



GALLERY HOURS

Friday & Saturday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Sunday 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

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Hello Valley Art Association members, prospective members and ART lovers,

I hope this finds all of you staying safe and able to take part in your favorite art activities during these cold winter days! This February newsletter has a lot of information that I'm sure you'll be interested in. Please take time to read it. And don't forget, if you find your address hidden somewhere inside the newsletter, you can win \$10.00! Just contact a board member if you do. (see inside for contact info)

We want to thank member, Keith Jones, for providing the program for our January Zoom General Meeting on January 27th. Everyone enjoyed seeing the preview video about his soon to be released documentary film, which features Valley Art Association & the Mansion House as well as other places in our beautiful and historical Hagerstown City Park. Please stay tuned for more upcoming information about when that movie premier will be!

Our next General Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday February 24th at 7pm via Zoom. Mark your calendar now for a child portrait demonstration by Nicole Troup.

Members, if you haven't paid your dues that were due in July 2020, please do so as soon as you can, so that you will continue receiving your newsletter, and so that you can participate in upcoming Valley Art events, such as the Mansion House members' shows in the North Gallery. In addition, as a member you can be featured on VAA's Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/ValleyArtAssociation.Hagerstown.Md> as "member of the month". Or you can have any other information posted about your outside art exhibits, classes and other art activities. Just contact VAA's Facebook editor, Jen Martin. (see inside for her contact info).

Until next time, please keep taking care and we hope to see you soon!

Artfully yours,

Hal Mason

Valley Art Association President

Additional note:

Mansion House Sitters can contact Donna Mason if they need a review of any Mansion House sitting procedures.

2021 North Gallery Shows

<u>Month</u>	<u>Title/Exhibitor</u>	<u>Drop Off Dates</u>	<u>Opening</u>	<u>Closing</u>	<u>Pick Up Date</u>
February	Love (life, person, place)	January 31-February 2	February 5	February 28	March 1-2
March	Spring Fever	February 28-March 1	March 5	March 28	March 29-31
April	Oil and Water* Janie Moltrup	March 29-31	April 2	April 25	April 26-30
May	Favorite Pets	April 25-26	April 30	May 30	May 31
June/July	Summer's Dream	May 30-31	June 4	July 31	August 1- 2
August	Driven to Abstraction	July 30-August 1	August 6	August 29	August 30-31
September	Ann Williams' Garden	August 30	September 3	September 26	September 27-30
October	Three Gals and a Guy (Hal and Donna Mason, Carol Miller, Marilyn Eavey)	September 27-30	October 1	October 31	November 1
November	Memories Disappearing	October 31-November 1	November 5	November 28	November 29-30
December 2021/January 2022	Winter Wonderland	November 28-29	December 3	December 31	January 2-3

*Waynesboro Studio Arts Club group show - workshop students of David Good and Fritz Biggs

2021 ART IN THE HALLWAY Meritus Health Center

Month	Name
February	Lily Ramos
March	Marilyn Pontius
April	Cory Kerr & Martin Nikirk
May	Carol Gwinn & Bonita Conry
June	Victoria Baker
July	Chris Shingler
August	Jeff Jones
September	Donna Bingaman
October	Carol A. Wolfensberger
November	Nicole Troup
December	Denny Bingaman

Member News and Activities

Dick Blick Icon on the VAA Web Page - Did You Know...?

If you are buying art supplies from Dick Blick, and go to the Dick Blick web site by clicking on the Blick link on the VAA web site, VAA will receive a commission of 10% on your total order. There is no difference in cost to you, and it is "free" money to VAA. Blick pays this to VAA for the privilege of advertising on our web site. (Note that this payment will only occur when you use the VAA link; otherwise, Blick will not connect your order to VAA.)

Valley Art will now be featuring our members on Facebook! If you are interested in being the "Featured Valley Art Association Member" on Valley Art Association's Facebook page, have an album with up to a maximum of 5 photos of your work, or if you have any other information posted about your outside art exhibits, classes and other art activities, please email editor, JEN MARTIN at jenmartin72@outlook.com and she will be glad to work with you about your feature. Other VAA FB editors are : Sue Parker at scp2art@gmail.com, Carol Wilks at cawilks44@gmail.com, and John Mullican at johnmullican@gmail.com. They are available to post other articles of interest to members on FB as well.

Web Site Improvements

Valley Art is looking at the feasibility of improvements to its web site. If you have ideas, please share them with Sue Parker @ scp2art@gmail.com by 2/15/21.

Please visit our partner in the arts, the Washington County Arts Council, Inc. either in person at 34 S. Potomac St., Hagerstown, Md 21740, Phone number (301) 791-3132, <http://www.washingtoncountyarts.com/> or Washington County Arts Council, Inc. on Facebook.

Figure-Drawing Sessions

Live figure-drawing sessions at the Mansion House are on hold due to the surge in coronavirus cases. Online sessions are available through the DC Art Models Collective: a weekly schedule of these sessions is detailed through their website dcartmodelcollective.com. Subscribe for their weekly update via the website or emailing dcartmodelcollective@gmail.com. Wonderful selection of models and options, very well organized, price of sessions \$7/1 hour, \$14/2 hours, \$20/3 hours. You may speak directly with one of their Administrators: LiiLii Seniura, Artist and Artist's Model, 410-412-0048 or find her online at <http://www.liliifish.com/> or Instagram [@liliarts@liliifish](https://www.instagram.com/liliarts@liliifish).

Zoom Classes and Online Mentoring and Other Resources

Michael Timothy Davis

Art Renewal Center Award Winner with still life, "Art of the Imagination":

Creating The Still Life: online classes, \$35 per 3 hour session. Classes will be started once the minimum number of artists is reached. For details and to register, contact Elaine Wolfe at valleyartinfo@gmail.com or 304-261-9583.

Nicole Troup

Portrait Society of America 2020 Finalist with portrait, "Golden Dreams"

Child Portrait Painting with Gold Leaf (and Open Slow-Drying Acrylics) February 18, 25, March 4, 11, 2021; Thursday evening Zoom classes, 7 - 9 PM: Cost \$160. The recorded class will be sent to students each week.

Drawing the Child Portrait using Charcoal Pan Pastel techniques

March 25, April 1, 8, 15; Thursday evening Zoom classes, 7:00 - 8:30 PM; Cost \$110.

Registration/details here: <http://www.nicoletroupmasterpiece.com/workshops>, email nfntroup6@gmail.com, or 717-331-1003

Hans Guerin and his artist wife, Beth Loiselle

Offering Online Mentoring: see their website, <http://www.hansguerin.com/> for details.

Sadie Valeri: a fine resource for online classes on classical drawing and painting techniques, www.sadievaleriatelier.com.

The New Masters Academy. Another resource for poses/models online: The website is <http://www.nma.art/>.

Congratulations to Valley Art Association member, Ryan Wilson, for winning the 2020 Maryland Zoo Photography Competition Photo of the Year with his photo of Sofiya the leopard at Maryland zoo in Baltimore. You can see Ryan's work at <http://www.OCPhoto.org>.

Current and Future Exhibitions

The Washington County Museum of Fine Arts

The Cumberland Valley Artists and Photographers Exhibitions open on January 31, on display until April 4th. The virtual reception will be held on February 7th, from 3:00 to 4:30 PM. Panelists will include award winners who will be asked to discuss their work with the museum. A link to this webinar is on their website: wcmfa.org, in the Current and Future Exhibitions section.

The Museum of Shenandoah Valley in Winchester, VA. February 20-August 8, 2021: Norman Rockwell's America - from the National Museum of American Illustration, Newport, RI, including original works spanning six decades along with the Four Freedom posters and vintage Saturday Evening Post covers.

Message from Our Historian

Should you have any art-related articles, notices of awards, photos or other information that you feel is pertinent to the VAA and your artistic endeavors, please leave them at the Mansion House Gallery desk. Place your name and date upon the item and I will enter them into the VAA archives. Please leave clippings, photos, information or other appropriate items that you would like to have placed into our archives at the Mansion House Gallery desk. Please place your name and the date of the event onto the item. 11479 Fawnbridge Drive Thank you for your help. In addition, I urge you to take advantage of this opportunity to participate and help shape the VAA's history by using ZOOM, the newest VAA tool. Hope to see your smiling faces soon!

Roy Tressler

Historian

42 West Arts Gallery Fine Arts and Crafts 42 West Main Street is open for business! Fridays 4-7 and Saturdays 10am-4pm Come in and browse or make a purchase from local artists, and fine craftsmen. All work is handmade by local artisans. Classes are temporarily on hold because of Covid 19. They are hoping to resume

as soon as possible. Guest Artists are Evie Cook, whose work is in still life subjects, birds, animals and studies in oil painting; and Jean Harshman, whose subjects range from landscapes to florals and animals in watercolor, colored pencil and acrylics. Evie and Jean will be doing a two person featured artists' show for February. Patrick Schlee will return to play music as well.

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