Valley Art Association NEWS



GALLERY HOURS:

Friday & Saturday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

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President's Message

Reminder

City Tree Lighting

Friday, December 6, 2013.

Meet Santa and members of the community
at our Holiday Open House!

Doors open at 6 p.m.

Christmas Tea

Sunday, December 8, 2013

2-4 p.m.

Please bring hors d'oeuvres or finger foods to share!

Gallery Director's Notes

Happy Holidays, Merry Christmas to all! I hope this finds you all caught up (ha) and ready to enjoy this wonderful time of the year.

Now, a little housekeeping! Sitters for the Mansion House are already signing up for 2014-2015 sitting dates. More power to you that know where you will be in 2 years. I don't know what I will be doing 2 months from now! I have the next sitting calendar in my pos-session which will start July, 2014, at wall changing. It was to be available May, 2014. Last year, we had calendars, notes, stickies, little pieces of paper that got lost. We had double booking of dates, missing dates and a lot of frustrated sitters. WE ARE NOT GOING TO HAVE THIS FIASCO AGAIN! I can put the new calendar out now. Maybe we need to write in pencil. Let me know what you think. This isn't brain surgery, folks. Also, when you commit to having a wall, you commit to certain duties that come with that wall including sitting 8 times a year. If you cannot sit one day, you must find your replacement. Calling the Gallery Director does not get you off the hook. When obligations are not met and we (the M.H.) are not open, we let down sitters, non-sitters and the public. For the most part we have a willing and cohesive group. However, as with most 'groups,' there are those few that are willing to step in at a moments notice all the time. Thank you, thank you!

Lets make 2014 another great artistic year for everyone. God gave us this wonderful creative gift. Let's keep sharing it!

My best for a wonderful season,

Carol Miller

Remember only ten (10) Shrink Wraps may be placed in provided bins FREE during this time of year only (See Christmas Crafts Policy updated October 24, 2012, in White Book on desk).

Washington County Museum Show

Please note, our show at the Washington County Museum of Fine Arts will be held February 22 to April 27, 2014. This year's show will be a "little" different with a small "Gem" show featuring works no larger than 12x16 inches including the frame. This means that if you paint an 8x10 canvas, you may use a 2 inch frame, or if you paint a 9x12 inch canvas, you may use a 1 ½ inch frame, etc. To make sure you are within the maximum size required, measure your frame around the outside making sure it does not exceed 56 continuous inches.

Watercolor artists will have to calculate using image size, matt size and frame size. Using a small metal frame might help with this small format. The DEADLINE for entries to be juried will be Sunday, Jan. 5, 2014.

For questions, please contact Marjorie Tressler at marjorietressler@comcast.net or 717-762-6791.

Date for entries to the Mansion House to be juried: DEADLINE, Sunday, January 5, 2014

Date of exhibition: February 22 thru April 27, 2014

Exhibition list due to WCMFA: Friday, January 17, 2014

Delivery to WCMFA deadline: Tuesday, February 18, 2014, by 12 noon

Installation dates: February 18 thru February 21, 2014

Location: Baer Gallery at the WCMFA

Hospital Art in the Hallways

Mertius Hospital

December, Sharon Benoit January, Trish Suder February, Janie Moltrup

Waynesboro Hospital

December, Wayne Gunnelson

Chambersburg

December, Charles Gelsleichter January, Victoria Hoover February, Denny Bingaman

Note from the Tuttles

We received the following note from the Tuttles who prepared our newsletter for the past several vears:

To all:

The note and money you sent us was quite unexpected, but very much appreciated!

Thank you,

Hunter and Carolyn Tuttle Web Design

Inspiration Tuesdays with Marjorie Tressler

Dates: Continuous Day: Tuesday Time:10-2pm

Location: Mansion House Tuition: Free

Marjorie Tressler is facilitating a weekly painting session in oil, acrylic or mixed media for intermediate or above painters each Tuesday. These sessions are free and open to all members of the VAA. The artists share ideas, experiences, knowledge, and use of materials, some critiques, but most of all inspiration. The artists supply their own materials and still life set-ups etc. The only requirement is the artist needs to be self-motivated and able to work independently. For more information or to sign up, please contact Marjorie directly at 717-762-6791 or marjorietressler@comcast.net.

Wednesday Watercolor Group

The Wednesday Watercolor Group invites you to join us. We meet every Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Bring your lunch and watercolors!

For more information, call Audrey Mentzer at 301-739-8112 or Ruth Peyton at 304-274-3465.

A Reminder to Gallery Artists

All gallery members with wall spaces need to sit 8 times per year. Members, who show baskets, pottery, or sculpture, need to sit 2 times per year. Members who show miniatures, shrink wraps and regular members who exhibit in All Member Shows in the North Gallery need to sit 2 times per year with a gallery member.

Please be sure that you have signed up for the appropriate number of days in the Sitters Book. We cannot be open if we don't have sitters.

The Hagerstown Police have asked that we have 2 people in the gallery at all times when we are open.

REFRESHMENTS -- VAA MEETINGS

December -- Christmas Tea (members bring hors d'oeuvres or finger foods)

January -- Bonnie Elgin / Donna Mason

February - Carol Miller

March - Lesley Whalley

April - Donna & Denny Bingaman

May -- Marjorie Tressler

June -- PICNIC

Note:

Any calls that come into the Mansion House concerning Credit Card Machine, banking information, etc., should be referred to Donna Smith, Treasurer.

Mansion House Sitters Schedule

| | December | | January |
|----|------------------------|----|-------------------|
| 1 | Eliane Ambrose | 3 | Marjorie ressler |
| 6 | Marjorie Tressler | 4 | Lesley Whalley |
| 7 | Lesley Whalley | 5 | Sue Park |
| 8 | Ruth Peyton | 10 | Donna Mason |
| | Christmas Tea 2 - 4 pm | 11 | Donna Bingaman |
| 13 | Carol Miller | 12 | Moltrup |
| 14 | Sue Parker | 17 | Marjorie Tressler |
| 15 | Elaine Ambrose | 18 | Moltrup |
| 20 | Donna Bingaman | 19 | Moltrup |
| 21 | Ruth Peyton | 24 | Donna Bingaman |
| 22 | Jeff Driscoll | 25 | Moltrup |
| 27 | Donna Bingaman | 26 | Moltrup |
| 28 | Moltrup | 31 | Carol Miller |
| 29 | Moltrup | | |

North Gallery Shows for 2013-2014

| Tom Tholen Nov. 1-24. Reception November 3, 2-4 p.m. |
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| All member winter show "Diamond Jubilee" VAA 75th Anniversary. Nov. 29 thru Jan. 26 |
| Illumination, December 6. Reception, 6 p.m. |
| Continuation of winter show. Ends January 26. |
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| Carol Wilks, March 2-30 |
| Denny Bingaman, April 4-27 |
| Inspiration Tuesday Group, May 2-25. Reception May 4, 2-4 p.m. |
| All Member Show/Miniature Show, May 30-July 27 |
| Blues Fest Porch Show, Sunday, June 1, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. |
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