

The Arts Leaguer

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**2010 Arts League President
Sharon Mayes**

President's Palette

Happy New Year! What an exciting year we have planned to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of The Arts League. Our goal this year is to have an activity each month that the entire membership can enjoy. Whether it is a party, an excursion to a local museum and lunch or a trip to a faraway place, we want you to be involved. Program chairs, Sandra Durbin and Sally Nees already have an excursion scheduled to the Kimbell Museum on Thursday, Jan. 28, 2010.

Connie Nichols, membership chair, is planning our annual Wine, Women and the Arts party for late February. We will also have our semi-annual trip this spring.

We all believe that Art is a necessity, not a luxury, especially in difficult times when our spirits need uplifting. We hope that this year, each of you will become more involved in the work of The Arts League as we support ARTSNET, the official Arts Council of North Tarrant County.

In closing, please allow me to extend deepest appreciation to Outgoing President [Evelyn Englert](#), The Arts League's "guiding light" for the past two years, whose leadership and commitment

continue to raise The Arts League to new heights. Also, to [Karen Parsinen](#), [Ginny Tigue](#), [Sally Nees](#) and [Jean Lewis](#), a special thank you for the fabulous Christmas Party. Thanks to their efforts, members enjoyed dinner, followed by "Cheer—A Christmas Celebration!" at the Meyerson Symphony Hall.

Sincerely,

Sharon Mayes, 2010 Arts League President

Arts League January 28th Outing

by Sally Nees, Second Vice President—Programs

One of the goals of The Arts League's new incoming President Sharon Mayes is for The Arts League to feature a monthly event or outing for our general membership to enjoy. Our first outing of 2010 is Thursday, January 28, where we will be caravan to Kimbell Art Museum in Ft. Worth to experience a very special exhibit entitled "From the Private Collections of Texas."

This is truly one of the finest opportunities of its kind! Here under one roof you will view more than a hundred of the most significant works of European art ever to have been collected privately in Texas. This exhibit represents the first comprehensive survey of the history of private art collecting in Texas. The exhibition tells the stories of seminal Texas collectors of the past—including Marion Koogler McNay, Kay and Velma Kimbell, John and Dominique de Menil, and Raymond and Patsy Nasher—and introduces visitors to many of the most important collectors still active in the state.

Focusing on the art of Europe and the ancient Mediterranean from around 700 BC to the 1940s, this survey offers a spectacular look at the way that Texans, since first coming into wealth on a national scale during the oil boom of the 1920s, have continued to build a record of art collecting of the highest discernment. The exhibit represents more than forty private collections; among the many artists featured are Rembrandt, Gainsborough, Goya, Money, Renoir, Cezanne, Gauguin, Van Gogh, Matisse, Picasso and Mondrain.

In addition, you will also enjoy the Kimbell's newest acquisition, Michelangelo's first painting, "The Torment of St Anthony," which is now on permanent display. Lunch will follow the exhibit at a location close by. If you would like to join us, please call Sally Nees (817.45.1125) or email: sallyn15@swbell.net as soon as possible. We will meet at 9:30 am in the ARTSNET parking lot at Bedford Boys' Ranch and ride together or caravan.



Vincent van Gogh
Street in Saintes-Maries-de-la-Mer
1888, oil on canvas.
Private collection, Fort Worth

Arts League to visit City of Brotherly Love

by Sally Nees & Sandra Durbin, Programs



Rodin Museum

Your Arts League plans an arts sojourn every other year; past visits included trips to the art-filled cities of Chicago, Santa Fe and Washington, D.C. This spring will feature a wonderful trip to historic Philadelphia.

Participants will leave DFW on Thursday, May 20 and return on Sunday, May 23, 2010. Plan to experience the highlights of all the fabulous history, art and food that Philly has to offer, including the Historic District where our nation began, the Rodin Museum and one of the largest art museums in the United States, the Philadelphia Museum of Art. The Brandywine River Valley Museum exhibits American Art in a 19th-century grist mill and is internationally known for its unparalleled collection of works by three generations of Wyeths. Longwood Gardens, one of the premier botanical gardens in the U.S., features over

1050 acres, which includes the historic Pierre Du Pont home, also a museum. In addition, you'll enjoy some of the best restaurants and shopping in the country, including a Sunday champagne brunch on the Moshulu, the world's oldest and largest tall ship, currently anchored at Penn's Landing. The trip is limited to 20 Arts League women only; if you wish to take a friend, she must join or be a member. Each member is responsible for her personal air travel arrangements and hotel arrival. Trip costs of \$900 per person include three-nights double occupancy lodging, museum admissions, excursion transportation and all meals (no alcohol) except one luncheon. A \$300 non-refundable deposit to secure your reservation is due by February 1; make checks payable to Sandra Durbin. Reservations are first come, first served. Mail checks to Sandra Durbin, 5709 Acapulco, Ft. Worth, TX 76180. For more information, please contact Sally Nees (817.45.1125) or email: sallyn15@swbell.net or Sandra Durbin (817.690.5709) or email: sandra.durbin@prurealty.com.



The Moshulu
Penn's Landing, PA

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Outgoing Arts League President Evelyn Englert displays handblown glass appreciation gift.

Wine, Women & The Arts

by *Connie Nichols, Membership*

The Arts League's Third Annual Wine & Cheese Membership Social will be held in February. Please watch for your invitation with all the information.



(l to r): Lynda Sanders, Kathryn Bradford, Jill Kralicke

Shining Stars Committee Members celebrated a Wrap-Up Luncheon on Nov. 2 at the Fort Worth Women's Club



(l to r): Evelyn Englert & Charlotte Davis



(l to r): Ginny Tighe & Sharon Mayes



(l to r): Sandra Durbin, Renova Williams & Kay Stromberg



(l to r): Joslyn Marksbury & Jean Lewis

2009 December Board Meeting at Ferrari's Restaurant featured a special appreciation gift presentation to outgoing president, Evelyn Englert.

CALENDAR

January

- 4 Monday
Arts League Board Meeting
9:30 A.M.
ARTSNET, Bedford Boys Ranch
- 28 Thursday
Arts League Excursion to Kimbell
"Private Collections of Texas"
9:30 A.M.
Bedford Boys' Ranch

February

- 1 Monday
Arts League Board Meeting
10:00 A.M.
ARTSNET, Bedford Boys Ranch
- 1 Monday
Deadline for Deposit for
Philadelphia Trip
Mail to Sandra Durbin
- TBA Wine, Women & The Arts
Third Annual Wine & Cheese Social

March

- 1 Monday
Arts League Board Meeting
10:00 A.M.
ARTSNET, Bedford Boys Ranch
- TBA Cowgirl Museum
Georgia O'Keefe Exhibit

April

- 1 Monday
Arts League Board Meeting
9:30 A.M.
ARTSNET, Bedford Boys Ranch
- Shining Stars Meeting
10:30 A.M.
ARTSNET, Bedford Boys Ranch
- TBA Ft. Worth Modern Museum
Andy Warhol Exhibit

Treasurer's Report

by *Winnie Wayne, Treasurer*

Treasurer's Report as of 12/31/09

Regular Checking	\$7,942.42
Money Market Acct	2,692.24

Final 2009 Shining Stars Profit:
\$33,548.67

The Arts League presented a check for \$35,000 to ARTSNET.

Winnie Wayne, Treasurer
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