



ARTY FACTS

monthly newsletter to inform and support members

NEXT MEETING:
JANUARY 15, 2026

The meeting begins at
10:00 am

LOCATION:
Lakeview Presbyterian
Church

5914 CANAL BOULEVARD,
NEW ORLEANS

If you wish to participate in “Artist of the Month”, please arrive at least 15 min. early, and bring a painting which you have completed within the last three years that was not created during a workshop or class.

50/50 drawing with prize money.

January demo by:
Mary Beth Machenberg
*(The Freedom of Pastel:
Creative ways to fix your mistakes
and bad starts)*
www.mbmachenberg.com

Happy New Year 2026!



Congratulations to our newest Signature Members

L-R: Libby McMeekin, David Ledet, Andrea Hufstader, Leon Hinson, Dana Mosby, and Gerry Claude receive their Signature Member Certificates.



NOAA President's Letter by Patt Lemarie

Happy New Year!

As we begin 2026, there is much to be done. Beverly Boulet and Jan Wilkin will chair the National Juried Show committee this year and have begun preparations. They will need volunteers, so if you can, please offer your help.

In February, we will select a nominating committee to pick a slate of officers for those positions that will be open. Elections for those open positions will be in April and installations will be at our May Luncheon. A list of the open positions will be announced in February.

Our organization is successful and ongoing because of the membership and those who are willing to commit to serving in some capacity. Whether you serve in an elected office, or chair one of the many committee positions, or volunteer for one small job; it ensures the completion of our projects and plans. Please consider volunteering when there is a call.

We will have a demo for our January Meeting to be announced. Our lunch will be potluck, thanks to all of your generous dishes that are enjoyed by all. Remember to bring your art for the painting of the month contest.

Thanks everyone,

~Patt



December's Christmas Party

Thank you to Suzanne Sherwood and her committee for planning and decorating this event and to everyone who brought food and champagne for the excellent feast and paintings for the gift exchange.



Guild members waiting for the festivities to begin.



Suzanne Sherwood and Patt Lemarie gave out extra prizes for the 50/50 raffle.

Honoring our Past Presidents: (L-R) Linda Hart, Beverly Boulet, Gwen Tappin, Ria Russo (seated), and Gerry Claude, with current president Patt Lemarie.



Participants of the Painting Gift Exchange show off their beautiful new works of art.

What's Next

City Park Art Markets

The Art Market at City Park is a great place to show and sell your work. Rent one 6x10 wall of the NOAA tent for \$40 There are still spots available for **January 31st and February 28th**. Contact **Marie Weiler** at (504) 452-3978 or mfweiler@bellsouth.net to sign up and/or to get the documents needed for your permit from City Hall.

NOAA Members' Show

We hope to hold our annual Member Show in the Spring of this year. We still need volunteers to join a committee to chair the show. Gwen Tappin will be happy to share her expertise and planning materials with you whenever she has spare time. Please let Patt Lemarie know if you would like to help.

NOAA's National Juried Show

Our National Show will be held at The Building Gallery again this year in the Fall. Beverly Boulet and Jan Wilken have volunteered to co-chair the planning committee. Assistance is always appreciated to spread the word, find sponsors, and help to make the exhibition successful. Please let the co-chairs know if you can help.

Good Resources for Artists

Calls for Artists:

These sites have many listings for upcoming in-person and online shows, as well as the prospectuses and entry forms.

- Show Submit
- Online Juried Shows
- Art Call. Org

Art Classes and Demos

Instructional videos, classes, and demonstrations for lifelong learning.

- Patreon
- Winslow Art Center
- Tuscon Art Academy Online
- Paint Tube TV
- And, of course, UTube (there are videos for everything!)

Have a Happy and Creative New Year!