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Message from the President

Art is what we call...

The thing the artist does.

It's not the medium or the oil or the price or whether it hangs in the wall or you eat it.

What matters, what makes it art, is the person who made it and overcame the resistance, ignored the voice of doubt and made something worth making.

Something risky. Something human.

Art is not in the... eye of the beholder.

It's in the soul of the artist.

Buy local art,

You'll be glad you did!

Bill Seykora

Sharing Art with Our Community



The Saturday Art Market is up and running! It's a great venue to share creative talents. It's such a fantastic place for those who are just starting to, as I called it "make too much." Quoting Sandy Susag, "We've created a great model other communities can use."



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Friday, June 21

5:00 – 8:00pm

- Wine/Ale Samples
- Appetizer Pairings
- Artists Exhibits/
Demonstrations



- Starting location and maps available at Fort Alexandria at the Runestone Museum to purchase a \$15 wristband for Wine & Ale tasting & refreshments
- Pre-ticket sales at <https://alexandria-downtown-merchants-association.ticketleap.com/wine-ale--art-crawl/>

Looking for an opportunity to share your love of art with others? Join us on the Wine and Art Crawl! So many people do not understand creativity or how the making of things comes together, will you be the one to help them try something new? With 10 participating artists, there will be many demonstrations and opportunities for great conversations.

Board Updates

We've reached 40 members and continue to grow. A platform was installed for musicians at the Saturday Art Market thanks to the City of Alexandria. Please share the links and comment on social media to engage our communities. Art deTour is coming up soon with the support of many local organizations. A booth for the Guild is being planned for this year's Art in the Park with many other publicity items being planned in local media. Lastly, there is ongoing discussion of an Artwork mural and the October board meeting has been designated for Guild future planning and budgeting.



Art deTour 2022

19 Artists • 10 Locations



June 17-19

Father's Day Weekend Annually

Fri & Sat 9am-6pm

Sun Noon-5pm

- Shop for local art
- Tour artists' studios
- Art demos

Come talk "art" with "art" people! An exciting part of the Art deTour is discussing process and inspiration with like minded people. Tour the studios, see the

diversity, find a comrade. This is a fun experience to see what others have been up to!

Question to Consider

Our President Bill Seykora asks “where do you see this organization in 1, 3, and years?” Do you have an answer? If so, please pass those thoughts and suggestions on to our board through conversation of email. We'd love to hear from you.

Know someone who would be a great addition to our group? Invite them to the social on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. (You don't even need to be from Alexandria...)

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