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since 1965"



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President's Message

I want to share with you an artist I turn to for inspiration, George Inness. A master of light, color, and shadow, became noted for creating highly ordered and complex scenes that often juxtaposed hazy or blurred elements with sharp and refined details to evoke an interweaving of both the physical and the spiritual nature of experience. In Inness's words, he attempted through his art to demonstrate the "reality of the unseen" and to connect the "visible upon the invisible." Here is a link where you can view some his work;
www.georgeinness.org

The 2017 Loveland National Fine art show closed this weekend. We believe it was very successful. You may see the winners on our website www.lincolngallery.com We will publish the final numbers at the May 18th Members meeting.

We are forming the committee to begin planning the **2017 Fall Regional Show**. We plan to use callforentry.org again since that has been so successful in drawing more entries and a greater variety of artwork. Those of you who want to help with the show please contact Gordon Middleton, Kerri Ertman or me. We expect the first meeting will take place within the next week or so.

At least four of our members, Pat Saunders-White, J.R. Schnelzer, Gordon Middleton and Jim Digby exhibited in the [National Greeley Art Exhibition](#) this past weekend.

During the month of June, **Cole Thompson** will be Lincoln Gallery's featured guest artist. Along with his display he plans to make a brief presentation at the June 9th Night On The Town opening reception. Cole is a well know photographer from Fort Collins. You may see a preview of his compelling black and white photography on his website;
www.colethompsonphotography.com

The revised TVAL Policies & Guidelines will be published within the next few days. Each of you will receive a copy via email. Please read them carefully then reply to Kerri; lincolngallery@lincolngallery.com, to confirm that you have read and understand them. Those of you who do not respond will be contacted by a Board Member. We will also discuss them at the May 18th Members meeting.

Lincoln Gallery website, www.lincolngallery.com, has been updated. You can always find the calendar of events and current news there. Please add the dates shown in red to your calendars. Remember as TVAL members we are always invited to attend our events.

One last item. Susan Driver, (307) 399-2939, westartist@yahoo.com, is looking for people to help plan the upcoming pot luck in the park.

Upcoming Workshop Information

The Thompson Valley Art League presents a fine art workshop with **Michelle Chrisman**. Michelle Chrisman is a contemporary colorist, alla prima from Taos, New Mexico. The fine art workshop will be Friday & Saturday, June 2nd and 3rd beginning at the Lincoln Gallery located at 429 N. Lincoln Ave. in downtown Loveland.

The workshop will include:

- Demos in oil, but all mediums are welcome.
 - Advanced Beginner to Advanced painters are welcome.
 - One day still life & One day Plein Air Landscape

The cost for this 2 day workshop is \$175.00 for TVAL members and \$200 for non-members. A \$50.00 nonrefundable deposit is required unless the workshop is

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or visit us at www.lincolngallery.com

Please visit Michelle Chrisman's website www.MichelleChrisman.com for more artist information.

Art in the Park

We've got a really cool surprise in the works for this year's AITP. You'll want to definitely check it out. All will be revealed soon. Also...

Art in the Park artist spaces are filling up fast! If you are interested, please visit our website and submit your application asap. There aren't many left. Also, volunteers are needed for the event. This is one of those events that's a required event as part of your TVAL membership. Please be sure to sign up, or reply to Mary's recent email volunteer request asap to be sure and get the volunteer job you want. Volunteers needed for a variety of jobs on 8/11, 8/12, and 8/13. Mary's email outlines what needs to be covered.

More Opportunities

Audience! Workshop at Lincoln Gallery in Loveland

Are you a creative professional ready to reach more people who will love and support your work?

Would you like it to be easier to get your work into the places where it will be seen and appreciated?

Are you frustrated with all of the things that experts say you "need" to do to be a more successful businessperson?

The Audience! Workshop is designed for you.

The workshop will be held on 5 consecutive Tuesday evenings starting May 2 at the Lincoln Gallery in Loveland. Participants are encouraged to attend all sessions in order to receive the most from the workshop. We'll be meeting from 6:30-8:30PM every week. Workshop materials are provided, but please bring your own notebooks and pens. Space is limited so please register early to insure your place.

Your workshop fee will also include an individual follow up session after you've completed the classes, and you'll be invited to join the Audience! Workshop Facebook group where you can interact with others who have taken the classes. Your learning will continue long after the workshop is over. Click on the link below.

[Audience! With Franklin Taggart](#)

2017 Loveland Art Studio Tour

The Loveland Art Studio Tour is a self-guided, city-wide walking/driving tour of artists' studios, galleries and collaborative locations offering a sensational opportunity for artists to build their audience and customer base by demonstrating their skills, educating interested visitors and welcoming patrons and collectors over two weekends in October. To apply go to www.callforentry.org

Loveland Art Studio Tour Event

Saturday and Sunday, October 14 & 15, 2017 - 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Saturday and Sunday, October 21 & 22, 2017 - 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Limited to artists and locations in Loveland, Colorado only.

What's new with you, as an artist, I mean? The answer? There should always be something new with you!

If not, then do something about it! Check out www.artdeadline.com for opportunities to show your work locally, nationally and internationally. You don't know what you don't know about. See what's going on in the art world. Enter a contest. Take a class. Come to meetings. Be an ACTIVE artist. And then let me know about it, so I can share with the masses. :-)

FACEBOOK

Let us know so we can share it on the Lincoln Gallery Facebook page and our website. *Mary Giacomini* does a great job on our Facebook page, but she needs info from us to keep it fresh. Please send her photos of your work, links to your website, announcements, any classes you may offer, awards you've received etc... so that she can post it. If we don't have new info our site becomes stagnate and people won't visit as often. In today's art marketing age a strong social media presence is critical. Bonnie Stahlin WANTS to post on our website, but again, she needs info from us.

Please send Facebook info to:

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