# Desert Artists' League and Gallery

General Meeting

**October 5, 2026**
**211 Balsam, Ridgecrest, CA**

**Volume 02**

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Desert Artists' League Facebook

Board Meeting
October 6, 2026

**MISSION STATEMENT**

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

# DAL October: Art Gallery. Programs, Workshops, and More !

**DAL members, join us at 6:30 Monday, October 5, at DAL Art Gallery, 211 Balsam St. We will be in the middle space for the meeting. Bring a friend!**

**Executive Board Meeting - Ocober 6th, 2026, 4:00**

We welcome our newest members!
Cam Alden
Xandi
Feather Branson
Molly Cooley
Lori Michelan

Welcome back to those that will be joining at this meeting.

Membership is $35, for yearly dues. Visitors pay $5 after first visit, and can join at this time.
Pay by Check or Cash, pay on DAL Webpage in Membership

**Membership Benefits:**
1. Web page showing your artwork.
2. Participate in Yearly Wildflower Show sketching,
3. Plein Air weekly, gatherings.
4. Newsletter
5. Priority registration for workshops/speakers
6. Display artwork in DAL Art Gallery
7. Access to DVD library
8. Voting obligation

Nancy Crawford, VP Membership

DAL was established in October of 1957. We will celebrate that event at the opening of DAL Art Gallery Reception or at the October meeting.

Please attend both events.

**DESERT ARTISTS' LEAGUE EXECUTIVE BOARD AND COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON**
**September 2026 - August 2027**

**ELECTED OFFICERS**

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|---|---|
| PRESIDENT: Marcela/Mark Everitt | (760) 977-8577 |
| VP MEMBERSHIP: Nancy Crawford | (760) 464-1586 |
| VP PROGRAM: Eileen Shibley | (760) 382-1049 |
| TREASURER: Debra Newton | (760) 301-4518 |
| SECRETARY: Naomi Norris | (760) 375-5631 |

**COMMITTEES**

Volunteer

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|---|---|
| HIGH DESERT PLEIN AIR: Sally Valiton | (760) 793-1756 |
| DVD'S: Donna David | (760) 382-6722 |
| GALLERY : RRH : Janice Allen | (760) 384-8882 |
| HISTORIAN: Donna David | (760) 382-6722 |
| HOSPITALITY: Janice Allen | (760) 384-8882 |
| PUBLICITY: Penny LePome | (760) 375-5287 |
| SUNSHINE: Charylene Peterson | (760) 301-2691 |
| WEBPAGE (IT Committee) | |
| Lydia Dorfman | (661) 317-3683 |
| Shelly Fulton | (760) 608-0331 |
| FACEBOOK: Debra Newton | (760) 301-4518 |
| NEWSLETTER: Charylene Peterson | (760) 301-2691 |

**MEMBERSHIPS**

Member
Patron
Student
Honorary
Honorary Life

**Newsletter**: Submittal for November Newsletter. Please send it to me by October 18th, so it will go to the members the 25, for the November 3, 2026 meeting.

DAL Members will be learning about the new volunteer lists, and how you can show your painting or artwork in the Art Gallery, ByLaws, permits, etc.

Be sure to tour the building at our next meeting and see what the opportunities you have to share your talents with the community with DAL.

Attendance was low at the September meeting. Hope you are back from vacation, or done relaxing for the summer. The Summer Challenge (250 years) was turned in and ready for display. Bring yours in and add to the display. Also, we had a Logo challenge to redesign DALs, bring that with you and don't forget your Show and Tell.
September Meeting Co Presidents gave a presentation of what they have accomplished during our summer months. The Board was included at all events and volunteers worked with them on the Art Gallery.

You can catch up with what has been done and what is still being done, or to be done in DAL Ask the Co Presidents and Board and read the emails that were sent out.

**Eileen Shibley, VP Programs:** Upcoming Programs
Oct 5, 2026 - Debbie Newton, Pastels Demo
Nov. 3, 2026 - Daniel Pearl - Amazing Photography
December Social
January 5, 2027 -Alcohol ink on glass

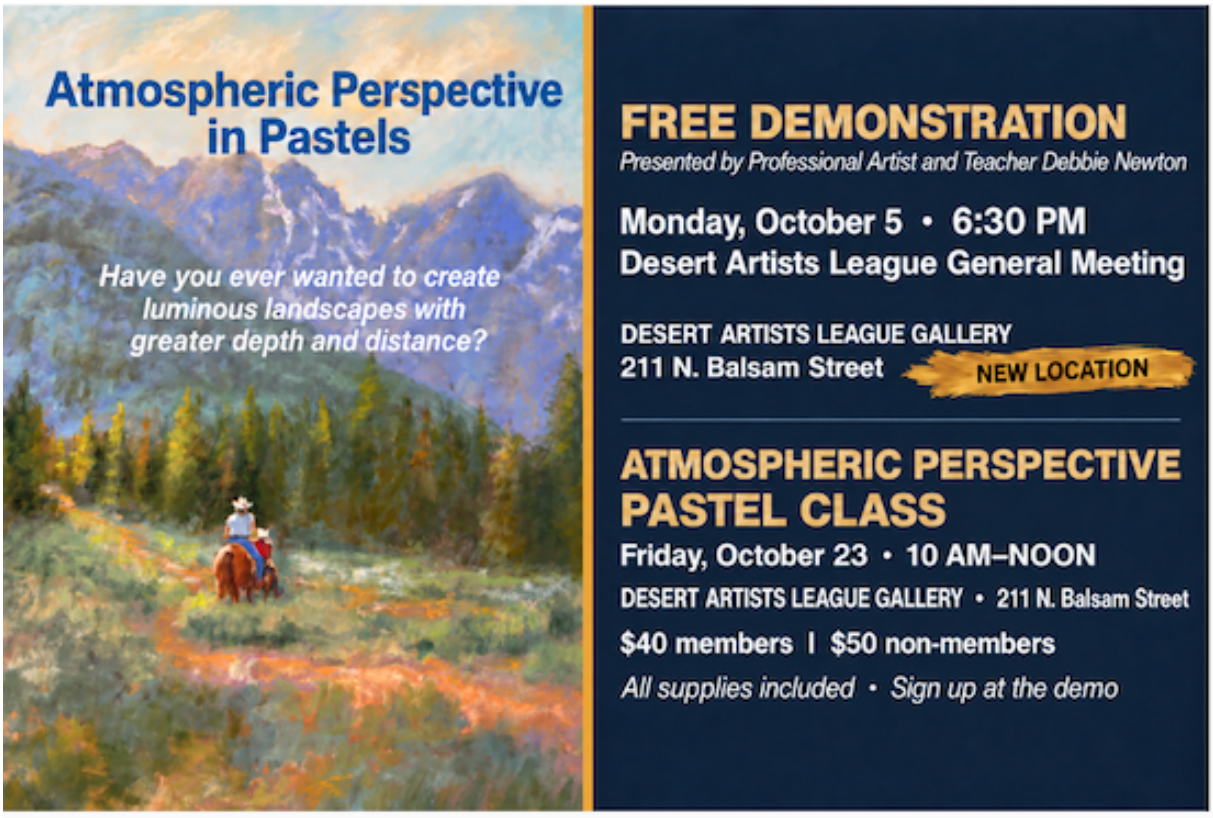
**Chamber and After Hours event for Ribbon Cutting (Oct or Nov)**

**See you at the General membership meeting on Monday, October 5, 2026**

## "Atmospheric Perspective in Pastels"

**Debbie Newton** will provide a demo titled "Atmospheric Perspective in Pastels". Members attending will be able to sign up and pay for a class on this subject. The class will be offered in the new DAL Gallery on Friday, 23 October, from 10 am to 12 ish. Cost will be $40 for members and $50 for non-members. All supplies will be provided and are included in this cost.

This pastel class by Debbie Newton will be the first of many classes offered in the new DAL Gallery, located at 211 Balsam Street. Watch this space for future offerings. Can't wait to see Debbie's Pastels demo on atmospheric perspective!



**Web Presence Improvements:** Check out improvements on

- The **Desert Artists League** web page: **desertartistsleague.org**
  - Read about our artist profiles, see their art.
  - Pay for membership and workshops on the web site. Paid members can access membership information, past newsletters, DAL documents.
- **Desert Artists' League Facebook Group**. If you are a paid member, you can view and post to the improved DAL Facebook Group.
- **Desert Artists' League Instagram:** interface and link with the Facebook Group has been improved and updated.
- **Desert Artists' League Facebook Page**: Everyone, including non-members can view this. It is new, and will be the outward face of the Desert Artists' League.










**Gallery Improvements:** Ribbon cutting will be October or early November

