

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

Marjorie announced that Trish Suder (April) Reception is on April 7 from 2-4.

Trish Suder's open house for her North Gallery show is scheduled for Sunday, 4/7/13, from 2-4 PM. She is offering free prints to visitors to her show, and the remaining prints can be given to gallery visitors after the reception.

Bluesfest will be held on June 2, and artists are invited to set up their artwork on the porch.

Carol Miller (May) are the next upcoming shows in the North Gallery.

Washington County Museums and Historic Sites will be hosting a scavenger hunt for 4th graders on May 4th and 5th during the Museum Ramble. Members are encouraged to bring Artworks for sale to set up on the Porch at the Mansion House and to paint if they wish. People love to see paintings going on!

Lucy Ecker has prepared a sheet for student Treasure hunt during Museum Ramble for the students to use with fragments of paintings at the Mansion House to be identified.

Lucy Ecker and Eliane Ambrose will be hosting a reception for their exhibit from 2-4 on April 7th at the School for Contemporary Arts.

Please participate!

Janie Moltrup, President VAA

General Membership Meeting with Demo Artist Hilda Eiber

Wednesday, April 24th at 7:00 PM

The guest artist for our meeting Wednesday April 24 7:00pm will be local artist Hilda Eiber, a resident of Falling Waters WVA. Hilda has chosen the medium of Egg Tempera for her demo. She is a visual artist who creates her art in ceramic sculpture, art pottery, watercolors, oils, murals and tiles. She has been interested in art since a child while growing up in her hometown, Munich the capital of Bavaria, one of the most active art colonies of the western world. Her family lived in Swabing near the center of the city.

Her work has taken her in different directions through her life, with dress design, painting, sculpture and pottery. She was Artist in Residence at the Boarman Arts center from January through April 1996. She has had solo shows in Martinsburg, Hagerstown and Washington DC. Hilda has participated in juried shows at the Washington County Museum of Fine Arts, the Maryland Arts Council Gallery, WVA State Museum and the Audubon Naturists Society of Washington DC. We are pleased to have this fine artists visit us and are looking forward to seeing her exquisite work.

Shows and Classes

Mansion House North Gallery

Trish Suder

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

Carol Miller

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

"Fun in the Sun"

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

All Member Miniature Show

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

"Fall Harvest Colors"

August 2nd through September 29th

Donna Mitchell

October 5th through October 28th
Reception Sunday Oct 7th from 2 to 4pm

Thom Tholen

November 2nd through November 25th

Washington County Museum of Fine Arts

80th Annual Cumberland Valley Photographic Salon

Now through April 14th 2013

Public School Art Exhibit

April 20th through May 5th

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
April:	Evie Cook	Donna Mason	
May:	Cindy Smith	John Mullican	
June:	Bettie Rae Gallagher	Ruth Peyton	

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

General Member News

ART IN THE WOODS - REGIONAL ARTISTS FENCE SHOW AND EN PLEIN ART DEMOS.

June 8, 2013 (rain date June 9) 12 noon to 4pm.
9650 BEAVER CREEK CHURCH ROAD

An independent group of 12 regional artists (9 Valley Art Assoc members) have been invited to unite together in the woods at the home/studio of Elisabet Stacy-Hurley for a day of painting En Plein Air, while visitors can watch and learn. Visitors can come and see the artist most recent works of art that will be for sale and may find the paintings hanging on the fence or even on the trees. Also available for sale will be prints, photographs, note cards, and handmade pottery. Free admission and light refreshment are being offered.

Participating Artists are Eliane Ambrose, Margery Benson, Dennis Blalock, Denny Bingaman, Donna Bingaman, Becky Dietrich, Carol Gwin, Bob Schropp, Christine Souders, Elisabet Stacy-Hurley, Marjorie Tressler, Carol Wilks.

Painting Scavenger Hunt

Mansion House is having a Painting Scavenger Hunt in conjunction with Washington County Board of Education, for all fourth (4) grade students in Social Studies classes during National History Week.

Annual Wall Changing

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

Sitters Needed

Sitters needed. Note to sitters/docents and members of the VAA, we still have several spots on the sitters/docents calendar that need to be filled for the months of May and June. Sunday May 19, and Friday June 14, Sunday June 16, Friday June 28 and Saturday June 29 and Sunday June 30. 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 and members who have shrink wraps are also responsible for 2 sittings dates a year. These dates can be with another gallery member as a second, but if you would like to help out and are trained you can take one of these dates. Thank you for your help.

"ARTOMATIC"

Artists and art groups in Jefferson County are investigating the creation of an "ARTOMATIC" event in the Charles Town area in October of this year. ARTOMATIC is a huge event which takes place for three weeks in a vacant space dedicated for that purpose and involves many artists in all media.

You can learn more about Artomatic on their web site.

There will be an organizational meeting April 18, 6 p.m., room 112 of the Center for Contemporary Arts, 92 West Campus Drive, at Shepherd University. Anyone interested in learning about it, helping plant it or participating is invited to attend.

Spring Outdoors Painting Days and Gallery Tours

VAA members are planning Spring Outdoors Painting Days and Gallery Tours:

Painting At Springfield Barn, Williamsport, MD

Painting At Surreybrooke Gardens, Route 40 E.

Tour at Metal Sculptor Scott Carwood, Sharpsburg, MD

Dates to be announced at next meeting. Sign up sheets at Mansion House Desk if interested in warm weather adventures.

Museum Ramble

Museum Ramble will be Sat. May 4 and Sun May 5.

Blues Fest

Blues Festival day in park will be Sunday June 2. All VAA members are again invited to set-up on porch.

Correction

March Newsletter, 2012 Donations to Meritus Medical Center Auxiliary was \$1581.25, instead of Sales for 2012

North Gallery News

The current north gallery show for the month of April is Trish Suder, both a VAA and Mansion House Gallery member. Her show runs from Friday April 5 to Sunday April 28. Her reception is Sunday April 7 from 2-4pm.

Trish hails from the Washington DC area and has settled here in Hagerstown area to start a new art life as an artist, teacher, author and designer. 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, to name a few. Her limited Edition Prints and Posters have been sold at both the Arlington and Gettysburg National Battlefield Gift Shops.

She received her degree from Maryland Institute of Art, Baltimore, MD 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 the favorites of many collectors in the DC area. Trish paints mainly in oil and acrylics and her paintings cover a 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 April 7, from 2-4pm. Trish has graciously announce she is will be giving prints of her work plus photos she has done to the guests who attend her reception.

May will feature artist and our new Mansion House Assistant Gallery Director, Carol Miller. Carol who also works in acrylic, is a very talented and accomplished artist with previous careers including Graphic Design, Weaving, and Parenthood, etc., here and in the New York and Vermont areas. She now has said painting has called her again, and oh boy has she responded! She believes that acrylic is a perfect fit and every painting shows her what she can do rather than what she cannot do. Being retired now gives her the time to play in her paint box and it is apparent she is having fun! She has been drawing, painting and designing since a child and this lead her to her art education and her BFA from the Philadelphia Museum College of Art (now known as the University of the Arts).

Her color sense is wonderful, compositions perfect and her subjects are delightful, and it is very obvious I love her work. Please come to see this delightful artists work as well as meet with her Sunday May 5, from 2-4pm. Her show runs from Friday May 3 to Sunday May 26.

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 miniature show featuring a variety of subjects. This show runs from Friday May 31 to Sunday July 28 with Sunday June 2 being the Blues Fest in the park.

We are again inviting our artists to come and set up their artwork for sale and artists demos on the porch of the Mansion House from 11am to 5pm. Please contact Marjorie Tressler with any questions concerning this show or the Sunday porch show June 2. The deadline for submissions for the June/July show is Wed May 29.

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

For the month of Oct is our very talented artist/ member, Donna Mitchell. This show runs from Friday Oct 5 to Sunday Oct 28. Reception Sunday Oct 7 2-4pm.

Next up in November is another artist/member, Thom Tholen and his show runs from Friday Nov 2 to Sunday Nov 25. Reception Sunday Nov 4 2-4pm.

Marjorie Tressler, Mansion House Gallery Director.

Mansion House Sitters Schedule

April	May	June
5 Carol Miller	3 Jean Strike	1 Jean Strike
6 Jean Strike	4 Sue Parker	2 Jeff Driscoll
7 Trish Suder	5 Trish Suder	7 Marjorie Tressler
12 Thom Tholen	10 Thom Tholen	8 Sue Parker
13 Sue Parker	11 Becky Dietrich	9 Jeff Driscoll
14 Anna Hogbin	12 Jeff Driscoll	14 Need Someone
19 Janie Moltrup	17 Marjorie Tressler	15 Carol Wilks
20 Janie Moltrup	18 Carol Wilks	16 Need Someone
21 Trish Suder	19 Need Someone	21 Marjorie Tressler
26 Thom Tholen	24 Jean Strike	22 Becky Dietrich
27 Thom Tholen	25 Becky Dietrich	23 Chris Shingler
28 Trish Suder	26 Chris Shingler	28 Need Someone
	31 Janie Moltrup	29 Need Someone
		30 Need Someone

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