The Art Students League of New York

Becoming a Member of the League

All League students are eligible to become members of the Art Students League of NY after being enrolled for at least 210 class hours. To become a member a student must be proposed by a current member, seconded by two additional members, and voted in during the Members Business Meeting according to the procedure outlined below.

I. Required hours of enrollment
A student who wishes to apply for membership must have attended the League a minimum of 210 class hours. This is approximately:

- 3 months full-time classes
- 6 months part-time (2 days/wk) classes
- 1 year part-time (1 day/wk) classes

II. Application procedure
First, a student applies for membership by entering his/her information into the CANDIDATE FOR MEMBERSHIP book in the main office. Next, a current member must propose the student for membership by signing and dating the entry in the Candidate for Membership book. Finally, two additional members’ signatures (for a total of 3) are needed to complete the candidate’s entry.

The Art Students League is not responsible for errors due to illegible entries or changes of address during the candidacy period. When applying for membership, it is therefore extremely important to provide clear and accurate name and address information, and to inform the office of any subsequent change of name and/or address.

III. Deadlines
The student’s entry, with all three (3) signatures, must be completed in the CANDIDATE FOR MEMBERSHIP book in the main office no later than 30 days prior to the date of a forthcoming ASL Members Business meeting, which takes place three times during the regular session – October, December & April.

At 30 days prior to a meeting:
- Candidates are checked for eligibility
- All names are compiled into a Candidate List
- The list of eligible candidates is posted in the main lobby of the 57th St building

At the Members Business Meeting the list of candidates for membership is put to a vote. Following the meeting approved candidates are notified. Within 30 days from the date of notification, new members must come to the League’s main office to sign the Constitution Book and pay membership dues. Failure to complete this process within the 30 days results in an expiration of candidacy. In this event the application process must be repeated from the beginning.

Maintaining Membership
Membership is valid for one year, September 1 through August 31 of any given year. Completion of 11 payments changes a member’s status to “Life Member” and dues are no longer required.
Members who do not renew by August 31 become “lapsed.” Failure to renew within twelve months results in a member being “dropped.” A dropped member is ineligible for membership benefits and must apply to the Board of Control for reinstatement.

Maintaining Benefits
A complete list of Membership Benefits is available from a Registrar or on the Art Students League Member Web Page: http://theartstudentsleague.org/About/Members.aspx