Valley Art Association NEWS

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

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ALLEY ART ASSOCIATION

Please bring out your "My Valentine" or favorite paintings for the February All Member show, "Things You Love," in the North Gallery. The show will be hung the week of February 2nd, so members are invited to bring in their work for this show by that date. The show will run from Feb 6 to 22nd. Please put this date on your calendar.

February's All Members Meeting Wednesday, February 25 at 7pm will be a "Show and Tell" where members can bring in what they are working on, or some new technique, and present it to the group. There will be an upcoming book sale as well. The art books donated by Marguerite Cyr's family will be priced and made available for sale at a modest price at this meeting. In addition, members are invited to bring any surplus art supplies to the meeting to sell, with the proceeds going to Valley Art.

Carol Miller is handling refreshments for February.

Nancy Arsenovic will be moving in April, so Valley Art will need a new Assistant Gallery Director. Interested members are asked to contact a board member.

Date:

February

We are always looking for news to report in our newsletter, so if you have anything to report for 2015, please email me at cawilks44@gmail.com.

Letter to the VAA Membership from Lucy Ecker:

ART IN THE HALLWAY 2014 VAA TOTAL CONTRIBUTION

I as Chairperson want to express appreciation for the cooperation and help our VAA members have given the Meritus Medical Center Auxiliary and me over the vears.

Artists' sales for 2014 have totaled \$3,476.00 at the Meritus Medical Center.

Since beginning art sales in May 2004 with the Washington County Hospital Auxiliary, now the Meritus Medical Center Auxiliary, our artists have sold a grand total of \$24,837.22.

VAA donations to Mertius Medical Center since beginning May 2004 have a total of \$6,200.76. The Auxiliary wants to give the VAA members thanks for all their support of fund raising for medical equipment to help improve our community.

Thanks for your support, Lucy Ecker Chairperson **Auxiliary and Valley Art Association** "Art In The Hallway"

Upcoming Shows in the North Gallery for 2015

Carol Wilks is having a solo show with new work, opening Feb 27th. Her Opening Reception is March 8th.

In April. Pauline Adams will have her solo show.

Marjorie Tressler's Inspiration Tuesdays and the Promethians will show in May.

In June, there will be an all member and miniature show in conjunction with the Bluesfest the first weekend in June.

Don't forget to put these dates on your calendar.

Inspiration Tuesdays

Dates: Continuous Day: Tuesday Time: 10am-2pm Location: Mansion House Tuition: Free. Marjorie Tressler is facilitating a weekly painting session in oil, acrylic, watercolor or mixed media for intermediate and advanced 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. There are some critiques, but most of all, inspiration. The artists supply their own materials, still life set-ups and resource photographs, etc. The only requirement is that the artist needs to be selfmotivated and able to work independently. For more information or to sign up, please contact Marjorie at 717-762-6791 or

marjorietressler@comcast.net.

Wednesday Art Group

The Wednesday Art Group invites you to join us. We meet every Wednesday from 10am to 2pm. Bring your lunch and paints, any medium. For more information call Audrey Mentzer at 301-739-8112 or Ruth Peyton at 304-274-3465.

Wednesday Night Art Class

Beginning January 7, the dates are as follows: Continuous Day: Wednesday 6:30-9pm Location: Mansion House Tuition: \$65 per 6 week session. Marjorie Tressler is teaching a class in both oil and acrylic every Wednesday night except the fourth Wednesday of each month. These classes are for all painting levels. Each student gets individual attention and is encouraged to work on any subject they are interested in and wish to paint. This class is very unique where students are taught in a very friendly, relaxed atmosphere with fun conversations, where everyone is enjoying the experience of creating a

beautiful painting. The only requirement is for students to provide their own materials and come to have fun!! For more information please contact Marjorie at 717-762-6791 or marjorietressler@comcast.net.

2015 Dues

Annual 2015 Membership Dues of \$25 are now due. Make checks payable and mail to:

Donna Smith Treasurer Valley Art Association 501 Highland Way Hagerstown, MD 21740

If you have not paid your dues and have questions: Call Donna Smith, 301-797-8761 or DSmith7119@aol.com.



Bus Trip to the Baltimore Museum of Art and the American Visionary Art Museum with Private Luncheon at Woodberry Kitchen

On Wednesday, March 18, 2015, participants will travel by tour bus to the Baltimore Museum of Art, currently celebrating its 100th year. The trip will include an exclusive private luncheon at Woodberry Kitchen. This exciting

opportunity for art lovers is only available for a limited number of participants. The Baltimore Museum of Art is home to an internationally renowned collection of 19th-century, modern, and contemporary art. Founded in 1914 the museum today has 90,000 works of art-including the extraordinary Cone Collection and the largest holding of works by Henri Matisse in the world. Throughout the Museum, visitors will find an outstanding selection of European and American fine and decorative arts, 15th-through 19thcentury prints and drawings, contemporary art by established and emerging artists, and objects from Africa, Asia, the Ancient Americas, and Pacific Islands. The visit will include a one-hour private, docent-led tour of the Museum. The group will then enjoy a private luncheon. Following lunch, the tour will travel to the American Visionary Art Museum, America's official national museum and education center for intuitive, self-taught artistry. The tour will depart from the Washington County Museum of Fine Arts promptly at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, March 18, 2015 and will stop to pick up additional travelers in Frederick, Maryland. Interested travelers from the Gettysburg, Hanover or Chambersburg, Pennsylvania areas may choose to travel to Hagerstown, MD with tour leader, Amy Hunt. The tour is expected to return by 8:00 p.m. Tickets are \$135 and include transportation, museum tours and admissions as well as lunch at Woodberry Kitchen.

To register or for more information about the trip, please contact Donna Rastelli at 301-739-5727. Tickets are nonrefundable and must be paid for in-full upon registration.

Wax-Resist Drawing Master Class David Dodge Lewis and Ephraim Rubenstein Saturday, March, 21, 2015 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. This workshop is offered in conjunction with the exhibition: THE QUICKENING IMAGE: WAX-RESIST DRAWINGS OF DAVID DODGE LEWIS & EPHRAIM RUBENSTEIN January 24-April 12, 2015 Registration deadline: March 1, 2015 **Early Bird Registration** (until February 15): \$125.00 Regular Registration: \$175.00 Open to artists aged 13 and older The class offers a unique opportunity to learn the drawing techniques seen in The Quickening Image exhibition. Wax-resist drawing is a technique that ranges from dramatic contrasts to expressive gestures. Materials will be provided. Register early to assure a spot; class size is limited to 20 registrants The workshop is an introduction to mixed media, employing standard materials like graphite, ink, charcoal, and Conté. The introduction of wax as a resist allows artists to protect areas from washes between wet and dry applications. Students will be working on 26" x 40" paper, and should bring reference photographs and/or objects to work from that have a broad light-to-dark

Hospice of Washington County will celebrate its 35th year in 2015 with a variety of activities. The organization is again interested in working with local artists to highlight the theme, "Transformations". As plans evolve, we will keep you posted.

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2015 Meritus Art In The Hallways Schedule:

FEBRUARY Donna Mason

MARCH Tamara Hoffman

APRIL June Savannanh

MAY Lucy Ecker

JUNE Pauline Adams

JULY Sue Bell

AUGUST Marilyn Tracey

SEPTEMBER Sue Parker

OCTOBER Elizabet Stacey-Hurley

NOVEMBER Eileen Pollock

DECEMBER Bob Wantz

2015 Chambersburg Art In The Hallways Schedule:

Feb. Shirley Tolaliba

Mar. Charlene Louise

Apr. Noella Miller

May Mona Fickes

Jun. .Ruth Peyton

Jul. Tom Neveil

Aug. Evie Cook

Sept. Virginia Hair

Oct. Lee Mattern

Nov. Bette Rae Gallenger

Dec. Cindy Smith

Mansion House Sitters Schedule

Please check the calendar online for more information on events at VAA Mansion House

February 2015

2/1 – Eileen Pollock

2/6—Marjorie Tressler

2/7—Carol Wilks

2/8—Donna Bingaman

2/13—Donna Bingaman

2/14—Ruth Peyton

2/15—Eileen Pollock

2/20—Donna Mason

2/21—Carol Wilks

2/22—Eileen Pollock

2/27—Carol Miller

"North Gallery Shows for 2015"

February -- All Member Show March -- Carol Wilks Solo Show—Opening Reception March 8 April -- Pauline Adams Solo Show

May -- Members of Inspiration Tuesdays and the Promethians

June -- All Member and Miniature Show

"2015 Valley Art Board of Directors"

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