



November Newsletter 2007

NOVEMBER **MEMBERSHIP** **MEETING**

Thursday, November 15th

(Please note change!)

at 7:30 P.M.

Skidaway Island
Presbyterian Church

Ray Ellis

Guest Speaker



Ray Ellis has been painting for over sixty years on all seven continents. In 2004, the Telfair Museum in Savannah honored the depth and breadth of Ellis' career with a major traveling exhibition titled "Ray Ellis in Retrospect: A Painter's Journey". He was subsequently awarded the Salmagundi Club's Medal of Honor for lifetime achievement in the Arts.

Mr. Ellis was born in Philadelphia and attended the Philadelphia Museum School of Art. His first one man show was held in 1947 at the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts. After serving four years in the Coast Guard during WW II, he founded his own advertising agency in New Jersey and New York but continued to paint in his spare time. During

this period, he was elected to the American Watercolor Society and his works were widely exhibited and received numerous honors.

In 1969, Mr. Ellis was able to devote all his time to painting. In 1974, he moved south to Hilton Head and then to Savannah. He later resettled on Martha's Vineyard where he maintains a home and studio.

In the early 80's Ray Ellis and Walter Cronkite collaborated on a series of fine art books which celebrated America's coastlines. Many books have been published since. One of Mr. Ellis' favorite subjects is flowers and gardens. "By the Light of the Moon" his 15th book, showcases a theme that has captivated him for many years – moonlight.

For three consecutive years beginning in 1998, Mr. Ellis was commissioned by the President to paint scenes of the White House to be reproduced as the official Christmas card. Mr. Ellis is represented in fine galleries across the country. His works have been exhibited in U.S. Embassies in Geneva, Vienna and London. Ray Ellis paintings are in the permanent collections of the White House, museums across the country and private collections across the U.S. and private collections worldwide.

Mr. Ellis will be available after the program to sign his new book

Admission fee for
NON-MEMBERS - \$3.00.

Plantation Club Gallery **Artist of the Month**

Come meet Sue Gouse on Friday, Nov. 16th from 5-6 p.m. at the Plantation Club. Please note that due to scheduling conflicts for the artist, Sue's show will be hung on Sunday, November 11th and **her opening reception will be on November 16th, the third Friday of the month!!**

"Your paintings make me happy!" "That scene looks like it came from my life!" These are some of the typical reactions of art enthusiasts to the oil paintings of Sue Gouse, the November Artist of the Month at the Plantation Club Gallery. Her bold use of color in scenes infused with life reminds viewers of places they have been in person, memory, or dreams.

Born in Memphis, Tennessee, Sue has lived throughout the United States and Mexico, finally settling in Savannah 20 years ago. She is a graduate of Duke University and enjoyed a long career in clinical nursing while raising five children. She is married to Dr. John Gouse and has three grandchildren who are often subjects in her paintings. Much of the inspiration for her oil paintings comes from her travels, with special emphasis on beaches and mountains. Frequent visits to art galleries were also influential in Sue's early life.

Sue has had exhibitions at Trends and Traditions, Horne and Thistle

Gallery, Trillium Links and Lake Club, The Club at Savannah Harbor, and The JEA. Her artwork decorates the United Community Bank, Southside Savannah. She received an Honorable Mention Award at the 2006 Savannah Garden Expo. In addition, Sue's paintings have been juried into several shows in Florida, North and South Carolina, and Georgia.

Sue can be found at her studio in Gallery 9 and Gallery 4, which are in City Market. Other galleries exhibiting her paintings are the Blue Valley in Cashiers, N.C., and Gallery By The Sea on Tybee Island. Her work is for sale at Artsy, The Arts and Crafts Emporium, Eclectibles, Byrd Cookie Company, The Cottage Shop, Misty Marsh, and Soho South Café in Savannah. N.C. shops carry her artwork also. She is an associate member of Oil Painters of America. Her website is: www.suegouseinspirations.com

SAVING LIVES IN CHATHAM COUNTY

Our neighbor, Bob Trenkamp, is going to be very busy on November 13th for at least one hour and **you should be too**. On Tuesday, November 13th, SLICC (Saving Lives in Chatham County) will be presenting CPR classes at the Plantation Club House. If you have not been trained in the last two years, you need to attend. The classes will start at 7:30 a.m., take about an hour, and will run all day. The course includes training about adult and child CPR, the use of an automated external defibrillator, the Heimlich maneuver and how

to recognize if someone is having a stroke.

Put November 13th on your calendar. A sign-up sheet will be put in your tube in late October or you may download a registration form from www.slicc.org/PlantationCPR.pdf Fill the form out and mail it to the printed address. If you have any questions, leave a voice mail at 308-3639. See you in November.

UPCOMING SAVANNAH-AREA EVENTS

Telfair Art Fair

Grace Rohland is participating in the 13th annual Art Fair Nov. 2nd through November 4 at Telfair Square. It is a juried show of 90 participants from all over the USA. Please stop by and say hello!

Margaret Brennan was accepted as an exhibitor in the 13th annual Art Fair. Margaret will be exhibiting her color and black and white photographs.

Brenda Turner will be participating in the 13th annual Art Fair beginning November 2nd. In an interview with Brenda, she said the slides of art work, she submitted were gouache paintings done in the last 2-3 years. They are scenes of Savannah with people placed within for compositional effects. Seven of these were featured in the American Artist Magazine article's winter edition of 2007. There are some florals and some figure paintings in gouache too. In the last few years Brenda has entered national and state

watercolor shows and 23 of them have accepted my work. In ten of these shows, the paintings have received awards. At Telfair, she will also show a few oil paintings on linen.

Brenda Turner's work is displayed at Gallery 440 here in Savannah and my western art in Lucille Lucas Gallery in Crested Butte, Colorado. "As my compositions and techniques continue to evolve, it is interesting for me to get public response to the paintings. Telfair will provide me with that opportunity."

Arts & Crafts Boutique

The boutique will be held on Saturday, November 10th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Plantation Club Ballroom. The LAA will sponsor a table at the Landlover's Arts and Crafts Boutique. Space at the table will be limited. So, please sign up early to secure your place. The price is \$20 per artist for a spot at the table and screen space to hang your paintings. Call Sandy Murck at 598-7404 or email him at smurch@bellsouth.net to reserve your space. It will be done on a first come, first serve basis.

MERRILL LYNCH FALL ART SHOW

First place winner of the People's Choice Award is "Reflection" by Marjorie Dessauer. Runners Up are Betty Skinner and Sema Hamarat. Congratulations!

Isle of Hope Artisan League Hosting 7th Annual Show

On Saturday, November 10th, the Seventh Annual Isle of Hope Artisan League will take place at the Marina Pavilion, Bluff Drive.

The show is open from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. Parking is available at the Isle of Hope Baptist Church on Rose Avenue.

Local artist Ruthie Wright introduces her colorful children's book "Hello Dr. Mew" and author Polly Cooper's book "Images of America, Isle of Hope" will be available. Exhibited works include fine art, sculpture, clay, silk screen, stained glass, needle work, wood turning and photography. For more information, please contact Nancy Hughes at (912) 355-5782

PLEIN AIRE PAINTERS

If you would like to be part of the LAA Plein Aire painting group, which meets at various sites on Skidaway Island and beyond, one or two times a month, please contact Paulette Cliff at 598-9409 Everyone is welcome!

The LAA

is looking for more **volunteers** to get involved on committees. Share your talents with colleagues. Please contact a Board member with your interest.

TOM JONES WATERCOLOR LANDSCAPES

APRIL 14 – 17, 2008

Do you want your painting to have a looser juicier look, more bright color and a painting that turns the viewers head? Learn how to add those colorful darks that give your paintings drama. Tom focuses his workshop on teaching artists how to paint vibrant landscapes. He has demonstrated watercolor painting at the Florida Watercolor Society

convention, an organization that has 1,500 members. To view his work, go to www.tomjonesartist.com.

Tom will also demonstrate his painting skills at LAA's April 15th meeting, painting a scene from The Landings. He will donate this painting to the LAA.

The 4 day workshop will be held at the Skidaway Island State Park. Workshop fee is \$300. To reserve your place in this workshop, send a check for \$50, payable to the Landings Art Association, to Paulette Cliff, 2 Turtle Lane, 31411. For questions, call Paulette at 598-9409.

NOVEMBER 'PLEIN AIR' WORKSHOP IN JACKSONVILLE

Morgan Samuel Price will hold a five-day art workshop (oil, pastel and watercolor) in Jacksonville (Orange Park), from November 5 through 9. The workshop cost is \$600 (\$200 deposit required to hold your reservation). For more information, please call 1-800-838-7004 or go to <http://www.morgansamuelprice.com/workshops.html>.

PLANTATION DISPLAY

To hang your art in the monthly members' display at the Plantation Gallery, bring all ready-to-hang artwork on **the 1st Wednesday of the month between 10:00 and noon**. For more information, contact Peggy Hale at 598-7390.

Our WEBSITE

www.landingsart.org

Our Virtual Gallery is Open to the Public and it is open 24/7 to all viewers around the globe! Visit the website regularly to view our member "Artist Galleries" and for all your Association needs and much, much, more.

LAA NEWSLETTER

Please contact Jane Alpert at janemagic@aol.com or call her at 598-8287. We are particularly interested in members' artistic achievements and awards, exhibits, workshops, classes, publications, etc. **Deadline for getting articles into the newsletter is before the 20th of the month.**

SAVE THE DATE LAA Holiday Party

Our annual Holiday Party will be on Saturday, December 1st at 6:00 P.M. at the Deer Creek Club House. Once again, we look forward to a memorable evening. Barbara Baroni (598-4335) will be chairing this event.

SAVANNAH ARTISTS GUILD

The Savannah Artists Guild is having its annual Arts & Crafts Fair on Saturday, Nov. 3, from 9:00 to 4:00 in the Meeting Suite, Armstrong Center, Abercorn Street at Apache Avenue. A painting by Hugh Gale, retired SCAD teacher, will be raffled off.

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Nominating Vacant

