

# 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.**

## Vice President's Message

After completion of a year as your vice president I will be leaving that post later this summer to make room for a new member to come aboard. This will allow my replacement ample time to become familiar with the operation of VAA before advancing to the position of president, which current demands on my time just do not allow me to do. Be assured that I will continue to participate in activities of the Valley Art Association.

The success of this association depends on the participation of its members, so please consider doing what you can to help.

Your friend and associate, *John Neal Mullican*

## Gallery Director's Message

Spring is right around the corner, and the posies are peeking through along with a hint of good weather for painting outside! A few things for our members to remember: the May North Gallery Photo Show "Shoot the Civil War" and in September and October the North Gallery Fall Show covering the city wide celebration of the Civil War. Please check the current list on the web site or check with Sue Parker for sites in our area.

We are currently planning a bus trip. Suggestions and ideas for the trip should be forwarded to either Donna Smith or Roy Tressler. And don't forget our March Membership Meeting will be held on the fourth Wednesday, March 28, at 7:00 pm.

*Marjorie Tressler, Gallery Director VAA*

## March Membership Meeting with Demo Artist Michael Timothy Davis

**Wednesday, March 28th at 7:00 PM**

For oil painter Michael Timothy Davis, art has always been a part of his life. As a child he copied his father's drawings. As a student at the Schuler School of Fine Arts in Baltimore, MD he studied the Old Masters through rigorous copying of their master works. After two and a half years in this inspiring atelier and four years earning a Bachelors of Fine Arts at Shepherd College, Michael was ready to venture forth. Michael's work is influenced not only by the Dutch Old Masters, whose dark backgrounds and classic still lifes are foundational, but also by Michaelangelo, John Singer Sargeant and the Norwegian contemporary realist, Odd Nerdrum. Michael's private study with Ben Summerford, the former art chairman at American University had an influence on the importance of pure color and the role of a strong composition in his work. Currently he is painting a series of small, simple, exquisitely detailed still lifes, figural works and portraits. Michael has exhibited in numerous solo and juried group shows on the East Coast including the Shanks Art Exhibit, Shepherd College, Art at the Mill as well as select fine art galleries. His work is in numerous collections across the United States.

## Shows

### **Mansion House North Gallery**

#### **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**

#### **American Decorative Arts**

Now through September 16th 2012

#### **Museum Art School Reunion Exhibition**

Now through April 14th

#### **Cumberland Valley Photographic Salon**

Now through April 29th

#### **Public School Art Exhibition**

April 21st through May 6th

## Area Hospitals

### Artist of the Month

	Chambersburg	Meritus	Waynesboro
March:	Margaret Dayton	Wayne Kell	Becky Dietrich
April:	Brandii Kligge	Terry Shotten	Doretta Wisler
May:	Mary Hickman	Elaine Ambrose	Jean Harshman and Wayne Gunnelson

## 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

### Reminders

March through June, the board meeting is at 3:00 P.M. the day of the general meeting (3/28, 4/25, 5/23, 6/27).

### VAA Art Exhibit at Bastian Financial Group, Fountainhead Plaza

Twenty-nine VAA members have signed up to display their artwork at Bastian Financial Group's suite of offices in Fountainhead Plaza. Participants are requested to pick up information cards needed for all paintings at the March 28th VAA members meeting, and to bring no more than two paintings with information cards attached to the VAA members meeting on April 25th. Art will be hung at BFG, and remain on exhibit for about two months.

Participants are reminded to bring exhibit reception invitation address lists to the March meeting for friends and customers whom you would like invited. Those interested in participating in future exhibits may sign up at the March meeting.

### North Gallery News

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 will 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.

The Valley Art Association is proud to announce the upcoming April North Gallery Show by renowned artist Terry Shotton. Her show titled "Goldens in the Garden" using Encaustic painting method, March 30 through April 29. I was privileged to have a preview of this truly inspiring show recently, along with Terry's subjects, her beloved Golden Retrievers. We are honored to have her as our guest speaker at our April membership meeting to be held April 25th at 7:00 pm, subject "How to Approach an Abstract".

*Marjorie Tressler, Mansion House Gallery Director.*

### The Box Show and Silent Auction is coming to Frederick!

For more information visit:  
<https://sites.google.com/site/boxshowauction/>

## Mansion House Sitters Schedule

March	April	May
2 Marjore Tressler	1 Trish Suder	4 Charles Gelslechter
3 Jean Strike	6 Charles Gelslechter	5 Jean Strike
4 Terry Shotton	7 Jean Strike	6 Trish Suder
9 Donna Mason	8 <b>Closed</b>	11 Niclole Troup
10 Anna Hogbin	13 Donna Mason	12 Donna Bingaman
11 Terry Shotton	14 Nicole Troup	13 <b>Need Someone</b>
16 Charles Gelslechter	15 Trish Suder	18 Marie McCafferty
17 Niclole Troup	20 Donna Mason	19 John Mullican
18 Sue Parker	21 Anna Hogbin	20 Niclole Troup
23 Donna Mason	22 Trish Suder	25 Marie McCafferty
24 Anna Hogbin	27 Carol Miller	26 Donna Bingaman
25 Terry Shotton	28 Nicole Troup	27 Chris Shingler
30 Carol Miller	29 Trish Suder	
31 Lin Pedersen		

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