

The Valley Art Association News & Mansion House Art Gallery

The Mansion House

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GALLERY HOURS: Friday & Saturday - 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday - 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

President's Message

Welcome to our new members! I am looking forward to working, painting and having you share your work at the Valley Art Association. Thank you to all of the folks who shared their work for the January meeting! Several folks commented on the format for the meeting and hopefully we can do this again next year.

Don't Forget VALENTINE Day! We all have many valentines in our lives. The people that help make our life easier throughout the year are our Valentines. Be the Artist you are and make someone's day by creating a special Valentine for them.

During the month of February take time to clean out your art supplies and tools and get a head start on the purposed White Elephant sale scheduled for our final meeting in June. Details about the sale to be announced soon!

Please remember to use the Idea Box located in the reception area at the Mansion House. Your thoughts are important and the board can only act on the ideas we receive from all of the members at the Art Association.

Thanks a lot for all you do for Valley Art!

Thanks to all who assisted with cleaning the Mansion House after our Holiday Season. Many hours were spent Tuesday January 3rd cleaning up and putting away our decorations. A special thank you to our new Vice President John Mulligan and our Gallery Director Marjorie and her able bodied assistant Roy Tressler. Thanks also to Past President Sue Parker and Terry Shotton who always come to help clean up.

Also, thanks to Ruth Peyton for cleaning the kitchen while she was at the Mansion House. Holidays are busy for all of us so yea! to all who were able to help. For those members who were unable to attend the clean up in January, please try and make our next clean up this spring especially if you have a space to display your work or if you use the facilities at the Mansion House on a regular basis for painting. Any member wishing to do a special clean up just go for it, and please let us know!

A special thank you to Barry Chaney for the wonderful donation of oil and acrylic paints for the Veterans.

Janie Moltrup, President VAA

General Membership Meeting at the Washington County Museum of Fine Arts

Wednesday, February 22nd at 3:00 PM

Shows

Mansion House North Gallery

"Be My Valentine"

February 3rd 2012 through February 26th 2012

All Member Show

The Monday Morning Painting Group

March 2nd 2012 through March 25th 2012

Reception Sunday March 4th from 2 to 4 p.m.

"Goldens in My Garden"

March 30th 2012 through April 29th 2012

Terry Shotton Exhibit

Oil and beeswax paintings

"Shoot the Civil War"

May 4th 2012 through May 27th 2012

All Member Photography Exhibit

All Member and Miniature Show

June 1st through June 30th 2012

Washington County Museum of Fine Arts

Nineteenth Century American Art

Now through February 12th 2012

American Decorative Arts

Now through September 16th 2012

Art for America: Selection of WPA Prints

October 1st through March 4th 2012

Museum Art School Reunion Exhibition

January 20th through April 14th

Cumberland Valley Photographic Salon

January 28th through April 29th

Area Hospitals

Artist of the Month

	Chambersburg	Meritus	Waynesboro
February:	Charles Gelsleichter	Audrey Mentzer	No Info
March:	Margaret Dayton	Wayne Kell	No Info
April:	Brandii Kligge	Terry Shotten	No Info

Classes and Workshops

Watercolor Texture with Anna Hogbin

Dates: March 1st - May 3rd **Day:** Thursday **Time:** 6 - 8:30 p.m. **Location:** Mansion House **Tuition:** \$90

This will be an intermediate class with the main topic for students to create textures with Watercolor and related materials. Using values along with the principles of design to plan a visual walk through your painting will also be covered. Anna will provide only the materials needed for the textures. Note: No class on April 5th.

Decorative Painting with Marie McCafferty

Dates: March 7th - May 16th **Day:** Wednesday **Time:** 6:30 - 9 p.m. **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.

General Member News

VA Arts Group Says Thanks

In our annual Christmas drive, the United Auto Workers local 171 Shop Committee, which represents the Shop workers at Mack Trucks/Volvo in Hagerstown, MD, gave a generous \$250 to buy art supplies for the painting program at the Veteran's Administration hospital in Martinsburg. Many VAA members (and non-members!) also donated supplies.

Mary Dunlap, our liaison with the program, said thanks. In her words: "I cannot thank you enough for your invaluable assistance in providing twelve easels and numerous paints and painting supplies for our Veterans painting program. We and they appreciate each one. We delivered all the donations to Martinsburg Veterans Hobby Shop. Our Veterans helped to unload all the very generously donated supplies. They each said, 'These are things we can really use'. They are so very appreciative of each donation."

North Gallery Show

The Valley Art Association is honored to announce the upcoming North Gallery Show featuring the Monday Painting Group from the Mansion House Gallery. This group of very talented women artists, mainly working in water media with be the focus of a month long show in our north gallery. Dates of the show are March 2 to March 25, 2012. Please come and meet the artists at their opening reception Sunday March 4 from 2 to 4 p.m.

Marjorie Tressler, Mansion House Gallery Director.

Lost and Found

If anyone has noticed a unknown basket around the Mansion House, please contact Jean Strike, it came up missing after the Wednesday art group show in Oct. It is oval with a handle and made with a small light wood weave, this is a hand made gift from a friend and she would like to find it, please call (717) 263-3474.

Welcome New Members

Sharon Benoit

Sharon Benoit is a native of Maryland's Eastern Shore and now resides in Hagerstown. She is paints with watercolors and acrylics using a realistic interpretation. Sharon has studied at the Rehoboth Beach Art League, Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts and the Frederick Community College. Sharon's work includes commercial illustration, wearable art, dimensional stitchery, weaving, batik, tie-dye, cast and applique jewelry, polymer clay and stoneware pottery.

Sharon has won numerous top awards in shows throughout the Washington and Frederick Counties as well as in the nearby Shepherdstown, WV area. Her works also are enjoyed in private and commercial collections.

Craig Camp

Craig's work history includes being a Russian Linguist at NSA, owning and operating a residential construction firm (10 Years) and a computer graphics firm (19 years). College: 8 years of Russian and Architecture. Art interest including oil painting, and photography in which I am actively involved. Also, am a Maryland Master Gardner (Washington County).

Museum Art School Reunion Exhibition

We are proud to announce that we have six current members of the VAA in the Washington Co. Museum of Fine Arts "Museum Art School Reunion Exhibition: Creating, Inspiring & Educating Artists for 80 Years" Teacher and Former Student Bob Wantz, Former Student and Former Teacher Marjorie Tressler, as well as Former Students: Virginia Hair, Laura Lewis Shindle, Nicole Troup and Elisabet Stacy-Hurley. This is a Reunion Exhibition that celebrates 80 years of service to the community that unites works of art by past instructors and museum school students for whom the museum art school launched careers, three of which had solo shows at the museum, Liz Hurley, Marjorie Tressler and Bob Wantz. Also included—Clyde Roberts an inspiration to all for so many years as a teacher and friend at the museum and the VAA!!!

Mansion House Sitters Schedule

February

3 Marjorie Tressler
 4 Janie Moltrup
 5 Janie Moltrup

 10 Donna Mason
 11 Donna Bingaman
 12 Eliane Ambrose

 17 Donna Mason
 18 Sue Parker
 19 Lucy Ecker

 24 Carol Wilks
 25 Terry Shotton
 26 Lucy Ecker

March

2 Marjorie Tressler
 3 Jean Strike
 4 Terry Shotton

 9 Donna Mason
 10 Anna Hogbin
 11 Terry Shotton

 16 Charles Gelslechter
 17 Nicole Troup
 18 Sue Parker

 23 Donna Mason
 24 Anna Hogbin
 25 Terry Shotton

 30 Carol Miller
 31 Lin Pedersen

April

1 Trish Suder

 6 Charles Gelslechter
 7 Jean Strike
 8 **Closed**

 13 Donna Mason
 14 Nicole Troup
 15 Trish Suder

 20 Donna Mason
 21 Anna Hogbin
 22 Trish Suder

 27 Carol Miller
 28 Nicole Troup
 29 Trish Suder

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