



**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 Members, Prospective Members and all ART lovers,

I'd like to welcome everyone to the October Valley Art Association newsletter! Read this newsletter to stay informed about everything that is ART related in our area, such as the upcoming October North Gallery Abstract Show at the Mansion House Art Center Gallery. I'm getting concerned because the VAA members whose addresses were hidden in the most previous newsletters didn't claim their prizes. Maybe we will have a winner this month. So if you see your address somewhere in here, just let a Board member know.

As I write this, we are still preparing for the September Membership/General Meeting to take place on September 22nd, where we will elect a new Assistant Gallery Director. Thanks again to Bonnie Elgin who was our previous Assistant Gallery Director during the last fiscal year 2020-2021, 17430 Virginia Ave and also during her brief time as Gallery Director this fiscal year. And thanks to Marjorie Tressler for taking over as Gallery Director, after Bonnie had to leave the position unexpectedly.

I also want to thank all of you who have participated in Valley Art Association activities this past month. Activities such as the Mansion House weekly painting and drawing groups, VAA sponsored classes and workshops, VAA meetings, the recent City Park Fall Fest activities at the Mansion House, VAA Members' Art Exhibits at the Mansion House, at Meritus Medical Center, and most recently at the new Clock Tower Pop-up Art Gallery in Williamsport. It is people like you who the Valley Art Association serves, and people like you who help keep the Valley Art Association the greatest ART Community in town!

We are hoping to see everyone at the next Membership/General Meeting on October 27th, not only in person at the Mansion House, but also via Zoom (for those who can't or don't wish to attend in person.) Our program plans for that meeting are to have VAA member, Keith Jones present his historical and very informative Documentary Film about the Mansion House and City Park. You won't want to miss it!

Till next time, stay safe and keep creating!  
Artfully yours,  
Hal Mason, Valley Art Association President

**IMPORTANT NOTICE: Noted on the Header at the top of this page, The Mansion House address has now been changed (per the city.) The new address for the Mansion House is now 480 Highland AVE., Hagerstown MD 21740 PLEASE MAKE A NOTE OF THIS! Also, Mary Elise Thompson has been elected Assistant Gallery Director.**

## 2021 North Gallery Shows

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

<u>Month</u>	<u>Title/Exhibitor</u>	<u>Drop Off Dates*</u>	<u>Opening</u>	<u>Closing</u>	<u>Pick Up Date*</u>
October	Driven to Abstraction* (changed from August)	October 1-3	October 8	October 31	November 7
November	Memories Disappearing	October 29-31	November 5	November 28	December 3-5
December 2021/January 2022	Winter Wonderland	November 27-29	December 3	December 26	January 2

- *\*Drop off and Pick Up Dates may be subject to change. Please check the above list for any updates as shows approach.*

## 2021 ART IN THE HALLWAY Meritus Health Center

Month	Name
October	Lily Burrows
November	Nicole Troup
December	Denny Bingaman

### Member News and Activities

Members, if you haven't paid your dues that were due in July 2021, 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).

#### Anita Shively Solo Show

Anita Shively will be having a Solo Show "Chasing Light" at The Mercersburg Academy Niche Gallery October 5 - November 19.

#### Christkindl Market, Hagerstown – Friday, December 10<sup>th</sup> 3-8pm and Saturday December 11<sup>th</sup> 10am-4pm

Anyone interested in participating, visit their website at <https://christkindlmarkthagerstown.com> or contact Monika Wertman at 301-693-3021 or [www.wertmanphotography.net](http://www.wertmanphotography.net).

#### Puppy Paint Party Saturday: October 23

11:00 am - 2:00 pm Clocktower Gallery, Williamsport, MD. \$10.00 includes everything including treats. Enjoy watching your puppy paint " Art is for Everyone ". Sign-up sheets at Mansion House or Third Base Tavern or call 301 733 7611.

### **Publicity News—VAA Partners with Hagerstown Hopes**

VAA and Hagerstown Hopes are joining forces to highlight and support the local arts community! Much like our own featured artist page on Facebook, Hagerstown Hopes has generously offered to feature individual artists as well as illustrate our monthly, North End Gallery Exhibit and theme for monthly shows, explain a little about VAA, and promote the Mansion House Art Gallery on their social media pages! If artists want to get involved, they can reach out to Hagerstown Hopes liaison Brian Hose at [bhose@hagerstownhopesmd.org](mailto:bhose@hagerstownhopesmd.org) for a feature including a short biography and photos of the work being shown in the North Gallery as well as the Mansion House!

And, of course, feel free to reach out to me with any questions or suggestions at [britclark10.4@gmail.com](mailto:britclark10.4@gmail.com) on how to broaden VAA community outreach and publicity! Thank you!

### **FIGURE-DRAWING:**

Figure-Drawing sessions are scheduled for THURSDAYS, from 10 AM to 1 PM, from October through December at the Mansion House, EXCEPT for the third Thursdays of the month, which are reserved for workshops. Professional models, shared model fees only. No instruction. Dates for October are October 7, 14, and 28, with long pose sessions on October 14 and 28. (The single long pose sessions may be used for portrait work.) Contact Elaine Wolfe at [valleyartinfo@gmail.com](mailto:valleyartinfo@gmail.com) or call 304-261-9583.

**DC Art Models Collective:** Online sessions: a weekly schedule of these sessions is detailed through their website [dcardmodelcollective.com](http://dcardmodelcollective.com). Subscribe for their weekly update via the website or email [dcardmodelcollective@gmail.com](mailto:dcardmodelcollective@gmail.com). Wonderful selection of models and options including custom sessions, very well organized, price of sessions \$7/1 hour, \$14/2 hours, \$20/3 hours.

### **WORKSHOPS AND CLASSES:**

Marjorie Tressler will begin classes at the Mansion House in October. They will be scheduled for Mondays. Please contact Marjorie for details at [marjorietressler@comcast.net](mailto:marjorietressler@comcast.net) or call 717-762-6791.

**Pewter Casting I** - Join Brendan in an introduction to Pewter casting. A hands-on workshop to produce pewter tokens and badges using Historical techniques. Limited to 10 individuals, materials provided, 2-hours - \$25. October 21, from 10 AM to noon. To register or for further details, contact Elaine Wolfe at [valleyartinfo@gmail.com](mailto:valleyartinfo@gmail.com) or call 304-261-9583. It is expected that a series of workshops involving historical techniques will follow.

### **Washington County Museum of Fine Arts Classes For Art Class Schedule and Registration**

Click here: [wcmfa.org/learn/classes/](http://wcmfa.org/learn/classes/) To register for events, you may contact the Museum on-line, by calling (301) 739-5727, or via email at [info@wcmfa.org](mailto:info@wcmfa.org).

### **Hans Guerin and Beth de Loiselle Skilled teachers of the Schuler School of Fine Arts**

Offering Online Mentoring: see their websites for details at [hansguerin.com](http://hansguerin.com) and [bethedloiselle.com](http://bethedloiselle.com)

### **The New Masters Academy Great Resource**

The website is <http://www.nma.art/>.

## **EXHIBITIONS:**

### **"Art for The Animals"**

This show is a fundraiser, all proceeds going to "For Otis Sake-Rescue, Rehab, Rehome",

at Howard's Art and Frames, 1256 Dual Hwy., Hagerstown, 301-733-2722 [www.howardsarts.com](http://www.howardsarts.com)

The Silent Auction of the art works in this show is from October 2 - October 23, opening reception October 2, 6:30-8:00. "Tail-end" reception and awards ceremony on October 23, 6:30-8:00, Popular Choice voting October 2 - 16. Valley Art members have work in this fundraising show.

### **Franklin County Art Alliance holds their 49th Annual Art Exhibit:**

Opening reception is on Sunday, October 24, 2 - 5 PM, and the show hours Monday - Thursday, October 25 - 28, 2 - 7 PM. Located at the Calvary United Methodist Church, 150 Norlo Drive, Fayetteville, PA 17222 (enter just east of Snavely's Garden Center). Largest visual arts events in Franklin County, original works of art by local artists for sale, door prizes and refreshments. Valley Art members have work in this show too.

### **37th Annual Exhibition Miniature Art 2021**

Council for the Arts opening reception, October 1, from 5 - 8 PM, 103 N. Main Street, Chambersburg, PA and show dates from October 1 - November 6, Wednesday/Thursday 12 - 5 PM, Friday 12 - 6 PM, and Saturday, 10 AM - 2 PM. Valley Art members have work in this show too!

### **"Dreaming in Color" - solo show by Marti Griffin Yeager**

Opening October 1, 5 - 7:30 PM, during the Adams County Arts Council First Friday Reception.

This beautiful solo exhibition runs through October, Monday through Friday, from 9 - 5,

at the Adams County Arts Council, 125 S. Washington Street, Gettysburg, PA.

Marti Yeager has also been a member of the Valley Art Association.

## **DID YOU KNOW...?**

### **Dick Blick Icon on the VAA Web Page**

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 is now being added to the Cultural Trail. There will also be new plaques at locations around the park including at the Mansion House.

### **Message from Our Historian: Roy Tressler**

I trust that you enjoyed a safe and memorable summer. Thanks to everyone for contributing to the VAA archives. The collection continues to grow and should make for interesting reading as well as being a source usable for local art-related research. The collection contains varied items such as photos, business cards & brochures, programs, bulletins, and magazine & newspaper clippings. All of this confirms that the VAA members are both talented and engaged with their community and art. Unfortunately, I have been having great difficulty obtaining printable notices or articles from our local newspaper. These difficulties are caused by multiple issues including lack of reliable delivery of the paper. The request from this corner is that you redouble your efforts in providing archival material. Thanks again my friends. Be well & hope to see you soon,

**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](mailto: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](mailto:scp2art@gmail.com), Carol Wilks at [cawilks44@gmail.com](mailto:cawilks44@gmail.com), and John Mullican at [johnmullican@gmail.com](mailto:johnmullican@gmail.com). They are available to post other articles of interest to members on FB as well.

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.

**42 West Arts Gallery, 42 West Main Street, Waynesboro, PA.**

New exhibit - The students of Donna Bingaman will be exhibiting their art work entitled " Enjoying Art" the month of September and October. Our special opening reception and party with wine, chocolates, cake and lots of other refreshments will be Friday September 10th from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. Come and join us with our celebration and Party. Waynesboro's own Al Good Trio will be providing music including jazz standards with keyboard, drums, and trombone from 5:30 to 7:30 Friday September 10th.

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