

# 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

New exhibit possibilities for members:  
Delaplaine Arts Center in Frederick has new opportunities  
For Artists to share their work.

Dear Artists,

Every year the Delaplaine Visual Arts Center hosts a juried exhibit. This year the exhibit dates are May 4 – June 23, a month earlier than in previous years. All media is welcome and we do not have a size restriction.

About the Juror: Gerald Ross is the Director of Exhibitions at the Maryland Institute College of Art in Baltimore, Maryland. As Director of the Exhibitions Department at MICA, Ross manages a diverse, energetic, and vital program - installing over 100 exhibitions per year. He has curated exhibitions, established public programming, and worked with the community to bring a large variety of local, national, and international groups and artists to MICA.

Postmark Deadline: Friday, April 5, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.  
Entries must be postmarked or hand-delivered to the Delaplaine by this date and time.

For details on how to enter visit

<http://www.delaplaine.org/exhibits/exhibit-opportunities/>

Check this out!

We had a successful Show and Tell for the Feb. meeting, not much of a white sale, not many things to sell were brought in to share.

Our President Elect Liz Altman ran our meeting and I am looking forward to her taking over next year!

*Janie Moltrup, President VAA*

## General Membership Meeting with Demo Artist Ellie Elgin Tryon

**Wednesday, March 27th at 7:00 PM**

The speaker for the the general membership meeting March 27, 7:00pm will be Ellie Elgin Tryon.

Ellie's first memories are of drawing, creating art while growing up in the Pimlico section of Baltimore City. Her father was a former jockey, so she was exposed to the track and stables where she could be found drawing horses and dogs all the time.

Ellie received her B.F.A. of painting and drawing from Maryland Institute College of Art and her M.A.T. in museum from George Washington University. She has done many commissions of Baltimore locations and received many commendations and certificates of appreciation from the Animal Rescue Organizations, the City of Baltimore and State of Maryland for her artistic contributions. Ellie is currently member of Harford County Artists Association and the Towsontowne Rotary Club.

We are all looking forward to meeting Ellie and seeing her water color demo.

## Shows and Classes

### Mansion House North Gallery

**Jeff Driscoll**

March 1st 2013 through March 31st 2013  
Reception March 3rd from 2 to 4p.m.

**Trish Suder**

April 4th 2013 through April 28th 2013  
Reception April 7th from 2 to 4p.m.

**Carol Miller**

May 3rd 2013 through May 26th 2013  
Reception May 5th from 2 to 4p.m.

**"Fun in the Sun"**

May 31st 2013 through July 28th 2013  
Opening Friday May 31st through Sunday June 2nd

**All Member Miniature Show**

May 31st 2013 through July 28th 2013  
Opening Friday May 31st through Sunday June 2nd

**"Fall Harvest Colors"**

August 2nd 2013 through September 29th 2013

### Washington County Museum of Fine Arts

**Art for America: Selection of WPA Prints**  
Now through March 31st 2013

**80th Annual Cumberland Valley Photographic Salon**  
Now through April 14th 2013

**Public School Art Exhibit**  
April 20th 2013 through May 5th 2013

**Valley of the Shadow**  
Now through July 28th 2013

**Nineteenth Century American Art**  
Now through September 29th 2013

**American Decorative Arts**  
Now through September 29th 2013

### Area Hospitals

#### Artist of the Month

	Chambersburg	Meritus	Waynesboro
March:	Virginia Hair	Donna Bingaman	
April:	Evie Cook	Donna Mason	
May:	Cindy Smith	John Mullican	

### Inspiration Tuesdays with Marjorie Tressler

**Dates:** Continuous    **Day:** Tuesday    **Time:** 10 - 2 p.m.    **Location:** Mansion House    **Tuition:** Free

Marjorie Tressler is facilitating a weekly painting session in oil, acrylic or mixed media for intermediate or above painters each Tuesday. These sessions are free and open to all members of the VAA. The artists share ideas, experiences, knowledge, use of materials, some critiques but most of all inspiration. The artists supply their own materials, still life set ups etc. The only requirement is the artist needs to be self-motivated and able to work independently. For additional information or to sign up, please contact Marjorie directly at 717-762-6791 or [marjoriertressler@comcast.net](mailto:marjoriertressler@comcast.net)

# General Member News

## North Gallery News

### Sitters Needed

Note to sitters and members of the VAA, we have several spots on the sitters/docents calendar that need to be filled for the months of May and June. Please note the dates in May for Sat. 5-11, Sun. 5-19, and Sat. 5-25. Also in June Fri.6-14, Sun.6-16, Fri. 6-28 and Sat. 6-29.

Please check the number of sitting dates you have so far this year and note that each gallery member is responsible for 8 sitting dates a year. These dates are for the current sitting year July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013.

### Annual Wall Changing

To the members of the VAA, we will be having our annual wall changing on Tuesday June 25 at 10:00am. If you are interested in having a wall space to rent, please contact Marjorie Tressler (717-762-6791), if you request to be placed on the list for a space and/or if you have any questions about being a gallery member.

### North Gallery Shows

The current north gallery show for the month of March is featuring VAA member Jeff Driscoll. His watercolor paintings depict scenes from Germany, the area where he lives on South Prospect Street in Hagerstown and various scenes and subjects of the area. The scenes of Prospect Street make you want to take a walk and find the subjects of his paintings. Jeff's paintings in this show are exquisite, very strong and show his masterful drawing ability. Please drop by to see this wonderful show in our North Gallery. This show runs from March 1-March 31.

Our featured artist for the month of April will be Trish Suder, both a VAA and Mansion House Gallery member. Trish hails from the Washington DC area and has settled here in Hagerstown to start a new life as a artist, author, designer and teacher. Trish is a nationally known author and has written and designed over 43 books as well as many individual designs. She has worked for many major craft corporations, traveling all over the US, demonstrating and teaching classes. Publishers include PLAID , Craft Publication, Women's Household , the Stitchery, Annie's Attic, Green Gable, plus many more than our space allows. Her Limited Edition Prints and Posters have been sold at both the Arlington and Gettysburg National Gift Shops.

She received her degree from Maryland Institute of Art, Baltimore, Maryland, with additional education/training at the Herb Cruthers Framing School, and North Light School of Art. She was the owner/operator of Pat's Framing/crafts.Inc. as well as an accomplished artist with her paintings being favorites of many collectors in the DC area. Trish paints mainly in oil and acrylic and her paintings cover a wide variety of subjects. Her portraits, still life, landscape, civil war scenes, and other subjects, show her considerable talent and are a pleasure to view. Please come to meet this accomplished and talented artist at her reception, Sunday May 7 from 2-4pm. The show runs from Friday April 5 to Sunday April 28.

Next up in the North Gallery, is an all member show for the months of June and July featuring paintings from the VAA membership. The name of the show is "FUN IN THE SUN" and suggested subjects are, summer colors, sea shore, flowers, bathing beauties, boats, marine life, etc. Along with this show is the annual VAA all member miniature show featuring a variety of subjects. This show will have its opening along with the Annual Blues Fest weekend Friday May 31 thru Sunday June 2. Show dates are May 31 to July 28. Deadline for this show is Wednesday May 29.

Our next VAA all member show will be titled "FALL HARVEST COLORS", this show will run from August 2 to Sept. 29. Subjects may vary and could include, any fall scene, harvest bounties, animals, but most of all COLOR!!!! Deadline for this show is Wednesday July 31.

*Marjorie Tressler, Mansion House Gallery Director.*

## General Member News

### Welcome New Members

Your membership and support of the Valley Art Association is both welcomed and appreciated. If you have questions pertaining to policies/activities please ask, someone will be more than happy to help you.

#### **Mary Alice Bowers**

Mary, Martinsburg, W. Va. is a watercolorist with an interest in flower painting, water scenes and children. She paints with the "Potomac River Artists" and is currently the President of that group.

#### **Beth Brooks**

Beth, Berkley Springs, W. V. Applies her artistic skills in the tradition of the old masters. She works with oil and acrylics. Her talent extends to scenic design and set painting of play promotions, most notably at the Ice House in Berkeley Springs. Her artistic endeavors also includes acting and directing with the theater project in Morgan County.

#### **Andrea Macbeth**

Andrea, Berkley Springs, Has recently rejoined The V.A.A.

#### **Allison Nardi**

Allison, Mercersburg, Pa. started drawing horses as a youngster and was encouraged by an art teacher include other subjects in her work. She is now a fulltime registered nurse.

#### **Sherry Kemp**

Sherry, Frederick, Md. is a self-taught artist and considers oil and pen and ink as her primary mediums. She also works with casein, pastel or pencil. Her primary subject matter is horses, farm animals and railroad art. Sherry enjoys researching and then creating historically themed art. She is involved with the restoration of antique s( toys, clocks, carousel animals and some murals.

#### **Lesley Whalley**

Lesley, Hagerstown Md. moved here a mere 10 years ago from Northern England. The move has fueled the expansion of creativity from English watercolor into other mediums with the goal being to start painting with oils. Local art-related travel, art retreats and meeting other artists is most gratifying.

### VAA Hospital Sales

VAA began this program in May 2004. All participating artists keep practicing your talents. Our paintings are selling.

Total VAA Sales thur December 2012 \$19,152.32

Donations returned to WCH/Meritus Auxiliary \$ 4,788.08

2012 Sales \$ 1,581.25

Great for both organizations! Thanks to all members participating. Lucy Ecker

## Mansion House Sitters Schedule

March	April	May
1 Marjorie Tressler	5 Carol Miller	3 Jean Strike
2 Terry Shotton	6 Jean Strike	4 Sue Parker
3 Trish Suder	7 Trish Suder	5 Trish Suder
8 Donna Mason	12 Thom Tholen	10 Thom Tholen
9 Terry Shotton	13 Sue Parker	11 <b>Need Someone</b>
10 Lucy Ecker	14 Anna Hogbin	12 Jeff Driscoll
15 Carol Miller	19 Janie Moltrup	17 Marjorie Tressler
16 Donna Bingaman	20 Janie Moltrup	18 Carol Wilks
17 Trish Suder	21 Trish Suder	19 <b>Need Someone</b>
22 Anna Hogbin	26 Thom Tholen	24 Jean Strike
23 Eliane Ambrose	27 Thom Tholen	25 <b>Need Someone</b>
24 Trish Suder	28 Trish Suder	26 Chris Shingler
29 Carol Miller		31 Janie Moltrup
30 Sue Parker		
31 Trish Suder		

## 2012 - 2013 VAA Board of Directors

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