

West Hartford Arts League Fall 2008 Classes Announced

Foundation Courses

LIFE DRAWING: LeaAnn Cogswell

Whether you are new to the Life Drawing experience or have been drawing from the human figure for many years, learn to see this complex subject in simpler terms and get more vitality and life into your drawings. With gestures and sustained poses, work toward a strong, solid, sculptural expression of the form. A variety of materials will be used, including some color. Fun and relaxed atmosphere. Model fee to be collected at first class. Call the Art League for materials list.

LC211 - Upstairs Schoolhouse

Begins September 23 for 10 weeks

Tuesday 9:30 - 12:30

Fee: member \$198.00 non-member \$218.00

PAINTING 1: Sara Prentis Brown

8 weeks

Designed to build basic painting skills, observe values, shapes and use line with limited color. We will build towards a full palette through color exercises. We will paint from still life, models and landscapes (weather permitting). Oil paint, acrylic, pastel, opaque watercolor (tempura) can be choice of media. Bring 16 x 20 or preferably an 18 x 24 canvas drawing pad (not newsprint) and your choice of medium, brushes and palettes. Palette may be mat board or Plexiglas.

SB113 - Clubhouse

Begins September 22 for 8 weeks

Monday 9:30-12:30

Fee member \$162.00 non-member \$182.00

OIL PAINTING FOR BEGINNERS AND INTERMEDIATES:

Shira Avidor 10 weeks

This course will approach contemporary representational (from observation) painting and traditional painting. Working from a staged still life, set up environment or photographs. This class will introduce various visual ideas and basic knowledge of materials, color mixing, compositional ideas and object relationships. Getting to know artists such as: Euan Uglow, William Bailey, Claudio Bravo, Morandi, Antonio Lopez, Gerhard Richter, Gregory Gillespie, Balthus, Hans Memling, Cranach, Cotan, Caravaggio, De la Tour, Lucian Freud, will be part of the course. A list of materials will be provided .

SA141 - Upstairs Schoolhouse

Begins September 22 for 10 weeks Minimum of 8 students.

Monday 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.

Fee: member \$198.00 non-member \$218.00

PAINTING CREATIVELY:

Diane Marinaro 5 weeks

LEVEL: Beginner

To learn to paint creatively, one must first become comfortable with sketching the form. This class is about the basics of composition: value, color and line. There will be specific lessons/demonstrations in composition. Bring a 9 x 12 sketch book, tracing paper of the same size, and three black felt-tipped pens (fine, medium & heavy.) You may then work in the medium of your choice.

DM121B - Upstairs Schoolhouse

Begins October 27 for 5 weeks

Monday: 1:00-4:00 P.M.

Fee: member \$108.00 non-member \$128.00

FALL PAINTING: Brian Colbath

Level: Beginner to intermediate

This class will start with basic perspective design and color theory as it explores the techniques and secrets of the Old Masters. The student will experiment with different styles of painting to not only gain a deeper understanding of the painting process but to develop an individual style. Although the teacher prefers watercolor or oil, students may work in any medium.

BC341 Upstairs Schoolhouse

Begins September 25 for 10 weeks

Wednesday 6:30-9:30

Fee: member \$198 non-member \$218

OIL PAINTSTIKS:

THE COTE SQUIGGLE:

Diana Lyn Cote 5 weeks

Using Shiva Brand Oil Paintstiks, this class will include a summary of various applications developed by the artist over the past decade to create unique color blending and texture in compositions. By reworking a single piece over time, participants will be able to explore the layering techniques, which make oil paintstiks so textural and unique. Combining the color theory of the Impressionists with the uninhibited expression of three year olds, the instructor will present her techniques for all skill levels. Beginner to accomplished artists will spark a new enthusiasm with this direct and spontaneous approach to painting. Come prepared with a variety of Shiva Brand Oil Paintstiks and either canvas or primed paper and be ready to explore this surprisingly diverse medium.

DC521 - Upstairs Schoolhouse

Begins September 26 for 5 weeks

Friday: 1:00-4:00PM

Fee: member:\$108.00 non-member \$128.00

PASTEL: ALL ABOUT COLOUR Kristine Sullivan

6 weeks LEVEL: Beginner to intermediate

A quick introduction to pastels. The teacher sets up a still-life every week and introduces pastel techniques in a gentle teaching manner that sets the artist at ease and develops confidence in his or her own style of art. A "critique" is incorporated into the beginning and end of each class and is very important to the progress and unity of the class.

Materials: soft pastels in a set (Gallery 15) and any individual soft pastels that catch your eye, some soft pastel pencils, one pad of Strathmore Pastel Paper (assorted colors) 11 x 14 or larger.

KS423 - Clubhouse Classroom

Begins September 25 for 6 weeks

Thursday: 1:00-4:00 PM

Fee: member \$126.00 non-member \$146.00

APPROACHES TO DRAWING Leslie Lillien Levy 10 weeks

Much of representational art is based on drawing. As a beginner or a mature artist you can benefit from this class. Each student will work at his or her own level. We will explore line, edges, mass, value perspective, gauging proportions and composition.

Using various drawing instruments and techniques, the exercises and instruction will help you assess your drawing and improve your skills.

LL223 Clubhouse Classroom

Begins September 23 for 10 weeks

Tuesday 1:00- 4:00 PM

Fee: member \$198.00 non member \$218.00

Photography:

DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY:

Craig Norton 10 weeks

Armed with a digital camera and your imagination, see the world from a different perspective through the lens. Professional photographer Craig Norton will inspire you to turn ten evenings into photographic adventures. We will start with a basic overview of your digital camera and how to utilize features to get the most out of it. We'll then focus on the creative aspects of photography. You'll be given all the tools to give your photography a "WOW" factor and learn what gives shots impact. Students will be given fun and creative assignments, gentle critiques, and perhaps head out for an adventurous photo shoot. Please bring a digital camera.

CN443 - Clubhouse Classroom

Begins September 25 for 10 weeks

Thursday: 7:00-9:00 PM

Fee: member \$138.00 non-member: \$158.00

Digital PHOTO WORKSHOP FOR ADULTS:

Julie Bidwell

2 weeks

Over two Saturdays, become more comfortable with your digital SLR camera. Learn the basics of lighting, f-stops, shutter speeds, ISO, file size and more in this hands on class. Must have a digital SLR camera, not an automatic point and shoot. Please bring the manual as well.

JB443 - Upstairs Schoolhouse

Two days : Nov 1 & Nov 8

Saturdays: 2:00-5:00 PM

Fee: member \$72.00 non-member: \$92.00

Painting: All Media:

NEW!!

COLOR, CONTENT & COURAGE,

A MASTER CLASS Ilona Levitz

Level: Intermediate - Advanced

This class is for traditional and abstract artists who want to move their paintings to the next level. Participants will learn to create new work that has strong visual impact. You will reach beyond paint application to explore how to create luminous color relationships and expressive mark making. In this process-oriented class you will learn how strong value structure, bold rhythmic decisions and dynamic spatial relationships can move your work beyond its original conventions. Topics for artist's inspiration will be presented by the instructor. Also, there will be group and individual instruction. Please come to the first class prepared to work.

Limit: 14 students

This class offered during the day on Monday and also on Thursday night.

IL111 - Upstairs Schoolhouse

Begins September 22 for 10 weeks

Monday: 9:30 - 12:30 P.M.

Fee: member \$228.00 non-member \$248.00

IL411 - Upstairs Schoolhouse

Begins September 25 for 10 weeks

Thursday: 6:00 - 9:00 PM

Fee: member \$228.00 non-member \$248.00

PAINT AS YOU LIKE:

Diane Marinaro 5 weeks

Level: Intermediate to advanced

To learn to paint creatively is both hard work and fun. You will be encouraged to develop your own style in whatever medium you choose. The instructor will critique your work and offer as much or little guidance as you desire. Come prepared to paint in the medium of your choice while enjoying a relaxed, unstructured atmosphere where you can work side by side with other artists.

DM121A - Upstairs Schoolhouse
Begins September 22 for 5 weeks
Monday: 1:00 - 4:00 P.M.
Fee: member \$108.00 non-member \$128.00

LANDSCAPE PAINTING:

John LoPresti

The landscape will be the primary subject with an emphasis on composition, simplified perspective, color and value. Different source materials will be used: photographs, drawings, and direct observation. All mediums are encouraged. Please bring an 18x24 pad, drawing paper, ebony pencil and/or charcoal to the first class.

JL423 - Upstairs Schoolhouse

Begins September 25 for 10 weeks

Thursdays: 1:00-4:00 P.M

Fee: member \$198.00 non-member \$218.00

ADVANCED DRAWING:

Zbigniew Grzyb 8 weeks

For advanced artists with drawing or painting experience to reach a more mature level with their art. The instructor will work with each student individually. Students will work from still life and also have the option of working with a live model for a small additional fee. Students should bring materials of their choice.

Any medium is welcomed.

ZG221 Upstairs Schoolhouse

Begins September 23 for 8 weeks

No class October 21 and 28.

Tuesday. 1:00 - 4:00 PM

Fee: member \$162.00 non-member \$182.00

Fiber

FELTED PURSE Carol Ingram

2 day workshop

Create a seamless wool purse using colorful merino wool and batting. While exploring the basics of seamless wet felting, color, design and embellishments will be discussed.

Experience the fun and magic of feltmaking. Open to all skill levels.

Minimum 7 students.

CI623 Clubhouse

Two day workshop

Saturday 2:00 - 4:30 PM

September 27 and October 4

Fee: Member \$63 Non-Member \$83 Material Fee: \$25

Mixed Media

DAYTIME COLLAGE:

Hannah Libman 10 weeks

This class will offer the beginner and advanced student the opportunity for greater freedom of expression and spontaneity. We will combine a variety of media (painting, photography, drawing and found objects) during this class. Demonstrations and critiques will help direct innovative and creative growth. Everyone can expect to complete several successful works of art. Please call the instructor at 236-2461 for more information.

HL413 - Clubhouse Classroom

Begins September 25 for 10 weeks

Thursday 9:30 - 12:30

Fee: member:\$198 non-member: \$218

Acrylic

THE MODEL & THE INTERIOR: Kristine Sullivan

10 weeks

This course is offered to intermediate to professional artists. It introduces the model into a still life and then interior setting, which will expand one's art-environment. The model will hold the pose throughout the course (reading etc). This is not "about" the model, so it avoids portraiture. It is a way of adding to the artist world and to seeing a greater view of life/art. There will most likely be more than one canvas accomplished. The medium is acrylics on canvas. Bring a large canvas, acrylics (primary colors plus any of your favorite paints), varying sizes of course acrylic brushes, and a water container. Canvases and supplies are available at Jerry's Artarama. There will be a weekly model fee.

KS321 - Upstairs Schoolhouse

Begins September 24 for 10 weeks

Wednesdays: 1:00 - 4:00 PM

Fee: member \$198 non-member \$218

Watercolor

MONDAY NIGHT WATERCOLOR PLUS Carol Ganick

Open to all levels! This class aims at meeting the individual needs of the student and supporting his or her growth as a painter. Those new to watercolor (or other water media of your choice) are given assignments that emphasize the need to be able to use brushes in various ways and in color mixing and application. For more experienced students, the goal is to provide painting challenges that help refine skills and encourage spontaneity and confidence. Students with previous experience will concentrate on aspects of landscape painting during the fall semester. Students taking this course for the first time are asked to contact the instructor at 860-543-0122 to discuss materials, their past experience with painting and expectations for the class.

CG143 - Clubhouse Classroom
Begins September 22 for 10 weeks
Monday 6:00 - 9:00 PM
Fee: member \$198 non-member \$218

WATERCOLOR WORKOUT:

Bob Norieka

Level: Intermediate to advanced

This class will focus on simplifying the subject: seeing the simple values and then stretching them into a full color painting. Learn how to take an unsuccessful watercolor and recreate it with fluid acrylics. Many techniques will be demonstrated including an ink and watercolor wash. Weather permitting, the class will work outside.

Limit 16

RN213 - Clubhouse Classroom

Begins Sept. 23 for 10 weeks

Tuesday: 9:00 - 12:00

Fee: member \$198 non-member \$218.

THE ART OF WATER MEDIA:

Frank Federico

8 weeks

Level: Intermediate - Advanced

We will paint both representational and abstract to non objective as we explore the capricious nature of watercolor. Working wet-on-wet and wet-on-dry, we will use different watercolor paper surfaces and experiment with transparent watercolor, acrylic and gouache techniques. Subject matter will vary; color and personal design will be emphasized. Some mixed media may be introduced. Demonstrations by the instructor each class with new innovations! 15 limit

FF411 - Upstairs Schoolhouse

Oct 9, 16, 30, Nov 6, 13, 20, Dec. 4 & 11.

Thursday: 9:30 -12:30

Fee:member \$234 non-member \$254

Master/Critique

MASTER CLASS IN ADVANCED PAINTING: Frank Federico 4 weeks

An advanced class for artists who are secure in the crafts of drawing and painting. All work created outside of class (whether completed or in process) will be considered. This critique will help direct the artist to new levels through individual analysis and constructive strategies. Examine and refine both the constructive and conceptual elements, which will turn a painting into a work of art.

You may sign up for one or both of the two four week sessions.

FF511: Upstairs Schoolhouse
Friday: 9:30-12:30
First Session: October 10,17, 31,Nov. 7
Member: \$108.00 non-member: \$128.00

FF512: Upstairs Schoolhouse
November 14, 21 , Dec. 5, 12
Fee each session:
Member: \$108.00 non-member: \$128.00

Photography

ADVANCED DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY: Craig Norton

6 weeks

Level: Intermediate - advanced

An intensive, hands-on workshop for those who are looking to step-up their photographic abilities. We will take an in-depth look at the camera to study shutter speed and aperture and how it affects the image. We will discuss working with natural light and flash as well as artistic composition to give your photos visual impact. Finally, we will practice Photoshop editing techniques to clean and improve images and apply artistic affects. This class is for those who have taken a Digital Photo class or are experienced photographers. A digital SLR or advanced point & shoot camera and a laptop computer are recommended.

CN623 - Clubhouse Classroom

Begins October 18 for 6 weeks

Saturdays: 11:00 -1:00

Fee: member \$90 non-member: \$110

Clay

WHEEL & HANDBUILDING:

Susan Perl 6 weeks All levels

A great class for both beginners and intermediates. Instruction will include hand building techniques and wheel throwing, with demonstrations in both. Students wishing to work in one or the other may devote their entire time to their favorite techniques. Students may work at their own skill level and advance at their own rate as they become acquainted with the range of clay processes available. Glazing and slip decoration will be included. Limit of 6 students.

SP342 – Downstairs Schoolhouse

Begins Sept. 24 for 6 weeks

Wednesday: 6:30-9:30 PM

Fee: member \$164.00 non-member \$184.00

Handmade Tiles Susan Perl

2 weeks All levels

Join us in this stress free workshop as we poke, pound and roll clay into beautiful handmade tiles. Explore the tactile qualities of clay as we carve, stamp and impress designs into our tiles during the first session. Experiment with slips, glazes and other surface considerations in our second session. Finished work will be ready for pick-up before the holidays. SP342B - Downstairs Schoolhouse

Two weeks only: November 12 & 19 9:30 - 12:30

Fee: member \$75.00 non-member: \$95.00

Classes for young artists and teens

Pre-School

STORYTIME ARTS, AGES 2 1/2-5: Suzanne Sayers 10 weeks

This class is designed for a child and his or her caregiver. It will integrate storytelling, music, movement and art-making. During each class we will share an age appropriate children's story, and possibly "act out" the story using creative movement and music. Following the story we will engage in a related art activity. Your child, with your assistance, will work with color, shapes and textures in a variety of materials. No siblings please. Wear old clothes and if you choose, bring a mat as we may sit on the floor!

SU313 - Clubhouse Classroom

Begins September 24 for 10 weeks

Wednesday: 10:00 - 11:15

Fee: member \$111 non-member \$131

Mixed Media

ART FOR YOUNG CHILDREN, AGES 5-7:

Judy Hough

For the young child who loves art. This class will introduce your child to a variety of art materials and techniques while encouraging them to use their imagination as they explore the basic concepts of line, shape, color, and design through colorful collage, tempera and watercolor paints, crayons and pastels. Some projects prefaced by music and storytelling of well known children's classics in literature including international folklore, fables, fairytales, and children's stories.

JH133 - Clubhouse Classroom

Maximum: 12

Begins September 22 for 10 weeks

Monday: 4:00 - 5:15 P.M

Fee: member \$111 non-member \$131

STONE CARVING, PAINTING & MORE, AGES 7-13: Joan Shapiro

Express your unique art style. We will draw with pencil, oil pastel and charcoal; paint on canvas and art boards; collage opportunities as well. We will create small alabaster stone sculptures using rasps and files and finish the forms to a smooth and shiny surface. You may decide to create clay animal pieces or other forms.

An exciting and varied 10-week program.

JS132 - Downstairs Schoolhouse

Begins September 23 for 10 weeks

Tuesday: 4:00 - 5:15

Fee: member \$111 non-member \$131

ART CLUB, GRADES 1-3:

Barbara McBrien

Young artists will enjoy creating through painting, drawing, printmaking, collage, and more. Activities are designed to encourage individual expression and inspire creativity while providing the child with an opportunity to explore a wide range of art media. Students will learn about color, value, line, shape and texture with materials that include pencil, ink, chalk, oil pastel, paint, clay and papier mache. Returning students are welcome, as each Art Club session offers new projects.

BM613- Clubhouse Classroom

Begins September 27 for 10 weeks

Saturday: 9:00 - 10:15

Fee: member \$111 non-member \$131

Pottery

WHEEL THROWING FOR BEGINNERS, Ages 10 AND UP

Beth Reynolds 8 weeks

This course offers an introduction to basic wheel techniques. Through demonstration and practice, students will learn how to center clay and throw simple shapes on the wheel. Different methods will be used to decorate the pieces before and after a bisque firing. All pieces will be finished by glazing.

BR322 - Downstairs Schoolhouse

Class is limited to 7 students

Begins: September 24 for 8 weeks

Wednesday: 2:30-4:30

Fee: member \$160.00

non-member \$180.00

HANDBUILDING FOR KIDS: AGES 7 and UP 8 weeks

Beth Reynolds

Explore texture and pattern through clay as you make a gift for that special someone on your list - or for yourself. During the first sessions, the teacher will demonstrate handbuilding methods and will have samples and ideas for projects. You might decide to

make a tile, mug, bowl, flower or animal. How about bookends or a paperweight? The last class will be devoted to painting or glazing your projects.

BR612 - Downstairs Schoolhouse

Begins: September 27 for 8 weeks

Saturday: 9:00 - 10:30

Fee: member \$160 non-member \$180

WHEEL THROWING FOR BEGINNERS, Ages 10 AND UP

Beth Reynolds

This course offers an introduction to basic wheel techniques. Through demonstration and practice, students will learn how to center clay and throw simple shapes on the wheel. Different methods will be used to decorate the pieces before and after a bisque firing. All pieces will be finished by glazing.

Downstairs Schoolhouse - Class is limited to 6 students

BR622 - Begins: September 27 for 8 weeks

Saturday: 11:00-1:00

Fee: member \$160 non-member \$180

Cartooning

BEGINNING CARTOONING, AGES 8-11: Elena Steier 8 weeks

This is a class for children who take their cartoon characters seriously. We will be learning techniques for creating characters, giving them stories and putting this knowledge to use by working on an actual comic book. Along the way, we'll be learning basic art concepts by exploring modern media techniques: underdrawing, basic shapes, perspective, design and composition.

ES611A - Upstairs Schoolhouse

Begins September 27 for 8 weeks

Saturday 9:00-10:15

Fee: member \$96 non-member \$116

ADVANCED CARTOONING: Elena Steier 8 weeks

This is a class for students who have some working knowledge of basic cartooning concepts. We will try to increase that knowledge by studying illustration and animation basics, which are used by professionals. We will put this knowledge to good use while working on comic book pages, with the goal of putting together our very own book.

ES611B - Upstairs Schoolhouse

Begins September 27 for 8 weeks

Saturdays: 10:30-12:30

Fee: member \$132 non-member \$152

PORTFOLIO PREP FOR CARTOONING CLASS:

Elena Steier 6 weeks

A six-week portfolio class for high school students interested in pursuing cartooning as a career. We will go over the types of pieces required for a successful portfolio, one able to show schools and employers each student's strengths. We will also address weaknesses and formulate strategies for furthering artistic knowledge and skill. Time will be set aside for working on actual pieces as well as critiques by fellow students.

ES343 Clubhouse Classroom

Begins: October 15, 22, 29 Nov.5, 19 and December 3

Wednesdays: 6 - 8:30 PM

Fee: Member \$118 non-member \$138

Drawing

BASIC DRAWING, Ages 10 & Up Claudia Triggs 5 weeks

A basic drawing class for those students wishing to learn basic skills or augment current ones. Using pencils and charcoal, drawing skills such as line, contour, form and shading will be covered. Students will work from still-life setups in the classroom.

CT621 - Upstairs Schoolhouse

Begins September 27 to October 20 Saturdays: 2:00 - 4:00

Fee member \$88 non-member \$108

Registration:

Financial aid is available for all students. Please call the office at 521-3732 for an application. Scholarships cover 50% of class price and are based on financial need.

- To register: Members may register as of August 5.
Non-members registration starts the week of August 18.

PLEASE NOTE:

All classes run for 10 weeks, unless otherwise specified.

We do not send class confirmation to students.

All class fees must be paid in full with registration.

Three Ways to register:

1. By fax if you are charging. Our fax number is 860-313-0317.
2. By phone at 521-3732, ext. 2
3. By mail - send your completed registration form to us at:
WHAL, 37 Buena Vista Road, West Hartford, CT 06107.

Class sizes are limited and are filled in the order received. Early registration will help to insure that classes don't get canceled due to low enrollment. Children's classes and most adult classes are limited to 12 students.

Classes will be canceled without minimum enrollment. Once a class is filled, you will be put on a waiting list for cancellations.

Refunds for courses:

If the Art League has to cancel a class due to insufficient enrollment, tuition will be refunded. Membership fees are non-refundable. There are no refunds 48 hours prior to the first class. Withdrawals made at least 48 hours prior to the first class will be refunded, minus a \$25 registration fee. Withdrawals for medical reasons will have tuition credited towards a future class, minus a \$25

Class Registration Form

Student Name _____
Grade & Age _____ Parent (of Child) _____
Street _____ Town _____ Zip _____
Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____
email address _____

Classes

1. Class Number _____ Title _____
Start Date _____ Fee _____
2. Class Number _____ Title _____
Start Date _____ Fee _____

Method of payment Check ___ Discover/Novus ___ Visa ___ Mastercard ___

Card Expiration date Signature (if charging)

Total class fees _____ Membership fee _____ Total payment _____

