# 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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March 2022

President's Message

Hello Valley Art Members, Prospective Members and all ART lovers!

Welcome new members and many thanks to all of our members for their participation in Valley Art! We certainly hope we can see each one of you during the upcoming year!

Please read this and every newsletter to stay informed about everything that is ART related in our community. Thanks again and congratulations to VAA members who brought in and/or sold their artwork during the "Recipe for Romance" all members' show at the Mansion House. This exhibit closed on February 27th. The March North Gallery show will be an exhibit by members of the Mansion House Tuesday & Wednesday Artists Groups and is titled "Seeing Things Our Way". That exhibit will run from Friday March 4 to Sunday March 27.

Unfortunately we did not have a winner find their hidden address in the February newsletter. Please be sure to look for your hidden address in this February newsletter as well as future newsletters and if you find yours, you'll win a prize!

We'd like to thank our guest artist/speaker for the Zoom February 23rd Valley Art General Meeting, Annette Gloomis. Our next General meeting on March 23 at 7pm will feature VAA member Margaret Clingan and the musical group "Toot Uncommon Flutes". As usual, a decision will be made soon whether that meeting will be a HYBRID meeting (that is in-person at the Mansion House along with via Zoom), or if it will still be just a meeting via Zoom. Members will be notified as soon as the decision is made.

Everyone please stay safe and I hope to see you soon! Until then, don't forget our motto, "Art is for EVERYONE!"

Artfully yours, Hal Mason, VAA 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!

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.

# **2022 North Gallery Shows**

Please check the list below for dates as shows approach. Also, see the note regarding the March 2022 show. This is not an All Member Show this coming month.

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

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<b>Month</b>	Title/Exhibitor	Drop Off Dates*	<u>Opening</u>	Closing	Pick Up Date*
March 2022	Seeing Things Our Way" An Exhibit by the Tuesday & Wednesday Groups" ONLY. This is not an All Member Show.		3/4	3/27	
April 2022	Weather	3/27	4/1	4/24	4/24
May 2022	Pretty As A Peach				
June 2022	Music & Dance				
July 2022	Bird Watching				
August 2022	Paradise				
September 2022	The Magic of Threes				
October 2022	It's a Fright				
November 2022	Cityscapes				
December 2022/January 2023	Winter Nights, Winter Lights				

# 2022 ART IN THE HALLWAY Meritus Health Center

	Carol Miller
March	
April	Deweina Williams
May	Mary Thompson/Charlotte Loveless
June	Lily Ramos
July	Chelsea Butrum
August	Debra Lee
September	Gwen & Larry Bergey
October	Sue Bell
November	Chris Shingler
December	John Neal Mullican

#### **VAA MEMBER NEWS**

Congratulations to current and former Valley Art Association members whose work was accepted for the 2022 Cumberland Valley Artists and Photographers Exhibitions: Artists - David Bottini, Margaret Clingan, Phillip Grove, Donna Mitchell, Elisabet Stacy-Hurley and Stephen Wright. Photographer - John Krowka. This is a wonderful show, on view through April 24, 2022. For more information, go to the museum's website: http://www.wcmfa.org or contact the museum at info@wcmfa.org or call (301) 739-5727.

<u>Valley Art will now be featuring our members on Facebook!</u> 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 <a href="maintin72@outlook.com">jenmartin72@outlook.com</a> and she will be glad to work with you about your feature. Other VAA FB editors are: Sue Parker at <a href="maintin922ert@gmail.com">scp2art@gmail.com</a>, Carol Wilks at <a href="maintin92">cawilks44@gmail.com</a>, and John Neal Mullican at <a href="maintin9ohnnmullican@gmail.com">johnnmullican@gmail.com</a>. 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, <a href="http://www.washingtoncountyarts.com/">http://www.washingtoncountyarts.com/</a> or Washington County Arts Council, Inc. on Facebook.

#### **PUBLICITY NEWS**

# Washington County Arts Council 2021 Annual Community Art Show

The juried "2021 Annual Community Art Show: The Best Local Art of 2021" was held from December 2, 2021 to January 4, 2022. Congratulations to VAA members Margaret Clingan for the "Best of Show" award, and David Bottini for the "People's Choice" award. 9721 Clover Heights Rd. Also, congratulations to the following VAA members who participated in the exhibit: Jennie Avila, Patti Boyst, Ashley Holden Hammond, Paulette Lee, Donna Mason, Hal Mason, Judy Melby-Robinson, Carol Wilks, and Stephen Wright.

# 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 <a href="mailto:bhose@hagerstownhopesmd.org">bhose@hagerstownhopesmd.org</a> for a feature including a short biography and photos of the work being shown in the North Gallery as well as the Mansion House!

## The Clocktower Gallery - North Conocoheague Street, Williamsport, MD

This gallery continues to transform into a welcoming space despite its limitations. Local folks are taking an interest and offering help. Asking all members who think and paint whimsically to join us. No fees. What you sell is yours. We ask you to be on site to conduct your own sales. In April we will open a Gallery exhibit entitled "Whimsically Yours," April 8,9 and 10. Artists can choose to participate either weekend or both. The show will be put in place Thursdays March 31 and April 8. (for those who choose the 2nd weekend). Hours open to hang the show will be 10 am - 12:00. It will be open to the public 10am to 4 pm Friday through Sunday.

Questions call or text Charlotte at 301 733 7611 email charlove288@gmail.com.

#### FIGURE-DRAWING

**Figure-Drawing sessions are scheduled for the following THURSDAYS in March, from 10 AM to 1 PM, at the Mansion House: March 3rd, 10th and 31st.** (On Thursday, March 17th and 24th, there will be workshops - see below.) Professional models, shared model fees only. No instruction. Contact Elaine Wolfe at <a href="mailto:valleyartinfo@gmail.com">valleyartinfo@gmail.com</a> or call 304-261-9583 (no text).

Professional life model Avid Light currently is offering a series of online and live figure-drawing sessions scheduled through March 24. Some sessions are model-hosted and some are hosted by other groups, such as The Maryland Hall Co-Op in Annapolis. For details, email him at: <a href="mailto:avid@avidlightmodel.com">avid@avidlightmodel.com</a> or go to <a href="www.avidlightmodel.com">www.avidlightmodel.com</a>. In conjunction with the Washington Studio School - The DC Art Models Collective. Online sessions are detailed through their website: <a href="mailto:deartmodelcollective.com">deartmodelcollective.com</a> The website for the WSS is <a href="mailto:https://washingtonstudioschool.org/">https://washingtonstudioschool.org/</a>. Drop-in-figure-drawing and their sessions are on Monday evenings from 7-9 PM. Professional models: \$7 for one hour, \$14 for two hours and \$20 for 3 hours.

The New Masters Academy is a great resource for photographs of models: https://www.nma.art/

#### WORKSHOPS AND CLASSES

If you have a wish list for classes or workshops, please contact Elaine Wolfe at <a href="mailto:<a href="mailto:valleyartinfo@gmail.com">valleyartinfo@gmail.com</a> or call 304-261-9583 (no text). She really wants to know what - or with whom - you would like the opportunity to study.

#### **Classes At the Mansion House:**

<u>Marjorie Tressler</u> holds painting classes at the Mansion House on Mondays. For details and to register, please contact Marjorie by email at <u>marjorietressler@comcast.net</u> or call 717-762-6791.

<u>Michael T. Davis -</u> A series of monthly workshops at his studio at the Badgerhound Gallery in Shepherdstown are currently being organized. They will be in three month blocks, starting with May - July, four hour class, total cost for the three months \$200. Maximum number of students is five. If we have an overflow of interest, two classes may be organized. If interested, please contact Elaine (see above).

Pam Wenger's "Quick Sketch Portrait in Watercolor" One-Day Workshop March 17, at the Mansion House, 10:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. (Lunch provided). \$65 for VAA and Museum members, \$85 for non-members. There are a few spaces left! Her website is <a href="www.pamwenger.com">www.pamwenger.com</a> To register, or if you have any questions, contact Elaine Wolfe at <a href="www.pamwenger.com"><a href="www.pamwenger.com">valleyartinfo@gmail.com</a> or call 304-261-9583 (no texting).

<u>Pewter Casting and Mold-Making with Brendan Rich-</u> March 24, at the Mansion House, 10 a.m.-12 noon. Enrollment limited to 10. \$25 includes materials. Participants will create a mold and casting for slush pewter casting, using historical techniques. To register or for further details, contact Elaine Wolfe at <u>valleyartinfo@gmail.com</u> or call 304-261-9583 (no texting).

**Lynn Ferris Watercolor Classes** Thursdays, July 7-August 11 at the Mansion House, 9 a.m. – 12 noon.

<u>In Development: Lesa Cook Sculpture Workshop</u> A bas-relief sculpture workshop at the Mansion House is in the planning stages. More information should be available in the April newsletter.

#### **Off-Site:**

<u>Hans Guerin and Beth de Loiselle</u> Skilled teachers of the Schuler School of Fine Arts offering online mentoring: see their websites for details: **<a href="mailto:athansguerin.com">athansguerin.com</a> and <b><a href="mailto:sehedloiselle.com">bethedloiselle.com</a>>.** 

# Berkeley (WVA) Artworks

"Mixed Media Journaling" and "Ink and Watercolor Painting" – Start March 15

"Capturing the Light"—May 1-7 https://berkeleyartswv.org/instruction/

# **CALLS FOR ENTRY:**

#### **Art Renewal Center (ARC)**

The 16th ARC Salon is an international competition, the 15th Salon last year having over 4,000 entries. Their website **artrenewal.org** contains a huge database of realist paintings by past and present masters. The prospectus for this year's Salon competition will be available on the website on March 1, 2022. The deadline for entries is June 16, 2022. There are 11 categories of artwork. The work does not need to be for sale, and the work does not need to be available for live exhibition to compete and win. All semi-finalists will be published on the website and all finalists and winners will be published in the 16th ARC Salon Book as well as the website. Contact **kara.ross@artrenewal.org** if you have questions or concerns not covered by the website.

#### **Strokes of Genius 14**

The Best of Drawing Submission Deadlines: Early bird by March 7, 2022; final April 28, 2022.

More Info: https://www.artistsnetwork.com/art-competitions/strokes/

#### Adams County Arts Council's 18th Annual Juried Art Exhibition

Submission Deadline: March 8, 2022 Show Dates: June 2 – June 24, 2022 More Info: <a href="https://www.adamsarts.org/portfolio-item/juried-art-exhibition/">https://www.adamsarts.org/portfolio-item/juried-art-exhibition/</a>

#### **Cross Currents 2022**

West Virginia; open to PA/MD artists as well. Submission Deadline: April 4, 2022.

Show Dates: May 12 -July 2, 2022. More Info: https://artist.callforentry.org/festivals\_unique\_info.php?ID=9812

#### 2022 Mid-Atlantic Regional Watercolor Exhibition

Submission Deadline: April 5, 2022 Show Dates: June 11-July 23, 2022

More Info: <a href="https://artist.callforentry.org/festivals\_unique\_info.php?ID=9899">https://artist.callforentry.org/festivals\_unique\_info.php?ID=9899</a>

#### Berkeley County, WV: Future, Present, Past

Submission Deadline: Sunday April 10, 2022 at midnight. Show Dates: May 18-June 25, 2022

More Info: <a href="https://berkeleyartswv.org/category/artist-opportunities/">https://berkeleyartswv.org/category/artist-opportunities/</a>

## **Durham Arts Council**

Annual Call to 2-D Visual Artists. Submission Deadline: April 30, 2022

More Info: <a href="https://durhamarts.org/call-for-artists/">https://durhamarts.org/call-for-artists/</a>

# Paperworks 2022: For artists creating work on, with, or about paper

Submission Deadline: May 22, 2022. Show Dates: August 1-31, 2022.

More Info: <a href="https://www.bjspokegallery.org">https://www.bjspokegallery.org</a>

#### **EXHIBITIONS:**

Washington County Museum of Fine Arts, Hagerstown, MD -- The Cumberland Valley Artists and Photographers Exhibitions showing works from artists in MD, VA, WV, PA and Washington, DC.

February 19 - April 24, 2022. An announcement on the Virtual Reception will be forthcoming on the Museum website, <a href="http://www.wcmfa.org">http://www.wcmfa.org</a> and for further information, you may contact the Museum <a href="mailto:info@wcmfa.org">info@wcmfa.org</a> or call 301-739-5727.

#### **Berkeley Arts Council (BAC)**

In observance of Women's History Month and International Women's Day in March, Berkeley Arts Council is presenting Reflections of Gratitude, a collection of works about women. The exhibit is on display at the Berkeley Art Works, 116 N. Queen Street, Martinsburg, WV from February 23 through April 2, 2022.

#### Pam Wenger "Faces and Places" at Gallery 50 in Waynesboro, PA

Enjoy Pam Wenger's work! She has thirty watercolors in a group show at Gallery 50, 50 W. Main Street in Waynesboro. The show will run through April, 2022. Gallery hours are Friday, 5 - 8 PM, and Saturday from 11:30 to 2:30.

#### **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 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.

42 West Arts Gallery, 42 West Main Street, Waynesboro, PA. Geoff Grant Featured Artist March, April

We will be having an opening reception on Friday the 4th from 5:30 thru 7:30 with special music, wine and snack foods. Geoff Grant, a fine art photographer, will be there to answer any questions that you may have about his work. Donna Bingaman, Professional Artist, will be offering painting classes every Wednesday of each month from 12 - 3pm. throughout the year. Each class is offered at \$15. Come when possible. Everyone is welcome. Learn to draw and paint a beautiful painting. We paint in oil paint, watercolor, and pastel. Sign up at 42 West Arts or contact Donna Bingaman 762-8394 or artsyfolks@embargmail.com

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