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## Abstract Art Workshop: "Revealing What Is Hidden"

Workshop Date:

Saturday, March 12, 2011 10 am - 1 pm



Alexandria, VA (February 15, 2011) In conjunction with Del Ray Artisans' abstract art show *"Beyond Form: Expressing Art"*, the curators are offering a workshop/panel discussion entitled *"Abstract Art: Revealing What Is Hidden,"* on Saturday, March 12 from 10 am to 1 pm. Featured panelists are artists John Blee and Beverly Ryan from The Art League; Paula B. Lantz from Del Ray Artisans and The Touchstone Gallery; and Rusty Lynn from Del Ray Artisans.

For the first 2 hours, this panel of experienced artists who are also teachers and historians, will hit highlights and turning points in abstract art's colorful 19<sup>th</sup> to 21st century history. What are abstract art's precursors? How is it defined? Who are some of the big name artists and what did they contribute to the genre? And ... we'll find out which artists are favorites of the panelists; all while engaging in a lively discussion with participants.

For the last hour we will have a feedback opportunity for those who have brought a finished or unfinished abstract art piece, or who would like constructive comment on their artwork showing in *Beyond Form: Expressing Art.* Artists will tell those gathered what kind of feedback they are seeking and then listen to how their artwork comes across to the viewers.

The fee for this workshop is \$10 for DRA members and \$15 for non-members. The maximum number of registrants is 25. Advance registration by Tuesday, March 8 is required, so register soon for this thought-provoking and inspiring workshop! Visit <u>www.TheDelRayArtisans.org</u> to register.

*Beyond Form: Expressing Art* runs from March 4 through March 27 at the Del Ray Artisans gallery at the Nicholas A. Colasanto Center, 2704 Mount Vernon Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22301. Gallery hours are: Thursdays, 12 noon to 4 pm; Fridays, 12 noon to 9 pm; Saturdays, 10 am to 9 pm; and Sundays, 12 noon to 6 pm. The gallery is free, open to the public, and handicap accessible.

For more information, please contact Rusty Lynn (703-350-7174 <u>rustylynn@earthlink.net</u>) or Betty Plummer (703-892-8638 <u>bplummer11@verizon.net</u>).

Del Ray Artisans, founded in 1992, is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to promote art for the benefit of artists and the community.

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