



Charles Massey Jr.

Secrets Left Side

Lithograph and Color Pencil

11" x 7.5"

Secrets Left Side will be featured in the inaugural X Space exhibition
December 11, 2015 - January 31, 2016

Happy holidays, a time to give thanks!

Ohio Art League is grateful for the ongoing support of our artists, donors, board, volunteers, and patrons. Thank you!



Thank you to everyone who came out to support Thumb Box Saturday, December 5 at ROY G BIV Gallery. We had over 2,000 people attend the opening reception and sold 21 works of art opening night. Thank you to our partners at ROY G BIV Gallery for making this possible. The exhibition will run through January 30, 2016. Visit [ROY G BIV Gallery's website](#) for hours and details. Come by and support local makers this holiday season.

Ohio Art League X SPACE



This is it! This Friday December 11 OAL will launch its new multidisciplinary project and programming space in partnership with Franklinton Arts District at 400 West Rich Street Art Studios: X Space.

Ohio Art League is pleased to invite you to the opening of X Space, providing a flexible, experimental space for our members to create projects and programming with the community.

5:30 - 7:00 pm

Partner preview for our donors.

7:00 - 11:00 pm

Welcome members and the general public. If you're not yet a member of OAL, this is the time and place to join. Members will have the opportunity to propose programming in this new space, join committees, and sign up for opportunities.

7:30 - 8:00 pm

Ohio Art League annual member meeting - Don't miss this update on where Ohio Art League has been over the last year and where we are headed in 2016.

Visual art by:

M.J. Bole, Dan Gerdeman, Hiroshi Hayakawa, Angela Jann, Amy Leibrand, Charles Massey, Jr., Andrew McCauley, OBLSK, Barbara Vogel, Jennifer Wood, Jeremy Wood

Music by:

Perennial Rye & DJ Krate Digga

Partner organizations offering new benefits to Ohio Art League members:

Wexner Center for the Arts & Phaidon Books

On Saturday, December 12 from 12 pm - 6 pm, Ohio Art League will open X Space to join in the Festivus festivities. Come visit our space and the entire warehouse at 400 W. Rich St. Art Studios.

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Ohio Art League Board of Trustees making things happen

The concept for X Space was conceived by artist and board president Andrew Ina and 400 West Rich Street Art Studios building manager Chris Sherman in the parking lot of 400 West Rich Street Art Studios.

Andrew had noticed the loading dock, formally known as Dinin' Hall, lying dormant on the south side of the the building. After after an impromptu discussion outside the space both he and Chris found mutual benefit in allowing Ohio Art League to take over and manage the space. Andrew felt it could be the perfect intermediate space to host exhibitions and programming as OAL continued exploring different buildings to serve as a long term home. Chris was excited to have an arts organization with a storied history like OAL be part of the culture in Franklinton. It was an easy pitch to the OAL board as everyone saw it as an ideal partnership with a building and a neighborhood that have become a hot bed of creativity in the community. On December 11, Ohio Art League will unveil X Space: a multidisciplinary project and programming space in partnership with Franklinton Arts District at 400 West Rich Street Art Studios.





Andrew Ina is a visual artist and filmmaker working in Columbus, Ohio. He graduated from the Columbus College of Art and Design with a focus in painting and completed his Masters at the Glasgow School of Art in Scotland. He has received awards and recognition in both fine art and filmmaking including an Individual Artists Fellowship from the Greater Columbus Arts Council in 2012. His short film work has been screened nationally in film festivals/galleries and recently earned multiple Emmy Awards for his work on the PBS series "Broad and High". He is currently a video Producer/Director at WOSU TV and working out of his studio at 400 West Rich in Franklinton.

Andrew's most recent short film "[Tiny Out Loud](#)" has screened all over the country including the Independent Film Festival Boston, St. Louis International Film Festival, San Francisco Docs Fest, Portland Film Festival, Athens International Film + Video Festival, and was awarded "Best Ohio Short" by the Columbus Film Council. Tiny Out Loud is a film where size matters but not in the way you think. It is a short documentary about Stephanie Rond's gender gouging street art and dollhouse art galleries. Tiny Out Loud's fun but evocative exploration makes gender roles smaller and the art world's accessibility larger. The film was a collaborative effort between local artists Andrew Ina, Stephanie Rond and Dan Gerdeman, and was created in support by 122 Kickstarter crowd-funders, the Greater Columbus Arts Council and a team of visual artists, writers, and musicians.

www.andrewina.com

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One of our newest board members, Mark A. Lomax, II named X Space. Lomax wrote, "(X Space) allows the artists and wider community to make it what it needs to be at that moment."

Mark A. Lomax, II, D.M.A.

Drummer/Composer/Educator/Recording Artist

Dr. Mark Lomax, II has spent a lifetime in music. He grew up singing and playing for his mother's choirs and by 14, Lomax began to develop impressive jazz credentials. Lomax has 18 recordings to his credit as a leader and has worked with the Delfeayo Marsalis Sextet, Clark Terry, Marlon Jordan, Ellis Marsalis, Victor Goines, and has recorded with Billy Harper, Azar Lawrence, and Bennie Maupin. *Jazz Times* says, "(Lomax's) forceful drumming would have made Elvin Jones proud." Mark holds a Doctor of Music Arts degree from The Ohio State University and his myriad experiences have allowed him to create a wonderful blend of styles in his music.

Projects:

- Youth Advocate: Mark works to empower young people through his work with the Boys & Girls Clubs of Columbus, and is working with the organization to build a comprehensive after-school arts program.
- RUTH: an opera based on James Baldwin's short story 'Come Out The Wilderness' is set to premier at Florida State Univ. in the spring of 2016.
- The Ogún Meji Duo: Lomax and saxophonist Edwin Bayard struck a chord with their release of #BLACKLIVESMATTER (CFG201405) in 2014 and are working toward their second release *The Art Of Sound* which will be available in May 2016.
- The Mark Lomax Trio has been reconstituted and will release two recordings in 2016.

The Mark Lomax who has been resurrected and will release the recordings in 2016. The first is of Lomax's newest long form work titled 'Blues People and the Struggle for Human Rights.' The second will be a musical interpretation of the visual art of a European artist also named Mark Lomax.

www.marklomaxii.com

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OHIO ART LEAGUE

Help us launch another much needed new space: oal.org

In addition to OAL's new physical space we are working with local artist Greg Ponchak on building our new website oal.org. Thanks to the hard work and generous contributions from the Greater Columbus Arts Council, OAL has launched a power2give. Every dollar you donate is matched by a corporate sponsor. Click [here](#) to help create this space and make a tax deductible donation.

Former Columbus Dispatch arts editor Nancy Gilson covers Ohio Art League

For the last 30 years, the Columbus Dispatch has been fortunate to have Nancy Gilson as its arts editor. This year Nancy retired from her full-time role as editor but remains a freelance writer. Our last newsletter caught Nancy's attention and after a month of interviews and research, Nancy wrote this incredibly current and relevant article about the Ohio Art League: http://www.dispatch.com/content/stories/life_and_entertainment/2015/12/08/1-on-the-rebound.html

Ohio Art League on the rebound

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Andrew Ina, left, and Kimberly Webb, who have secured new space for Ohio Art League exhibits and programs at 400 W. Rich St.

The **Ohio Art League** will open X Space with a reception from 7 to 11 p.m. Friday at 400 W.

By [Nancy Gilson](#)

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OAL members are making things happen across the state and the country

A few highlights:





Congratulations to Ashley Pierce for her nearly sold out solo exhibition at [Lindsay Gallery 986 North High St. Columbus, Ohio 43201.](#)





Hiroshi Hayakawa was recently featured in the New York Times with this image: *Hope in a New Dark Age*, Hayakawa will is currently exhibiting in *Origami Heaven* at the Charles B. Wang Center, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook through January 8, 2016.





Amanda Tirey will exhibit a new body of work at The Table from December 18 - December 31, 2015. Opening reception will be December 18 at 6 pm. 21 E 5th Ave, Ste 101, Columbus, Ohio 43201.





Kimberly M. Webb (OAL director) is exhibiting with 9 other artists in *The Whiteness of the Whale*: an exhibition curated by Andrea Meyers and Molly Jo Burke that examines Herman Melville's 42 chapter of Moby Dick. The exhibition is currently on view through January 9, 2016 at the Cultural Art Center 139 W Main St, Columbus, OH 43215.

Webb is also exhibiting an installation: *The Lottery of Dirt*, December 19, 2015 - January 4, 2016 at Mote Gallery 1187 N High St, Columbus, OH 43201.

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Let us know what you are up to so that we can help promote our members' great work! Send press releases, images, and invitations to: oal@oal.org.

Opportunities

SPACES in Cleveland Ohio is exploring the concept of Migration during its 2017 R&D season in order to bridge different artistic disciplines through a holistic framework, connect various projects across multiple platforms, and encourage an investigative examination of timely issues. This open call requests that artists respond to Migration with proposals that explore the theme for its multiple dimensions, including but not limited to: the movement of humans and other species, goods, and genetic material; marginalization; dematerialization; and the causes of migration.

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Call for Entries - Rosewood Gallery's 25th Annual Dayton-Area Works on Paper Juried Exhibition.

Juror: Susan Li O'Connor

Rosewood Gallery in Kettering, Ohio announces a call for entries for the 25th annual Works on

Rosewood Gallery in Kettering, Ohio announces a call for entries for the 25th annual Works on Paper exhibition, a juried exhibition for artists living within a 40-mile radius of Dayton, Ohio.

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Call for Artists - Kettering Children's Hospital

Dayton Children's Hospital would like to feature purchased art in the public areas of its new, 8-story patient tower, opening Spring 2017, as well as in the public areas of its south campus facility that is under expansion. This area will include an outpatient specialty care center, emergency department and an ambulatory surgery center opening August-September 2016, January 2017 and Summer 2017, respectively. Artwork will be selected and placed based on content, style and cost.

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Pollock-Krasner Foundation Grant

The Pollock-Krasner Foundation's dual criteria for grants are recognizable artistic merit and demonstrable financial need, whether professional, personal or both. The Foundation's mission is to aid, internationally, those individuals who have worked as professional artists over a significant period of time.

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Ohio Art League is a non-profit, member-based organization for artists. Founded in 1909, OAL is the longest continually operating non-profit art league in the state. The organization works strategically to help Ohio cultivate and retain top visual art talent while positioning the state as a hub for the visual arts.

Through OAL, member artists receive support across all stages of their careers. OAL helps make connections with patrons of the arts and the broader Ohio arts community, provides opportunities for exhibition and studio space and offers exhibition awards, workshops, professional development and members-only events. To learn more about Ohio Art League, to volunteer, sponsor, support or become a member, please visit OAL.org.

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