

# DMAleague

DALLAS MUSEUM OF ART

## PRESIDENT'S GREETING



It was wonderful to welcome you back to the Museum and to greet you at our Membership Tea! Hamon Atrium was the perfect setting for the huge number of attendees and new members attending. We were thrilled Dr. Nicole Myers was available to share brilliant insights into Monet's *Tea Service* representing our Tea. The event was beautifully coordinated by Susan Bondy and Valerie Casillas. Our fabulous floral team of Sue Flynn, Katherine Phillips, Joanie Smith, and Jane Sibley artfully arranged the memorable setting.

We continued our ambitious year with our first general meeting welcoming Dr. Nicole Myers to introduce her exciting exhibition *Van Gogh and the Olive Groves* October 18. We were pleased to offer in person and live streaming. A special event planned by Joanie Smith and Jane Sibley will offer exclusive access to view the exhibit on Thursday, October 21, 3-5pm.

A docent-guided tour of *Turner's Modern World* at the Kimbell Museum is planned by Tara Freeman on November 11. Details for these events and more will be updated in newsletters, emails, and on our League website. It is important that we have your correct email address.

We are delighted to share the robust year your board has planned for you and we look forward to seeing you soon.

Warmly,



Jan Clay, DMAL President

## NOVEMBER 8 LEAGUE/DOCENT JOINT MEETING

### HIS FORTY YEAR HISTORY IN ART

Speaker: Nic Nicosia



American art photographer and Dallas native Nic Nicosia became internationally known in the 1980s for his staged photographs by creating believable, but fabricated narratives. Nicosia's work includes films, drawings, and sculpture. Join us for a fascinating look at the career and practice of a celebrated contemporary artist!

**An Arts District luncheon will follow.**

## SEPTEMBER 20 MEMBERSHIP TEA



This year's League Membership Tea was an enormous success with over a 125 ladies in attendance including a good number of new members. Led by Hospitality VPs Susan Bondy and Valerie Casillas, the powerhouse committee included Special Event Chairs Jane Sibley and Joanie Smith plus President Jan Clay and President-elect Tara Freeman. The League's dear friend Dr. Nicole Myers made a most interesting presentation on the exquisite Monet painting that was the inspiration for the Tea invitation as well as the beautiful table decorations and menu.



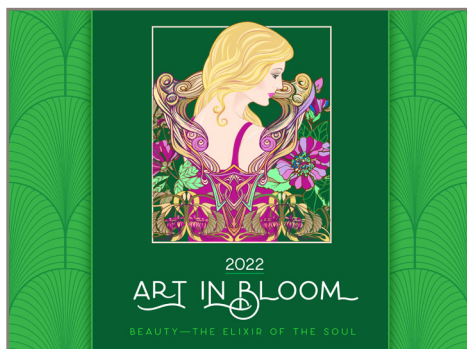




## MEETING LUNCHEONS IN ARTS DISTRICT



## ART IN BLOOM MARCH 7, 2022



Art in Bloom 2022, Beauty - The Elixir of the Soul - will feature the Art of the Jewel by internationally acclaimed designer **Paula Crevoshay** whose botanical collection of bespoke jewelry is inspired by the flowers in nature...one-of-a-kind pieces of art. Paula has donated the exquisite earrings shown above to the event. 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. Art in Bloom benefits the Dallas Museum of Art's education and exhibition programs, as well as the League's Floral Endowment Fund.

## EXCLUSIVE VAN GOGH LEAGUE EVENT

OCTOBER 21, 3-5 PM

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. Complimentary light bites will be served in the Atrium.

RSVPs ARE A MUST.



## OCTOBER 18 GENERAL MEETING



Dr. Nicole Myers, the Barbara Thomas Lemmon Senior Curator of European Art at the DMA, gave us a fascinating behind-the-scenes look into her incredible curated exhibition, *Van Gogh and the Olive Groves*. Dr. Myers shared how the olive groves of Provence inspired Van Gogh during the year he resided at the mental asylum in Saint Remy, Provence. League members continued the discussion at the delicious lunch that followed at Sloane's Corner in the Arts District.

This extraordinary exhibition has been co-organized with the Van Gogh Museum in Amsterdam and is premiering at the DMA from October 17, 2021 to February 6, 2022. For those who can't get enough of this legendary artist, there are currently two immersive Van Gogh exhibitions being presented in the Dallas area.



## A SPECIAL THANK YOU

A huge thank you goes to our Communications VP Lynn Biggers for adding the role of Historian to her already busy schedule on the League Board. Even more impressive is what Lynn accomplished over the summer when she put together League scrapbooks for past years. League Committee Chairs Michelle Mew and Regina Bruce were an invaluable help in bringing the League library of scrapbooks up to date.



## DOCENT NEWS

by Holly Nichols

DMA docents are an important part in the overall museum operation. They bring to life the incredible exhibitions and share insights into individual masterpieces. The docents themselves are constantly learning and love educating the public about specific works as well as the arts in general. The time commitment is great but so is the payback for those who find joy in the arts. If you are interested in learning more about the DMA Docent Program, please contact our League Docent Liaison Holly Nichols at [hejn20@yahoo.com](mailto:hejn20@yahoo.com).

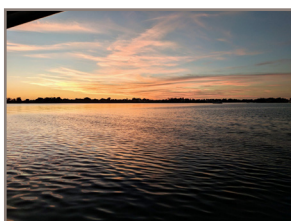
## OVERNIGHT TRAVEL TRIP

**SAVE THE DATE MAY 2-6, 2022**

Pack your comfy walking shoes and get ready to experience Florida as never before! From Sarasota to Fort Myers and a stroll on that famous Naples' Pier. Committee Chairs Fonda Arbetter, Jill Goldberg and Emily Maduro have lots of surprises for this glorious trip including museums, five star meals and of course time to shop!



Circus museum



Sunset cruise



Edison home and lab



Naples' Pier

**DAY TRIP POSTPONED UNTIL SPRING - NEW DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED SOON!**

## PETAL POWER

by Janet Hoffman



"Autumn shows us how beautiful it is to let things go." Trees effortlessly let go of their leaves, but not before their colors change to dramatic hues of crimson, gold, scarlet and amber. Have you ever cut a few branches of fall foliage, put them in a vase and enjoyed "autumn flowers"? The DMAL Floral Committee can hardly wait to get back to creating arrangements for the Museum, but like all of us, we have let go of the changing rules created by the pandemic and are continuing to hone our skills and enthusiasm for the love of flowers. The five teams share ideas and small group instruction sessions. The group picture this month was taken at a planning meeting. Pictured top row left to right are Aleece McBay, Sue Flynn, Holly Nichols and Carol Resnick. Seated are Janet Hoffman and Katherine Phillips. The beautiful arrangement was created by Katherine Phillips for the DMAL Membership Tea in September. Please contact Sue Flynn for information, [Flynn.floralend@gmail.com](mailto:Flynn.floralend@gmail.com).

## BOOK NOOK

### ***THE COLLECTOR'S APPRENTICE***

by B.A. Shapiro

*The Collector's Apprentice* is a historical novel of the post impressionist art period taking place in Europe and the U.S. It is well written with constant twists and turns and introductions of fictional characters interacting with real life artists and art collectors like Henri Matisse, Gertrude Stein, Scott and Zelda Fitzgerald.



## SOCIAL MEDIA UPDATE

by Regina Bruce

It's a bright and bold new year for the DMA League, and we are super excited to be able to meet with our wonderful members in person. Great programming, events, exhibits and more are being planned. So please join the DMA League Group Facebook Page, and invite your friends to participate. We hope you'll visit the page often for exciting news, event pictures and important information to help keep you connected and informed.

Please contact Regina Bruce, our Social Media Chair, to share news that would be of interest to our League members, including asking her any questions you have regarding the Facebook page. You can connect with her directly at [rgnbruce172@icloud.com](mailto:rgnbruce172@icloud.com) or 214-415-4915.



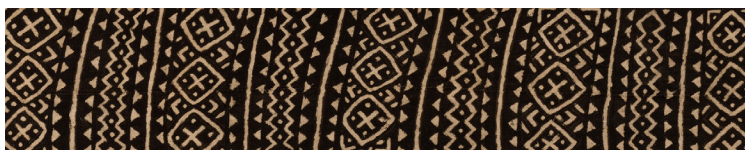
## JOIN US AT THE KIMBELL

President-elect Tara Freeman has arranged a docent-guided tour of the Kimbell Museum's new exhibition, *Turner's Modern World*, on November 11 at 1 p.m. Bring your friends and meet us there for this special League outing. More details will follow.



## MUSEUM HIGHLIGHTS

### **BAMANA MUD CLOTH: FROM MALI TO THE WORLD** **November 13, 2021- December 4, 2022**



Bamana peoples used the dye-decorated cloth to make tunics for male hunters and wrappers for females to mark the most important milestones in their lives. While the cloth was previously associated with rural village life, today bogolanfini is worn by urban people, identifying them as native Malians.

To order tickets go to [DMA.org](https://DMA.org)

## IT'S TIME TO GET BACK TO THE MUSEUM

### **GET FAMILIAR WITH THE NEW PARKING SYSTEM BEFORE YOU GO**

1. Arrive early, as parking may become an issue with the new system in place.
2. When self parking, and using your DMA Membership card with the QR code.
3. Remember that you must also scan your card upon exiting.
4. If everything else fails, use the "Click here for Ticket," and the gate will open. Bring the ticket inside, and we'll get it straightened out for you.



Gerald Murphy's *Watch* is the League's theme this year as it has many different moving parts that are necessary for its success...just like the DMAL!

Gerald Murphy, *Watch*, 1925, Oil on canvas, 78 1/2 x 78 7/8 in. (1 m 99.39 cm x 2 m 0.34 cm), Dallas Museum of Art, Foundation for the Arts Collection, gift of the artist, 1963.75.FA, © 2021, Estate of Honoria Murphy Donnelly

## 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. For information on becoming a member of the League, contact Kristin McCollum, VP Membership, at [krispix8@aol.com](mailto:krispix8@aol.com).



## 2021-2022 CALENDAR

|                    |                         |
|--------------------|-------------------------|
| September 20, 2021 | Membership Tea          |
| Day Trip           | Postponed until spring  |
| October 18, 2021   | General Meeting         |
| October 21, 2021   | Van Gogh DMAL Event     |
| November 8, 2021   | General Meeting         |
| November 11, 2021  | Special Event - Kimbell |
| January 10, 2022   | General Meeting         |
| February 14, 2022  | General Meeting         |
| March 7, 2022      | ART IN BLOOM            |
| May 16, 2022       | General Meeting         |
| May 2-6, 2022      | Overnight Trip          |
| May 2022           | Cartier DMAL Event      |

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