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# Art news

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## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

by Peter Grant

Greetings and well wishes to you all for the New Year! I hope and trust everyone had a wonderful holiday season.

Collector's Draw is just around the corner and will occur near the end of February 2006. We need your involvement. Please consider donating another piece of artwork for this fundraiser. Contact **Janet Schumacher** to offer your support. Tickets are \$100 each and are available at the HAL Gallery.

The "Unique Views" Juried Exhibit was so successful that the Art Museum is offering that we return again in 2006. The Museum has indicated that September has a two-week period possibly available. This is a great opportunity for Huntsville Art League and our artists. Discussion will be held in the coming months to discuss the practicality of taking on this project. ☰

## FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR / GALLERY DIRECTOR

2006 is going to be an exciting one for HAL. We'll be announcing many events this year and work is underway to celebrate our 50th anniversary. We're always looking for volunteers to help out with special events — hope to hear from each of you soon.

Thank you to **Teresa Reid** for helping coordinate the Gallery Tour. We had a packed house for most of the evening and sales were brisk. **Maria West** and **Shirley Barnes** did a spectacular job on the table and the food was delicious. Thank you to everyone that donated their time and talents to make the evening a success.

Collector's Draw artwork goes up Feb. 1st. Thanks go to **Janet Schumacher** and our faithful helpers for this wonderful event. ☰

## January Limelight: Carolyn Wang



**C**aroline Wang received her degree of master in Mathematics at the University of Wisconsin. She works at NASA Marshall Space Flight Center as the Software

Assurance point of contact for Space Shuttle Main Engine program. She is also Center Internal Lead Auditor, Chair person for the Center Software of the Year evaluation committee, and the consultant for Technology Transfer office in Software Release.

Caroline has always had the love of Art, especially Watercolor. She started her artwork when she was 5 years of age, and studied with many different artists in Taiwan and the United States. She also

From top; "Alabama Cotton" and "Space-Museum" by Carolyn Wang

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**Gallery Tour**

### EDUCATION NEWS

by Susan Christian

With the Holidays over, now it is time just for you. The Education Department has some great classes for both adults and children starting in January. For the children we will have **Paul Rufe's** always popular Japanimation for Kids, **S. Renee Prasil** will begin her Multi-Media class with a visit of the "Old Masters" and **Candace Bean** will be teaching her Multi-Media classes with everything possible to excite your child.

For our artist adults, **Marcia Leonard's** Pastel class will begin along with **Gabrielle Dempsey's** Classic Oil class. Our ever-popular computer guy, **Walt Schumacher**, will be offering his Principles of Photography for both film and digital. So, pick the one for you and we will see you soon. For more information, or to sign up, please call or stop by the HAL Gallery. ☺

### JANUARY LIMELIGHT

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studied Art at the University of Minnesota for one year. Caroline's work was influenced by Eastern, Western, Traditional and Modern Culture and she loves to share her experiences and thoughts with people. Ms. Wang loves teaching at the Huntsville Art League and speaking with non-profit organizations about her love of art.

*Caroline Wang invites all to attend her exhibit at the Huntsville Art League Gallery. The exhibit contains over 35 of her paintings, all of which were produced between 2000 - 2005. Many of the paintings were inspired by travel in the U.S., Spain, Japan, and China. Some of her wildlife paintings were inspired by trips to various zoos. Other paintings were inspired by movies and photographs. Her reception will be January 8th, from 2:00-4:00 pm at the Huntsville Art League Gallery. ☺*

### HAL NEWS

#### Collector's Draw Update

We have received artwork & commitment of artwork totaling 92 pieces. We have sold 85 tickets and are putting names on a waiting list. So we need more artwork! (A few people have actually committed to 3 pieces!)

- All artwork must be received by Jan. 28th
- Judging will be on February 1st
- Preview reception on February 4th.
- The draw will be on February 19th.

If you know of anyone who could be a corporate sponsor, the forms are behind the desk. **Julia Hawk** found a \$500 corporate sponsor... way to go!

Thanks!

Janet Schumacher, Collector's Draw Chairperson, JanetSchu@yahoo.com

#### Thank You!

"Fabulous," "gorgeous," and "wonderful" were all words used to describe the beautifully decorated reception area on the eve of December 1, 2005. **Maria West** once again created a bright, colorful creative space using gold lamé and colored Christmas balls for the Gallery Tour and Limelight Reception. Thanks so much Maria... You made us all look great! ☺

#### Don't Miss Out!

Please submit address, phone and/or email changes to Walt Schumacher 536-1284 email: waltshoe@comcast.net

## Exhibitions

### Times Gallery

The Times Gallery is featuring **Peter Grant** in the month of January. Peter, president of the Huntsville Art League for 2005-2006, lives and works in Huntsville, AL. Born in St. Petersburg, FL, he grew up in Greenville, SC in the midst of an artistic family. His brother was a noted architect, and his son and daughter are currently working in fine arts. Peter took art classes as electives while pursuing a degree in finance at Clemson University. A 20-year military career after college put painting on hold,



*Acrylic painting by Peter Grant.*

but allowed Peter to explore art around the world and develop his photography skills. He brought from this period a portfolio of beautiful photos capturing scenes and people from many countries. Peter started painting again following retirement and especially enjoys equestrian scenes. He is an avid horseman, and can frequently be found riding his horse "Echo" during his free time.

In the Times Gallery you will be able to enjoy Peter's Southwestern touch. This style has been much influenced by visiting galleries in Santa Fe and Taos, NM. Peter paints with acrylics on canvas using a broad brush and bold, bright colors to show life and motion and evoke emotion. Peter's love of this medium is reflected in the energy seen in his paintings and his subjects and techniques have become popular with his many new

fans. Horses in motion are the focus of most of Peter's paintings, although he also does some other subjects including abstracts.

Don't miss the Peter Grant at the Times Gallery. The gallery is open from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday. For more information, please call 532-5944.

### Arts Council Gallery

**Malinda McCleary** is going to be the featured artist at the Arts Council for the first quarter of the year – January through March.

### Heritage Club

**Harriet Dobbins** will continue to be the featured artist at the Heritage Club during January. Harriet's beautiful pastels will be on display in the Madison Dining Room and available for purchase through the Huntsville Art League. The Heritage Club will host a Wine and Cheese Reception in her honor on Tues., January 10, from 5:00 pm-7:00 pm.



*"Captivated" by Harriet Dobbins, featured artist at the Heritage Club.*

## HAL Membership Meeting Speaker

*by Peggy Montano*

Due to bad weather, our meeting for November was cancelled. Our speaker was to be Dr. Frances Church of Alabama A&M. Dr. Church has agreed to present her program at the January



*"Waiting for Lunch" by Ann Caudle*

meeting. Many have said that they look forward to her presentation on Color. She will touch on many aspects that will be important to artists and others who want to use color in their surroundings. See you on January 17, 2006, 7:00 p.m. at the Gallery.

## Awards

### Birmingham Exhibit for HAL Artist

Pastel art work by Huntsville artist **Ann Caudle** has been selected for inclusion in the 2006 Alabama Pastel Society National Exhibit "You've Got the Magic Dust." Her painting will be on exhibit in Birmingham January 6 - 31, 2006 at the Levite Jewish Community Center. Juror for the show is nationally known artist/instructor Frank Federico.

## HAL Exhibitors honored by Huntsville Photographic Society

At the annual "Best of Year" dinner recently, the Huntsville Photographic Society awarded several HAL exhibitors some top prizes!

**Janet Schumacher** and **Sam Fara** beat out 45 tough competitors to tie for Sixth Place in total points for the year. And **Walt Schumacher** beat all but one tough competitor to land second place in overall points.

In another tie, Same Fara and Walt Schumacher were both chosen to receive a plaque for "Best Color Print of the Year"!

Congratulations to our very talented HAL "photo-artists"!

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## HAL General Meeting

Please join us on January 17, 2006 at 7:00 pm in the HAL Gallery.

### UPCOMING DATES

**Figure Drawing Group**  
Every Monday Morning  
9am-12pm • HAL Gallery

**Plein Air Group**  
Call Anne Southard for details, 881-2179

**Peer Critique**  
Every 1st Wed., 7:00 pm, HAL Gallery

**Board Meeting**  
Every 2nd Mon., 11:30 am, HAL Gallery

**Standards**  
Every 2nd Mon., 2 pm, HAL Gallery  
Call Annette for directions, 534-3860

**General Membership Meeting & Program**  
Every 3rd Tues., 7 pm, HAL Gallery

## Newsletter Submissions

Please submit articles for submission in next month's issue of HAL News by the 15th of the month to **Martha Montgomery**,  
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Please submit all digital photos to  
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Please send us information on recent acceptances into local/state/regional/national/international juried shows along with any awards/recognition received. We want to acknowledge your achievements!

### WELCOME!

## New & Renewing Members

**William Gates**  
**Nancy Hedden**  
**Joan Robinson**  
**Judy Stettner**  
**Debbie Sutton**

**Debbie Howell**  
**Billie Jones**  
**Sherry Montez**  
**Jodi Nuttall**

**Brenda & Horton Smith**  
**Sam Tumminello**  
**Judy DiMaso**  
**Anjuli Farrales**

### MEMBERSHIP NOTES

#### Plein Air

**Anne Southard** will call a meeting in early Spring to determine a specific time to restart the plein air group. Anyone interested in joining the group should contact Anne at [Annehntsvll@aol.com](mailto:Annehntsvll@aol.com).

#### Juried Show Opportunities

The Arts Council, Inc. of Huntsville, Alabama invites fine artists to apply to exhibit and sell their work at The Boeing Company Art Marketplace. The deadline is January 13, 2006, to submit your

3 jury slides, and \$30 jury fee.

Questions? Email: [jbroad@panoply.org](mailto:jbroad@panoply.org), or call (256) 519-2787 x 205 or visit the web site at [www.panoply.org](http://www.panoply.org).

#### Gallery Changeout

Changeout will be at the end of January, coinciding with hanging Collector's Draw.

#### Well Wishes

Get well wishes go out to **S. Renee Prasil's** husband, James Prasil. ☰

*"Originality is simply a pair of fresh eyes."*

*Thomas Wentworth Higginson*