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October 2007 Newsletter

Our October meeting will be held **October 7, 2007** at 2:00pm in the A&B meeting room. The only open doors are outside the A&B meeting room, which are located at the back of the building on 3rd Avenue. **Bring artwork for the monthly contest along with artwork info. Winners, stay after the meeting to have your photo taken, and to pick up your exhibit sign.**

PROGRAM: The program for the October meeting will be presented by **Richard Stephens**. Richard is a native of Hot Springs and a graduate of the University of Central Arkansas with a degree in art. Richard's career began as an illustrator in the Army and later as a commercial artist. His love of watercolor has evolved over time as his style progressed into a more impressionistic approach. Richard was recently named one of the ten "Artists to Watch" by *Watercolor Magic*, and we are fortunate to have Richard return in October for a Watercolor Workshop. (See **Upcoming Workshops** on page 2.) He has donated paintings the last two years to our fundraisers, and he keeps his workshop fees lower for the PBAL. This is the third year he has conducted programs and workshops for our league! Thanks Richard!



REFRESHMENTS: Barbara Owen, Jackie Dunlap, and Paula Daileylooking forward to it ladies!



SEPTEMBER MEETING RECAP: Pastel artist **Mike Mahon** astonished members while painting a live pastel portrait in vivid colors. His demonstration was unbelievably conducted within an hour as he produced a precise likeness of his live model, George Weinfurtner. If you attended the September meeting, you witnessed an outstanding pastel demo. Otherwise, use this example to motivate you to come to the October demo with **RICHARD STEPHENS**. If you aren't aware, the PBAL has excellent art demos at the monthly meetings. So members, get off the couch and come to the meetings!

ARTISTS OF THE MONTH: Chosen for the **Business Exhibits - Congrats!**

Linda Lewis - *Longing for Blue Grass* - Simmons Bank

Dell Gorman - *Children's Hospital* - Pine Bluff National Bank



FEATURED ARTIST: *Our new Featured Artist is Melvin Rice for the October-December quarter. Congratulations Mr. Melvin! Look for his display in the Reynolds Building atrium the beginning of October.*

Upcoming Workshops

A fun way to grow in your artwork.

Instructor	Subject	Date and Time	General Note(s)
Judy Smithey	Richard Stephens Prep Workshop	10/16, 9:00am 'til whenever!!!!!!	Free, members \$10, non-members
Richard Stephens	Watercolor	10/24 & 25, 10:00- 4:00pm	\$60, members \$75, non-members
Pat Sheffield	Acrylics with Palette Knife	TBD (Coming in November)	TBD

Sign-up sheets are located in the studio for your convenience to enroll in these classes. If you have questions regarding any of the above-referenced workshops, please contact Dell Gorman at 879-2852.

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ANNUAL ART EXHIBIT & SOFT CRITIQUE: Juror, Janis Gill Ward, held a Soft Critique on 9/4/07 at the A&SC for PBAL members. Janis touched on various details regarding all of the PBAL exhibited paintings as well as the unaccepted paintings members brought to the critique. This critique was thoroughly constructive as valuable tips regarding composition, color, and subjects were shared with the 30-35 members in attendance. *We are always discovering ways to educate our league members.*

Our Annual Exhibit at the Arts and Science Center has been extended to 11/4/07. Artists, if you have any paintings in this exhibit, please pick them up from the A&SC (**NOT** the PBAL studio) on 11/5/07 between 10am-4pm. Pics of the

awarded paintings will be included in the next A&SC mailing, so look out for our PBAL masterpieces!

PLEIN AIRE PAINTING OPP(ART)UNITY

*A plein aire group is gathering on **October 2, 2007** at Bob Abbott's property outside of Rison, AR. **Arrive at the Donald W. Reynolds building at 9:30am-10:00am on the 2nd Avenue side of the building** to arrange travel to the site. The location is close to Rison where Bob Abbott has renovated a train car and has built a chapel. This location is among beautiful trees and a nearby lake, supplying us with plenty of beautiful scenery to paint from. Call Inis Ray, 536-3354, if you plan to attend. We need to know the number attending so our sponsor, Bob Abbott, will know how many lunches to provide. **Bring your camera and take photos if you feel you are unable to finish at the site.***

Melvin Rice is conducting the First Annual Resident/Local Artist Art Show and Sale Sponsored by Whispering Knoll Assisted Living/Davis Life Care Center on November 10, 2007 at the Whispering Knoll Assisted Living Facility from 10:00am-3:00pm. For more information, contact Melvin at 872-3104. Members can enter two (2) entries, without any entry fees!

*New Members: Troy Soukey, Albert Faver, Barbara Samuels,
Nancy Ryburn, and Gail Melton*

THE PBAL welcomes you!

Add to your roster: Troy Soukey 527 Greenbriar Dr., Pine Bluff, AR 71603, 329-6017, tlsoukey@hotmail.com
Albert Faver 206 Michelle Dr., White Hall, AR 71602, 247-4110, afaver@ipa.net
Nancy Ryburn and Barbara Samuels 17 Elmwood Circle, Pine Bluff, AR 71603, 850-6264
Sandy Higgins 88 Magness Creek, Cabot, AR 72023, (cell) 870-489-4922, a Pine Bluff number
Gail Melton 9667 Hwy 270E, Sheridan, AR 72150, (home) 870-941-8059, (cell) 870-942-8063



Notes to Members



Officers and Chairs, board meetings are still held the second Wednesday of the month. However, we are now meeting at 10:30am instead of 12:30pm.

Members, please contact **Barbara Owen** at bboweART@webtv.net with any changes in your personal information such as mailing addresses, telephone/cell numbers, and e-mail addresses. Without this updated information, the art league is unable to place necessary calls to members, mail, or e-mail correspondence. We appreciate your assistance in keeping our records updated.

When entering artwork into the PBAL monthly contests, please remember to post on the back of the artwork, the title, medium, price (if applicable), and artist name. This speeds up the process of fabricating your exhibit sign for the following Monday's drop off at the designated business locations. The pick-up day is the Friday prior to each Sunday monthly meeting.

Thoughts and Prayers: Please pray for **Virginia Brown** as she deals with the passing of her sister, **Kathryn Guffey**. Members, we appreciate everyone's concern regarding our members. We make a great team.

**See everyone at the October 7, 2007 meeting!
Happy Halloween!!**



**Piet Mondrian - Creativity is allowing yourself to make mistakes.
Art is knowing which ones to keep.**