

# The Valley Art Association News & Mansion House Art Gallery

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

## President's Message

It is hard to believe it has been two years, but it is time to pass the gavel. I've enjoyed my time as president of the Valley Art Association. During my tenure, I have learned much about art from the members, who have always been generous with their knowledge, and the presenters and guests who have been willing to come to the Mansion House Art Center to demonstrate their particular skills. I hope to continue this personal growth as well as my association with the wonderful artists who are part of this organization.

I can't leave office without recognizing my fellow officers, the members of the hard-working board. This unsung group keeps the Association and the Mansion House operating, handling event planning, problems, glitches, snafus, complaints, schedules, exhibits, finances, taxes, negotiations, and the inevitable paperwork. Couldn't have done it without them. Thanks.

It has been an interesting time. We now have a presence on the internet, thanks to Carolyn Tuttle and her husband, Hunter. Our web site and our "virtual gallery" afford VAA the ability to reach out to the community, and show the world who we are and what we do. And, with your support, we have made a few tangible improvements to the Mansion House Art Center: new chairs, new carpet, and a new air conditioner. (Now it is possible to be cool on both sides of the hall! Of course we were "cool" even before we had air conditioning...) And we have continued our support of charitable and other community activities. We are participating in the annual Red Cross and Hospice fundraisers as well as the City-sponsored Bluesfest, Fall Festival, and Christmas Tree Illumination in the Park. In addition to these events, there are myriad other special

activities during the year which members opt to join: ongoing weekly painting groups at the Mansion House, art classes, special community exhibits, all-member exhibits in the North Gallery, and the annual VAA exhibit at the Washington County Museum of Fine Arts. The Valley Art Association really has something for everyone.

*Sue Parker, President VAA*

## General Membership Meeting and Annual Picnic

**Wednesday, June 22nd at 6:00 PM**

Come join us at our regular June membership meeting for the annual picnic on the porch. VAA provides fried chicken, and the members contribute their special dishes. It makes for an evening of pleasant company and a wonderful meal. Guests are welcome for a contribution of \$5.00 and Donna Smith will be accepting the \$25.00 annual dues for the new fiscal year.

## Welcome to the New Officers

Pursuant to the election at the May 25th meeting, Valley Art Association's officers for the upcoming year are as follows:

**President:** Maggie Bearse

**Vice President / President Elect:** Janie Moltrup

**Corresponding Secretary:** Carolyn Tuttle

**Recording Secretary:** Charlotte Loveless

**Treasurer:** Donna Smith

**Gallery Director:** Marjorie Tressler

**Assistant Gallery Director:** Roy Tressler

## Shows

### Mansion House North Gallery

#### All Member Shows

June 3rd through June 26th

Miniature and "Summer Sunrise" exhibits.

#### Blues Festival Exhibit

June 5th

All member art and craft sale on the porch.

#### Wayne Kell Exhibit

July 1st through July 31st

#### All Member Shows

August 5th through August 28th

September 2nd through September 25th

### Washington County Museum of Fine Arts

#### Lions and Dragons and Snakes! Oh My!

Now through August 21st

#### Making Pictures: A Retrospective Exhibition

Now through September 18th

#### Nineteenth Century American Art

Now through February 12th 2012

#### 79th Cumberland Valley Artists Exhibition

June 4th through September 4th

## Area Hospitals

### Artist of the Month

	Chambersburg	Meritus	Waynesboro
June:	Philip Buttermore	Virginia Hair	Cora Shifflett
July:	Charles Gelsleichter	Dennis Bingaman	Laura Shindle
August:	Barry Hile	Gail Cox	Betty Koontz

## Classes and Workshops

### Watercolor with Lynn Ferris, NWS

**Dates:** June 16th - July 28th **Day:** Thursday **Time:** 9 a.m. - noon **Location:** Mansion House **Tuition:** \$15 per class

Lynn is a signature member of the National Watercolor Society and the Florida Watercolor Society. This is a six session class (no class on July 14th). To register or for more information call Lynn at (304) 258-1651 or E-mail: ferrislynn@yahoo.com.

### Intermediate Watercolor Painting with Anna Hogbin

**Dates:** Sept. 8th - Nov. 17th **Day:** Thursday **Time:** 6 - 8:30 p.m **Location:** Mansion House **Tuition:** \$90

This is a six week course with classes held every other week. Sept. 8th & 22nd, Oct. 6th & 20th and Nov. 3rd & 17th. Four of the six sessions will be landscapes. Sessions will be: working from a photo of student's choice; a big sky painting; working from a black and white photo; combining photos to create a good landscape design; a close-up landscape. One session will be a floral with emphasis on shadows and lighting; one session will be a student designed still life set up with emphasis on arrangement, eye movement, texture and lighting. For more information Call Anna at 304-263-1094



## General Member News

**Next Gallery Meeting and Wall Change: July 12th 2011 at 3:00 PM**

### A Note from the Treasurer

The new fiscal year is approaching, (July 1st), and annual member dues (\$25.00) will be due. **Donna will be accepting dues at the picnic on June 22nd.**

### Craft Sales at the Mansion House

At the May meeting VAA members voted to allow fine quality crafts to be displayed at the Mansion House on a space available basis in accordance with the following policy.

- On a space available basis, members of The Valley Art Association may display and sell their own good quality, original, hand-made crafts suitable for exhibit in the Mansion House Art Center.
- No items purchased for resale are permitted.
- Before acceptance, Board members or their designees must approve representative examples of the member's work, and the type of crafts subsequently exhibited must be similar to those juried into the gallery.
- The Valley Art Association may revoke acceptance if the nature or quality of the crafts significantly deviate from what was initially accepted.
- Available display space will be offered on a first come first served basis, at a fee established by the Board.
- Members are responsible for maintaining their own inventory of items exhibited at the Gallery.

**Note:** Members may continue to exhibit and sell their non-juried craft items at the Mansion House at other times and events designated by the Board.

### Anyone know Bo Davis?

VAA has received a query via the web site from someone who would like to know if we know an artist named Bo Davis. He has a pen and ink drawing titled "Yesterday's Winter: Leitersburg Pike Bridge Scene" by this artist and would like to know more about it. Does anyone have any information? If so, please contact Sue Parker [scp460@earthlink.net](mailto:scp460@earthlink.net).

### Welcome New Members

#### Carole Gwin

Carol retired from Verizon in 1995 and moved to North Carolina where she studied oil painting. She returned to Hagerstown in 2005 and resumed painting here, where she is studying with Elizabeth Stacey Hurley.

#### Yasmany Roman

Yasmany was born in Cuba and came to the US as a child of 8. She has always had a passion for art and animation. Yasmany, you are with many like-minded people here at Valley Art!

#### Annette V. Rossi

Thanks to Sue Slimmer for suggesting that Annette join us.

### Plein Air Painting at Civil War Sites

With this newsletter come the first entries in the schedule of places where artists can paint at the site of interesting, but lesser known, activities of the Civil War. Visit the new "Civil War Sites" page to view the locations. The intention is to find and let you know about places where you can paint on location. The hope is that by 2014, VAA will be able to have a North Gallery show commemorating the sesquicentennial of the Civil War with paintings of local places accompanied by vignettes outlining their role in the Civil War.

Some of the locations involve specific dates but many are available any time. You don't need to sign up (unless the notes specifically say that is required). You can choose to come alone, or arrange to come with a group of fellow painters. You do not need to be a member of VAA to participate (though we would love to have you as a member).

Although I have visited and arranged for this first group, and will continue to do so as I have time, if you would like to suggest a place, or make the arrangements yourself and submit them to me for inclusion in the schedule, please do so!

I look forward to hearing from you or seeing you there, painting. - Sue Parker

## Mansion House Sitters Schedule

### June

3 Marjorie Tressler  
 4 Charles Gelsleichter  
 5 Zelma Lushbaugh  
  
 10 Sue Parker  
 11 Trudy Coody  
 12 Sue Parker  
  
 17 Marie McCafferty  
 18 June Savanaha  
 19 Donna Bingaman  
  
 24 Marie McCafferty  
 25 Anna Hogbin  
 26 Charles Gelsheitchler

### July

1 Marjorie Tressler  
 2 Sue Parker  
 3 Lucy Ecker  
  
 8 Tamara Hoffman  
 9 Terry Shotton  
 10 Lucy Ecker  
  
 15 Tamara Hoffman  
 16 Maggie Bearse  
 17 Anna Hogbin  
  
 22 Charles Gelsheitchler  
 23 Ruth Patten  
 24 Lucy Ecker  
  
 29 Jean Strike  
 30 Maggie Bearse  
 31 Lucy Ecker

### August

5 Charles Gelsleichter  
 6 **Need Someone**  
 7 **Need Someone**  
  
 12 Tamara Hoffman  
 13 **Need Someone**  
 14 Anna Hogbin  
  
 19 Tamara Hoffman  
 20 **Need Someone**  
 21 **Need Someone**  
  
 26 Jean Strite  
 27 **Need Someone**  
 28 **Need Someone**

**Attention Gallery Sitters:** As you can see we have quite a few days where your help is needed for the month of August, please call Marjorie or Roy Tressler at 717-762-6791 or sign up at the Mansion House to help out. Thanks

## 2010 - 2011 VAA Board of Directors

<b>President</b>	Susan Parker	Phone: (304) 258-4046
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Board members can be contacted via E-mail at [www.valleyartassoc.com/board.aspx](http://www.valleyartassoc.com/board.aspx).

# 2010 - 2011 VAA Event Calendar

## October 2010

- 20 10:00 AM Board Meeting
- 27 7:00 PM General Membership Meeting with Watercolor demonstration by Janie Moltrup

## November 2010

All Month Crafts For Sale at the Mansion House

- 17 10:00 AM Board Meeting
- 23 3:00 PM General Membership Meeting with Rebecca Massey Lane at the Washington County Museum of Fine Arts (**Note earlier time, day and location**)

## December 2010

All Month Crafts For Sale at the Mansion House

- 3 6:00 PM Open House and City Christmas Tree Illumination in the Park (Need lots of help for this one!)
- 5 1:00 PM General Membership Meeting and Christmas Tea (Bring art supplies for the VA)
- 15 10:00 AM Board Meeting

## January 2011

- 6 10:00 AM First Semi-Annual Mansion House cleaning
- 19 10:00 AM Board Meeting
- 26 7:00 PM General Membership Meeting with Muralist William Cochran

## February 2011

- 16 10:00 AM Board Meeting
- 23 7:00 PM General Membership Meeting with Carol Wilks demonstration on using Golden Open Acrylics

## March 2011

- 16 10:00 AM Board Meeting
- 23 3:00 PM General Membership Meeting with Anne Gibson Snyder on plein air painting in oil and acrylic (**Note earlier time**)

## April 2011

- 20 10:00 AM Board Meeting
- 27 7:00 PM General Membership Meeting with Dr. Elizabeth Johns speaking about Curating and Exhibits.

## May 2011

- 18 10:00 AM Board Meeting
- 25 7:00 PM General Membership Meeting with Watercolor demonstration by Lynn Ferris

## June 2011

- 15 1:00 PM Board Meeting (**Note later time**)
- 21 10:00 AM Second Semi-Annual Mansion House cleaning
- 22 6:00 PM General Membership Meeting and Annual Picnic

## July 2011

- 12 3:00 PM Wall Change