

The Valley Art Association News & Mansion House Art Gallery

The Mansion House

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GALLERY HOURS: Friday & Saturday - 11 am to 4 pm Sunday - 1 pm to 5 pm



President's Message

It has been a busy summer for Valley Art, despite the "summer hiatus." The Board has met and crafted a schedule of events that we hope will provide a series of interesting and informative presentations at our general membership meetings. Our first presenter, Lonnie Jenkins, has been a long-time member of VAA. We have also lined up William Cochran (muralist), Sherry Kemp (eglonise), Ann Gibson Snyder (oil and acrylic) and Lynn Ferris (watercolor). Please put VAA meetings on your schedule this year!

Thanks to CT and Hunter Tuttle, our web site continues to blossom. I believe it has attracted several new members, and the individual member pages continue to grow. I encourage you to look at the clever calendar that is part of the site. It contains information about classes, sitters, and VAA events. We will also be posting special announcements as they come up, so bookmark www.valleyartassoc.com in your browser to keep tabs on our activities.

With the funds earned from people ordering art supplies from Dick Blick through our web site portal, and our carpet fund contributions over the past year, we were able to get new carpet for the Mansion House this summer. It certainly freshens up the look of the gallery. In other good news, with Donna Smith's help, and the wonderful support of Junior Mason and the Parks Dept. crew, we were able to take advantage of an end-of-the-season bargain and get an air conditioner for the East and West Galleries. With this addition, we should be fully air-conditioned, and ready to

meet the challenge of global warming (while, alas, contributing to it).

And don't forget the Fall Festival on the weekend of September 18th and 19th. It is a wonderful opportunity to set up on the porch to paint and display your works. We could also use more volunteers to help with the children and adult painting areas. The sign up sheet is on the desk at the Mansion House, or let a board member know you can help. Look forward to seeing you!

Sue Parker, President VAA

General Membership Meeting with Demo Artist Lonnie Jenkins Wednesday, September 22nd at 7:00 PM

Lonnie Jenkins, born in Hagerstown, is largely self-taught. He depicts local historical buildings, seascapes, landscapes and wildlife in a realistic style. His use of detail, and the forceful play of light and shadow bring his paintings to life. He has won many awards for his works, and has had solo exhibitions at the Washington County Museum of Fine Arts (where he has a painting in the permanent collection), the Mansion House Art Center, and Chambersburg Hospital. He taught art at the Mansion House and the Washington County Museum of Fine Arts until his retirement in 2001. He is a member of numerous art organizations, including the Baltimore Watercolor Society, and he is a past president of The Valley Art Association, as well as a co-founder of the Mansion House Gallery. Come see him demonstrate his approach to painting at the September meeting.

Shows

North Gallery Shows

"Visions of Light"

Sept. 3rd - Sept. 26th

Tamara Hoffman paints similar to the Old Masters with many backlit scenes. Reception Sunday, Sept. 5th from 2 pm - 4 pm with cello music by Mia Hoover and catered by Krista.

"Ruth's Past Time Favorites"

and

"Bobby Savannah's Wild Life"

Oct. 1st - Oct. 31st

Both Ruth Peyton and Bobby Savannah love to paint, with Ruth painting most Wednesdays with a group that gathers to enjoy friendship and learn new techniques together in the beautiful Mansion House Art Galleries. Reception Sunday, October 3rd from 2 pm - 4 pm.

Hospital Shows

Washington County Hospital

"Art In The Hallways"

Artist of the Month

Sept: Donna Bingaman

Oct: Lori Bell

Nov: Marguerite Cyr

Questions? Call Lucy Ecker at: (301) 733-5320

or E-mail: alnanaecker@aol.com.

Chambersburg Hospital

Artist of the Month

Sept: Zelma Lushbaugh

Oct: Noelle Miller

Nov: Ruth Durbin

Classes

Portraiture with Janet Seligman Salter

Dates: Starts August 31st **Day:** Tuesday **Time:** 1 pm - 4:35 pm **Location:** HCC **Tuition:** Call

This course is Art 110 at Hagerstown Community College and is designed for those with basic drawing and/or painting skills and a desire to gain a solid understanding of portraiture. To register call: (301) 790-2800 ext. 238 or E-mail: admissions@hagerstowncc.edu. **Last day to register is September 7th.**

Watercolor with Lynn Ferris, NWS

Dates: Sept. 9th - Oct. 28th **Day:** Thursday **Time:** 1 pm - 4 pm **Location:** Mansion House **Tuition:** \$15 per class

Lynn is a signature member of the National Watercolor Society and the Florida Watercolor Society. To register or for more information call Lynn at (304) 258-1651 or E-mail: ferrislynn@yahoo.com.

Decorative Painting with Marie McCafferty

Dates: Sept. 15th - Dec. 1st **Day:** Wednesday **Time:** 6:30 pm - 9 pm **Location:** Mansion House **Tuition:** \$65

Decorative Painting for the Intermediate to Advance Level Painter. Six classes on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month. For more information call Marie McCafferty at (240) 313-9440.

Pastel Painting with Lin Pedersen

Dates: Oct. 5th - Nov. 9th **Day:** Tuesday **Time:** 9-11:30 am & 7-8:30 pm **Location:** Linleigh Studio **Tuition:** \$60

Lin Pedersen will be giving six lessons in her studio on working with pastels and demonstrating the medium's versatility. For more information call Lin at (717) 762-0656 or E-mail: linleighart@earthlink.net

General Member News

Tribute to Marguerite Cyr

On August 5th, the Washington County Chapter of the American Red Cross and the Girl Scout Council of the Nation's Capital paid tribute to long-time Valley Art Association member, Marguerite Cyr, at its first annual Women of Distinction luncheon at the Fountainhead Country Club in Hagerstown. In addition to her work as an artist, Mrs. Cyr has volunteered extensively with both of the sponsoring organizations. Congratulations on this well-deserved accolade, Marguerite. We are proud to be in your company.

3rd Annual Autumn Arts Festival

September 18th and 19th from 10 am to 5 pm

Please come set up on the porch of the Mansion House to demonstrate painting and sell your art on Saturday and Sunday. Seven thousand visitors attended last year's festival. Volunteers are needed on Sunday to help children and adults paint. The children's paintings will be shown at the museum.

Reminders

Hospice Call to Artists

Remember: As part of their 30th anniversary celebration, the Hospice of Washington County has invited artists to submit works by Oct. 8th on the theme "Extraordinary End of Life Experiences". One entry will be selected for purchase and used in Hospice materials during the coming year. Submit entries to Cheryl Brown at Hospice offices at 747 Northern Avenue, Hagerstown.

Next Gallery Meeting

The next Gallery meeting is **September 9th at 10 am**. Note: The training with the representative from the credit card company has been rescheduled to November 4th at 10:00 am.

Dues are now PAST DUE

Please send a check for \$25 payable to the Valley Art Association to Donna Smith, Treas., 501 Highland Way, Hagerstown MD 21740. Questions? Call Donna Smith at (301) 797-8761, or E-mail: DSmith7119@aol.com. Bylaws require that members pay by the October meeting to remain active.

Welcome New Members

Andrea Burke

A realtor in Martinsburg, WV, Andrea is a long-time student of art. She donates most of her art work to non-profits to sell, and gives paintings of their new home to buyers at closing. Visit her Facebook page at www.Facebook.com/AndreaJBurke.

Mary Anne Burke

Mary Anne is the Executive Director of the Washington County Arts Council, Inc., which has offices and a gallery at 14 West Washington Street in Hagerstown.

Phillip Shepard

Phillip, who has physical challenges, has been interested in art since he was a child, and has recently begun sharing his art with others. He hopes to improve his art and meet new friends through his participation in Valley Art.

Shirley Snyder

Shirley constructs magical, one-of-a-kind, artistic baskets using found objects that she incorporates into her weaving. She has a shop, Blue Ridge Basketry, at her historic home Hedgesville, WV, where she displays her work, sells basket-making supplies and teaches basketry. See examples of her work in the cabinet at the Mansion House.

Nicole Troup

A graduate of the Pennsylvania College of Art and Design (Lancaster, PA) with a BFA in illustration, Nicole is pursuing a career as a portrait artist and art instructor. She has taught at Howard's Art Supplies, Arts Express, and the Washington County Museum of Fine Arts. She works primarily in oils and acrylics.

Congratulations! Trudy Coody

Trudy Coody has had a painting accepted into the September, 2010, Philadelphia Watercolor Society show. The show will be held from Sept. through Nov. at the GoggleWorks Art Center in Reading, PA. What a wonderful tribute to this member's artistic abilities.

Call To Artist

The Washington County Arts Council has chosen "Choose Civility" as the theme for this year's December Community Show in an effort to support a community-wide initiative, and they invite local artists working in any medium to participate. This juried show will run from Saturday, December 11, 2010 to Wednesday, January 5, 2011 with an opening reception December 11, 2010, from 6 pm to 9 pm. Artists are encouraged to submit up to three entries by E-mail or on a CD to the Arts Council by 11/6/2010. For more information visit this page at www.valleyartassoc.com/news.aspx.

Mansion House Sitters Schedule

September

- 3 Marjorie Tressler
- 4 Jean Strike
- 5 Zelma Lushbaugh

- 10 Marie McCafferty
- 11 Charles Gelsleichter
- 12 Donna Bingamon

- 17 Tamara Hoffman
- 18 Terry Shotton
- 19 June Savannah

- 24 Margaret Bearse
- 25 Jean Strike
- 26 Anna Hogbin

October

- 1 Marie McCafferty
- 2 Terry Shotton
- 3 Zelma Lushbaugh

- 8 Tamara Hoffman
- 9 Charles Gelsleichter
- 10 Lucy Ecker

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- 22 Tamara Hoffman
- 23 Jean Strike
- 24 Anna Hogbin

- 29 Marjorie Tressler
- 30 Lin Pedersen
- 31 Sue Parker

November

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- 6 Trudy Coody
- 7 Lucy Ecker

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