

Mansion House Art Gallery

Home of the Valley Art Association

The Mansion House
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GALLERY HOURS: Friday & Saturday - 11am to 4pm / Sunday - 1pm to 5pm

General Membership Meeting with Diana Moltrup

January 27 - 7:00PM

Our January speaker is scheduled to be Diana Moltrup, Janie Moltrup's daughter. She works as a paralegal for a Washington, DC law firm, and specializes in intellectual property and copyright issues. Anyone in the arts should be familiar with these matters. Who owns an artist's product, and what constitutes fair use of images? Come hear Diana talk about her work in the field on January 27th.

Christmas Celebration of the Gallery Founders

Sunday December 6 - 1:00 to 3:00PM

At the annual Christmas tea and in lieu of a regular December meeting, we will celebrate the founders of the Mansion House Gallery. Inaugurated on August 30, 1991, our wonderful gallery is a rarity among art clubs. Clyde Roberts, then Director, along with the first members, set the tone for what has become a focal point of the Valley Art Association. Clyde's work at that time with the City of Hagerstown, and the efforts of VAA members, turned a vacant, historic house into a vibrant art center and created an exciting legacy for us to enjoy. I hope that you will be able to come and celebrate a project that still benefits us today. Please bring a favorite dish to share if you can.

President's Message

I hope everyone can come to the Christmas celebration of the Mansion House founders and usher in the holidays with our artist friends. Please sign up on the sheet posted on the upstairs door at the Mansion House (where we will now post such sign up sheets) if you can attend, and let us know what food you can share, and how many guests you are bringing. We would like to have this information by December 1st.

I would like to publicly thank Carol Trovinger's husband, Terry, and his associate, Scott Draper, CPA, for assisting Donna Smith in completing VAA's 2009 income tax return. Through their generous volunteer efforts, and Donna's meticulous record keeping, we were able to complete and file the tax return in November. Alas, though we all would prefer to paint or otherwise express our creativity, there are administrative chores that we must do to keep the organization alive. This year, thanks to Donna, Terry and Scott, this task was done quickly, efficiently, and economically.

The City's Tree Illumination is fast approaching. It will be Friday, December 4th from 5-9 pm. The Mansion House will host the Rhinelander Band again this year along with Santa, who will greet visiting children. We will have member crafts on sale, and refreshments (donations welcome – prepackaged only, please, no home made for the public events.) Please sign up (on the door) if you can help. By all accounts it is a rollicking good time and a great way to get in the mood for Christmas if you aren't already!

Sue Parker, President VAA
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Shows

NORTH GALLERY SHOWS

- **All-Member Show Winter Exhibit - "Primarily Primary"** **DECEMBER 6-JANUARY 1.** The VAA Holiday Tea on Sunday, December 6 will serve as the reception for this show. Artwork needs to be at the Mansion House by November 30th.
- **Member Crafts Sale and Exhibit-** **NOVEMBER through DECEMBER 27.** Please bring you quality hand made crafts and creations in the beginning a November for sale during the holiday season.

ADDITIONAL AREA SHOWS

Washington County Hospital

- **DEC** Artist of the Month - **Suzanne Bell**
- **JAN** Artist of the Month - **Carol Wilkes**
- **FEB** Artist of the Month - **Janie Moltrup**

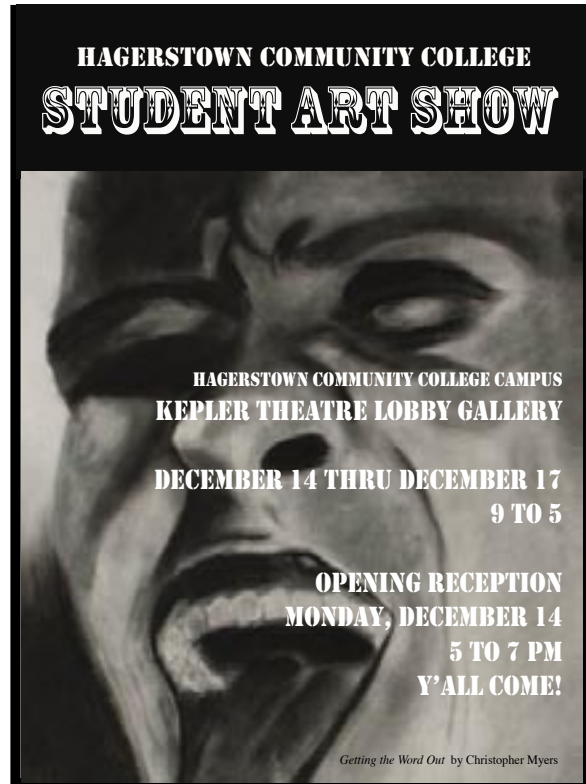
Questions on Art in the Hallways should be directed to Lucy Ecker at: 301-733-5320 or a1nanaecker@aol.com.

Chambersburg Hospital Artist of the Month

- **DEC** Artist of the Month - **Ruth Peyton**

- **JAN** Artist of the Month - **Shirley Talaliba**
- **FEB** Artist of the Month - **Lu Mattern (Oils)**

STUDENT SHOW



HAGERSTOWN COMMUNITY COLLEGE
STUDENT ART SHOW

HAGERSTOWN COMMUNITY COLLEGE CAMPUS
KEPLER THEATRE LOBBY GALLERY

DECEMBER 14 THRU DECEMBER 17
9 TO 5

OPENING RECEPTION
MONDAY, DECEMBER 14
5 TO 7 PM
Y'ALL COME!

Getting the Word Out by Christopher Myers

Classes and Workshops

Old Masters Flemish Technique in Oils - \$190

Starts April 26 to 29th. For info, contact Margaret Bearse at: maggibearse2003@yahoo.com

Patt Legg, an artist from Salisbury, North Carolina, paints and teaches the Old Master Flemish (before 1801) technique with a bit of the modern twist. She is a professional artist specializing in still life and portrait painting for over 30 years. Patt has taught this technique 14 of those years. You will work in a series of layers from the underpainting using soft hair brushes to the final pure color. This technique produces a depth and a brilliance of the Masters of Vermeer, Caravaggio and Rembrandt. Class will speak about painting procedures, still life organization, soft edges and Starving Artist paintings to how to prepare your panel and to clean your brushes.

Oil painting Classes with Liz Hurley

Liz Hurley is offering oil painting class on Monday mornings in her studio near Beaver Creek from 9:00am to noon. Classes begin after January 1st. She has openings for a few more students. Call 301-797-7619 or email at squinter@aol.com.

Workshop with Patt Legg

General Member News

Potters' Bowl Fund Raiser - Members are invited to contribute an original 16x20 painting of a subject in the Hagerstown area to be auctioned off at the annual Potters Bowl, a fund raiser for the City's Free Clinic. Donors will receive a free ticket to the event (worth \$50) and a bowl. Paintings should be available 1/15/2010. Please contact Lucy Ecker at 301-733-5320 if you are interested in donating.

Schedule for the Mansion House's Annual Cleaning - Those of us who hang our artwork at the Mansion House know that part of our annual obligation is to help with the thorough cleaning of the Mansion House. We are trying to make it easier for everyone to do this by scheduling two days to complete the tasks: Thursday, 1/7/10 and Tuesday, 7/13/10. You need sign up for only one of these dates and the jobs you would like to do on your scheduled date. The cleaning will begin at 10:00 AM on each of those dates, but you may start earlier if you wish. For those interested, we will order pizza for lunch.

NEXT GALLERY MEETING

All gallery members are asked to attend the Gallery Meeting the afternoon of Wednesday, March 17th at 1:00PM.

Janie Moltrop

Annual City Illumination Festivities - The Mansion House Gallery will be open in conjunction with the Hagerstown's City Park Illumination and Tree Lighting Ceremony on Friday, December 4 from 5-9 PM. It will be held two days before our Holiday Tea which is scheduled for that Sunday. We expect at least 100 people to visit during the ceremonies. Please contact Sue Parker or Margaret Bearse. A sign up sheet will be available at the meeting and on the information board.

Missing From the Library - We are trying to locate these volumes missing from our recent collection:

1. "Painting Wildlife with John Lester"

2. "The Complete Hunter-North American Game Animals"
3. VCR Tape "Gift of painting: Sue Scheewe"
4. VCR Tape of Tony Couch workshop

Additionally, there are about 16 volumes missing from past holdings. We would appreciate any information anyone has regarding the location of these. Thank you for your assistance.

Valley Art Web Site Expansion - Thanks to the continued generosity of our web masters, Carolyn ('CT') Tuttle and her husband, Hunter, we are now in a position to expand our web site to include individual member pages. It would operate like a 'virtual gallery,' where members can provide some information about themselves and upload images of some of their paintings. We can even add PayPal so that viewers can buy artwork from the member pages. There would be a small one time charge to set up a page, and, if we institute e-commerce, a small commission, say 10%, on any sales from the web site, to provide modest revenue to VAA and cover the cost of PayPal. CT will present a demo of a sample page at our January 27th meeting. Come see it!

Christmas Open House - Come and celebrate the opening of linleigh STUDIO with artist in residence, Lin Pedersen. The Christmas Open House will be held Saturday, December 12th from 10:00 am until 5:00pm, and Sunday December 13th from 12:00 to 5:00pm. A drawing will be held each day for a giclee print and door prizes. Stop by to say Hello! and have a cup of mulled cider and cookies! The studio is located at 9205 Five Forks, Waynesboro.

REMEMBER:

All artists entering a painting for the Museum Show must bring their art in by the February meeting. They will be juried during the following week. Members are allowed up to two paintings.

Mansion House Sitters Schedule

DECEMBER

JANUARY

FEBRUARY

Fri 4 Charles Gelsleichter ILLUMINATION CEREMONY Sat 5 Trudy Coody Sun 6 Zelma Lushbaugh Fri 11 Ruth Peyton Sat 12 Sue Parker Sun 13 Anna Hogbin Fri 18 Marjorie Tressler Sat 19 Ruth Peyton Sun 20 Sue Parker Fri 25 CLOSED Sat 26 Donna Bingaman Sun 27 Janie Moltrup	Fri 1 CLOSED Sat 2 Trudy Coody Sun 3 Margaret Bearse Fri 8 Donna Mason Sat 9 Donna Bingaman Sun 10 Sue Parker Fri 15 Donna Mason Sat 16 Ruth Peyton Sun 17 Marie McCafferty Fri 22 Donna Mason Sat 23 Ruth Peyton Sun 24 Chris Shingler Fri 29 Ruth Peyton Sat 30 Linda Peterson Sun 31 Donna Mason	5 Donna Mason 6 Trudy Coody 7 Ruth Peyton 12 Marjorie Tressler 13 Margaret Bearse 14 Chris Shingler 19 Donna Mason 20 Anna Hogbin 21 Chris Shingler 26 Lin Pederson 27 Chris Shingler 28 Ruth Peyton
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Future Events to Keep in Mind: Don't forget! House cleaning at The Mansion House January 7 beginning at 10 AM. Members are encouraged to sign up for a task on the bulletin board at the Mansion House.

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