

May 28 Program by Reggie Ferguson

6:30 p.m. Arts and Crafts Room
Warrensburg Community Center
Lifecasting

Reggie says “Since retiring in 2012 I've been looking for life's next great adventure, well I've found it as a Body-Life-Caster. So what is a body-life-caster you might be asking yourself, Lifecasting is the process of creating a three-dimensional copy of a living human body, through the use of molding and casting techniques. In rare cases lifecasting is also practiced on living animals. The most common lifecasts are of torsoes, pregnant bellies, hands, faces, and genitalia and it is possible for an experienced lifecasting practitioner to copy any part of the body.”



Lifecasting is usually limited to one section of the body at a time, but full-body lifecasts are achievable too. Compared with other three-dimensional representations of humans, the standout feature of a lifecasts is their high level of realism and detail. Lifecasts can replicate details as small as fingerprints and pores.

MMA Programs and Even Meetings/Programs

May 28 Reggie Ferguson
June Paint-In at UCM-
Cyanotype—sun photography
July No meeting
September 24
October 29
November 19

Events

June 15-July 22: MMA Summer Exhibition—hosted by UCM Gallery—
See Registration form for delivery and pick up dates. **Opening Reception Wed. June 17 5-7 p.m.**
November 6-7 Holiday Arts and Crafts Show



Spring Show Best of Show—Professional, Anne Hassell; Amateur, Holli Burge, Photography, T Moore

MMA April Minutes

Date: April 30, 2026 **Time:** 6:30 p.m. **Location:** Arts & Crafts Rm, Community Center

#of Attendees: 23

President Jane Lankford called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

Introductions: Jane welcomed six guests: **Chris Dugan, Mary Biasotti, Becky Petree, Gloria Holzer, Glenna England, and Vicki Carey. Coleman Hook** arrived a little later and was introduced. All were encouraged to return and join MMA. Additionally, **Leslie Nolte** was welcomed as a new member. Presenters, **Janie Lankford** and **Rebecca Limback** were introduced

Approval of Minutes:

The minutes from the March 26, 2026 meeting posted in the Newsletter, were approved.

Treasurer Report: Bill Waye reported on balances to date. Noting that changes were happening daily due to the upcoming Fine Arts Show income and expenses. A copy of the report was given to the secretary.

Business of the Meeting

Finance: Scholarship Fund Sustainability

Members were asked to read the discussion items posted in the agenda and give feedback. A short discussion followed.

Social Committee Chair:

Most of the discussion centered around final preparations for the Fine Arts Show. Lisa Knisley asked for clarification of the time line for Saturday as when she needed to have the Artists Reception table and breakfast items ready. Rebecca gave her the estimated times.

Fine Arts Show: Members confirmed final plans for the show.

Scholarship: Coleman Hook, scholarship recipient, was present and gave a brief summary of his future artistic plans.

Programs: Two suggestions for future activities and programs were given. Art in the Park and Partner with Main Street Coalition to do street murals for Burg Fest with chalk or washable paint.

Future Meeting Format: Janie shared a plan to streamline General Meetings by sharing Board updates in writing, leaving more time for activities and discussion. Members will continue to have the opportunity for questions or concerns and will be responsible for voting on all major club decisions.

Announcements:

Janie stated that she would send all members copies of the upcoming shows (Ike Parker Clinton Show, Knob Noster Shows, UCM/MMA Gallery Exhibition) and that there were some paper copies on the table. Summer "Paint In" plans are still being developed.

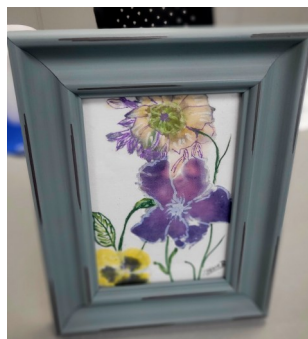
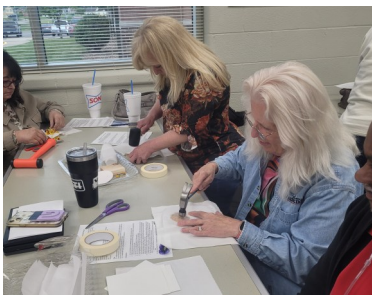
Adjournment:

The Business Meeting adjourned at 7:10 and was followed by the program **Tataki Zome' – Flower Pounding Workshop**. The workshop was very well-received, with participants expressing how much they enjoyed the hands-on experience.

Next Meeting: Date: May 28 **Time:** 6:30 **Location:** Arts & Crafts Rm. CC **Program:** TBA **Snacks:** Bob & Charlotte Gaw. Angi Lankford, Secretary



Scholarship recipient
Coleman Hook with Jane
Lankford



**Flower
Pounding!**

Awards Presented in the Mid-Missouri Artists 2026 Fine Arts Show

Thank you to everyone who assisted in any way with the show!

Art and photography filled the gymnasium in the Warrensburg Community Center May 2 and 3 during the 2026 Mid-Missouri Artists 45th Fine Arts Show. Show visitors were able to enjoy music while viewing the art provided by the Sunday Schoolhouse Jammers Sunday afternoon. Those receiving awards reside in 8 cities and Whiteman AFB.

Rebecca Limback, Warrensburg, was the Featured Artist and was available to discuss her work with show visitors who could view the display of her art.

The show was judged by Meghan McClellan, State Fair Community College.. Awards were presented in three categories:

Photography

Best of Show: T. Moore (Knob Noster) "Lap Nap"

Excellence Awards: Brett Butler (Warrensburg) "Welcome to Sedalia", Sande Cromer (Knob Noster) "Cherry Blossom Elegance", T. Moore "View from the Plate", Diana Smith "Tired of Winter" and "I Come to the Garden", Benjamin Au (Knob Noster) "Polar Share",

Honorable Mention Awards: Rebecca Limback (Warrensburg) Here's Looking at You", Ben Franklin (Knob Noster) "At the Produce Auction", Au "Twilight at the Fair" and Bridge in the Woods", Bill Wayne (Warrensburg) "Slower Traffic Keep Right" and Find the Bridge",

Professional

Best of Show: Anne Hassell (Warrensburg) "Ridge Wood"

Excellence Awards: Christina O'Rrear (Holden) "Braver than Most", Michael Byrne (Lee's Summit) "To the Point", Ben Franklin "Invincible", Ron Stewart (Warrensburg) "Donna", Nancy Sams (Knob Noster) "Water's Edge, Barb Byrne (Lee's Summit) Moonlit Silence."

Honorable Mention Awards: Shirley Horacek (Sedalia) "Beneath the Rainbow", Karen Nepple (Warrensburg) "Sperm Count", Bob Gaw (Warrensburg) "Quiet Pulse of Brick and Led", Sande Cromer "Web of Life: Every Thread Counts", Susan Sanders (Clinton) Amber in the Woods", Rebecca Limback "Spring."

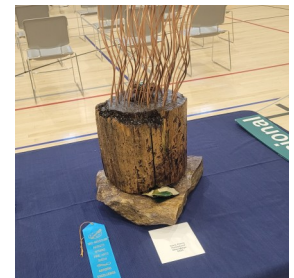
Amateur

Best of Show: Holli Burge "Smoke and Fire"

Excellence Awards: Dave Poe (Independence) "Early Flight", Edna Minshew (Warrensburg) "Portrait of Special Niece", Sandra Carlson (Warrensburg) "Gala", Leslie Nolte (Warrensburg) "Garden Party", Chairity Lankford (Warrensburg) "On the Go", Allyson Mabanta (Whiteman AFB) Veiled Timber'.

Honorable Mention Awards: Allysa Mabanta "Stormlight", Lauren Van (Warrensburg) "Balloon Pink Clown Doll with Hat", Jane Lankford (Warrensburg) "Hibisusis Pink" and "Summer Bright", Sandra Carlson "Nasturtium", Chairity Lankford "Peace and Harmony".

Show visitors cast their votes for the People's Choice award, with Leslie Nolte's "Garden Party" receiving the most votes.



Top Row: Jane Lankford presents People's Choice award to Leslie Nolte; Rebecca Limback, Featured Artist; Nancy Sams entry; Bottom Row: Ben Franklin with his entry; and self-portrait by Christina O'Rrear.

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Member News!

Jo Narron's show - Fact & Fable, at the Liberty Center Association for the Arts. Jo, is showing her beautiful, original oil and watercolor paintings. The Liberty Center, 111 W. Fifth St., in Sedalia is open from 1 to 5 PM, Tuesday through Friday.

Ben Franklin Juried into Mayfair Art Festival, Sedalia, May 9 and Received an award in the SVAA Spring Fling Show.

Please share your honors, awards, and activities—send information to rlimback@iland.net.

Upcoming Art Shows

Knob Noster Fair –Art Show

May 28-30

Ike Parker Memorial—Clinton

July 2, 2-5PM– July 3, 10AM-6PM– July 4, 12-5PM

Missouri State Fair August 13-23

Daum Museum of Contemporary Art

Vendor Market rescheduled for Sat. June 13, April 20-23, Leticia Bajuyo will be installing a large, floating art piece in the halls of the Stauffacher building.

Welcome New Members!

Chad Barrett, Warrensburg

Sandra Slusher, Higginsville

Meagan Jacoby, Smithville

Dave Poe, Independence

Mary Bibsotti, Warrensburg

Leslie Nolte, Warrensburg

Returning Members: *Stephen and Patricia Grandfield, Warrensburg*

Membership!

You can become a new MMA member or renew past membership at the MMA website

<https://midmissouriartists.com>

MMA Extra: Summer Activities Information

Three main activities occur during the summer months. Here's some things you need to know.

MMA Summer Exhibition June 15—July 22

Annual exhibition. Hosted by UCM Gallery of Art and Design. See the Registration form for specific details. There is no fee for displaying —just requires current MMA membership. This show often conflicts with the Ike Parker Show in Clinton, careful planning is required as work in the UCM show cannot be removed from the Gallery prior to the show's end.

The Registration form is turned in when you check your art in, and the Gallery Director requests that we provide an Artist's Statement with our work. You can display 1 or more works. We encourage everyone to participate. We need to fill the Gallery space! They can accommodate both 2- and 3-D works. The Gallery Director will work with you if you have something unique to display. All members are encouraged to attend the Opening Reception provided by the Gallery.

MMA Summer Paint In June 13

We usually hold this event during July; however, for this year it will be in June in order to offer a special workshop on Cyanotype (sun photography) at UCM. You can bring guests. Details are still being worked out...information later about materials to bring (objects, plants, flowers, etc.), any costs, lunch ideas, etc.)

Missouri State Fair August 13-23

The Fine Arts Division at the Fair includes Amateur and Professional Art, Photography, China Painting, the Missouri 50, and the Junior 50. All information and entry forms are on the mostatefair.com web site. Carefully read the information/rules for each category, To get there—from the web site, click on Participate (top of page); Livestock and Buildings/ Building Exhibitors; Fine Arts Building.

Note: Photographers may enter 2 photographs (not framed—follow specifications) and also may enter 1 or 2 photos framed in the Professional or Amateur art categories.

For any works sold, the Fair receives 25% of the price—price your work accordingly.

New this year—we are asked to register for MO Buys so that any premiums earned can be paid by the state. People may enter without being registered; but if they receive an award or sell a work—they will have to register. It's not a user-friendly registration—be sure to read the 16-page guidelines prior to starting. Ask them for help if you are having trouble.

MMA and SVAA join to support the division. A volunteer sheet will be sent out as we get closer to Fair time. We help check work in and out of the Fair, serve as show hosts during the Fair, provide finger foods for the Artist's Reception the night before the Fair opens. Show hosts receive free Fair admission the days they serve. You can work your shift and enjoy the Fair the rest of the day.

MMA and SVAA join also to provide 3 \$50 awards to students in the Jr. 50 Division.

The first time entering these events can be confusing. Please do not hesitate to ask for help from any of the officers or others who have entered in the past. The Fair has done a good job of making the information/rules easier to find your way through.

We encourage members to enter any of the categories—and definitely to volunteer!