Graham, Lynette Harris, Jeanne Heartsill, Marie Hoffpauer, Etienne Illy, June Impson, Millie Johnson, John Kokalis, Dan Lattimore, Katie McCullagh, Barbara Miller, Cathy Mitchell, Ann Moore, Mary Sigle Morris, Roxanne Musick, Amber O'Dell, Donna Park, Amy Schnoll, Ingrid Scobie, Eloise Sears, Julie Sewell, Stephanie Sidoti, Glenda Smith, Marilyn Smith, Cathy Sparks, Patti Tieszen, Kelli Trimble, Judy Uebelacker, Carmen Underwood, Deanna Wood

Award Donors: Thom Anderson, Bill and Jo Nash, Austin Street Artists, Denton Arts and Jazz Festival, Bobby and Mary Sigle Morris, Voertman's, Johnny and Jo Williams, Guerilla Painter, Canson, Inc., Larry Monroe (Magic Light Images), Strathmore Artist, Paper Arts

Jurors: Richard Ash and Janet Shaw

Business Partners: GDAC, Banter, WheelerPress, Jonathan Reynolds (UNT Center for Media Production), Paradise Liquor, David K. Pierce, Link Chalon, Joe Alford Florist.

Exhibition Underwriter: James R. Kirkpatrick, Architect, Kirkpatrick Architecture Studio

Award Winners: Cathy Mitchell - Best of Show, Teena Anderson, Dana Blanchard, Darla Bostick, Mary Ann Byerly, Lynne Cagle, Bobbie Cordes, Nancy Donley, Jeanne Heartsill, Marie Hoffpauer, Carin E. Horn, Millie Johnson, Thomas Judd, Melinda G. Marino, Roxanne Musick, Donna Park, Amy Schnoll, Fran White Shurtleff, Alfred Smith, Deanna Wood

**First 125 Mile Exhibition:
Opening October 1, 2-4 pm**

Juror Mark Stephen Smith, painter and professor at Austin College, has selected our first show in VAST's regional exhibition revival. The exhibit of 32 pieces will hang at Banter this year. In 2007 this exhibit will move to the Meadows Gallery, CVA, and will include 3-D work as well.

Plan to come to the opening reception on Sunday, October 1, 2-4 pm. We hope to have music too!

3rd Annual Studio Tour: November 4th

Planning is beginning for our 3rd Studio Tour. We will need lots of volunteers for blocks of time at each artist's studio as well as captains for each tour site. We will pass lists around at our first meeting, September 7. You may also contact Katie McCullach, Tour Chair, if you can help out. She can be reached at 972-948-0391 or dragonart81@yahoo.com.

The Arts Guild Annual Auction for the Arts is scheduled for November 11 at the Center for the Visual Arts. Proceeds from the auction go into the grants fund for the Greater Denton Arts Council. This money comes back to us in the form of a generous grant which helps fund many of our programs. This year we received \$7,000 in grant funds from GDAC. If anyone would like to donate a piece of art for auction, please call Jo Williams at 940-383-1092. Donations are accepted up until the auction, but in order to be listed in the bid book, you must call by September 15.

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Spring Show 2007 Prospectuses Ready

Within the next two weeks, we will be mailing the prospectuses for next year's national exhibition. This year, for the first time, we will be accepting both slide and digital images. Internationally-known printmaker Karen Kunc, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, is our juror. The deadline this year is **December 1** so plan ahead!!

Artist Opportunity: Aurora Images

Aurora Images is an 1800 square-foot, multi-room Fine Arts Gallery located in Allen, Texas. Aurora Images currently has 30-day exhibit opportunities available for 2 dimensional artists and 3 dimensional artists. The gallery currently has 30- day, temporary exhibition opportunities avail. For 2-D and 3-D artists. Space is scheduled on a rotating basis through out the year for solo artists and small groups.

There are a few Artisan Associate Permanent Exhibit spaces still remaining; these require 6-month agreement and are subject to review for acceptance. Please call Synne Magar Ferguson, Owner, 972-390-1010 for an appointment. www.auroraimages-bysynne.com

■ VAST Critique Group

VAST's Critique Group currently meets once a month (September through May, excluding December) on the 4th Saturday of the month. The group meets at 9 am at members' homes on a rotating basis. The critique group has been operating with various critics for over 20 years. The current critic is Millie Giles who teaches in the School of Visual Arts at the University of North Texas. Each member may bring two pieces of art (any medium) that they have finished or are currently working on to be critiqued. The critique schedule for the 2006-2007 year is:

September 23 – Mary Sigle Morris
 October 28 – Location to be determined
 November 25 – Mary Emerson
 January 27 – Jo Williams
 February 24 – Ingrid Scobie
 March 24 – Ingrid Scobie
 April 28 – Location to be determined
 May 26 – Jo Williams

The Critique Group has twelve regular members and a substitute list that the regulars call on to fill-in when they can not attend. Critique Group fees are \$120 a year for regular members (made in two payments – August and January). The substitutes pay the regular member \$15 to attend in their place (for critique of two paintings). There are usually plenty of opportunities to attend throughout the year. If you are interested in being a substitute, please contact Jackie Haugen at 972-317-1546 or waterjourney@verizon.net. There is plenty of room for more substitutes, and we welcome new people.

■ Members Doing Great Things

Ernest Benton, Jr was accepted into the *Jazz on the Boulevard Music & Arts Festival* to be held September 15-17 at the Will Rogers Memorial Complex in Fort Worth's cultural district. He was also invited to participate in an art event *Chateau des Arts x3* benefiting the North Texas Food Bank hosted at Times Ten Cellars Winery in Dallas, October 13-14, 2006. **Ruth Francis** will exhibit her latest works in oil and watercolor at House of Colors, 121 South Main Street, in Grapevine, Texas. One exhibit will be watercolor renditions of Anasazi Rock Art. *Freemont Warrior* recently received Third Place Award at the 2006 Weatherford Peach Festival. Also will be *Plein Air* from Ruth's recent "Go West, Cowgirl, Go West" trip through the western states.

■ Rob Erdle Update

Many of you may know that Rob Erdle, VAST's 2006 Gala Honoree, is in the hospital, and his chemotherapy has been stopped. He has been getting (and needing more) blood transfusions. If you feel comfortable donating blood and would like to do so in Rob's name, please present his name and the following information when you donate: Address: 1701 Greenwood Drive, Denton TX 76209; Phone: 940-566-2267; Date of Birth: 8-17-1949; Hospital: Denton Presbyterian.

Please pass on this word; you never know who might be willing to give blood.

Secondly, the School of Visual Arts, University of North Texas, established the Rob Erdle Watercolor Painting Award Fund last year. The VAST Board voted in July to make a generous donation to the fund. The fund is short only several hundred dollars in order for it to become endowed. If you would like to make a donation, this would be a great time. Please make your checks out to: Rob Erdle Watercolor Painting Award Fund, School of Visual Arts, University of North Texas, PO Box 305100, Denton, TX 76203.

Letter From the President

Greetings VAST friends!

I looked back on last year's September letter before writing this month's letter to you. I think it is important to reflect on where I was last year in order to appreciate how much I have learned and to reassure myself that next year I'll know even more. Once again it is September and school is back in session. Just like last year, I am experiencing that familiar loss associated with the season as well as the current of anticipation of the year ahead for VAST.

There are so many wonderful things in the months ahead. Mark Smith, Austin College, selected a strong show for our 1st Annual 125-Mile Visual Arts Exhibition, which will be installed this month. Prospectuses for the 39th Annual Visual Arts National Exhibition will be mailed within the next week; Karen Kunc will serve as juror. Planning has begun on our 3rd annual Gala honoring local sculptor, educator, and CARA recipient George Cadell. Planning is also underway on the 2nd annual Fiesta-on-the-Square exhibit and our 3rd Annual Studio Tour. Our VAST calendar is shaping up nicely. We will have a fall exhibition of the original calendar works. In addition, our Advisory Board is functioning well and we are planning a VAST visioning meeting to set the course for our future.

This September is a little different than last year, however. The feelings of loss are more intense for me. Many of you know that my grandmother died at the end of July. Though she had a prolonged illness, this was a particularly significant loss for me since she and I had similar interests: sewing and quilting; gardening and raising roses; and nurturing the individuals within our family. A part of my personal family is now a piece of history. While I am delighted that she is no longer suffering, I miss my grandmother very much and that makes me feel sad.

I feel an intense loss on an organizational level too. This summer we lost members of our Denton arts family: Frank Barrow, John Alexander, L.A. Nelson, and Rosalie Fulton. We shared with these fabulous individuals a love for the arts and a commitment to giving back to the Denton community. Their lives are immutable pieces of our community's history. While we are glad about their legacy, we grieve their passing. Jo Williams writes (see page 2) about how these people inspired her and affected her life. Jim Johnson shared a couple of his charming sketches from Frank Barrow's memorial service (see masthead on page 1). Our Denton arts family is feeling the effects of this loss.

The best part of reflection is the level of understanding that comes to us as a result. We know that while we will feel sadness from loss, we must also move ahead as our friends would want us to. We hope that our lives will some day be as memorable to those we will leave behind. We know that next September, school will start again and we will reflect once again and begin anew. We will see where we were, where we are, and where we can go.

I hope to see you all on September 7th.

Love,



Please send information you wish to have included in *Vision* by the 15th of each month to: Devon Nowlin, 228 Nursery Lane, Fort Worth, TX 76114, or email: devonpaiges@charter.net.

Vision is published the last Monday before the last Thursday of each month, September through May.

■ Calls for Entries

20th Annual Materials Hard & Soft, Meadows Gallery. National Contemporary Craft Competition and Exhibition juried by Paula Owen. **Deadline September 8.** Exhibition opens January 26, 2007. \$30 fee for 3 entries. For prospectus, see www.dentonarts.com, or send SASE to *Materials Hard & Soft*, GDAC, 207 South Bell Avenue, Denton, TX 76201.

Texas Biennial 2007, exhibited concurrently in four Austin venues. \$30 for 5 entries, **Deadline October 5.** Exhibition dates March 1 - April 15. Visit www.texasbiennial.com for prospectus.

The IAA Wildlife Art Show, Center for the Arts in Jaycee Park, September 29 - October 27. Hand-deliver entries **September 29-30.** \$35 entry for non-members. \$500 Best of Show and other awards offered. For prospectus, mail SASE to Irving Art Association, PO Box 153581, Irving, TX 75015, or go to www.irvingart.org.

Wildlife in Nature, Vista Art Show: an international online exhibition. Original paintings and drawings depicting wildlife will be accepted. Exhibition dates November 1 - December 31 at www.VistaArtShow.com. \$300 Best in Show plus other awards. **Deadline October 16.** 1 entry \$20, 2 entries \$30; 3 entries \$40; 4 -5 entries \$50. Full details available at www.VistaArtShow.com. Please direct questions to mail@VistaArtShow.com.

■ Art Around Town

Center for the Visual Arts

Meadows Gallery
Renaissance and Baroque Paintings from the Sarah Campbell Blaffer Collection
September 17 - October 26

East Gallery
A Galaxy of Quilts and ArtisTree; Works by the Denton Quilt Guild and the Golden Triangle Woodturners
Through September 10

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VAST's *1st Annual 125-Mile Visual Arts Exhibition*
October 1-30, Opening reception October 1, 2-4 pm

UNT's SOVA Gallery
Landscape without Memory: Photographs of Joan SontCuberta
Through September 30

TWU's East Gallery
Home: Return to Silence
Mixed-media and ceramic installation by Du Chau
September 5-27, reception September 5, 4:30-6:30

DMA
The Art of Richard Tuttle
Through October 8

Crow Collection of Asian Art
Tibet: Mountains and Valleys, Castles and Tents from The Newark Museum Collection
September 29 - December 31

Amon Carter Museum
Regarding the Land: Robert Glenn Ketchum and the Legacy of Eliot Porter, September 16-January 7

Kimball Art Museum
Hatshepsut: From Queen to Pharaoh, Through December 31

Fort Worth Community Art Center
The Mikvah Project: Photographs by Janice Rubin, Text by Leah Lax
September 7 - October 21, reception September 7, 5-8 pm

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Deadline extended to September 8th.

David Dunlap
Stained Glass
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\$50 Voertman's Door Prize

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