

## President's Palette

*By Marti Dunn*



Well, our year is winding down. April will bring us a new slate of board officers for you to vote on and our last meeting for the year. In May we will have our installation of the new board and our luncheon.

I hope you are enjoying this crazy weather that Texas keeps bringing us. I have liked all the sunshine-it has given me the opportunity to get some projects finished.

Looking forward to seeing you on April 4, where we will elect the new Board of Directors at the April meeting. The tentative Slate of Officers for 2016-2017 are:

President-Charles Wallis  
VP/Show Chair-Jay Schaan  
Treasurer-Wendy Keeney-Kennicutt  
Membership Chair-Chris Rogers  
Social Chair-Nancy Schaan  
Demo/Workshop-Iva Banik  
Exhibits Chair-Fredda Eastep  
Publicity Chair-Bonnie Chapa  
Corresponding Secretary-Dena Gaskin  
Recording Secretary-Sandra Cohen  
Web Master-Daniel Xiao

**We are eliminating the Library & Special Events Chairs at this time.**

This Slate of Officers will be approved by the Board, then presented to the members for a vote.

The installation of the new Board of Directors will take place at the May membership meeting, which will be held in our regular meeting room (Arts Council Studio), **Mon., May 2**. Please sign up to bring either an appetizer or dessert if you plan to come to the meeting. **Those whose last name begins with A-M are asked to bring desserts, and those whose last name begins with N – Z are asked to bring appetizers!** This meeting is just the installation of officers, there will be no regular meeting (or board meeting) that day.

**The last *REGULAR* 2015-16 BVAL MEMBER-  
SHIP MEETING will be**

**MON, April 4 : NOON**

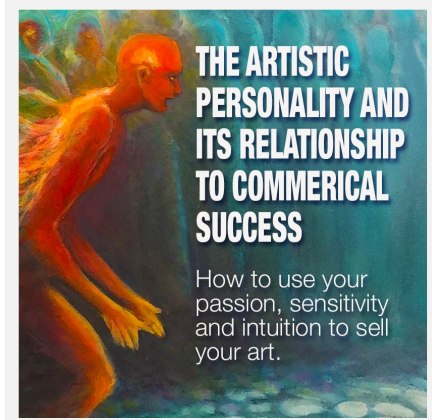
Our demonstration will be presented by our President, Marti Dunn! Marti will be demonstrating how she does the colorful backgrounds she does using fluid acrylics. We may hold the meeting outside if the weather cooperates!

Here are some examples of the background work Marti will be showing us how she gets:



## What's New?

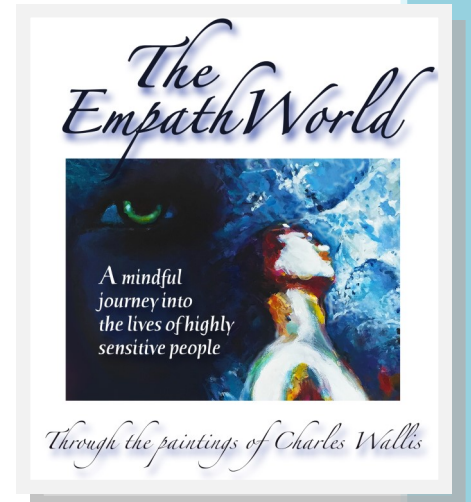
Current VP & Show Chair, Charles Wallis, will be all over the area with his art! He will presenting the program The Artistic Personality And Its Relationship To Commercial Success, on March 29, 2016 at Galerie Spectra coop artists. It is at 7 pm. Galerie Spectra is located in the Memorial City Mall, Unit 822, Houston, Tx.



An exhibit of bird art and sculpture featuring the paintings of BVAL members Barbara German, Hailey Herrera, Monika Pate, Nancy Elliott, and Charles Wallis. The show is hosted by the City Of Keller, TX Public

Arts Fund. The opening reception is April 14, 7 - 9 pm. The show runs through April 28.

I have a solo show opening at Galerie Spectra in Houston on April 15, 2016. The opening reception is April 15 from 6 - 9 pm. The show features 15 larger paintings illustrating the personality profile of Highly Sensitive and Empathetic people which represent around 1% of the USA Population and whose careers cluster around art, writing, literature, music, theater, science and as champions of causes. The show runs through May



13, 2016. Galerie Spectra is located in the Memorial City Mall, Unit 822, Houston, TX.



## CONGRATULATIONS to Jay Schaan!

Jay received the Silver Award for his sculpture "The Trinity" in the Bastrop Art in Public Places 2016 Downtown Sculpture Project. His sculpture is in front of the Bastrop Library. It will be on exhibit for one year. A total of 10 sculptures were accepted for the project, by artists around the state.

## From the Arts Council

The **Arts Council of Brazos Valley** invites you to **3rd Annual Boots & BBQ on Saturday, April 2, 2016**. This casual event will be held from 1:30pm - 4:00pm at the house of Pam and Bob Smits and includes an afternoon of music, art, delicious BBQ, door prizes, antique cars, and a silent auction. Slip on your boots as we're sure you'll find yourself dancing to the music of the Christopher Crow Band. Artists Mirka Hokannen, Amanda Dominguez, David Sites, Marti Dunn, and the Navasota Artists in Residence will be attending the event showcasing their works and discussing their techniques and inspiration. Tickets are \$35 each which includes: 1 meal ticket, 2 drink tickets, and a ticket for your chance to win a door prize. We ask that you RSVP by this Thursday, March 24th so we can get a head count for food preparation. Tickets may be reserved at [www.acbv.org](http://www.acbv.org) or you may call The Arts Council at 979-696-2787.

**Downtown Bryan Association will host their 7th Annual Downtown Street and Art Fair on Saturday, April 9th, from 10am-6pm** in the 200 block of W. 26th Street in conjunction with Texas A&M's Parents Weekend. The event features artists from across the region selling their handmade creations. The event will also include live music, art demonstrations and street performers for your entertainment. Admission is free and participants are encouraged to spend the afternoon and experience all that Downtown has to offer. For more information visit [downtownbryan.com](http://downtownbryan.com).

Check out visual arts at the **Wright Gallery at Texas A&M**. See poster art by the anonymous feminist group, Guerrilla Girls, and paintings from Robin Tewes through April 13th. On the 21st, the gallery welcomes the "You Are Here" Texas landscapes photography exhibit. The Wright Gallery is open from 8am-5pm, Monday through Friday at the Langford Architecture Building on the Texas A&M campus. For more information, visit [arch.tamu.edu](http://arch.tamu.edu).

Stop by the **Forsyth Galleries on the Texas A&M campus on April 14th** for some curated photo-op experiences and the chance to win artsy prizes including art supplies and frame-able prints. All you need to participate is an open mind, a sense of humor, and a phone. Space is limited for this FREE event! For more details and to reserve your spot, contact 979-458-5460

The **Chappell Hill Historical Society Museum presents "A History of Woodworking in Chappell Hill"** showcasing beautiful furnishings from the 19th century to the present day. This exhibit will be open and available for viewing through April 17 at 9220 Poplar Street in Chappell Hill, TX. Don't forget to join the museum April 9 & 10 for the 52nd Annual Chappell Hill Bluebonnet Festival! For more information and to make reservations visit [chappellhillmuseum.org](http://chappellhillmuseum.org) or call 979-836-6033.

Join us at the **32nd Annual Wine & Roses Festival at Messina Hof Winery & Resort in Bryan on April 23rd from 11am-10pm**. This one-day festival celebrates the budding of the vines and the blooming of the roses. Vote for your favorite artist with the 26th annual People's Choice Wine Label Competition! The theme for this year's competition is "Renaissance," sponsored by the Texas Renaissance Festival, with all proceeds benefiting the Arts Council. Each year, Texas artists compete for a chance to be featured on a Messina Hof wine bottle and they need your help deciding! Voting will be held all day during the Wine & Roses Festival. The day will be filled with activities from live music, wine tasting, grape stomping, art, food, and vendors. Tickets are available by visiting [messinahof.com/wineandroses](http://messinahof.com/wineandroses) or by calling 1-800-736-WINE(9463).

The **Society for Children's Book Writers and Illustrators** is hosting a hands-on workshop by writer and software developer Avery White. This workshop will expand on building a website using WordPress. Bring your laptops and head over to the Fellowship Hall of the Wesley Foundation in College Station April 2nd from 9am-2pm. For more information visit [brazosvalley.scbwi.org](http://brazosvalley.scbwi.org).

**BVAL** usually meets on the 1st Monday of the month at NOON. You should always be able to get the next meeting information on our webpage: [www.bvartleague.org](http://www.bvartleague.org)

We meet in the studio at The Arts Council Building  
2275 Dartmouth, College Station, Texas 7784 (979)-696-2787

**If you would like to join the BVAL, membership applications** can be found on our website or in the BVAL office at the address above. Payment can be mailed to the address above or made through the PayPal link on our webpage.

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