



# the paintrag

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## Racine Art Guild's Art<sup>2</sup> Event to Benefit HALO Is Featured at Annual Starving Artists Fair

### Press Release

The Racine Art Guild, founded in 1957, will present its 42nd annual Starving Artists Fair (SAF) on Sunday, August 7, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Over 100 artists will be featured at the Gateway Technical College campus on Main and 10<sup>th</sup> Streets in Racine. There will be local, regional and other artists representing eight states, including California, featured at the SAF. Artists will be showing original ceramics, photography, paintings, jewelry, mosaics, sculptures, and more.

A special raffle of five works of art by five recognized Racine Art Guild members will be held. Their works are valued at over \$250 each. Raffle tickets will be sold for \$5 each. These pieces may be previewed in the Silent Auction area. All proceeds from this raffle will help fund the four \$750 scholarships awarded by the Art Guild to an art student from Milwaukee Institute of Art and Design, University of Wisconsin-Parkside, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and Carthage College.

The 2011 Art Squared Event debuting at the fair is themed **Bravo Racine**. One hundred artists have donated completed canvases to the project. The one hundred canvases will be displayed as a large mosaic in the center of the fair next to the Members Boutique. Fair goers can purchase a ticket for \$20 to participate in a blind drawing to determine which canvas they will receive. The drawing will take place at Avenue Gallery and Frame on First Friday, September 2.

People are encouraged to vote for their favorite canvas to determine the winners of the Peoples Choice Awards: 1<sup>st</sup> place, \$250; 2<sup>nd</sup> place, \$125 and 3<sup>rd</sup> place, \$75. Awards will be presented to the three artists whose canvases receive the most votes.

A large print of the canvas mosaic will also be shown at the Farmers Market in the Case parking lot on State Street, Saturday mornings, August 13, 20 and 27 from 9:00 a.m. until noon. The public can purchase tickets and vote on these days.

Canvases may be picked up on September 2 at Avenue Gallery and Frame, 402 Main Street from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Awards will be presented at 6:30 p.m. Proceeds from this event will go to the Homeless Assistance Leadership Organization (HALO)

### Please Volunteer to Help at the SAF

- **Silent Auction** – Busiest in the morning  
Carolyn Chaplin: 262-638-9873
- **Raffle Ticket Sales:**  
DeeDee Dumont: 262-488-0496
- **Members Boutique**  
Kate Proeber: 262-994-8827

### Members Corner

#### RAG Picnic

Due to Dave Gaura's busy summer art fair schedule, the picnic at his house has been cancelled and will be considered for next summer.

#### Our Condolences

The RAG sends its condolences to Amanda Lawrence whose mother died July 25. A memorial service has been scheduled for Monday, August 1, 6:00 p.m. at the Olympia Brown Unitarian Universalist Church, 625 College Ave. Memorials to the family have been suggested.

#### New Member

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## Members' Boutique

### Instructions for Participants

We are counting down the days until the Members' Boutique at the Starving Artists' Fair Sunday, August 7. There is still time to sign-on, but you must call Kate Proeber at 262-994-8827 or email [kateproeber@gmail.com](mailto:kateproeber@gmail.com) **ASAP** if your name is **not** on the list below.

Janet Thompson: 12-2, Joyce Ottum, Don Tobias: 7-12, Ellen Cardwell: 10-12, Larry Cardwell: 10-12, Mickie Krueger: 2-4, Janet Mrazek: NA, Sande Jensen: 10-12, Kate Proeber: 7-4, Nancy Neider, Jim Wright: NA, Suellyn Scoon: 9-4, Laurel Peters.

If there is not a Boutique clerking time behind your name, please call with your choice of hours: 10-12, 12-2, or 2-4. Below you'll see the instructions that were handed out at sign-up.

Please ticket each of your pieces with the tickets provided. You can get price tickets from Kate 262-994-8827. When a piece is sold the top half of the ticket is the customer's receipt and the bottom half goes into the envelope with the artist's name on it along with the payment. At the end of the day artists will receive their envelopes when they pick up their unsold pieces. The work must be delivered ticketed and ready to hang or display by 7:00 A.M. the day of the fair at the old Silent Auction site.

Note: Some of you will be showing cards and you may have more than 15 cards or packets of cards. In that case, if you want to reproduce our label on your computer with your name typed in and the word cards in the Title/Media space, please do. Everyone - when attaching your tickets, please attach the top half of the ticket to the work so that we can easily cut the bottom half off to go with the payment.

If you want to display a small sign with your work, that would be great. Please bring an attractive container if you are showing cards. We will have extra baskets in the Boutique for that purpose if you don't have something. For small paintings little easels work well. We will have some racks for larger paintings and hopefully we will be creative in displaying everything else.

Also, please provide some kind of bagging for small things if they aren't already in a packet. We want to send customers away feeling happy about their purchase, and nice packaging always seems to do that.

Thank you so much for participating in the Members' Boutique. If you have questions or suggestions, please call Kate at 262-994-8827. Last year's Boutique was very successful. We expect another great year.

*Kate Proeber*