

# Valley Art Association NEWS



**MANSION HOUSE  
ART GALLERY**  
VALLEY ART ASSOCIATION

## 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

Shirley Snyder, basket maker, is the speaker for the next general meeting to be held at the Mansion House on March 26, 2014.

The Valley Art Association will hold a porch sale on Saturday, May 10, with items donated to the VAA. The items should be salable, gently used, and do not need to be art related. Details will be available at the March general meeting.

Our Jubilee Celebration and Tea will be held on Sunday, May 18. There will be a two-day all member art show on the porch, May 17-18. Again, details will be available at the March general meeting.

Members are invited to set up and show their artwork on the porch at the Blues Fest, June 1, 2014. There will be a silent auction inside the Gallery of small (8 x10 image) framed or gallery wrapped paintings donated by VAA members for the benefit of our treasury.

A reminder for those who wish to submit items for the newsletter: All text should be sent electronically and should not be underlined, submitted as tables, or otherwise formatted elaborately as those putting the newsletter together must remove the formatting to maintain consistency.

The City of Hagerstown has had a security system installed at the Mansion House. Please check with a board member for more information.

Liz Altman, President

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Thanks to everyone at Valley Art Association for the wonderful "Small Works" exhibition at the museum.

Rebecca Massie, Washington County Museum of Fine Art

## Gallery Director

I hope you are enjoying all of this record breaking weather that we've been having (not!) It makes for a long winter. We have had cancellations of days and events at the Mansion House. We will try to reschedule and add some events.

Carol Wilks is exhibiting in the North Gallery, February 28-April 27. Her reception will be Sunday, March 2. Please come out and support Carol.

Valley Art Association had a good opening at the Washington County Museum on Sunday, Feb 23. We are hanging in the Baer Gallery. It is a gem of an exhibit. Please treat yourself. Go and enjoy the show.

Speaking of gems, we are going to have a silent auction of artwork no larger than 8x10 (not including frame). The work must be framed unless you are using gallery wrap canvas. We are asking our members to donate these paintings to stage an event and to raise some revenue. I hope you will help us. The auction is scheduled for Sunday, June 1, opening day of Blues Fest.

May 18th will be our art show with our Jubilee Tea, May 18th. More info to come.

We still need an assistant Gallery Director. Please let me or any board member know if you are interested. It doesn't hurt, I promise!

Thank you, Carol Miller, Gallery Director

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I would like to congratulate the membership of the VAA for their beautiful show currently being held in the Baer Gallery located in the Washington Co. Museum of Fine Arts. The show is getting rave reviews and all of those who participated should be very proud of the wonderful work entered. Thanks for a job well done.

Marjorie Tressler, VP/ coordinator of the annual VAA show

## Still Life Oil Painting Workshop

42 West Arts  
42 West Main Street, Waynesboro, PA  
INSTRUCTOR: ARTIST DONNA BINGAMAN  
SKILL LEVEL: All levels  
MEDIUM: Oil  
CALL FOR SUPPLY LIST  
CLASS LIMITED TO 8

Create your own still life oil painting from arranged still life setups, "Grapes and Red Wine," "Porcelain Dolls," "Silver Pot and Apples".

This workshop will use still life as a means to study light, an artist's greatest gift. Students will paint from "warm" studio light on canvases, with emphasis on composition, drawing, and value. The purpose is to understand the difference between the two different temperatures of light and the effect it has on color relationships. Students of all levels will find these studies valuable no matter what subject matter they may ultimately wish to pursue.

For information about times, dates and cost, and to sign up, call or e-mail

Donna Bingaman at  
717-762-8394 or  
aftsfolks@embarqmail.com

## Painting classes

Offered at  
Troup's Fine Art Studio  
27 Center Square within  
Anna's Paperworks  
Greencastle, PA 17225

For information, contact  
Nicole Troup at

[nickillustration@gmail.com](mailto:nickillustration@gmail.com)

or  
717-331-1003

## Wednesday Evening Painting Class

Acrylic and Oil Painting with Marjorie Tressler  
Dates-1st and 3rd Wednesdays each month/ continuous----  
6 classes per session -- Tuition 65.00 per session --  
Time 6:30 - 9:00pm

A beginner /intermediate class is being held the 1st and 3rd Wednesday nights at the Mansion House Art Center. This is a fun group of artists/students sharing a night of painting and learning in a very relaxed atmosphere. Art is discussed and taught using the old masters / fine art classical way of painting. Due to its popularity this class will now be held year round. Please come prepared with your own art materials.

For more information please contact:

Marjorie Tressler at 717-762-6791 or  
e-mail [marjorietressler@comcast.net](mailto:marjorietressler@comcast.net).

## 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](mailto:marjorietressler@comcast.net)

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Artists looking for Artists  
And Models for the Wednesday Portrait Group

For more information, contact  
Donna or Hal Mason  
301-791-6719  
[donnamasonart@yahoo.com](mailto:donnamasonart@yahoo.com)

## Boys and Girls Club Art Auction

The Boys and Girls Club of Chambersburg and Shippensburg are having an art auction May 13 to benefit the Club. They are trying to find local artists to donate at least one piece to be auctioned off in exchange for a free display of their artwork at the event. Artists can bring in a table or display rack and set up their art for sale as well as their promotional materials. The details, terms and conditions are listed below.

Where: The Winebrenner Seminary Auditorium (the former Scotland School for Veteran's Children, Scotland, PA)

When: May 13, 2014

Time: 5:00 -8:00 p.m.

Terms and conditions:

1. Acceptable artwork—any fine art such as paintings, prints (framed), photography, and sculpture. No crafts or jewelry.
2. Subject matter—any subject.
3. All works of art must be ready to hang with hangers at the upper right and upper left.
4. At least one piece must be donated in order to display other artwork for free.
5. Delivery date—May 14, the day of the event. For those who cannot make it to the event and just want to drop off their artwork, another day can be arranged.

\*If you are interested in donating artwork and displaying it, contact Nicole Troup for more information and for an application at [nickillustration@gmail.com](mailto:nickillustration@gmail.com), 717-331-1003, or [www.nicolesoilportraits.com](http://www.nicolesoilportraits.com).

**North Gallery Show**

## The 81st Annual Cumberland Valley Photographic Salon

The Washington County Museum of Fine Arts is now accepting entries for the 81st Annual Cumberland Valley Photographic Salon. The exhibition is open to both amateur and professional photographers and continues the museum's over 80 year commitment to showcasing the talented artists to this region and beyond.

The deadline for entries is Friday, May 2, 2014, 4:00 p.m. and the exhibition, sponsored by Conservit, Inc., is on view June 21 through November 2, 2014 in the museum's Bowman Concert Gallery.

To receive the official Call for Entries with guidelines for entering e-mail Jennifer Chapman Smith at [jsmith@wcmfa.org](mailto:jsmith@wcmfa.org) or call the museum at 301-739-5727.

Deadline for Entries: Friday, May 2, 2014 - 4:00 p.m.

Opening Reception & Awards Ceremony: Sunday, June 29, 2014, 2:30 - 4:00 p.m.

Exhibition on View: June 21 - November 2, 2014  
Final Day to Pick up Photographs: Thursday, December 4, 2014

### CALL FOR ENTRIES

The Delaplaine Visual Arts Education Center  
40 South Carroll Street  
Frederick, Maryland 21701  
301-698-0656 [delaplaine.org](http://delaplaine.org)

Annual Juried Exhibit  
May 3 - June 22  
All media are eligible.

Deadline for entries: April 4

Juror: Margaret Winslow  
Associate Curator for Contemporary Art at the Delaware Art Museum.

Prize money awarded.  
First Place: \$500  
Second Place: \$350  
Third Place: \$200  
Honorable Mention: \$100

Find Call for Entry at link below or call Diane Sibbison 301-698-0656 ext. 115 for assistance.

March Carol Wilks, March 2-30

April Denny Bingaman, April 4-27

May Inspiration Tuesday Group  
May 2-26, reception May 4,  
2-4 p.m.

June All Member Show/Miniature Show,  
May 30-July 27  
Blues Fest Porch Show, Sunday,  
June 1, 01 a.m. to 5 p.m.

## NOTES

The Mansion House Art Center will be advertised nationally as a BLUE STAR MUSEUM/Historic Site for military and veteran's families from May through Labor Day again this year. Hopefully this will increase our visitors to the galleries and park this summer. Since I need a count to report to Blue Star Museums/Historic Sites, would the sitters please ask visitors to record if they are military or veteran families in the visitor's book.

Thanks, Lucy Ecker, Representative for Washington County Museums and Historic Sites

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The VAA Treasurer received a thank-you check for \$20.00 from Potomac Edison Contractor for Free Home Owners Maryland Residents (50-85 years) Energy Checkup for energy tax credits. Lucy allowed their representative in during evening of City Park Illumination and one person signed up.

Meritus Medical Center Auxiliary has received many thank-you letters from Valley Art Association members for allowing them to exhibit.

The Arts Alliance of Greater Waynesboro would like to initiate an Artists Directory which not only tells who our regional artists are, but what mediums and subject matter they use, as well as their web sites, if they have them.

I've already got the names of the memberships of all three art clubs, but would like to have the additional information from all your members (so long as they want to be part of the directory) so it may be included in our web site with links to artists in different mediums, showing who might be approached for portraiture, still life, landscapes, abstract works, impressionistic styles, etc.

We'd also like to have brochures from those who have them. If any members prefer not to have us list their phone numbers, addresses, or e-mail addresses, please let us know.

Your artists may compile information and send it as a group, or may contact me directly via phone at 717-749-3831, or [dbec100@embarqmail.com](mailto:dbec100@embarqmail.com). My mailing address is P.O. Box 397, Mont Alto, PA 17237-0397.

We have had great success with our Destination Arts program, and now have a gallery at 50 West Main St., Waynesboro, an Artist's Co-op at 42 West Main St., and the Ceramic Arts Center off Waynesboro at 13 S. Church St., open Thursdays, 1-4 p.m., Friday 5-8 p.m., Saturday, 12-6 p.m., and Sunday 1-4 p.m.

We feel our summer Destination Arts was a tremendous success, as we had visitors from 25 states and 8 other countries. Sales exceeded \$25,000, and we're well on the way to being recognized as an organization which has revitalized downtown Waynesboro.

I would so gratefully appreciate responses right after the New Year if your members are interested in being part of this effort to let the public from the Cumberland Valley to Baltimore, Frederick, and D. C. know how much creativity is available to them. Please let me hear from you.

Thanks,

Becky Dietrich

## Letter from Becky Dietrich

Hi good people,

## Mansion House Sitters Schedule

March	April	May
1---Carol Miller	4---Donna Mason	2 ---Pauline Adams
2---Sue Parker	5---Carol Wilks	3---Carol Wilks
7---Marjorie Tressler	6---Thom Tholen	4---Chris Shingler
8---Pauline Adams	11---Marjorie Tressler	9---Lesley Whalley
9---Ruth Peyton	12---Pauline Adams	10---John Mullican
14---Donna Mason	13---Anna Hogbin	11---Eileen Pollock
15---Nancy Arsenovic	18---Chris Shingler	16---Pauline Adams
16---Sue Parker	19---Jackie Shaw	17---Linda Tweit
21---Donna Mason	20---EASTER, CLOSED	18---Jeff Driscoll
22---Ruth Peyton	25---Lesley Whalley	23---Jackie Shaw
23---Jeff Driscoll	26---Pauline Adams	24---Carol Wilks
28---Carol Miller	27---Chris Shingler	25---Eileen Pollock
29---John Mullican		30---Pauline Adams
		31---Linda Tweit

### REFRESHMENTS--VAA MEETINGS

February	Carol Miller
March	Lesley Whalley
April	Donna & Denny Bingaman
May	Marjorie Tressler

### HOSPITAL ART IN THE HALLWAYS

Meritus	Waynesboro	Chambersburg
March—Audrey Mentzer	March—Doretta Wisler	March—Linda Mosemann
April—Jeff Driscoll	April—Charles Gelsleicher	April—Mona Fickes
May—Donna Mitchell	May—Lu Mattern	May—Dee Henry

## 2013-2014 Valley Art Board of Directors

President	Liz Altman
Past President	Janie Moltrup
President Elect	Marjorie Tressler
Treasurer	Donna Smith
Corresponding Secretary	Ruth Peyton
Recording Secretary	Sue Parker
Gallery Director	Carol Miller
Asst. Gallery Director	Open