

Art is for everyone!

MANSION HOUSE ART CENTER & GALLERY

480 Highland Avenue (City Park), Hagerstown, MD 21740

Hours: Friday & Saturdays, 11 am-4pm; Sundays, 1-5 pm

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President's Message

September 2022

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

September is here and we'll soon be inspired to put fall colors in our artwork!

As of this writing we don't have a winner from the "hidden address" in the August newsletter. If a VAA member finds their address hidden somewhere in this newsletter, as well as future newsletters, they will win a \$10.00 prize!

You will want to read this and future newsletters to learn about all the art activities available to you. Events such as Mansion House North Gallery members' exhibits, solo and special shows, monthly meetings with artist demonstrations and programs, art classes and workshops, Mansion House art groups, and other community art activities and events.

Fall Fest in City Park (which is a community event) is Saturday September 17, 2022 starting at 11am. Members are planning to be on the porch doing art demonstrations, displaying and selling their artwork, and providing children's art activities. We can expect large crowds of people visiting the Mansion House as in the past. Please contact a Board member if you wish to participate.

This next General meeting is Wednesday, September 28, 2022 at 7pm. This meeting will be in person at the Mansion House and on Zoom. The featured artist will be member Jennie Avila doing a musical program. Members will receive emails from me with the Zoom link, or they may contact me at halmasonart@myactv.net.

If you have any questions or comments about Valley Art Association or the Mansion House you may reach out to a Board member. The contact information for Board members is in the back of this and all newsletters.

Artfully yours,
Hal Mason, VAA President

**P.S. The Mansion House refrigerator is 30 years old, not frost-free and the shelf is broken....
Does anyone have one they'd like to donate?**

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 is now 480 Highland Ave., Hagerstown MD 21740. **PLEASE MAKE A NOTE OF THIS!**

Upcoming Member Activities

Fall Fest: September 17

General meeting: September 28 Hybrid

2022 North Gallery Shows

Please check the list below for drop off and pick up dates as shows approach.

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>
September 2022	"Art for Food" (by Katherine Peterson & group of participating members)	8/28	9/2	9/25	9/25
October 2022	It's a Fright	9/25	9/30	10/30	10/30
November 2022	Cityscapes	10/30	11/4	11/27	11/27
December 2022/January 2023	Winter Nights, Winter Lights	11/27	12/2	1/29/23	1/29/23
February 2023	The Magic of Threes		2/3	2/26	
March 2023	Animal Kingdom		3/3	3/26	
April 2023	Native Plants & Pollinators		3/31	4/30	
May 2023	May Flowers		5/5	5/28	
June 2023	Time		6/2	6/25	
July 2023	Every Picture Tells a Story		6/30	7/30	
August 2023	Tickle Me Pink		8/4	8/27	
September 2023	Gratitude		9/1	9/24	
October 2023	Memories		9/29	10/29	
November 2023	Cornucopia		11/3	11/26	
December 2023	Happy Holidays		12/1	1/28/2024	

2022 ART IN THE HALLWAY
Meritus Health Center

September	Gwen & Larry Bergey
October	Sue Bell
November	Chris Shingler
December	John Neal Mullican

VAA MEMBER NEWS

Membership Recruitment

The VAA has a system in place for reaching out and inviting prospective members. If you know of someone who is an artist or is interested in the arts, please send his/her name and email address to our membership chair, Denise Ruby at: denise7231@aol.com.

FIGURE-DRAWING

Figure-drawing sessions resume at the Mansion House Thursdays: September 22 and 29, October 6, 13, 20, 27, November 3, 10, 17, and December 1, 15, and 29, 10 a.m.-1p.m. Professional models, shared model fees only. No instruction. Contact Elaine Wolfe at valleyartinfo@gmail.com or call 304-261-9583 (no text).

Michael Davis Figure-Drawing Workshop

At his studio, The Badgerhound Gallery, 110 W German St, Shepherdstown, WV.

Tuesday, October 11, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Figure-drawing workshop with professional model - a rare opportunity for intensive study of process. Minimum 5, maximum 7. Cost \$125 plus separate \$25 model fee. Deadline for registration is October 1. Contact Elaine Wolfe at valleyartinfo@gmail.com or call 304-261-9583 (no text).

In Conjunction with the Washington Studio School - The DC Art Models Collective:

Online sessions are detailed through their website dcartmodelcollective.com

<https://washingtonstudioschool.org/drop-in-figure-drawing> Sessions are Mondays. 7-9 p.m. Professional models. \$7 for 1 hour, \$14 for two hours and \$20 for 3 hours.

New Masters Academy | The Ultimate Art Education Also online: **The New Masters Academy:** Great resource for photographs of models and more.

WORKSHOPS AND CLASSES

If you have a wish list for classes or workshops, please contact Elaine Wolfe at: valleyartinfo@gmail.com or call 304-261-9583 (no text). She wants to know what - or with whom - you would like the opportunity to study. If you would like to participate in coordinating and/or assisting in workshops, she would welcome the opportunity to work with you.

Mansion House

Lynn Ferris Watercolor Classes

Booking a space for the summer of 2023. To register for next year, please contact Lynn directly

at ferrislynn@yahoo.com. All her workshops and exhibitions for the year are at <http://www.lynnferris.com>.

Lesa Cook "Portrait Relief Sculpting": Two-Day Sculpture Workshop

September 15-16, bas-relief workshop with award winning and internationally exhibited artist and teacher: 10:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. both days. Cost, **including all materials:** \$165 for VAA and MFA members, \$180 for non-

members. <http://www.lesacook.com> For details, class description and to register, contact Elaine Wolfe (*see above*).

Off-Site

Berkeley Arts Council

Two photography workshops: “The Why and How of the Photographic Project” starts September 12 and runs for four sessions over a 10-week period, 6:00-9:00 p.m. Registration deadline for this workshop is September 5. “Photographic 1404 Oak Hill Ave. Composition and Creative Vision” meets for two sessions, September 19 and October 17, 6:00-9 p.m. Registration deadline is September 12. Both workshops meet at the Berkeley Art Works, 116 N. Queen Street, Martinsburg, WV. Also in September, **printmaking workshop for kids:** for ages 6 and up (with one optional Adult: “Mom-n-Me”, “Dad-n-Me”, “Granny-n-Me” type class.) meets at the Wonderment Puppet Theater on King Street in Martinsburg. Three separate sessions are offered on Saturdays September 10, 17 and 24, 9-11a.m. More information and registration at <https://berkeleyartswv.org/special-introductory-workshops/>.

Washington County Museum of Fine Arts Classes

Class schedule and registration: wcmfa.org/learn/classes/

To register for events, call (301) 739- 5727, or email: info@wcmfa.org.

Michael T. Davis monthly classical techniques workshops

Badgerhound Gallery, 110 W. German Street, Shepherdstown. The next workshop is September 26, 11 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Clocktower Gallery

Clocktower opened today with over 50 pieces on display. The first day finished with 24 visitors and one sale.

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

Wednesday Art Class Show--New Exhibit: "Works of Art" - The students of Donna Bingaman will be exhibiting their art work, titled "*Enjoying Art*" the month of September and October. Special opening reception, and refreshments will be Friday September 9th from 5:30 to 7:30 pm.

CALLS FOR ENTRY

Howard's Art &Frames: 16th Annual Art for the Animals Stop by the store (1256 Dual Hwy, Hagerstown, MD 21740) until due date, September 17. Each art board/entry will require a \$5 donation (cash/check only). Opening reception October 1; silent auction bidding October 1-22. All proceeds (including the donation for the board/s) will go to "For Otis' Sake". (301) 733-2722 www.howardsarts.com/afta2022; email: howardsart@aol.com.

The Washington County Arts Council's "Annual Community Art Show: The Best Local Art of 2022": The juried community art exhibit will be on display virtually and in the gallery from December 8, 2022 through January 3, 2023. Deadline is October 21. Artists are encouraged to submit up to three entries. Jurors are sculptor Antonio (Toby) Mendez and Mark Schwenk, photographer and metal sculptor. For details: <http://www.washingtoncountyarts.com> or contact the gallery manager, Chris Brewer, at gallerymanager@washingtoncountyarts.com or call 301-791-3132.

Always looking for new places to show your work? You can get calls for entry nationwide from CAFÉ, online at <https://www.callforentry.org/>.

EXHIBITS

The Washington County Arts Council, Inc. (WCAC), 34 S. Potomac St., Suite 100, Hagerstown, MD 21740.

Washington Goes Purple will open their exhibiton “Purple is the Color of Recovery: Prevent Addiction and Eliminate Stigma through Art” on September 8, and virtually on September 10. This juried community art exhibit will be on display virtually and in the gallery from September 8, through October 4, 2022: Tuesday - Friday, 11 am - 5 pm and Saturday, 10 am - 4 pm. Contact (301) 791-3132 <http://www.washingtoncountyarts.com> gallerymanager@washingtoncountyarts.com

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 1404 Oak Hill Ave. 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

Thank you for your continuing contributions to the VAA archival scrapbooks. VAA members may leave their art-related photos, notes of accomplishment and awards, bios, brochures, magazine/newspaper articles and other appropriate materials at the Mansion House desk. Be sure to place your name and any other information that you wish to share on the item. The scrapbooks will be on display at selected VAA events. Thank you! Be well and stay safe,

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