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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ALLEY ART ASSOCIATION

We LOVE Our Members!!!

Hi everyone,

Welcome to another month of winter and with it, there's time inside to create yet another piece of wonderful art!!! Our winter show was very successful, and now showing is Janie's February show ''ART IN THE HEART'' in the North Gallery, where members are asked to create heart themed work. Please come and visit this beautiful show and browse throughout the Mansion to enjoy the wonderful masterpieces of our current gallery members.

Our featured guest demo artist at the February membership meeting is Maryland artist, Rebecca Pearl, who will do a watercolor demonstration for us. Rebecca received her formal training at the Schuler School of Fine Arts and the Maryland Institute College of Art, both located in Baltimore. Rebecca began her career as a portrait painter at the age of 25 and soon turned to commissions of animals and architectural subjects. She is a member of the Baltimore watercolor society and has exhibited widely on the east coast. She also

presented a commissioned work of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton to the Vatican. Currently Rebecca teaches painting at her gallery in Emmetsburg, MD and conducts workshops with frequent trips with her students to paint en Plein Air. Please come and welcome Rebecca at our General Meeting held February 24th at 7pm.

Respectfully submitted by Marjorie Tressler, President of the VAA

The Valley Art Association is still looking for a treasurer, a key position in the continued functioning of the organization. It involves collecting and depositing proceeds, disbursing payments to artists and paying VAA bills. This position also comes with a role on the VAA Board of Directors, that meets every fourth Wednesday at 4pm just before the regular membership meeting. We usually have dinner delivered to us while meeting for a relaxed time in between the two meetings. This is a wonderful social set of meetings that will only take place one day a month. Please consider this key position and contact Marjorie **Tressler our current President or Sue** Parker our Recording Secretary and transition treasurer. For more information concerning this position, please contact Sue Parker at susanparker@frontier.com. She has agreed to bring anyone interested up to speed with everything needed to know about the position.

Member News

It is with utmost sadness that I have to report that one of our members, Pauline Adams, has just lost her husband, January 10. Our sympathies go out to family and friends.

In addition, Ted Murray, another of our members, passed away February 1st. Once again, our sympathies go out to his family and friends.

New Members

Our "Art in the Heart" show is up and running in the North Gallery with the help of two new members who joined last year: Susan McNally and Deb Tadeburo. Both talented artists only began painting in oils and acrylics in the last 2-3 years.



Susan has become diversified in the last 2 years, painting in oils as well as acrylics. This is one of her oils.



Deb is emerging in portraiture, both in humans and their pets. This is one of her acrylics.

Come see their art as well as the other participating VAA members.

Membership Dues

Membership dues are due for the 2015-2016 fiscal year (July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016) if you have not already paid.

North Gallery News

Exhibiting members shall take responsibility for cataloging the items they place at the Mansion House, and shall maintain a list of their items at the desk in the place designated. Each shall also have a folder for receipts of any sales.

Special considerations:

Shrink-Wrapped Two Dimensional Artwork

The conditions above apply to shrink-wrapped artwork with the following additional provisions. Each member will be limited to 5 shrink-wrapped items at a time (sold pieces may be replaced), and they will be placed in designated Valley Art shrink-wrap bins. Because of space limitations, individuals may not bring in their own bins unless asked by the Gallery Director to contribute one as one of the common, shared bins.

(See Opening and Closing Dates under North Gallery Shows)

Hanging Miniatures

To all members that are interested in hanging miniatures on the miniature rack, there will be a small fee. Contact Janie Moltrup for details.

2016 Shows

- February -- Art in the Heart. Members will be asked to create heart themed work.
- March -- All Member Show: My Heritage reflecting our personal heritage. Janie Moltrup has a series of old glass slides from her family that she can convert to images for display.
- April -- All Member Show, "Springtime on My Mind"
- May All Member Show of Abstract Paintings
- June/July -- All Member and Miniature Show in conjunction with the Blues Fest. "Feeling The Heat?" Start painting!
- August -- Tamara Hoffman Solo Show: "Reflections of Light".
- September Carol Miller Solo Show.
- October Potomac River Artists Guild (PRAG)
- November Sherry Kemp solo show.
- December Winter All Member Show

Wednesday Night Art Class

Beginning January 6, 2016, Marjorie Tressler will be teaching a class in both oil and acrylic the 1st and 3rd Wednesday night of each month from 6:30 to 9pm. Location: Mansion House. Tuition is \$65.00 for 6 classes. Classes are continuous and will be 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. The class is very unique where the students are taught in a very friendly and 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 painting materials, table or floor easel. For more information 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.

Destination Arts, Waynesboro

This is a news flash to our members for an opportunity to visit and maybe consider showing their work at Destination Arts in Waynesboro. Destination Arts continues with 5 permanent galleries and more in the works!!! "Gallery 50", the Arts Alliance's flagship gallery, has maintained a following featuring: Wind Down Fridays with music and Uncorked Inspiration Paint nights. Artists demo every Thursday with Marjorie Tressler and music every weekend at Gallery 50. Also, there are writers' and song writers' forums once a month. With over 80 artists and artisans represented in Gallery 50, it is joined by 42 West Arts, a co-op gallery with 17 artists; The Ceramic Center, a co-op of potters; and Through the Lens and Beyond plus Gallery 20. Hours of operation are: Thursday 1-4pm, Friday 5-8pm, Saturday 12-6pm, and Sunday 1-4pm. For more information, contact Gallery 50 Curator, Marjorie Tressler at marjorietressler@comcast.net.

42 West Arts Gallery

Located at 42 West Main Street, Waynesboro, 42 West Arts Gallery is excepting 3D artists-sculptures, fine art crafters, etc. to join the art gallery.

Contact:

Denny & Donna Bingaman 717-762-8394 artsyfolks@embargmail.com



CAROL WILKS' FIRST PASTEL ON VELOUR WORKSHOP

April 1-3, 2016 10:00 am - 4 pm Lunch Break Noon-1pm

Carol's Home: 213 Tiger Way, Boonsboro

Contact Carol at: cawilks44@gmail.com or 240-818-3851

Have fun learning to paint adorable animals that literally "jump" off the page and invite you to reach in and "touch" them! All you need is a few materials to start: Pastels, Velour Paper, A Pencil and LOTS OF ENTHUSIASM!!!!

Registration is \$175 for the weekend plus materials. Space for 6 students total. Enroll now. Only 3 spaces left!

Artists Looking for Artists and Models for Wednesday Portrait Group

Hagerstown YMCA

Wednesday Mornings 9:30am—12:30pm Contact: Donna Mason: 301-791-6719 or

donnamasonart@yahoo.com

Valley Art Association 2016 Meeting Schedule

<u>February 24, 2016 – Rebecca Pearl Watercolor Demonstration</u>

March 23, 2016 - Donna Mitchell (pastel artist)

April 27, 2016 - Donna Housel

May 25, 2016 - Lynn Ferris (water color)

June 22, 2016 - Picnic

2016 Meritus Art In The Hallways Schedule

February John Mullican **Nicole Troup** March April **Ruth Peyton** May **Rhoda Albright** June **Audrey Mentzer** July **Donna Ashbaugh Marjorie Tressler** August September **Donna Bingaman** October **Sharon Benoit Carol Miller** November **Bill Davis** December

"ART IN THE HALLWAY" with Meritus Medical Center Donations

VAA members' sales for 2015: \$1,070.00

Donations to Auxiliary for 2015: \$267.50 TOTAL VAA Sales since 5/2004: \$25,907.22

TOTAL Donations to Auxiliary since 5/2004: \$6,468.26

Thanks to all who have participated!

2016 Chambersburg Hospital Artist of the Month Schedule

February Alice Rockwell March Roy Hoffman

April Barbara Petrucci
May Viktoriya Hoover

June Cindy Barker July Sylvia Troust

August Donna Bingaman
September Denny Bingaman
October Jean Harshman
November Kent Roberts

December Lynda Cook

North Gallery Shows for 2016

February 2016 -- "All Member Show" Art in the Heart (All Member Show)—Opening February 5, 2016—Closing February 28, 2016. (Drop off February 2 and Pick up February 29)

March 2016-- All Member Show, "My Heritage" Images reflecting our person heritage (All Member Show) Opening March 4—Closing March 27. (Drop off March 1 and Pick up March 28)

April 2016 All Member Show, "Springtime On My Mind" Opening April 1 Closing May 1 (Drop Off March 29 and Pick Up May 2)

May 2016— All Member –Abstracts Opening May 6—Closing May 22 (Drop Off May 3 and Pick Up

May 23)

June & July 2016-- "Blues Fest and Miniature Show" Opening- May 27—Closing July 24 (Drop Off May 24 and Pick up July 25)

August 2016 -- Tamara Hoffman Solo Show

September 2016 -- Carol Miller Solo Show

October 2016--Potomac River Artists' Guild (PRAG) Show—Opening September 30—Closing October 30. (Drop off September 27 and Pick Up October 31)

November 2016 Sherry Kemp Solo Show

December 2016 Winter All Member Show—Opening December 2—Closing January 29, 2017. (Drop Off November 29 and Pick up January 30)

2016 Valley Art Board of Directors

President Marjorie Tressler
President Elect Donna Bingaman

Treasurer TBD

Corresponding Secretary Carol Wilks **Recording Secretary** Sue Parker

Gallery Director Janie Moltrup

Asst. Gallery Director Marilyn Eavey