



Desert Artists' League

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Nazarene Church - 571 N. Norma St.
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Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Presidents Message:

March General Meeting is the White Elephant Exchange, (see flyer in Newsletter), and April might be a Supplies Auction, with your not needed items and our Inventory.

In May, we would like to have Installation of new Officers. President, Vice President Programs, please see printed copy of Duties at the Attendance Table. Take home and review which one would be best for you to do next year. Sept. 2026 - May 2027

Start looking for artists, or members to do demos, classes, and workshops.

Watercolor with Nancy Crawford has started and she will invite you to her Thursday Watercolor Class. Seems the Members are not aware that she needs your name on her call list to have good Attendance. Show your appreciation by coming, and being on time. \$10. Thursday, 8:30-11. Catch her at the meeting for details.

The IT committee has put a link from the classes to the artists paintings, on our webpage, you can see what talented artists we have in DAL League.

The Membership list is still changing, great that members are coming back, and we have new members also. At this time we have 45 members.

The IT needs two people to take over the Webpage, FB Page. A DAL member needs to fill these position. Lydia Dorfman is maintaining the Webpage, just added the new Membership listings.

Charylene Peterson

P.O. Box 1938
Ridgecrest,
CA 93556

General Meeting

March 2, 2026
at Fellowship Hall
Church of The Nazarene
571 N. Norma St.
Ridgecrest, CA
6:30pm-8:30pm
Next: **April 6, 2026**

Next: Board Meeting

March 17, 2026
1:30 - 3PM
Location
California Welcome
Center
880 N. China Lake Blvd.
Ridgecrest, CA 93555
(760) 375-8202

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MISSION STATEMENT

THE PURPOSE OF THIS ORGANIZATION SHALL BE TO STIMULATE,
MOTIVATE, AND ENHANCE MEMBERS' SKILLS AND APPRECIATION
OF CREATIVE ART.

VP Program: Sarah Nystrom: Be sure to Thank Sarah for the GREAT year we are having with her help.

April: Still open as of now. Going to ask Membership about Art Supplies Auction. Open to Community.

May: This will be confirmed at our March meeting. I have sent correspondence to Terry via Naomi to present in May details are still being discussed. I will update as I get more information.

Webpage: DAL IT (Information Technology) committee, Lydia Dorfman, and Will make announcement of needing to update page, and considering a different program. Anyone interested in manage or making a webpage, notify the above names.

High Desert Plein Aire: Sally Valiton, sally67rc@gmail.com
760-793-1756 If your on the email list you will be notified, and if you would like to be on the list. Contact the above.
Tuesday, February 24, 2026 Sketching will be meeting at Cerro Coco Community College Library at 9am. Let her know you are attending.

Show and Tell please bring your Artwork and fill out a ticket to be drawn and then you will receive a small gift. **Nancy Crawford**

Hospitality: Refreshments will be provided by the members from the sign up sheet. Two people can do it together. Hope you signed up to bring refreshments for March. janiceallen074@gmail.com **Janice Allen**

Sunshine: Please let me know when to send a card to any of our members. A card was sent. bambieherrington@ameritech.net

Lisa Herrington

Newsletter: Submittal for April Newsletter. Please send it to me by (March 15th, 2026) so it will go out the Monday, March 30, the week before the April 6, 2026, meeting.

Art Community: We can work towards this during the summer months. If interested please call Charylene Peterson, 760-382-5356. We are asking the Community to join us. January 20, & February 17, 2026, we had a short meeting for the Art Community with attendees being interested in this effort. 1:30 - 2:00 . As of now, we are going to compile a Business Plan and present it to the Community, so they are going to know what they want and they see what we will offer Artists' in Ridgecrest. This will be for all areas of "Creativity". Emails will be sent to keep you in the loop. Summer Meetings, Third Tuesday of the Month, 1:30-3:00 at the California Welcome Center

**DESERT ARTISTS' LEAGUE EXECUTIVE BOARD
AND COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON
September 2025 - ELECTED OFFICERS**

PRESIDENT:

VP MEMBERSHIP: Nancy Crawford (760-464-1586)

VP PROGRAM:

TREASURER: Debra Newton (760-301-4518)

SECRETARY: Naomi Norris (760-375-5631)

COMMITTEES

Volunteer

HIGH DESERT PLEIN AIR: Sally Valiton (760-793-1756)

DVD'S: Donna David (760-382-6722)

GALLERY : RRH - KERR MCGEE - LA FIESTA

Janice Allen (760-384-8882)

HISTORIAN: Donna David (760-382-6722)

HOSPITALITY: Janice Allen (760-384-8882)

PUBLICITY: Penny LePome (442-294-7057)

SUNSHINE: Lisa Herrington (312-524-1310)

WEBPAGE: Lydia Dorfman (661-317-3683)

FACEBOOK: Debra Newton (760-301-4518)

NEWSLETTER: Charylene Peterson (760-382-5356)

MEMBERSHIPS

Member

Patron

Student

Honorary

Honorary Life

**March Board Meeting:
The Future of DAL and ART
Community**

1. Fill positions President/VP Programs.
2. The 3 Board Members carry on as the above positions. (3 Meetings each)
3. Reorganize without Board and just meet social get togethers, and paint.
4. Disband DAL

Organize DAL towards a Art Community and not have meetings. Members contribute to the Art Community.

I would like to hear from DAL Members. Please email me or text me or phone for your suggestions, and support.

NO RESPONSE IN FEB.

Membership: \$12.50 Dues for new members for the rest of this year. Pay through the webpage pay pal or make payment at our meeting to continue to get your newsletters and retain your benefits. Membership list is now on DAL webpage. Visitors pay \$5 after their first visit being **FREE**.
jaynancycrawford@verizon.net

Nancy Crawford

Flowers were sent from DAL
The Willis Family

DAL Member
Juanita Willis
January 22, 2026

Services were Saturday 21, 2026. Several Members attended.

March 7, 3-5 Debbie Newton - Art Exhibit Reception at Maturango Museum

April 10, 11, 12th, 2026 Wildflower Show at Maturango Museum. Sally Valiton 760-793-1756 for schedule of sketching.



White Elephant Art Gift Exchange

**Monday March 2nd
Church of the Nazarene
6:30 PM**

Bring a Wrapped Unmarked Art Related Gift to Exchange



This is our first flyer that went out. We have sent another one just to two other groups to see what they got from it. We will be doing one with the Business Plan featured so Artists' and Creative Community members can see what they can do.

Notify Charylene Peterson if you are interested in helping to write the Business Plan for the Art Community.
760-382-5356.



**CONNECT • LEARN • GROW
WENTENED YOU TO BE INVOLVED...**

Join the Desert Artists' League as we venture into the future!
We will be celebrating our 48th Birthday in October
and with this Birthday we want to leap into the future of DAL
with your wonderful suggestions for future programs.
We are interested in young members and groups to continue with
new ideas like 4D, Gem & Mineral, Fabric Arts, Stained Glass,
Ceramics, Quilts, Book Illustrations, Graphic Arts and Authors, Mixed
Painting, Face Painting, Wood Working, Zentangle, Watercolor,
Oils, Pastels and more!

**Our next meeting is Monday, October 6, 2025
6:30 - 8:30pm at the Nazarene Church on N. Norma St.
Join us as we celebrate DAL's 68th Birthday!
(Refreshments will be served)**

We will also be doing a small art project at the meeting.

OUR GOALS THIS YEAR:

- CREATE AN ARTISTS SPACE
- OFFER MORE CLASSES AND MORE OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN
- MOST IMPORTANTLY, MAKE THIS A FUN SPACE FOR EVERYTHING ART!

*Let's Make DAL a Place where Community
Comes Together to Make Art!*

Please contact Charylene Peterson 760-382-5356
if you are interested in sharing your creativity!