November/December 2026

Canton Artists League News

An affiliate of Canton Museum of Art
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http://cantonartistsleague.org

Notes from the CAL President

Tom Kilpatrick

Dear CAL Friends, I seldom say but often think how blessed I am to be your president. Your participation and enthusiasm warms my heart and new blood keeps CAL moving forward Thank you all. We also have a lively and encouraging group of officers and board members working hard for us and for that we should all be grateful.

Our Sept. meeting featured a "Birdhouse" challenge and because of your amazing creativity was a fun time for all there. As a more or less traditional artist, as many of us are, we may look negatively at new forms of art especially when thinking of "computer" assisted art. This past month our Douglas Girton impressed us all with his demo of his new art form. We were, to put it lightly, awed. I came away with a new perspective and respect for this new art tool. Thanks Douglas for enlightening us.

Moving ahead as winter starts to invade our weather we can warm up with an upcoming critique from Dino Massaroni on Nov. 18 [always helpful, insightful and encouraging]. Following this is CAL's annual Christmas Party on Dec.9 with details in this newsletter. Starting next year we will, for the first time, be adding a CAL featured artist page to the newsletter, details upcoming. In Jan. our 2027 agenda kicks off as usual with CAL's friend Al Albacetti and his unique style of whit , wisdom and knowledge sharing. 2027 will be oozing with demos, critiques, speakers, challenges and show opportunities -stay tuned.

Going on now or coming soon are the "Stark Co. Show" at MassMu, "Reflections of the Season" show at the AHH Gallery [reception is Dec. 5 1-3pm] and a Holiday/ winter themed show at SummRStar Gallery. The Cyrus Gallery is featuring Erin Mulligan [I love her work] and, if you haven't seen it yet, I personally recommend enjoying Ernie Barns at the Canton Museum of Art.

Stay thirsty my friends, Tom

2027 CAL calendars will be available at the November meeting for $7.00 each. All pictures that were submitted are in the calendar. They make great gifts.

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General Critique
Dino Massaroni
Wednesday, November 18, 2026

6:00 PM, Canton Museum of Art

Exhibit
Reflections of the Season
November 21, 2026 - January 2, 2027

Reception : December 5, 2026

Art and History (AHH) Gallery

Christmas Party
Wednesday, December 9, 2026

5:30 PM, Trinity United Church of Christ

See information in this newletter

MJ (AL) Albacete
Wednesday, January 20, 2027

6:00 PM, Canton Museum of Art

General Critique
Wednesday, February17, 2027

6:00 PM, Canton Museum of Art

Vehicle Challenge
Wednesday, March17, 2027

6:00 PM, Canton Museum of Art

Use your imagination.

1. a thing used for transporting people or goods (Examples: wheelbarrow, mother carrying child, airplane, car)

2. a means of expressing or fulfilling something (Example: paint medium)

Look vehicle up in the dictionary.

Reminder: Your dues to Canton Museum of Art must be up to date to remain current with CAL, since we are an affiliate of CMA. When it comes time to renew, be sure to pay CMA. If you're not sure when your CMA dues expires, check your membership card or call the museum.

CAL dues are due in January.

League News

Suni Lopez-Ortiz - I took a 3 day workshop with Michael Solovyev in High Point, NC. He has his own designed, VERY different watercolor brushes. I was introduced to portraits which have always scared me and was quite amazed at my result. 90% of the 1/2 sheet (22"x15") was painted with his brush shown here and only the finer details of the models face and lace was painted with a #8 round with a good point. Still a far way to go, but loved this introduction to portraits. Michael uses the same brush for landscapes, city scapes, etc. There are 3 sizes available and I bought the medium sized one.

He has numerous free YouTube demos for anyone interested.

Michael Barath will be the juror for the 2026 Fine Art Photography Exhibition at the Cuyahoga Valley Art Center in Cuyahoga Falls. The exhibit runs from 8 December, 2026 through 21 January, 2027. Submissions are accepted in person on Friday, 4 December and Saturday, 5 December.

Michael is also in his 37th year performing with Canton Ballet. He will be dancing the role of Drosselmeyer in The Nutcracker on 4 - 6 December. Visit cantonballet.com for more information.

Peter Castillo - One of my painting was accepted in the Stark County Artists Exhibition at the Massillon Museum of Art. The show runs from November 7, 2026 through January 10, 2027.

Therese Cook - I am thrilled to have a piece accepted into the Stark County Artist exhibit and a piece accepted for another juried show, "Art is Alive", at ADC Fine Arts in Cincinnati.

Linda Faulkner - My painting, "Path Bathed in Golden Setting Sunlight, Uniontown Community Park" Acrylic Gouache on Fabriano Artistico watercolor paper, 8" x 8" was accepted into the Stark County Artist's Exhibition at the Massillon Museum. The show runs November 7th 2026 through January 10th 2027.

Harvey Takano - I joined CAL just a couple of weeks ago. Ive been in AP Studio in high school, and was in a new artist showcase at the Hub in the March. I've been trying to expand my horizons and spread my art out there, and I'm glad I found out about CAL. Here are some of my works I've made recently.

Beth Rossier - To celebrate the Holiday Season, SummRStar Gallery will have a special display of artwork, glasswork and ceramics from November 3 through December 23. All items for sale are provided by our CAL members and other local artists. Please stop by and encourage others to do the same. You just might find a unique gift for that special someone!

SummRStar Gallery, 3784 Cleveland Ave. NW, Canton 44709, SummRStar.com

Tom Kilpatrick - You just never know. I recently displayed this piece "Night Shadows" at the AHH Gallery. I really didn't care for it. The very next day it sold to a man from Colorado. Go figure.

EXHIBITS at CMA

November 24, 2026 to March 7, 2027

Good and Plenty: The World of Paul Spina

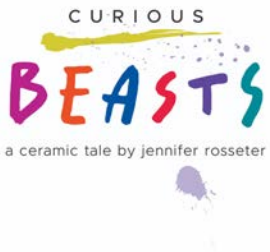
Paul Spina was a distinguished artist, celebrated for his exceptional skill in painting and drafting. He was particularly known for his masterful use of illusion and his seamless ability to shift between monochromatic and vibrant color palettes.

What Holds: Fiber Art by Melissa English Campbell

Melissa English Campbell (b. San Francisco, 1969) is a visual artist whose work bridges the tactile discipline of weaving with the fluid expressiveness of painting. Informed by a rootless upbringing and immersion in European, Mediterranean and American cities, she is motivated by a search for belonging and identity. Drawing on the cultural fluidity of a nomadic childhood she builds pieces that evoking a dialogue between order and dissolution.

Curious Beasts: A Ceramic Tale by Jennifer Rosseter

Jennifer Rosseter's ceramic sculptures imagine a world inhabited by Curious Beasts—mythic guardians whose quiet presence transforms ordinary spaces into places of wonder. Inspired by the natural world yet untethered from specific species, these hand-built forms exist somewhere between animal, totem, and protector, keeping careful watch over the spaces they inhabit.



Outside the Lines: Abstract Art from the CMA Collection

Drawn from the Canton Museum of Art's permanent collection, Outside the Lines brings together abstract works that use color, shape, gesture, and material to express ideas and emotions beyond recognizable images. Each artwork encourages close looking, personal interpretation and emotional response in a big way — many of the works are large-scale, emphasizing the immersiveness of the experience.

2027 Art Exhibits

CAL at Strauss	4/10/ to 5/22/2027			Exhibit	Strauss Furniture
CAL at Strauss	4/10/2027	5:00 PM	9:00 PM	Reception	Strauss Furniture
Through My Lens	6/26 to 7/24/2027				AHH Gallery
Through My Lens	7/10/2027	1:00 PM	3:00 PM	Reception	AHH Gallery
CAL at AHH	7/31/2027			Exhibit	AHH Gallery
CAL at AHH	TBA			Reception	AHH Gallery
CAL at ArtSpot	September TBA			Exhibit	Art Spot

CAL Calendar

Some dates and/or times might have changed.

Holiday Season	1/3 to 12/23/26			Exhibit	SummRStar Gallery
Reflections of the Season	11/4/26			Entry Deadline	www.lnhsohio.org
CAL Meeting	11/18/26	6:00 PM	7:45 PM	Dino Massaroni Critique	Canton Museum of Art
Reflections of the Season	11/21/26 to 1/2/27			Exhibit	AHH Gallery
Reflections of the Season	12/5/26	1:00 PM	3:00 PM	Reception	AHH Gallery
Christmas Party	12/9/26	5:30 PM		Dinner & Exchange	Trinity UCC
CAL Meeting	1/20/27	6:00 PM		MJ Albacete	Canton Museum of Art
CAL Meeting	2/17/27	6:00 PM		General Critique	Canton Museum of Art

ARTS IN STARK 2026-2027 IMPACT GRANT ACTIVITIES

At AHH (Art and History Gallery)

Featured Artist	Show dates	Reception date	Workshop date
Artist 1 **Vivian Geaghan**	August 29 through October 3	September 12 1-3 pm	September 19 1:30-4:00 pm
Artist 2 **Kim Anderson Needle Felting**	October 10 through November 14	October 10 1-3 pm	November 7 1:00 – 4:00 pm
Artist 2 B **Jennifer Brown**			November 14 1:00-4:00 pm
Juried Exhibition Reflections of the Season	November 23 through January 2	December 5 1-3 pm	
Artist 3 **Michael Barath**	January 9 through February 13	January 9 1-3 pm	January 23 1:00 – 4:00 pm
Artist 4 **Donna Volpe**	February 20 through March 27	February 27 1-3 pm	March 13 1:00 – 4:00 pm
Artist 5 **Tina Lawver**	April 3 through May 8	April 3 1 -3 pm	April 24 1:00 – 4:00 pm
Artist 6 **Christopher Triner**	May 15 through June 19	May 15 1-3 pm	June 12 1:00 – 4:00 pm
Juried Exhibition Through My Lens	June 26 through July 24	July 10 1 - 3 pm	

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Christmas Party

Where: Trinity United Church of Christ
3909 Blackburn Rd NW
Canton, 44720
Use door # 2 (NE corner of building)

When: Wednesday, December 9 2026
Arrive at 5:30, Dinner served at 6. Gift Exchange at 7
Cost: $28/person

If no one is at the door to let you in, ring the doorbell.

Catered Buffet Dinner by Dishes by Design includes:

Bruschetta Chicken
Rice Pilaf, Garlic Redskin Mashed Potatoes,
Green Beans, Salad (all GF) Bread and Butter,
Water, Coffee, Tea

Questions? tobias@artistirene.com

Don't Forget our FUN

Gift Exchange!

*Bring something you created to swap for another gift!
*Guests welcome to bring a gift to swap also!

Please Bring a dozen cookies to share for our dessert!

Christmas Party Reservation Form:
$28 Per Dinner

Name: _____ Guest: _____

Number of Dinners ___ x $28 = $_____ Check # _____

Reservation Deadline - Check nust be RECEIVED by November 22

Send Form and Check made payable "Canton Artists League" to CAL Treasurer:
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