



City Lights Art Gallery

Promoting art and art education
in the community.



Brush Strokes

SEP 2015

"In art, the hand can never execute anything higher than the heart can imagine." *Ralph Waldo Emerson*

Merle's Message



Fine Art Paint Parties at City Lights— We had a great beginning to our new endeavor! A few friends and I joined other first timers to form the intimate group that launched Fine Art Paint Parties at the gallery in late August. Hosted by our instructor, **Jan Schaeffer**, in 3 short hours, we each created our

own masterpiece following Jan's sample piece: It was a fun, relaxing evening with much laughter and creativity! The artists were so focused, they didn't want to take time for a break or to enjoy the food and



wine. I know I was proud of my finished piece. Please help us get the word out! Pass out the flyer (attached to our BrushStrokes email or on the website) to your friends or better yet, reserve a spot for you and your friends to see for yourself! **The next Parties are Sep. 12th & 26th! Don't miss ArtTraction on September 26th-27th!** City Lights and Boulder City Art Guild members have booths inside the Henderson Convention Center for **SuperRun weekend** and lots of great art. Bring your friends and family to see the display (and enjoy some stylish classic cars on your way in). See more details on page 2.

As always, I invite each of you to participate in the many activities being planned at City Lights. Give Ed or Chris a call to find out how you can help.

Merle Blair, President

JAN SCHAEFFER September Featured Artist

"**This and That Side of Abstraction**," features the award-winning abstracts of Jan Schaeffer for the month of September at the City Lights Gallery.

Jan's work in abstract is truly exceptional! After spending many years using watercolor and doing more representational landscapes and still life, she has combined her love of color and the freedom to paint with her imagination to deliver one of a kind, attention-getting ab-



stracts that each have their own story. **A Meet the Artist reception is scheduled for Sunday, September 13th from 1 - 4 p.m.** Please join us to celebrate Jan's creativity!

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

JEFF CARAWAY — Painting Oil on Canvas

AMER KHWAJA — Photography

RESTITUTO EMBUSCADO — All Media/Mixed Media

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

- **OCT. 2-3 drop off art: OCT JURIED SHOW.** Enter today! Application is at citylightsartgallery.com.
- **OCT. 10 & 24: FINE ART PAINT PARTIES.** Sign-up now
- **NOV. 15: ARTS & EATS** at the Gallery. Fun & Food
- **MONTH OF DEC: ANNUAL HOLIDAY SALE!** Get your holiday items or artwork ready to sell at the Gallery.



Art Makes a Great Gift!

ArtTraction Indoor Show

City Lights Art Gallery is hosting **ArtTraction, an indoor Art Show, at the Henderson Convention Center **Saturday, Sept. 26th – Sunday, Sept. 27th**** concurrent with the SuperRun Event (Classic Car Show and more!) in downtown Henderson (i.e., lots of people on Water Street).

City Lights has sold 14 booths to members and will have a separate Raffle booth. Please call to donate an art piece to Raffle to raise Scholarship Funds. Two more needed.

Set-up will take place on Friday afternoon, Sept. 25th. Please come to this event and support City Lights Gallery!

OCTOBER JURIED SHOW

Artists are invited to enter their original work in a juried competition at City Lights Art Gallery, 3 E Army Street, Henderson **October 6th thru 29th**. Judging will take place the first week of **October**. Over \$1,300 in cash and prizes will be awarded in the following categories: watercolor, oil, acrylics, photography, drawing (NEW category this year) and other media (to include collage, bitik, encaustic, 3-dimensional works etc.).

An **Artists Reception will be held on Sunday, October 11th** from 1 to 4 pm at the gallery to announce the winners and celebrate what will undoubtedly be a fine collection of art! **Susan Forestieri** will serve as judge.

Entries may be dropped off at the gallery on Friday or Saturday, October 2nd or 3rd during gallery hours 10-4.

| ENTRY FEES - | Number of Entries | | |
|--------------------|-------------------|------|------|
| | 1st | 2nd | 3rd |
| Exhibiting Members | \$25 | \$10 | n/c |
| General Members | \$25 | \$15 | \$5 |
| Non-Members | \$25 | \$15 | \$10 |

The entry form is available on our website at **citylightsartgallery.com**. In order to speed up the check-in process we ask that you have the entry form filled out and attached to your art work when you come in! Please email us at **citylightscoop@centurylink.net** or call the gallery at **702.260.0300** if you have questions.

AWARDS-

| | |
|--------------|---------------------|
| Best of Show | \$250 |
| 1st Place | \$100 each category |
| 2nd Place | \$ 50 each category |
| 3rd Place | \$ 25 each category |



WEB SHOWCASE ARTIST

John Athey — Artist & Designer

John graduated from The Ohio State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial Design. After a 40-year career as an award winning exhibit and environments designer, creating large exhibits for many Fortune 500 companies, he recently retired to pursue his passion as a fine artist.

He is an award winning, self-taught artist who enjoys working in watercolor, graphite pencil, charcoal, and mixed media. John is continually exploring, experimenting, and re-evaluating his work. His subjects vary greatly from southwestern and wooded landscapes, western art, deserted factories, aging machinery, shipwrecks, and steampunk art.

He is a member of the Nevada Watercolor Society, City Lights Gallery, SCA Arts & Crafts Club, and recently studied with nationally acclaimed artist Spike Ress.

Please view his work at www.citylightsartgallery.com.

YOU CAN BE A SHOWCASE ARTIST TOO!

City Lights is pleased to welcome John who will be spearheading the **Showcase Artist** page on our web site each month. Please contact him if you would like to be featured online with a link to our Facebook page also. You will have a spot on the News and Events home page of our web site that includes artist info, a few photos and a link to a separate page that would include your bio, photo, and up to 10 pieces of your artwork (over and above the 4 that may already reside on the website artist page). If you are an exhibiting artist, there is no charge for this opportunity. If you are not, there would be a \$10 fee. You and your friends can let your work go viral by sharing the link! Please let us know if you are interested in this opportunity to showcase your artwork. **Email John Athey at sandiandjohn@yahoo.com for details.**

Wednesdays-Crepe Bistro

Our own **Barbara Usey** will be displaying her artwork at the Crepe Bistro during the latter part of September.

Please visit on **Wednesday, September 16th or 23rd** to Meet the Artist and view her colorful and creative works that include fascinating abstracts.

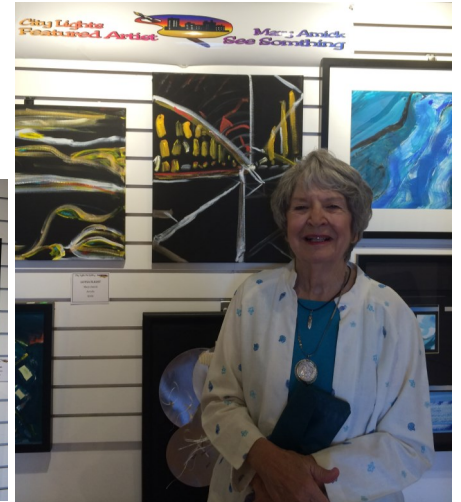
Bring your friends and enjoy a crepe or glass of wine. Barbara will be there to greet you from 5 p.m. at the **Crepe Bistro, 420 S. Rampart #150, Tivoli Village in Sumnerlin.**

MARY AMICK'S RECEPTION



Mary Amick was our Featured Artist for the month of August. She is an award winning artist who delights in surprising the viewer with her simple use of shapes, colors and materials. Her favorite genre is abstract, especially collage.

Mary is a retired teacher who began painting in the early 1960s. Amick is a past director of the Las Vegas Art Museum in Lorenzi Park, and also taught children's art.



MESQUITE EXHIBIT— through Sept. 26th



This is a photo of the City Lights Gallery exhibitor's wall at the **Mesquite Fine Art Invitational Exhibition** through September 26th.

City Lights had 14 participating artists display their work.

Chris Mazglad took the artwork to Mesquite and set up our exhibit. She said, "It's a beautiful gallery in a great location. Less than 90 minutes from Henderson, and a great opportunity to see work from many surrounding artist groups."

We hope you will plan a September outing to visit the exhibit at the **Mesquite Fine Arts Center and Gallery** at 15 W. Mesquite Blvd. in Mesquite.

Calendar of Events

2015 * New Dates (Non City Lights Gallery Events)

SEP

*12 & 26 Sa Paint Parties at the Gallery, 6-9 pm
 13 Su Featured Artist Reception 1-4 pm
 8 Tu Board Meeting—Gallery 4:30 pm
 *16 & 23 We Barbara Usey at Crepe Bistro 5-7pm
 24 Th Student Exhibit, NV State College
 26 & 27 Sa-Su ArtTraction-Henderson Convention Ctr

OCT 6-29 Tu-Th October Juried Show on display
 *16-17 City Hall Change-out
 *10 & 24 Sa Paint Parties at the Gallery, 6-9pm
 11 Su Juried Show Reception 1-4 pm
 13 Tu Board Meeting—Gallery 4:30 pm
 *14 & 16 We James Baker at Crepe Bistro 5-7p
 *28 & 11/4 We Alex Franco at Crepe Bistro 6-7pm

NOV 10 Tu Board Meeting—Gallery 4:30 pm
 *11 & 18 We Dano at Crepe Bistro 5-7pm
 15 Su Arts & Eats 1-4 pm
 15 Su Jim Longwell Reception 1-4 pm
 *25 & 12/2 We Sharon Menary at Crepe Bistro 6-7pm

2016 CALENDAR

APR 9 Sa ArtTrain
 FEB 19 Sa Top 50 Women Artist—Juried Show

COMING DATES

GALLERY EXHIBITORS: PICK UP ART 10/1 & 10/2
 JURIED SHOW ENTRIES: DELIVER ART 10/2 & 10/3
 Show Reception: Sun. Oct. 11, 1:00—4:00 pm
 Pick up Art: Fri. Oct. 30 & Sat. Oct. 31.
 4th QUARTER EXHIBITORS: DELIVER ART 10/30 & 10/31

BACK TO COLLEGE FOR SCHOLARSHIP STUDENTS

Katy Poole and Aimee Perry will both be attending CSN, and Catherine Swift will be attending University of San Diego. City Lights is eager to see their progress!

CITY LIGHTS ART GALLERY

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 Web Masters: Jim Longwell & Chris Mazglad
 BrushStrokes Editor: Delia Price

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

City Lights Gallery has become a member of the Henderson Chamber of Commerce (HCC) and we are excited about this becoming a win-win partnership for both of us.

- We'll be posting our events on their calendar which will give us a much wider reach to the community than our current efforts.
- We also plan to take advantage of their networking mixers, breakfasts, classes, and marketing ideas to increase our contacts, membership and influence in Henderson.
- We are also planning to do a ribbon-cutting ceremony in the near future.
- If members would like to represent us at HCC events, please let Ed Klein or Chris Mazglad know.
- Watch for the emails about HCC and please volunteer to attend one of their events on behalf of the Gallery!

WHAT'S UP IN BOULDER CITY?

September 12, 2015: Boulder City Art Guild will participate in the **Best Dam Wine Walk**. With the purchase of a wine glass at the Chamber, guests begin the walk which will have approximately 22 stops, including BCAG. Please spread the word to your friends and business acquaintances. Participants may purchase their wine glass on Saturday, September 12th at 3 pm directly across from the hotel – The walk starts at 4 pm.

November 7 & 8, 2015: BCAG will hold the 11th Annual **Winter ArtFest** — an indoor art show.

December 4–January 2: BCAG will hold the **Annual Library Show**

December 12, 2015: BCAG will participate in the **AAUW Holiday Home Tour**.

CALL TODAY FOR YOUR FINE ART PAINT PARTY
 GROUP OR INDIVIDUAL RESERVATION.
 Join in the Fun! 1-702-260-0300

