

# Mansion House Art Gallery

Home of the Valley Art Association

The Mansion House  
Built by John Heyser in 1846  
[www.valleyartassoc.com](http://www.valleyartassoc.com)



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**GALLERY HOURS: Friday & Saturday - 11am to 4pm / Sunday - 1pm to 5pm**

## General Membership Meeting and End-of-Year Picnic

**Wednesday, June 23 - 7:00PM**

The June meeting of the Valley Art Association will be the traditional end-of-the-year picnic on the porch of the Mansion House. VAA will furnish fried chicken, and members are asked to bring a special side dish or dessert. Guests are welcome, but a donation of \$5.00 is asked to cover the cost of their dinners. Please notify a board member if you are bringing a guest so we can more accurately estimate the amount of chicken to provide. Even if you can't normally make the VAA meetings, try to squeeze this one into your calendar. It's always relaxing fun, and the food is wonderful.

## President's Message

It is hard to believe another program year has passed and we are at the summer hiatus. It has been busy and eventful and The Valley Art Association continues to thrive as a vibrant arts organization. This year saw the blossoming of our web site, soon to expand with individual member pages, thanks to CT and Hunter Tuttle, our technology benefactors. We have enjoyed a wonderful relationship with our neighbor, the Washington County Museum of Fine Arts, and look forward to our November meeting there. The Mansion House has been busy with classes and painting groups. We have had interesting and informative talks and demonstrations, and look forward to more next year. (Don't forget to pass your ideas along to a board member before our planning session on June 9th.) And we have a full slate of officers to carry on the work of the Associa-

tion next year. Thank you all for making this such a good year, and supporting your Valley Art Association. Have a wonderful, art-full summer!

*Sue Parker, President VAA*

## Status of the Newsletter

As mentioned at the April meeting, there will have to be changes to the process for creating and distributing the VAA newsletter. As you know, we had difficulty getting someone to serve as the Corresponding Secretary, whose responsibility it is to construct the newsletter. In April, Carolyn Tuttle (CT) agreed to serve in this capacity. This was done with the understanding that the physical handling of the newsletter will be further reduced and the newsletter will become primarily an electronic communication. What we have been able to arrange, given what our volunteers are able to do, is as follows.

Beginning in September, the newsletter will continue to be created electronically and will be posted on the web site as close to the first of the month as we can manage it. Copies will be printed and left at the Mansion House for pick up for those who would like to do that. Initially, at least, those who have been receiving the newsletter by email, will receive an email with a link to the newsletter on the web site. A click on the link will take you to the newsletter, and it can be downloaded and printed from the web site. Except in cases of real hardship, the newsletter will no longer be mailed. We believe that most people will either be able to get the newsletter from the Mansion House, or will have access to a computer to obtain it electronically. As a volunteer organization, we must work with the resources that we have, and this seems to be the best alternative.

## Shows

### NORTH GALLERY SHOWS

- **All Member Show - "Summer Colors" - JUNE 4 - JUNE 25.** Works reflecting artists interpretation of summer season will be presented.
- **All Member "Miniature Show" - JUNE 4 - JULY 25.** Miniature paintings showing various subjects will be displayed for two months. This is a highlight event for the summer season and usually coincides with the annual Blue's Fest hosted by the city of Hagerstown.
- **Janie Moltrup - JULY 2 - JULY 25.**
- **Monday Morning Painting Group - JULY 30 - AUGUST 29.** Painters from the Mansion House Monday morning group will share their creations on canvas and paper for the month of July.

### ADDITIONAL AREA SHOWS

#### Washington County Hospital - Art In The Hallways

- **JUN** Artist of the Month - **Donna Ashbaugh**
- **JUL** Artist of the Month - **Noelle Miller**
- **AUG** Artist of the Month - **Clyde Roberts**

Questions on Art in the Hallways? Contact Lucy Ecker at: 301-733-5320 or [a1nanaecker@aol.com](mailto:a1nanaecker@aol.com).

#### Chambersburg Hospital Artist of the Month

- **JUN** Artist of the Month - **Glen Sabetto (Oils)**
- **JUL** Artist of the Month - **Bettie Rae Gallagher (Oils, Pastels)**
- **AUG** Artist of the Month - **Elizabeth Koontz (Oils, Watercolors)**

## Classes and Workshops

### WATERCOLOR CLASSES - Thursdays at the Mansion House with Lynn Ferris

**Dates: June 24 - July 29**

**Time: 9AM to Noon**

**Cost: \$15 per week**

Lynn Is a signature member of the National Watercolor Society and the Florida Watercolor Society. In 2007 she received the top award in the Florida Watercolor Society Exhibit, and this year she received "Best of Show" in the Tallahassee Watercolor Society Tri-State Juried Show. She will be featured in the North Light book "Splash 12" in 2011. Call Lynn at 304/258-1651, to register.

### FRITZ BRIGGS COMING TO WAYNESBORO

The Waynesboro Studio Club is sponsoring an outdoor watercolor workshop with Fritz Briggs of the Schuler School of Fine Art from 9/13-17/10 in Waynesboro. The cost is \$165. Contact Virginia Hair at 717-762-3677.

### CALL TO ARTISTS

Washington County Hospice is celebrating its 30th anniversary on November 14, 2010. In honor of the occasion, they are asking artists to depict "Extraordinary End of Life Experiences" and submit the piece for exhibit at the Cortland Mansion Banquet Hall during the event honoring their 30 years of work on the 14th between 2-4PM. They will select the work that best exemplifies the theme and purchase it for display it at their offices on Northern Avenue in Hagerstown. Work can be submitted to Hospice of Washington County, 747 Northern Ave, Hagerstown, Attention Cheryl Brown anytime during the week of October 4th - October 8th between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Each piece must include an information card with artists name, address, phone number and e-mail address. Also please include a purchase price in the event that one of our guests would like to purchase the piece.

# General Member News

**Planning for 2010-11 program year** - The Board will be meeting at 10:00 AM on June 9th at the Mansion House to plan the 2010-2011 program year (meeting programs, North Gallery shows, etc.). If you have suggestions for programs, shows, demo artists, please let a Board member know so we can follow up. Or better yet, try to attend.

**Annual Membership Dues \$25 are now due** -

Make check payable to the Valley Art Association and mail to: **Donna Smith, Treasurer**  
**501 Highland Way, Hagerstown, MD 21740**

Payment can also be made at the June 23 Picnic. Anyone not paid by October meeting will be dropped. Questions call Donna Smith 301-797-8761 or DSmith7119@aol.com.

**Fall Festival** - The City's Autumn Arts Festival will be held the weekend of September 18th and 19th. On Sunday, the 19th, the Mansion House will host tables for children and adults to try their hand at painting. We need people to help provide instruction and supervision to these budding artists. Please sign up for this event. We would also like to have painters working on the porch, and of course you can set up your artwork to sell. Remember, this is one of the City-sponsored events that we need to support!

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## NEXT GALLERY MEETING

The date for the annual Gallery Wall Change is below. Please come prepared to pay those dues, as well as the wall space rent. You will then need to sign up for your required sitting dates.

**TUESDAY, JUNE 22nd at 10:00AM**

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**Job Opportunity** - Any acrylic painters and/or arts organizations in the greater Bowie, MD area.

Grumbacher paint is looking to hire acrylic painters to teach two hours workshops at a major retailer in locations across the United States and Canada. Artists must be capable of demonstrating a still life, landscape, seascape, and

floral. We have developed a flexible curriculum in acrylics for an artist to use or adapt to fit to his or her style. We plan to conduct approximately one to four workshops per store per month and the artist will have flexibility in scheduling. Compensation is \$100 per workshop, and teaching materials will be provided to the artist at no cost.

Please have anyone who is interested email Ellen Cunningham at [ecunningham@chartpak.com](mailto:ecunningham@chartpak.com) with examples of their work in acrylics, along with a resume and contact information. (Chartpak is a manufacturer of fine art supplies. Grumbacher, Koh-I-Noor, Higgins ink, and Clearprint are some of our brands.)

**New Member Notes** - The Valley Art Association welcomes Robert Savannah as a member. He is a graphic designer and illustrator, and has been a freelance artist for the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, depicting various endangered species and designing publications for them. He has also created wayside exhibits for the National Park Service at Devil's Tower, Ft. McHenry, and the Golden Gate Bridge. His drawings and illustrations have appeared in national publications. He paints mainly wildlife and landscapes. He currently has a painting of a bobcat hanging in the State Capitol Building in Annapolis. Take a look at his superb paintings, currently exhibited on the MH wall space of his mom, June Savannah.

## Fall Gallery Meeting and Credit Card Sales

**Training** - Gallery members, please put September 9th at 10:00 on your calendar for the next Gallery meeting. We will have a representative from the credit card company there to give us a refresher course on how to handle credit card sales. Most of us don't do them often enough to become proficient, so this will be a good opportunity to go over the process.

## Next Scheduled Cleaning for Mansion House -

The second half of the Mansion House cleaning will be on July 13th. Those who could not help on the January date (or those who just love to clean and can't wait to do it again) should plan to come on this date. Please try to sign up for a task on the work sheet. We will divide up any remaining tasks on 7/13.

## Mansion House Sitters Schedule

### JUNE

4 Terry Shotten  
 5 Trudy Coody  
 6 Zelma Lushbaugh  
  
 11 Marie McCafferty  
 12 Charles Gelsleichter  
 13 Terry Shotten  
  
 18 Marjorie Tressler  
 19 June Savannah  
 20 Donna Bingamon  
  
 25 Margaret Bearse  
 26 Margaret Bearse  
 27 Sue Parker

### JULY

2 Tamara Hoffman  
 3 Trudy Coody  
 4 CLOSED  
  
 9 Janie Moltrup  
 10 Janie Moltrup  
 11 June Savannah  
  
 16 Janie Moltrup  
 17 Tamara Hoffman  
 18 Anna Hogbin  
  
 23 Janie Moltrup  
 24 Janie Moltrup  
 25 Terry Shotten  
  
 30 Janie Moltrup  
 31 Janie Moltrup

### AUGUST

1 NEED SOMEONE  
  
 6 Janie Moltrup  
 7 Trudy Coody  
 8 Janie Moltrup  
  
 13 Janie Moltrup  
 14 Charles Gelsleichter  
 15 June Savannah  
  
 20 Janie Moltrup  
 21 Tamara Hoffman  
 22 Donna Bingamon  
  
 27 Margaret Bearse  
 28 Jean Strike  
 29 NEED SOMEONE

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**Future Events to Keep in Mind:** We will be starting a new year in the Sitter's Schedule Book on July 1st.  
 Thanks for all your hard work!!!

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