

## Illinois Norsk Rosemalers Association Class Announcement

### Valdres Ale Bowl with Gayle Oram

The Illinois Norsk Rosemalers Association is excited to announce that Gayle Oram of Pleasant Hill, Oregon, will be teaching a Valdres class via Zoom this coming October. Our project piece will be an ale bowl designed by Gayle and turned by Rudi Randolph from Bigleaf Maple. Gayle has created a lovely new Valdres design for us in a red and black palette.

The class will be in four Zoom sessions: Tuesday, October 15, 6:00 to 7:00pm; and then Saturday, October 19, 9AM – Noon and 1 - 4PM, and Sunday, October 20, 9AM – Noon and 1 – 4PM. This is a total of 13 hours. All sessions are listed in Central time.

This Zoom class is for rosemaling students who are interested in exploring Valdres and painting on a shallow rimmed ale bowl. Students will need to know their strokes and independently prepare their woodenware prior to Friday night's class. The INRA recommends the class for those at the intermediate painting level and up but advanced beginners sure of their skills are welcome to join in. Gayle will be teaching the class in Jo Sonja acrylics. Oil painters are welcome in this class.



Our project piece, Winged Ale Bowl, can be ordered from Gayle's website: [www.gayleoram.com](http://www.gayleoram.com). The maple ale bowl will cost \$50, plus shipping costs to student's address. Orders should be placed before August 15 to guarantee delivery before the class.

**TEACHER BIOGRAPHY:** Gayle Oram's painting career covers more than forty years. She says it's been unbelievable, and she is so thankful that she has been able to make a living with her passion to paint. Gayle first encountered Rosemaling in 1977 when the family moved to Petersburg, Alaska, a Norwegian fishing settlement. She had already been decorative painting, but was so taken by the rosemaling she saw on store fronts there that she started researching and teaching the art. This also led to many trips to Norway to study the styles and travel on Vesterheim Rosemaling tours.

Gayle passed the MDA certification through the Society of Decorative Painters in 1980, and has been a judge for many years since that time. In 2000 Gayle received her Gold Medal in rosemaling from Vesterheim after many years of working toward that goal. Over the years Gayle has conducted seminars, local classes and written eight books. Gayle designed and built her own wood products (many ideas coming from ideas received in Norway) until 1998, when a breast cancer diagnosis and her doctor said she needed to slow down.

In January 2008 Gayle made a big change in her life. She left her home in Tillamook of 30 years and moved back to Pleasant Hill, Oregon. She continues weekly classes in her renovated chicken house, and has learned how to teach Zoom classes since Covid restrictions shut down travel teaching. Now she continues to teach in her studio and via Zoom classes, and does not travel except for local events. Please view her website for more information: [www.gayleoram.com](http://www.gayleoram.com), or reach her by email at [gayle@gayleoram.com](mailto:gayle@gayleoram.com).



### **RECAP OF CLASS DETAILS:**

- Style & Project: Valdres Winged Ale Bowl
- Teacher's Name: Gayle Oram
- Schedule: Tuesday, October 15, 6:00 to 7:00pm; Saturday, October 19, 9AM – Noon and 1 - 4PM, and Sunday, October 20, 9 – Noon & 1 – 4PM. This a total of 13 hours. All sessions are listed in Central time.
- Venue: Zoom
- Medium: Acrylics, oil painters welcome.
- Level: The INRA recommends this class for those at the intermediate painting level and up but advanced beginners sure of their skills are welcome to join in.
- Class Fee: \$145 member NOTE: Now is a good time to pay 2025 dues, add \$15 \$160 nonmember (includes 2025 INRA membership cost of \$15)
- 6 students minimum, maximum 12, no refunds unless place is filled from a waiting list.
- Additional Costs: The ale bowl (\$50) is to be ordered from Gayle's website as described above. Orders should be placed before 8/15 to guarantee delivery for the class. Students will supply their own paints.

### **REGISTRATION PERIOD:**

Advanced registration is now open. Non-member registration begins July 15. Registration ends when the class is full, but be aware the cut off for on-time arrival of woodenware orders is August 15. Please complete the registration form below.

**SUPPLIES:** A supply list will be included with your registration confirmation. Pattern Packet and the Zoom link will be sent to registered students closer to the class start date.

**QUESTIONS:** Please contact Mari Smith at [inrarosemaling@gmail.com](mailto:inrarosemaling@gmail.com) for more information as needed.

# INRA REGISTRATION FORM FOR EDUCATION CLASSES AND EVENTS

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please check all appropriate line(s): (Check payable to INRA)

\_\_\_\_ \$ 145 Member (NOTE: Now is a great time to renew for 2025, add \$15)

\_\_\_\_ \$ 160 Non-member (includes 2025 membership fee of \$15)

The project woodenware, Valdres Winged Ale Bowl, is to be ordered from Gayle's website: [www.gayleoram.com](http://www.gayleoram.com) (See announcement description for details). Orders should be placed before August 15 to guarantee delivery for the weekend of the class. Ordering information will also be in supply list sent with registration confirmation. Information given below is for teacher's awareness and planning purposes:

**Student will be using** \_\_\_\_ acrylics or \_\_\_\_ oils in class.

Note: Gayle will be teaching the class in acrylics, oil painters are welcome.

**Student's self-reported painting experience level:**

**Advanced Beginner** \_\_\_\_ **Intermediate** \_\_\_\_ or **Advanced** \_\_\_\_

Note: Knowledge of terms, prep, strokes, and color mixing is needed. General backgrounding instruction is included in the pattern packet and is to be completed independently by the student prior to Friday night's class. (Gayle will go over prep instructions during the Tuesday night meeting and answer any questions.)

**Class size:** 6 students minimum, 12 students maximum, no refunds unless place is filled by another student from a waiting list. INRA classes are designed for real-time interaction in each class session and recordings are for those who plan to participate in the live classes. All students are reminded that class recordings and materials are for individual use only and are not to be shared.

Please send registration form and check (payable to: INRA) before August 15, to: Mari S. Smith, 3625 McCormick Ave, Brookfield, Illinois 60513.

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