



The Florida State University Museum of Fine Arts

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## **PURPOSE**

The Artists' League at the FSU Museum of Fine Arts promotes regional artists and supports their personal growth by: creating exhibition opportunities; offering seminars; featuring speakers; facilitating networking opportunities; and developing and maintaining a website to promote the organization. The Artists' League is a resource for fund raising for the Museum through the annual Art and Antiques Fair in December. The members of the Artists' League work closely with a liaison from the Museum. Committees are created to address issues of interest to the members. The Artists' League participates in community projects and encourages interaction with other local organizations to promote the arts in Tallahassee.

## **ESTABLISHED**

The League was established in the mid 1980s as a special membership of the FSU Museum of Fine Arts. The Museum, which is accredited by the American Association of Museums, hosts 2 shows for the Artists' League each year.

## **LEAGUE MEMBERSHIP**

The membership numbers approximately 140 artists. It is an eclectic group primarily from north Florida. However, the League's north Florida artists are joined by members from elsewhere in the state and from south Georgia who want to be part of an artistic movement privileged to be in the shadow of Florida's capitol. The League is made up of long-standing artists who enjoy gallery affiliation as well as artists just now emerging in their various media. As a group, the League represents a lively cross-section of media and technique.

## **MEDIA INCLUDES**

Painting in watercolor, oil, and acrylic; Sculpture, including metal and wood; Drawing; Pastel; Printmaking, Mixed Media; Photography, both film and digital along with computer enhanced imaging; Fine Crafts including glass, ceramics, fiber, wood-turning, fine furniture and jewelry.

## SELECTED EXHIBITIONS (MEMBERS ONLY)

- Merrill Lynch
- Gadsden Arts Center, Quincy
- Claude Pepper Center & Foundation
- Annette Howell Turner Center for the Arts, Valdosta
- Tallahassee Community College Fine Art Gallery
- The Capitol Gallery
- LeMoyne Art Foundation
- Thomasville Cultural Center
- Artport Gallery, Tallahassee Regional Airport

## ARTISTS' LEAGUE ANNUAL EVENTS

### ARTISTS' LEAGUE SUMMER ANNUAL

This members-only event is held in the upper galleries of the FSU Museum of Fine Arts during June/July. It is juried by an experienced professional. Monetary awards are presented for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

### ART AND ANTIQUES FAIR

This members-only juried show and sale is held at the FSU Museum of Fine Arts in December. The Art and Antiques Fair offers the community the opportunity to purchase quality *objets d'art*. Ten percent of sales benefit the museum.

### SYNERGIE SHOW

This is a members-only show, juried by a League committee, and held at a different venue each year. The exhibition has showcased as many as 60 pieces.

### LEMOYNE HIGHLIGHT

This is a summer event. Members' entries are juried by the curator at the LeMoyne Art Foundation here in Tallahassee. One League artist is selected from the entries each year to display 10 to 12 pieces in Lemoyne's Hoover Gallery for approximately 4 weeks.

