

DMAleague

DALLAS MUSEUM OF ART

PRESIDENT'S GREETING



It is my pleasure to welcome DMA League members and invite guests to join us as we celebrate returning to the Museum with wonderful programs and events designed especially for League members!

I am honored and excited to serve as this year's DMAL president. I first began volunteering as a docent 12 years ago after 27 years of teaching art and photography. The DMA has become my home, and I'm grateful for the dear friends it has provided, as well as the many opportunities for continued learning.

This season's schedule boasts wonderful speakers, and it is my hope that we can begin to return to a bit of order and precision. For this reason, the piece of art I have chosen to represent our year is *WATCH* by Gerald Murphy. The canvas is filled with small and large inner workings of two watches. Each piece, regardless of size, is necessary for the success of the large work. Our League is comprised of many different backgrounds, personalities, and talents, and each contribution is part of what I see as I explore *WATCH*. I am hopeful that the future will continue to allow in-person events, as your DMAL Board has had a busy summer in preparation.

We begin our year with the Membership Tea which will be celebrated in the Hamon Atrium at the DMA. This season features DMA exhibitions with exclusive League events, travel opportunities, day trips, 5 general meetings with renown speakers, followed by lunches, and our spectacular Art in Bloom.

I would like to thank each of you for joining the DMA League, as your membership not only supports the DMA, but allows us to provide educational programs, access to curatorial insights, and opportunities for celebrations with friends old and new.

Warmly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jan Clay".

Jan Clay, DMAL President

MEMBERSHIP TEA

On September 20 from 2-4 p.m. our VP Hospitality team Susan Bondy and Valerie Casillas are preparing this long-awaited celebration of friendship.



OCTOBER 18 LEAGUE/DOCENT JOINT MEETING

By Mary Jo Milbank, Vice President Education

Dr. Nicole Myers, the Barbara Thomas Lemmon Senior Curator of European Art at the Dallas Museum of Art will be sharing her exciting curated exhibition *Van Gogh and the Olive Groves*. It is a focused exhibition co-organized with the Van Gogh Museum, Amsterdam and premieres in Dallas. Dr. Myers will share with us how the olive groves of Provence inspired and influenced the painting style of Van Gogh. In May 1889, Van Gogh resided for a year at the mental asylum in Saint-Remy, Provence. Finding comfort amid the olive trees, Van Gogh sought new ways to express color and line. The experience was intensely personal and spiritual for him. Dr. Myers's lecture will expand on Van Gogh's experience in Saint-Remy, as well as highlight important discoveries regarding his techniques, materials and palette. We are certain to gain a deeper appreciation of Van Gogh's life and work. It will be a day to remember! The meeting will begin at 10:30 a.m.

VP Hospitality Officers Susan Bondy and Valerie Casillas have arranged lunch after the meeting for those interested at nearby Sloane's Corner.

ART IN BLOOM 2022



The Dallas Museum of Art League will host its signature fundraiser: Art in Bloom 2022, Beauty - The Elixir of the Soul - on Monday, March 7, 2022. Sila Grogan and Pat McDonough are once again extending an invitation to all League members to join the fabulous festivities that were so carefully planned for last year. Those attending can look forward to an even more exciting 2022 event. Art in Bloom benefits the Dallas Museum of Art's education and exhibition programs, as well as the League's Floral Endowment Fund.

OCTOBER 7 DAY TRIP

The League's popular Day Trip will be visiting the homes of local collectors who have assembled impressive personal collections that range from eclectic to contemporary. Participants will also be treated to a private performance by the acclaimed Bruce Woods Dance Company. Topping it all off is a mouthwatering lunch at The Mercury. You won't want to miss this fun outing expertly chaired by Fonda Arbetter, Jill Goldberg and Emily Maduro.

Attendance is limited to 30 members.

Covid protocols will be based on conditions prevailing closer to the date.

MAY 11 TURNOVER LUNCHEON



League President Jan Clay's home was the idyllic setting for a fantastic event expertly coordinated by Jane Sibley and Joanie Smith. The delicious lunch and lively conversation were only surpassed by the sensational home and surrounding gardens. Outgoing President Therese Rourk joined Jan Clay in thanking outgoing Board members and welcoming the new team.



WELCOME 2021-2022 BOARD



It is a pleasure to introduce our new Board members and Committee Chairs. This extraordinary group of ladies have agreed to lend their time, talent and expertise to the Museum and the League. We thank them and applaud their many volunteer hours and creative efforts that will be unfolding over the upcoming months. Led by Jan Clay, they have spearheaded many of the most memorable and successful events for numerous organizations throughout the Dallas area.

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EXCLUSIVE VAN GOGH LEAGUE EVENT

OCTOBER 21, 2021 FROM 3-5 PM

FIRST EXHIBITION DEDICATED ENTIRELY TO VAN GOGH'S OLIVE GROVE SERIES
RSVPs ARE A MUST!

Jane Sibley and Joanie Smith have arranged this special event for League members only. Docent-guided tours of the exciting exhibition, *Van Gogh and the Olive Groves* will be available. Discussions on the various works of art will provide additional insight into the beauty of the paintings on view. Complimentary wine and light bites will be served in the Atrium.



PETAL POWER

By Janet Hoffman



The DMA Floral Committee enjoyed the second of two spring programs hosted by our own Connie Miles at her boutique shop Olivia G. on Lovers Lane. Katherine Phillips created a stunning arrangement using Snapdragons, Dahlias, Green Puffs and Lambs Ear along with Hydrangeas and pink Peonies. Several months earlier, Marsha and John Benda invited our group for lunch and a fascinating wildlife tour of Benda Ranch, their 300-acre property on the Richland Chambers Reservoir. Inspiration from this wonderful outing might just result in a South African twist to upcoming DMA floral displays. Our Annual Fall Tea in November will feature Ikebana professional Nancy Griggs who teaches the art of Sogetsu. Those of you interested in joining the DMAL Floral Committee should email Sue Flynn at flynn.floralend@gmail.com.

DOCENT NEWS

Holly Nichols reports that even during the Covid-19 period, DMA docents learned new ways to give tours via virtual and pre-recorded videos. Docents worked with some 21,000 students by March 2020. Remote programming then allowed docents to serve another 20,000 students by the end of the 2020-2021 school year. The DMA docents are continuing to serve the community virtually. They look forward to in-person tours and educational programs in the not-too-distant future.

ARTS LIAISON

Views and news by Carole Ann Brown

It is my great pleasure to bring you news of the Arts District's coming attractions during the 2021-2022 season - both visual and performing. I am excited to announce the Dallas Symphony Orchestra Classical Concert Series will begin on September 16. Audiences will be socially distanced. The great news is that single tickets are now available. Also, the orchestra will perform at full capacity. I urge you to take advantage of Maestro Fabio Luisi's return to the podium for this concert.

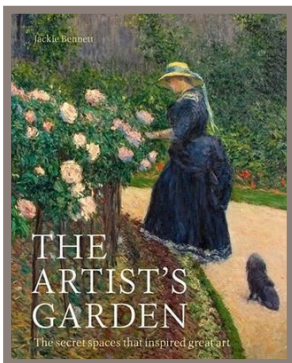
For information, email www.mydso.com or call the box office at 214-692-0203.

BOOK NOOK

THE ARTIST'S GARDEN

By Jackie Bennett

The Artist's Garden features over 20 gardens that have inspired some of the greatest painters of history. From Cezanne's house in the south of France to Childe Hassam at Celia Thaxter's garden off the coast of Maine. Flowers and gardens have often been the first choice for artists looking for a subject. Claude Monet's Giverny was the catalyst for hundreds of great paintings (by Monet and other artists), each one different from the one before. Sometimes a whole village becomes the focus for a colony of artists as at Gerberoy in Picardy and Skagen on the northernmost tip of Denmark. A few artists, including Pierre Bonnard and his neighbor Monet were keen gardeners, as much in love with their plants as their work, while for others like Sorolla in Madrid, his courtyard home was both a sanctuary and a source of ideas.

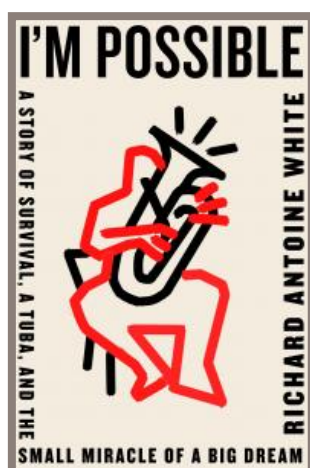


VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Pat Altschuler and Nikki Beneke are in need of help with upcoming League mailings. Please let them know if you can give them an hour or two of your time. They can be reached at alt7811@sbcglobal.net or njbenpt@aol.com.

MUSEUM HIGHLIGHTS

**The DMA has reopened! In accordance with the executive order issued Wednesday, August 11, requiring masks in Dallas County buildings, all Museum visitors and staff must now wear masks or face coverings while inside the DMA. If you do not have a mask or face covering, the Museum will provide you with one upon arrival. Information about planning your next in-person visit, including hours, ticketing, and our new health and safety protocols will help ensure a safe and enjoyable experience.*



VIRTUAL EVENT: RICHARD ANTOINE WHITE

Monday, October 11, 2021 7p.m.

From the streets of Baltimore to the halls of the New Mexico Philharmonic, a musician shares his remarkable story in *I'm Possible: A Story of Survival, a Tuba, and the Small Miracle of a Big Dream*, an inspiring memoir of perseverance and possibility.

To order tickets go to DMA.org

OVERNIGHT TRAVEL TRIP

SAVE THE DATE MAY 2-6, 2022

For what will be a truly awesome League Overnight Trip!
All the sensational details will follow shortly.

SOCIAL MEDIA UPDATE

JOIN US ON FACEBOOK NOW!

Be part of the League's exclusive Social Media group. It's a fun way to know what's going on not only in the League but with fellow members. Simply sign in to Facebook and search "DMA League", join our group, and presto...you are now a Facebook member and can be sure that you have access to the most recent updates on League activities and information.

For more information, please contact our Social Media guru, Regina Bruce at rjnbruce172@icloud.com or phone her at 214-415-4915.

MEMBERSHIP

The DMA League provides support for the Dallas Museum of Art through the volunteer efforts of its members in fundraising, education and service. However, the League is not just about volunteer work, it offers members a chance to learn about art from recognized speakers and creates a sense of community and fellowship through interesting activities.

If you are a current DMA member and wish to add the League to your membership, please email the Museum at league@dma.org, and the membership team will gladly take care of you.

LOOKING AHEAD

September 20, 2021	Membership Tea
October 7, 2021	DMAL Day Trip
October 18, 2021	General Meeting
October 21, 2021	Van Gogh DMAL Event
November 8, 2021	General Meeting
January 10, 2022	General Meeting
February 14, 2022	General Meeting
March 7, 2022	ART IN BLOOM
May 2022	Cartier DMAL Event
May 2-6, 2022	Overnight Trip

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