



## Mount Dora Art League

### Member Meeting Minutes

July 18, 2026

1. **Call Meeting to Order at 1:01 p.m. Morna Strengholt**
2. **Thank you** to Mount Dora Center for Arts for the space.
3. **Wall Space** - We have walls available at \$15 and \$20 per linear foot. See Roberta Avidor if interested. All current exhibitors are asked to sign the pop up gallery guidelines.
4. **Items for Publication:** Please send items for our Website: [moundoraartleague.com](http://moundoraartleague.com) to Arcanas: [support@vtams.com](mailto:support@vtams.com) and Facebook items to Melinda: Florida [FIMel7703@gmail.com](mailto:FIMel7703@gmail.com). 275 Facebook followers to date.
5. **Treasurer's Report June 2026-** David reported:
  - Total Income \$3,953.95
    - Pop Up Space Donations - \$1883.50
    - Raffle Sales - \$50.00
    - Donations - \$50.00
    - New Members 2 @\$25 each - total \$50.00
    - Renewing Members 2 @\$25 each - total \$50.00
    - Total Pop Up Gallery Sales - \$1,461.00
    - Total Sales Commission - \$365.25
    - Total Badge Sales - \$44.20
  - Total Expenses - \$3,395.21
    - Donations to MDCA - \$2,000.00
    - Total Paid to Artists - \$1,095.75
    - Misc Expense
      - Credit Card Fees - \$74.46
      - Program \$75.00
      - Model \$75.00
      - Music \$75.00
    - Total Deposits - \$3182.25
      - Total Cash and Checks Deposited - \$2,168.10
      - Total Credit Card Deposits - \$1,014.15
6. **Welcome New Members** - Anita Force Marshall Welcomed new members: Clara DeKleijn, Rudy Drapuzza, Judith Kaye, Kate Lee, Michael Hawthorn, Christie Kelso (returning member). New members receive last meeting minutes from Anita. Please see Anita for a name tag.
7. **Ornaments on Sale for November Fundraiser** - \$2.00 each. Available in the Pop up Gallery. Members can decorate for silent auction in November to benefit kids programs at MDCA. Each ornament should be unique.
8. **Important Dates and Events**
  1. **Eustis Art League Show** at Lake County Art Museum. Now through August 22. Reception August 15. 1pm - 3pm. Congratulations to Sheila, Korinne and Debra Cabrera who won awards.
  2. **Tavares Community theater.** Current Artist's show during play Dr. Cook's Garden. Pick Up July 29th.
  3. **Empty Bowls**, Yada Yada Pottery. \$7.00 to paint a bowl. Start to Paint now. Register on line. <https://www.yadayadapottery.com/projects-8> Empty bowls event October 30.
  4. August 1, 2026 last day for Spray Ground Urban Art Show at MDCA.

5. August 13, 2026 Board Meeting - Downtown Gallery
6. August 14, 2026 **Art League Pop Up show Reception 5p-8p.** Live music by Vic. Wine bar. Art in the Alley and other studios are open. Class at Studio Art Farm by Michael Black in Highway Man style painting at 6:30 p.m.
7. August 15, 2026 **Member Meeting.** Bob Pearson Presenting on Composition. 1:00 pm - 3:00 p.m. Downtown Gallery
8. August 18, 2026 **Model Drawing** - Downtown Gallery 10 am - 12 noon \$10 donation for the model
9. August 25, 2026 **Open Studio** 10 am (ornament painting, Bravo Canvases, or bring art you re working on) - Downtown Gallery
10. September 10, 2026 **Board Meeting** 10 am - Downtown Gallery
11. September 11, 2026 **Art League Pop Up Show Reception** 5pm-8pm Downtown Gallery
12. September 19, 2026 **Member Meeting.** Anita - Demo -paper mache pumpkins for fundraiser
13. September 22, 2026 **Model Drawing** 10 am \$10 donation for the model Downtown Gallery
14. September 26, 2026 **Frida Event.** 11a - 7p in Donnelly Park. No show this year at MDCA. 10x10 space \$100 and 10x20 \$185. If you are interested in space, contact MDCA.
15. **Plein Air Paint Out** - pre register before September 28. Event October 7-17. See <https://mounddoraart.com/plein-air/> for details.
16. September 29, 2026 - **Open Studio** - Pumpkin Painting
17. **October 1- 31 Paper Mache Pumpkins - fundraiser** for Triangle Elementary. Pumpkins will be on sale 10/1 - 10/31. Sale Price: \$10.
18. **Halloween** - Ken Avidor is coordinating - 5p-8p .costume party; hand out colored pencils and candy. Exhibitors are encouraged to hang Autumn/Halloween related art.
19. **Window Display:** July Gail Harvey, Arcanas, Anita and Tina are in the window in July. Members Chris Collard, will have artwork in the window in August and Norma Bott will have artwork in the window in September. Morna will announce exhibitors in the window for August.
9. **Website Needs:** Members who need website build can see Arcanas. Discount provided to members.
10. **Bra-Vo** - October - Elisabeth Ferber, President of Artisans presented.
  - Fundraiser by Artisans - net proceeds donated to AdventHealth Waterman Foundation Cancer Benevolent Fund to support cancer screening, care and family support services for those without insurance in Lake County. \$85,530 total donations made since the annual event was founded in 2012.
  - Call to Artists - purchase and paint canvases and/or bags - to be sold for minimum of \$35 Artist should estimate value of work they are submitting. Elisabeth showed examples of decorated canvases and bags. Cost for Substrate:
    - \$5 for 6x6 canvas
    - \$5 for small canvas bag
    - \$10 for large canvas bag
  - **Dead line for returning completed artwork - Sept. 25th**
  - Aug. 16th - Paint and Sip with Elisabeth Ferber and Morna Strengholt at Lakeside Inn \$55. 4p-7p. Acrylic. Register on line <https://www.artisansofmtdora.com/bra-vo.html> or at Artisans.
  - Sept 26th - Frida Festival 10% off everything sale with 10% of total sales going to Bra-Vo
  - Oct 8th - Lakeside Inn Bra-Vo Bash Fundraiser - music by Terry Harr and Vic Kusik, Battle of the Brushes painting competition, silent and live auctions, raffle prizes,

- gift baskets, food. \$30 admission fee. Question about adding a third painting competition for watercolorists. If you are interested, sign up with Dodi Truenow. If you want to donate art items for Bravo for the event, please drop them off at Artisans.
- Oct 17th & 18th Holiday Ornament Decoration workshop \$12 each or \$10 each for 2 or more
  - Oct 24th & 25th Arts and Craft Festival booth in front of Artisans .
11. **Sheila H. Has donated bird houses** to be painted. We will use them for a fundraiser in 2027. Thank you Sheila!
  12. **Artists teaching classes:** Korinne Carpino has classes scheduled at MDCA ,Village Art Workshops and The Art Therapy Place in Mount Dora. ,(<https://korinnecarpinoart.com/learn-with-me>) Nicora Gangi has oil and watercolor classes scheduled at MDCA . Susan Grogan will be teaching basic and advanced watercolor at MDCA. Date TBD. <https://moundoraart.com/class-schedule/>
  13. **Roberta and Ken Avidor are Directors for the Pop Up Gallery.** For daily issues, contact Roberta. Thank you to Ken for replacing the air conditioner filters.
  14. **Calendar Year Membership Renewal** - Anita presented that all members will renew in January annually starting in January 2027 as approved by the Board. This streamlines the member renewal process.
  15. **If you are interested in joining Artisans Gallery,** work requirement is 4 shifts per month, plus committee work. More information and the application is on line at <https://www.artisansofmtdora.com/join-us.html>. Artists go through a jury process to be selected. Fee is \$400 for 6 months and Artisans keeps 30% commission. Artisans also has a guest artist program. You may also want to apply to be a guest artist for two month. And, they have an artist reception during Art in the Alley as well.
  16. **Raffle at July Meeting.** For August - Arcanas will donate item.

Business Meeting Adjourned at 1:59 p.m. on a motion from Sheila and seconded by Tina.

**Presentation by Marty Barrick -Thank you to Marty for presenting tips for palette knife painting and doing a live demo!**

Respectfully Submitted,

Korinne Carpino  
Secretary