

# NEWSLETTER

January 2026



**H**appy New Year! So, we're off to another fun and creative year of producing artistic masterpieces. Last year is over and done; let us look forward to 2026 with new vigor and new ideas for our art. The Board met last week to discuss what we're going to try to accomplish in the next 12 months. We will discuss the ideas that were agreed on at future meetings.



Photo from December's Holiday Potluck

"So I said to myself, I'll paint what I see-what the flower is to me but I'll paint it big and they will be surprised into taking the time to look at it-] will make even busy New Yorkers take time to see what I see of flowers." *Georgia O'Keeffe*

## **JANUARY MEETING SUMMARY**

Twenty-four current members and two prospective members of the Art Guild were present.

### **Guild Business and Announcements**

- Becky Varle, whose mother – Marilyn Hessig, an artist who was active in Paleteers and was a member of our Guild for a short while – recently passed. Becky brought a large number of frames and mats Marilyn had accumulated for members to take home. She will return in February with some art supplies.
- Guild dues for 2026 are due by the end of January. If dues are not paid by then, non-payment will result in your name being removed from our mailing lists and any member page on the guild website.
- The City Hall display for February will be open to all members. The display will go up on February 2<sup>nd</sup> and come down on February 27<sup>th</sup>. Sign up deadline is January 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- The Broomfield Enterprise from January 18<sup>th</sup> included our art photos which depleted our trove of artwork photos. Dave will send out an email with a request for everyone to submit photos for publication.

- Dave reminded the group that we still have the opportunity to purchase Guild apparel, to include aprons, t-shirts, hats, stickers, etc. with the Guild logo on each item. Eventually, this will be available for purchase from the Guild website.
- If you have seen an artist demo at another organization and that our group would be interested in or know any artists who do demos, please get their contact information and provide that to Dave or Gale.

### On-going exhibits:

- Library will provide two showings in 2026: January – March and April – June; Tanya is still waiting for a response from the City regarding as January start date. We may get additional time on the end to compensate for the very late start.
- The Community Center (BCC) display will be installed in early March; call for art will go out early February. Take down will be the end of May.
- iPie - Margaretta needs artists to display there for 2026. Contact her at smyliemp@gmail.com.
- City Hall – Gale Simonson has art up until the end of January. February will be for all members; sign up will start January 19<sup>th</sup>.
- Brunner – Hugh Masterson has some of his art on display in January. We have in the past conducted a new member show during May. Any member who has joined in the past year would be eligible to display their art. We also have included a reception for friends and family – and other guild members – to come view the artwork on display. We will discuss this at the next meeting.

**January Guest Artist** Anne Gifford, a well-known Boulder watercolor artist and teacher, provided a well-attended and interesting demonstration on her techniques for painting a snowy landscape. She discussed the use of mastic and the subtleness of color blending for the sky and the need to determine the “magic moment “ when colors will blend correctly.

February’s guest artist will be Connie Reul who works in oil and egg tempera .



Anne Gifford (center, in hat) at January meeting

“I realized that all the really good ideas I’d ever had came to me while I was milking a cow. So I went back to Iowa.” Grant Wood

## Links to Other Art Sites:

- Call For Entries (CaFÈ) - <https://www.callforentry.org/>
- Colorado Watercolor Society - <https://www.coloradowatercolorssociety.org/>
- Artists Network - <https://www.artistsnetwork.com/>
- Art Students League of Denver - <https://asld.org/>
- Foothills Art Center - [foothillsartcenter.org](http://foothillsartcenter.org)
- 40 West Arts District - <https://40westarts.org/>
- LAA - <https://louisvilleartassociation.org/>



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