

LakeRidge Falls Art League

The LRF Art League was formed in May, 2007. Our mission is: *“To promote the Arts and Artists of LRF, including all visual, performing, as well as creative writing for the enhancement of LakeRidge Falls.”* The League is an independent entity, and not part of the Homeowner’s Association. The League is run entirely by volunteers and each year elects a President, Secretary and Treasurer. Membership is open to all LRF residents and the dues are currently \$7.00 per calendar year.

There are two levels of membership: Members and Patrons. Members are actively involved, attend meetings and participate in various activities, while patrons may or may not attend meetings or activities and are more inclined to offer financial support through payment of their annual dues, and/or provide a donation which could be specifically allocated for an upcoming Artists’ Reception. Members and Patrons are included in all Art League email communications, i.e. Meeting Agendas/Minutes, notices regarding special events, and membership updates.

Art League events are open to LRF residents and their guests. Donations from attendees supplement event costs and help to provide scholarships for art programs for disadvantaged youth in Sarasota and Manatee counties. In the past we have supported programs at the Sarasota and Manatee Art Centers, and the Boys and Girls Clubs in the two counties.

The Art League annually holds several Art Exhibitions. Through these exhibitions the LakeRidge Falls Art League strives to convey the range and significance of creative work being made in our community, provide insight into individual artists’ vision, and nurture artists at all stages of their development. (Guidelines for Exhibiting Artwork are included on this website.)

The Art League offers a variety of activities: bi-monthly Movie Night featuring classic films, Off-site tours, Workshops on a variety of subjects, Lectures, Holiday Boutiques featuring work created by resident artists. The Art League has previously sponsored Play Readings as well as Book Signings and Workshops by community authors.

In addition, the Art League is responsible for maintaining the Clubhouse Curio Cabinet. The cabinet was donated to the community by Art League members Alice and Dick Dorn. The rotating exhibits in the cabinet showcase the collections and/or hand-made works created by our residents. We are eager to have residents share their works with the community. Art League members Alice Dorn, Jackie Hathaway and Sandie Nuwaysir are responsible for reviewing the submissions for Curio Cabinet display. (The form for exhibitors is included on this web site, and can also be found on the clubhouse bulletin board.) Completed forms should be returned to Community Assistant Paula Murray.

We hope the work of the Art League encourages the community to embrace the arts culture as part of a meaningful life. For more information, or to join the Art League contact President, Jackie Hathaway, Treasurer Alice Dorn, or Secretary Sandie Nuwaysir.