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Recommended by...

Karen Falcon recommends the *DailyArt Magazine* newsletter. I look forward to every edition! Each issue has from four to six short articles on art and beautiful pictures! [Click here for the website](#). Be sure to scroll to the bottom of the page to sign up.

Elaine Freeland recommends *The Secret Life Of Sunflowers* by Marta Molnar and Dana Marton. This novel is based on the true story of Vincent van Gogh's sister-in-law. As a 28-year-old widow with a baby in 1891 and without any means of supporting herself, Johanna van Gogh-Bonger managed to introduce Vincent's legacy to the world.

Karen Falcon recommends [this article](#) on the *Smithsonian Magazine* Photo Contest. "From stunning landscapes to captivating portraits, the photographs showcase the diverse beauty of the world around us. Vote for your favorite, too, for the Readers' Choice competition."

Please send your recommended art info to Karen Falcon by the 15th of the month for inclusion in the LOW Arts Newsletter.

Art Walk

Let's go for an **Art Walk!**

Mary Washington University Art Center
Tuesday, April 22, 2025

We will see special exhibits as well as the Senior Art Exhibit and student art in classrooms. There is no cost (other than lunch). Sign up sheets and more information will be available at the April LOW Arts meeting.



April Membership Meeting

Our next General Membership Meeting will take place on
Monday, April 7th - 10 am Community Center - Room 2
(Critique, as always, at 9:30)

Step into the future of art with Artist in the Spotlight **Jen Heinz** as she shares the astonishing ways artificial intelligence (AI) is shaking up the creative world. See AI in action as she demos cutting-edge tools that artists can use to amplify their creativity—or even collaborate with a digital counterpart. Plus, we'll tackle the big question: is AI a revolutionary muse or an ethical minefield?

We always welcome guests and new members - artists and art lovers, alike!

UPCOMING EVENTS



The Cedar Mountain Battlefield Foundation is holding a **Plein Air** event at the Battlefield April 19, 2025 from 9 am to 12 pm. The address is 9465 General Winder Road, Rapidan VA. More information at the LOW Arts meeting.

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

Wednesday, June 11, 2025



We will have a beginner's Zentangle class with a certified Zentangle instructor. More information to come.

April 7, 2025

General Membership Meeting
9:30 am Critique Session
10 am - General Meeting

Community Center
Room 2

Additional information - bottom left.

April 14, 2025

SEC Committee Meeting

Fareways Cafe Trophy Room
2 p.m.

Join us for fun and friendship!



Click above to see a complete calendar of events and deadline dates.

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Our Busy Members



Christy receiving her award
from Carroll Morgan,
curator of FCCA

Congratulations! *Flora Bell* fiber art by **Christy Rappoport** won an Honorable Mention at the FCCA "Faces and Figures Show." Christy says, "I was thrilled to receive this honor! I love meeting the challenge of an art show with a specific subject, though it often takes me out of my usual mode of work. I decided to try a very cubist rendition for this "Faces and Figures Show," utilizing many of the brightly colored batiks and cottons that I have. I had to do a rough sketch first and then trace the shapes onto the different fabrics to make sure it would all fit. Once pieces were cut and placed, I used a basting glue to hold things in place and then zig-zagged away! I loved the jungle-like green fabric that makes the background. I rarely use the mat board that comes with a frame, but I thought this worked for a very clean and crisp border." Christy, *Flora Bell* is a beauty!

Elena Pratt was awarded an Honorable Mention at the national juried exhibition, "Coffee Culture" at the LibertyTown Arts Workshop. Her pop art piece, *The Best Part of Waking Up*, is on display through Sunday, March 25, 2025. And, yes, Elena, coffee is the best part of waking up. Your painting gives me the same powerful feeling as my first cup of java!



Pratt, *The Best Part of Waking Up*

See art works by many LOW Arts artists at the FCCA April 2025 Show, Artist Choice, a juried exhibition. Exhibit dates are March 29 through April 25, 2025.



Brown, *Callas*



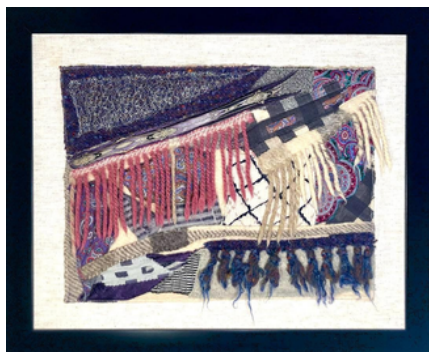
O'Donnell, *Orange Splash*



O'Donnell, *Mammoth Trees*



Brown, *Just Before Curtain*



C. Rappoport, *Origins*



Brown, *Grab Our Spot*



Brown, *Catch, Kiss and Release*

Try Something New



Coming soon to the VMFA in Richmond:

It's time to get ready for "Frida: Beyond the Myth." As the only East Coast venue and one of only two venues nationwide, VMFA presents a rare opportunity to be in the presence of this singular artist's immortalizing work. Rarely does one artist generate as much buzz and excitement as Frida Kahlo—get your tickets now! Free for VMFA members. Non-member adult tickets are \$20. Seniors 65 years of age and groups of 10 or more are pay \$16.

The VMFA is sponsoring several events in conjunction with this fabulous exhibit.

[Click here for more information.](#)

FCCA is holding a Cyanotypes Workshop on May 3, 2025. The workshop will be held from 1:00 to 4:00 pm at the FCCA, 813 Sophia Street, Fredericksburg, VA.

The cost is \$45.

Edward Murray, our March Artist in the Spotlight, demonstrated art he has produced using this interesting technique.

[Click here for the FCCA information page.](#)



Have you ever wanted to become a potter? Would you like to form beautiful and functional items with your hands?

The Arts Center in Orange holds a:
Ceramics Open Studio for beginners
every Friday, from 12 - 2 PM

Drop in and work in the ceramics studio with Phillip Strauss. Register in advance online or in person, and for as many sessions as you need. Up to 5 pounds of clay are included with your registration, and no experience is required.

[Click here for more information.](#)



Art is meant to be shared! There is a thriving art community both within Lake of the Woods and outside our gates. These local galleries not only display the work of their artists but sponsor exhibits that are open for you to participate in. Take that step! Share your art! They want to display (and possibly sell) your work! You will find all the details you need about each show on their website. Click on the graphic to connect.



For more information visit our website, our Facebook and Instagram pages, and watch for articles in the Lake Currents.

