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APRIL MEETING . . . AT THE CHURCH

The Euclid Art Association's next monthly meeting is **Monday, April 7 at 7:00p.m.**, in-person, in Fellowship Hall, East Shore United Methodist Church, 23002 Lakeshore Blvd, Euclid. Guests are welcome for a \$3 donation. The entrance is through the back door of the church. The doors open at 6:00p.m. Parking is behind the church, in front of the church in the traffic circle or across the alley in front of the Marc's Pharmacy door. Someone will be at the door to let you in. If you come late, ring the video doorbell.

BYOT to SHARE - It's **Bring Your Own Treats** to Share after the meeting, enough for 6 to 8 people...something sweet, savory, salty, or healthy! Your choice! Bring your goodies "Ready-to-Serve".

PROGRAM



We are featuring artist, **Laura Rath**, demonstrating "**Creating Textured Landscape Oil Paintings**". Although life took her in different directions, she ultimately rediscovered her love of painting. Born and raised in the Akron area, she went to the University of Akron and became a math and science teacher. Laura, mother of four boys, and her husband currently live in Stow. While she enjoys a variety of mediums, she is primarily an oil painter who creates richly textured landscape and cityscape scenes, often inspired by photos she has taken while traveling through Europe. She is an award winning artist whose work has been displayed in the US and abroad. Her style is heavily influenced by her love of impressionist art. She is excited to share her art with us. Visit her website at <https://www.laurarathart.com/>.

APRIL MEANS ONE THING . . .

Lirpa Loof is Back! Various members have been receiving intergalactic post cards as it gets closer to April Fool's Day! To fill in for newcomers . . . over the years Lirpa has shared her totally ground-breaking art forms with EAA (like her consumable art – lets you have your art and eat it too or her zero gravity watercolor techniques!) She continues to closely follow EAA artists through our Web Page. Here are her latest words of wisdom to be passed on:

- "The 1st of April is the day we remember what we are the other 364 days."
- "Don't approach a goat from the front, a horse from the back, or a fool from any side."
- "Wise men talk because they have something to say; fools talk because they have to say something."

THANK YOU

Many thanks to artist, **David Rankin** for his zoom demonstration on March 3, "**Shape Sketching Procedures**", drawing urban landscapes . . . bridges in and around Cleveland, plus more. David sketched a barge on the Cuyahoga River going under the iconic lift bridge. "Where do you start to sketch this complicated subject," we asked. Start with the shape at the back of the barge, i.e., the shape closest to you. David completed his sketch, drawing shape after shape and adding reflections in the water as the final touch. Next, David demoed his light study technique using three values of Paynes Gray. Watching David paint is always informative and fun. For more information and special "How to" pdf files (printable) created especially for us by David, visit the [Demonstrations page](#) at EuclidArt.com. Watch his complete demo on EAA's YouTube channel....to be posted soon.

WINNER OF OUR 2025 VIRTUAL WINTER SHOW

CONGRATULATIONS to Kirk Ramsey . . the winner of the **PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD** His watercolor, #110, "**Winter's Dawn**" got the most votes. Second runner up was Kathy Komaromy's photograph, "**Bridge to Nowhere, Euclid, OH**". There were many favorites among the 105 people who voted! Thanks to all the members who participated. You can view all the show entries on the [Art Shows page](#) or [click here](#).



EUCLID CITY HALL EXCHANGE, FRIDAY, APRIL 25

Please bring one or more of your artworks to the Euclid City Hall Rotunda, 585 East 222nd St. **a little before 10:00a.m. on Friday, April 25.** Your work may be selected to hang in the lobby, office or on the Mayor's Art Wall. . . the private corridor used by 'movers and shakers' who come to meet the Mayor. Artworks will be exhibited there until the next exchange date in October, 2025. You can always retrieve it earlier, if need be. Look for EAA coordinators, Sue Herrle and Rozenia Cunningham in the rotunda.

ANNUAL SPRING FINE ART SHOW, MAY 5 - MAY 31, 2025

EAA is fortunate to have the **Fairmount Center for the Arts**, 8400 Fairmount Rd, Novelty OH 44072, available for our traditional Spring Fine Art Show while the Euclid Public Library is being renovated. **The entry due date of April 10** is rapidly approaching. Don't delay! Send in your entry form along with **\$25 entry fee** to Ellen Howard, 131 E. 212th Street, Euclid OH 44123. Entry form, instructions, labels are available for printing on the [Art Shows page](#) at [EuclidArt.com](#).

Here are a few more things to remember about this show:

- There is a size limit of 18" x 24".
- The number of entries is limited to three, plus one more if space permits....a total of four.
- Deliver your art to Fairmount on Saturday, May 3 between 2:00 - 3:00p.m., only.
- Two time periods are dedicated to viewing the Euclid Art show - Saturday, May 17 from noon to 4:00p.m. and Saturday, May 31 from 2:00 - 4:00p.m. (*Need sitters for Saturday, the 17th. Sign up with Kathy at the April meeting.*)
- The exhibition will also be seen by patrons attending Fairmount programs.
- Cookies & Punch Reception & Award Ceremony, May 31, 2:00 - 4:00p.m. Raffle winner announced. Art take-down & pick-up after reception at 4:00p.m.

ART RAFFLE

The **Spring Fine Art Show Raffle** features an original, framed acrylic floral by artist **Chris Cozen**. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5 and can be purchased at our April 7 and May 5 monthly meetings or on May 17 & 31 at Fairmount Center when viewing the spring show.



HEADS UP FOR JULY ART EXHIBIT

Themed art exhibit at the Cleveland Heights Library Art Gallery, July 1 - 31. Theme is "*Everything Magical*". It's a great boutique gallery. Entry forms will be due June 12. Size limited. More details available soon.

EAA SKETCHERS

Thanks to the handful of members who revealed their art scramble at the March 23rd Zoom, now posted on the [Events page](#) at [EuclidArt.com](#).



Here's the April Sketchers challenge: Create a

blind contour drawing without looking at the paper, canvas, or computer. Use a photograph or live subject of a person, place or thing as your reference. Don't look down while drawing...that's cheating! Then turn your blind contour drawing into an abstract work of art using a medium of your choice. Take pictures along the way and share your images with us at info@euclidart.com. The next reveal is scheduled for **Sunday, April 27, 1 - 3p.m.**

WORKSHOP... STILL TIME TO SIGN UP

There are a few days left to sign up for, "[Mixed Media and Acrylic Paints come together in the Art of Abstract Expression](#)", instructor, **JoAnn DePolo**, **April 5** from 10a.m. - 3p.m at the EAA Gallery. All materials - paints, brushes, applicators, and canvasses 16x20 provided. Just wear an apron or old shirt. Cost \$95 members / \$125 nonmembers. To register, contact Pam Montagno at montagnop@aol.com or call 440-622-6020. See the [Workshops page](#).

VOLUNTEER FOR OPEN POSITIONS... JOB DESCRIPTIONS NOW AVAILABLE

Many positions need to be filled! We are looking for: EAA Secretary, Assistant Program Director, AV for in person meetings, Assistant Workshop Coordinator, City Hall Exchange Coordinator. A limited number of Job Description booklets will be available at the April meeting....at least take a look through it. There are so many ways you can help the club. Good news...we have a new webmaster, Jim Owens! More on that later....

ABOUT TOWN NEWS

Sketch with artist, **David Rankin** at the Cleveland Zoo on **Saturday, May 3, 2025**. This is part of the Society of Animal Artists (SAA) initiative to sketch animals in Zoo's around the world! Start time and meet up location, TBA. If interested, contact Deanna Rankin at davidrankinwatercolors@gmail.com.

CLOSING THOUGHT

"I'm a fool for all things Spring!" – Lirpa Loof