

# ARTIST CONNECTION

Irving Art Association

December 2014

Greetings Members,

We hope everyone that celebrates it had a wonderful and restful thanksgiving with friends and family. We have a few exciting holiday themed events occurring this month, including IAA's annual Holiday Art Exhibit featuring our new holiday Ointment Installation, Irving Art Center Christmas Card Workshop, and our traditional Christmas Party. Dinner will be catered but please bring a desert to share. Our Holiday Ornament Installation will be our first installation project at our gallery, so it is very exciting. I hope everyone can contribute! IAA would like to wish all of our members a safe and exciting holiday season! I hope to see everyone at the party.

## Upcoming Events at Jaycee Park Center for the Arts

- ◆ Copic Art Club Class with Laura Griffin / DEC 6 / 9-12pm / Small Gallery / Info: [laura\\_griffin@yahoo.com](mailto:laura_griffin@yahoo.com)
- ◆ IAA Christmas Card Workshop / DEC 6, 13, 20 / 2-4pm / Irving Art Center / Info: [info@irvingart.org](mailto:info@irvingart.org)
- ◆ Doll Collectors Club of Irving Meeting / DEC 9 / Large Gallery / Info: [carmodg@aol.com](mailto:carmodg@aol.com)
- ◆ Painting Brilliant Floral & French Landscapes with Nancy Medina / DEC 11, 12, 13 / Large Gallery / Info: [nancy@nancymedina.com](mailto:nancy@nancymedina.com)
- ◆ IAA Christmas Party, Gift Exchange, and Holiday Ointment Installation Awards / DEC 23 / 7-9pm / Large Gallery / Info: [info@irvingart.org](mailto:info@irvingart.org) / \* *Please bring a desert to share with five members and an art related wrapped gift under \$25 in value*



Lavender Field of Dreams by Nancy Medina

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# In Our Galleries

## Current:

East (Large) and West (small) Gallery – IAA Membership Holiday Art Exhibit and Ornament Installation / DEC 01 - JAN 22

## Contact Us

Give us a call for more information or if you have any questions.

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# Member Submitted Information

ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS!!! CALL FOR ENTRIES!!! WE NEED YOU!!!

We are pleased to issue a call for entries for the very-first-ever IAA Members' Juried Ornament Installation and Competition! CASH PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED!!!

We need as many of you as possible (ideally all of you) to help us make the Jaycee Park Center for the Arts into a work of art for the approaching holiday!

All entries will be accepted. If you're an IAA member, you're in. The plan is to fill our ceilings with hand-made Christmas ornaments created by our wonderfully talented members. Once the installation is in place, a juror will judge the winners, and CASH PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED!!! Again, CASH PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED!!! The winners will be announced at our IAA Christmas Party that will be taking place here at the Jaycee Park Center for the Arts on December 23 at 7pm.

Specifications: up to three entries per artist will be accepted for the installation. Each ornament must weigh no more than three pounds. Obviously we are expecting holiday-themed ornaments (as it is a Christmas-themed installation) but we do encourage you to be as creative and "outside of the box" as you want to be. If your entry can reasonably be called a Christmas tree ornament, and as long as it is three-dimensional, hangable, and under three pounds, you are free to interpret the words "Christmas" and "ornament" however you want. Feel free to create! Again, the winners will be announced and cash awards given at our December 23 Christmas Party.

Drop-off for entries is December 16 between 12pm and 4pm at our Jaycee Park gallery. If you have a conflict (like a job) and cannot make it on that December 16 drop-off date, then please call the IAA office at 972-721-8063 and we will be glad to make arrangements for you to drop off your entries at a more convenient time.



## Painting Brilliant Floral & French Landscapes

December 11, 12, and 13 2014 at Jaycee Park Center for the Arts

9 am to 4 pm Daily

\$345 per student

Contact: [nancy@nancymedina.com](mailto:nancy@nancymedina.com)



Supply List (copy & paste this link in browser): <http://nancymedina.fineartstudioonline.com/page/1948/nancy-medina-workshop-supply-list>

We'll paint brilliant floral on Days 1&2, and on Day 3, we will finish with paintings of French landscapes, working from my photos or any of your own favorite landscape photos. There will be prizes, snacks, fresh flowers, and a bit of holiday festivity in the air. What a tres chic way to ring in the holidays, no?

Put a little joy in your brush and join award winning artist Nancy Medina for three days of making brilliant landscapes and floral bloom in oils. Named one of the best floral and botanical artists by American Art Collector magazine, Nancy is master signature artist and instructor for the Dallas Arboretum whose paintings are collected around the world. Open for beginners to advanced students, as well as those who work in water based oils and acrylics, you will learn to loosen your approach to painting. This will be a fun 3-day workshop with multiple demonstrations by the teacher.

Nancy shares all her favorite tips with you for creating brilliant color on a transparent background, and methods for making your paintings look authentic and beautiful. Students are encouraged to take lots of photos and ask many questions, and will take home the tools needed to create works of art they will enjoy for years to come.

Class begins each day with a thorough and well explained demonstration by the instructor. Painting together each afternoon in step by step lessons, students will take home three completed paintings. A supply list will be shared with students immediately following registration. Located just a few miles from DFW International Airport, the Jaycee Park Center is virtually moments away from a number of major hotels and dining spots. There are lots of great places to visit in the Dallas - Fort Worth Area, including the Fort Worth Stockyards, Cowboy Stadium tours, the baseball ballpark in Arlington, and the art museum districts in downtown Dallas and in Fort Worth.