



ARTY FACTS

monthly newsletter to inform and support members

NOAA Christmas Party

December 18, 2025
following a short meeting
at **11:00 am**

LOCATION:
LAKEVIEW PRESBYTERIAN
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5914 CANAL BOULEVARD
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Holiday Potluck

Join us for a holiday feast!
Please bring a side dish, salad,
dessert, or beverage to share if
you can.

NOAA will provide an entrée.

50/50 Drawing

Extra giveaways this month, so
be sure to buy your raffle tickets
at the sign-in table!

Reminder: We will be doing the
holiday gift exchange instead of
Artist of the Month.

Happy Holidays!



Gift Exchange

If you would like to participate in our left-
right gift swapping game, please bring a
**small wrapped original painting of your
own creation** to exchange, and be
prepared to have fun!



Congratulations to the November Artists of the Month!



First Place:

Cathy Daigle for her oil painting, "Italian Village".

Second Place:

Mary Beth Machenberg with "Shadows Are Small and Passing Things" in pastel.

Third Place:

Lori Noto with "Kintsugi" in mixed media.



All of the participants for the November Artist of the Month competition with their wonderful paintings.

**Thank you to Sarah Stiehl for her
November Oil-Painting Demo**



A master at work!



Sarah showed us the materials and limited palette she uses, toned her paper and blocked in the values of her composition by layering with a mix of ultramarine and transparent red oxide, and pulled out the light values using a cloth with mineral spirits. Then she mixed a more opaque dark and a midtone to continue refining her composition.

NOAA President's Letter: by Patt Lemarie

Happy Holidays!

Our Christmas Luncheon Party will be Thursday, December 18, at 11:00 AM. We will have a very brief meeting and then on to the fun.

The Christmas Committee has planned a fun event for this year. We will have extra gifts besides the regular 50/50 Raffle, we will play our left/right game as well. Please bring your painting for the exchange **wrapped** if you wish to participate.

This time of year, we honor our past presidents and acknowledge our faithful volunteers. We will also award the Signature Member Certificates for those of you who have been accepted into the National Juried Show 3 times.

We will enjoy our usual potluck luncheon. Thanks to all of you who prepare your delicious recipes or bring purchased goodies. We love to sample it all!

Looking forward to it,

~Patt



Wrapping up 2025

We had a great year, beginning with an excellent **pastel workshop by Rita Kirkman**, then continuing with some wonderful **demo artists**, a successful "**Auctions in August**" **Fundraiser**, a great **National Juried Show** in October, and a **watercolor workshop by Diego Larguia**. We appreciate all of you who participated in these events and helped to put them together.

We welcomed many new members this year and have quite a few members who have achieved signature status.

Stop by the NOAA booth at the last **City Park Art Market** of the year on **December 13th and 14th** to enjoy the artwork and finish your Christmas shopping.

Enjoy the holiday season, and let's make 2026 another awesome and creative year!