

Art is for everyone!

MANSION HOUSE ART CENTER & GALLERY

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

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

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President's Message

November 2022

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

I'd like to welcome all new members to Valley Art Association. We would also like to welcome Keely Neubauer as our newly elected Treasurer. Besides doing her treasurer's duties, Keely has offered to take on the task of training our Mansion House sitters (docents). Any member interested in learning all things Mansion House, including handling sales, can contact Keely if they would like to be trained. Congratulations to member Rosanna Hoverman for finding her address hidden in the October newsletter and thank you to Rosanna for donating her winnings back to VAA! Many thanks to member Marjorie Tressler for filling in for David Good who is unable to give the demonstration due to illness at our October General Meeting. Our next General Meeting is scheduled for 7 pm Wednesday, November 16, 2022. After a short business meeting and light refreshments, members and guests will be entertained with a caricature demo by artist Kent Roberts. Kent is the son of Clyde Roberts, founder of the Mansion House Art Gallery. You won't want to miss this one...you may even get to see a funny caricature being done of someone you know! Other upcoming exciting events at the Mansion House include the North Gallery "Cityscapes" exhibit by members during November. Mark your calendars for the City Park Tree Lighting event at the Mansion House on Friday Dec. 2nd at 6pm. The opening of the VAA Holiday Crafts Mart in the Mansion House begins December 3rd, and the "Happy Holidays" party for members follows at the Mansion House on December 28th, from 6-8:30pm.

Please read your newsletters, or contact a board member for more information about any of the above.

Have a very Happy Thanksgiving! Don't forget to keep reading the Valley Art newsletters to stay in the loop, and always remember that "ART is for Everyone."

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 the title 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

General Meetings’ Programs October 2022-June 2023
 (Business meetings & featured artists are in person & on zoom)

November 16, 2022 7pm - Business meeting & featured artist, Kent Roberts with a caricatures demonstration

December – No Business meeting – Holiday event for members and guests December 28, 2022 - 5:30-8pm

January 25, 2023 7pm - Business meeting followed by a members’ social

February 22, 2023 7pm - Business meeting & featured artist, Marguerite Cyr speaking and showing artwork about “Native Plants & Pollinators”

March 22, 2023 7pm - Business meeting & featured artist & film maker, Keith Jones with his documentary film about the history and present day of City Park (including Mansion House)

April 26, 2023 7pm - Business meeting & featured artist David Bottini with an acrylic painting demonstration

May 24, 2023 7pm - Business meeting & featured artist, Lynn Ferris with a watercolor painting demonstration

June 28, 2023 6pm - No Business meeting – members & guests picnic on porch

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>
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

November	Chris Shingler
December	John Neal Mullican

VAA MEMBER NEWS

Valley Art Association Happy Holidays Open House for VAA Members

Mansion House - Wednesday December 28, 2022 - 5:30-8pm

Members please bring a finger food or dessert to share

(NOTE: volunteers will be needed for 4:30pm set-up and 8pm clean-up)

Please contact Donna Mason donnamasonart@myactv.net

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.

VAA member **Anita Shively** entered three paintings in the annual Fulton County Fall Fest Art Show and all three received awards: *Best of Show* for her painting "Goldfinch, the *People's Choice Award* for her landscape, "Breaking Point", and a third place in oils for her animal painting of a dog named "Coop"! Congratulations, Anita!

VAA Member **Katherine Peterson** wishes to thank all of the Valley Art Association members who helped with and participated in the September, "Art for Food", show. The North Gallery was filled with the members' wonderful artwork.. Because of the exhibit, a donation to the Maryland Food Bank will be made. The total amount has yet to be determined as a MSAC grant is pending for the overall project. The next, "Art for Food", exhibit will occur at the Clock Tower Gallery in Williamsport, MD, early in 2023. For inquiries, please contact Katherine at: Katherine Peterson at kat.petersonstudio@gmail.com 240-422-1285.

FIGURE-DRAWING

Figure-drawing sessions at the Mansion House are scheduled for the following Thursdays, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Mansion House: November 3, 10, 17, and December 1, 15, and 29. Professional models, shared model fees only. No instruction. NOTE: Beginning on January 2, 2023, the figure-drawing sessions will be on Mondays, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. 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.

The website for the WSS is <https://washingtonstudioschool.org/drop-in-figure-drawing>; sessions are Monday evenings, 7-9:00 p.m. Professional models. Cost is \$7 for 1 hour, \$14 for two hours and \$20 for 3 hours.

Also online: **The New Masters Academy:** Great resource for photographs of models and much else.

[New Masters Academy | The Ultimate Art Education](#)

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

Lesa Cook "Painting the Portrait on Copper" Classes

Weekly classes for 5 weeks, three-hour sessions, Thursdays, January 12 - February 9, 2023: using copper as a substrate and techniques in portraiture, working from a live model. Focus on anatomy, gesture, composition, color harmony and expression. This is an intermediate level class and recommended for people who have experience in oil painting. Costs for 15 hours: \$230 VAA/ Museum members/\$245 nonmembers, plus shared model fee. Contact Elaine Wolfe at valleyartinfo@gmail.com or call 304-261-9583 (no text).

David Buckley Good Classes

Beginning in the new year, David Good, longtime instructor at the Schuler School of Fine Art in Baltimore, will begin teaching a variety of classes. Selection of subject matter is under discussion. Send input and requests to Elaine (*as per above*).

Pam Wenger Watercolor Workshop

Monday, April 3, 2023. Details to follow in the December newsletter.

Lynn Ferris Watercolor Classes

The dates for six weeks of watercolor classes with Lynn Ferris will be on Thursdays, from July 6, through August 10, 2023, from 9 am to noon. 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>.

Off-Site

Michael Davis Figure-Drawing Workshop

At his studio, the Badgerhound Gallery, 110 W. German St., Shepherdstown: Tuesday, December 6, 10 - 4 (date to be confirmed in mid-November). Figure-drawing workshop with professional 13505 Clopper Rd model - a rare opportunity for intensive study of process. Minimum 5 participants, maximum 7. Cost \$125 plus separate \$25 model fee. Contact Elaine Wolfe at valleyartinfo@gmail.com or call 304-261-9583 (no text).

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.

CALLS FOR ENTRY

Washington County Museum of Fine Arts

Deadline for entry submissions for the annual *Cumberland Valley Artists and Photographers Exhibition* is 3 p.m., November 9. The art juror is Mary Morton, curator and head of the French Paintings department at the National Gallery of Art; photography juror is Leo Hsu, instructor at Carnegie Mellon University, managing editor of the online *Fraction Magazine*, and interim executive director of the Silver Eye Center for Photography, Pittsburgh. Exhibition runs February 11- April 23, 2023. For entry details, go to <http://www.wcmfa.org> or email at info@wcmfa.org or 301-739-5727.

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

EXHIBITS

Washington County Museum of Fine Arts, Hagerstown City Park

From the Pages of PAN: Art Nouveau Prints, 1895-1900: More than 80 prints from the Berlin-based art, literature, and applied art periodical Pan, whose 21 issues were published in three editions of increasing luxury between 1895 and 1900. These prints, from the collection of the Richard H. Driehaus Museum, Chicago, include works by Rodin, Toulouse-Lautrec, Kollwitz, Beardsley, Seurat and others. Exhibit runs through January 29, 2023.

The Washington County Arts Council, Inc.

Annual juried *Community Art Show: The Best Local Art of 2022*, virtually and in the gallery December 8, 2022 – January 3, 2023. Jurors are sculptor, Antonio (Toby) Mendez and photographer and metal sculptor Mark Schwenk. Online at <http://www.washingtoncountyarts.com>; in person at 34 S Potomac St #100, Hagerstown. For more information, contact Chris Brewer, at gallerymanager@washingtoncountyarts.com or call 301-791-3132.

“*Four Sights*“ *Woodwork and Collage:* VAA members, **Jennie Avila** paintings and **Steve Wright** ceramics with Harold and Michelle Shapiro. Meet the Artists Thursday, November 3, 5-7pm. Exhibit November 3 - December 6, 2022.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Berkeley Arts Council Fundraiser

“An Evening with the Arts”, 6:30 p.m., November 12 at “1902 on Queen” venue in downtown Martinsburg. Nearly 50 artists and friends of the Berkeley Arts Council have donated artwork and other items that will be presented as part of a Tombola drawing. Tickets are \$60 each, or a Tombola plus companion ticket for \$100. More information is on the Berkeley Arts Council’s Web site <https://berkeleyartswv.org/>.

42 West Arts Gallery Fine Arts and Crafts 42 West Main Street

Come in and browse or make a purchase from local artists, and fine craftsmen at 42 West Arts Gallery, 42 West Main Street, Waynesboro. Featured Artist for November and December-- Artist Gwen & Larry Bergey, We will be having a reception on Friday the 4th with special music, food, wine. Come join the Bergey's and reception from 5:30 - 7:30.

Evangelical Lutheran Church, Waynesboro PA

VAA member, **Bill Martz**, is introducing information about a traveling art exhibit, “Icons In Transformation” which will take place at the above church, on 43 South Church Street on November 19, 2022 through January 28, 2023. There will be a pre-opening of the exhibit in conjunction with the Waynesboro Studio Art Club meeting on November 17th at 6:30 PM. All members of area art clubs/associations are welcome to attend. The exhibit will feature contemporary works by Ludmila Pawlowska, an international artist with Ukrainian-roots, and traditional Orthodox Icons from Vassilevsky Monastery in Russia. A reception, open to the public, is set for 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday Nov. 19. For further information on this event, please contact: Bill Martz who is the Project Chairman, at williammartz@comcast.net or 717-404-6410 Admission to all events is free.

DID YOU KNOW...?

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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