

# *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**

Thank you to everyone who has supported help me as President of Valley Art Association over the last couple of years. Our newly elected officials will do a wonderful job. Being a part of the Board for Valley Art has been a great experience. One does not realize how much goes into making the place work until one participates. I am happy to have had the experience.

The election of officers proceeded as follows:

President elect – Liz Altman (automatic)

Vice President – Marjorie Tressler (elected)

Recording Secretary – Sue Parker (elected)

Corresponding Secretary – Ruth Peyton (continuing)

Treasurer – Donna Smith (continuing)

Gallery Director – Carol Miller (automatic)

Assistant Gallery Director - Leslie Whalley (elected)

June meeting is the picnic

Our wonderful demonstration by Michael Timothy Davis (Sue Parkers instructor) was truly inspiring for a watercolor painter. I am going to try again to paint with oils!

Members mark your calendars for the picnic this June 26! Bring your favorite dish and enjoy the company of fellow painters. Drinks, Paper Products and Chicken are provided by our club! Bring your guests for only \$5.00.

*Janie Moltrup, President VAA*

## **General Membership Meeting and Annual Picnic**

**Wednesday, June 26th at 6:00 PM**

### **Reminder**

Annual 2014 Membership Dues \$25 are now due. Make checks payable to Valley Art Association and mail to Donna Smith, Treasurer, Valley Art Association, 501 Highland Way, Hagerstown, MD 21740. Payment can be made at the June 26, 2013, Picnic. Questions: Call Donna Smith 301-797-8761.

# Shows and Workshops

## Mansion House North Gallery

### "Fun in the Sun"

All Member Show

May 31st through July 28th

Opening Friday May 31st through Sunday July 2nd

### "Fall Harvest Colors"

All Member Show

August 2nd through September 29th

Opening Friday Aug 2nd through Sunday Sept 29th

### "Faces and Places"

Donna Mitchell

October 4th through October 27th

Reception Sunday Oct 6th from 2 to 4pm

### Thom Tholen

November 1st through November 24th

Reception November 3rd from 2 to 4p.m.

### "Diamond Jubilee"

Holiday/Winter All Member Show

VAA 75th Anniversary Celebration

November 29th through January 26th 2014

Reception and Christmas Tea December 8th from 2 to 4p.m.

February Open

March Open

April Open

### "Inspiration Tuesday" Group Show

May 2nd through May 25th 2014

Reception May 4th from 2 to 4p.m.

## Washington County Museum of Fine Arts

### 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
June:	Bettie Rae Gallagher	Ruth Peyton
July:	Betty Koontz	Dennis Clark
August:	Charles Brown	Nicole Troupe

## Summer Watercolor Workshop with Lynn Ferris, NWS

**Dates:** July 11th - Aug 15th    **Day:** Thursday    **Time:** 9 a.m. - noon    **Location:** Mansion House    **Tuition:** \$15

Lynn Ferris will again be teaching a six week watercolor class on Thursday mornings from 9-12 starting July 11 ending August 15 at the Mansion House Gallery. The cost is 15 dollars per class each of the 6 Thursdays. Lynn is a signature member of the National Watercolor Society and the Florida Watercolor Society. Her work can be seen in "Splash 12" and Splash13" published by North Light . She was the subject in a feature article of Watercolor magazine and is among those selected to be in the current American Watercolor Society Traveling Expedition To register for the class call Lynn at 304-258-1651 or ferrislynn@yahoo.com

## Classes

### Acrylic Painting with Marjorie Tressler

**Dates:** Sept. 3    **Day:** Wednesday    **Time:** 6:30 - 9 p.m.    **Location:** Mansion House    **Tuition:** \$65

A beginner/intermediate class is being held the First and Third Wednesday nights from 6:30 to 9:00pm at the Mansion House Art Center. This class will be starting again Sept. 4, 2013 after a break for the summer months. Please be prepared to have your own materials. For more information please contact Marjorie Tressler 717-762-6791 cost- \$65 per 6 week course.

### 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

### Annual Wall Changing

Attention Gallery Members, the annual wall space changing is Tuesday June 25 10:00am. Please contact Marjorie Tressler asap so you can sign up for your new sitting dates starting July 1 2013 through June 30 2014. You must sign up for ALL 8 (EIGHT) required days of sitting before you can get your new space for the coming year. No exceptions. You must have a list of those dates ready to hand in to the new gallery director Carol Miller on June 25. Also you must sign a gallery agreement with the new gallery director Carol Miller that day. You must also pay your dues and wall rent to Donna Smith between the present or on June 25, dues and rent must be paid before getting your new wall space. ALSO-- ALL members who show in the gallery, those with shrink wrap, sculpture, pottery, jewelry etc are now required to help in the gallery 2 days per year. Please contact Carol Miller or Marjorie Tressler for more information concerning these changes and requirements or if you are interested in obtaining a wall space and being a gallery member.

### Outdoors Painting Days

#### Painting At Surreybrooke Gardens

MD Route 40 East, on right near Myersville, MD

VAA invited to outdoor painting day in the beautiful gardens. Many things and old buildings to paint too. We plan to go Tuesday, June 18, if rainy day, we will try Thursday, June 20. Leaving from Mansion House at 9am as a group or if better for you, meet us there. Large site to spread over. Take your lunch. **PARK IN GRASS LEFT OF PARKING LOT IF WE GET TO GO ON JUNE 18. THEY HAVE LARGE GROUP COMING FOR GREENHOUSES THAT DAY.**

#### Picnic

Picnic Wednesday June 26 at 6 PM on Mansion House Porch. Sign up sheet on desk at Mansion House. Bring dish to share. Meat, drinks and paper supplies provided. Guests cost \$5, paid to Donna Smith, Treasurer.

**Reminder:** All members may display art and crafts on porch for sale during regular gallery hours.

## North Gallery News

The month of June brings us the annual north gallery membership summer show along with our miniature show for the months of June and July. The show opens on Friday May 31 and ends Sunday July 28. We will again be inviting our VAA members to set up on the porch Blues Fest Sunday June 2 from 11am-5pm After many years of doing this, Marjorie will again be providing steamers (Sloppy Joes) for the artists showing and demonstrating their art during the Blues Fest Sunday. The theme for the show is "Fun in the Sun" with suggested subjects, summer colors, the sea and its shore, bathing beauties, boats, marine life, flowers etc. Along with this show is the annual miniature show with a variety of subjects. If you have any questions please contact Marjorie Tressler at 717-762-6791.

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

For the month of October we will have VAA member Donna Mitchell's "Faces and Places", this show runs from Friday Oct. 4 to Sunday Oct. 27. Her reception is Sunday Oct. 6 from 2-4pm. Donna Mitchell is an artist of traditional realistic style, choosing to model her inspirations in the pastel medium due to its rich color intensity and versatility. Donna has been interested in art since a child living in Martinsburg, WVA, where she worked to develop her artistic abilities through dedicated self study. After moving to Carlisle, PA in 1991 she began studying with portrait and figure painter Karl Foster while actively pursuing her art profession. She has studied with Daniel E. Green, Wende Corporale and William Schneider. She teaches classes at her home studio as well as at the Art Center School and Galleries in Mechanicsburg, PA. Donna is a member of the Portrait Society of America, the Pastel Society of America, Perry Co Council of the Arts and Carlisle Arts Learning Center. as well as the VAA and our local museum. She has had solo shows in the Alabama, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia and WVA and Wisconsin. We are looking forward to seeing this very talented artist show and this fall looks to be a very exciting time here at the VAA.

Next up in the north gallery is Thom Tholen for the month of November with his show starting Friday November 1 to Sunday November 24. Reception Sunday November 3, 2-4pm.

Our last show of the year will be a celebration of the 75th anniversary of the Valley Art Association named "Diamond Jubilee". This will take the place of the annual Winter Art Show. This show will run from Friday, November 29 to Sunday January 26 2014. The Reception and Christmas Tea will be Sunday December 8 from 2-4pm along with extra goodies to celebrate this wonderful milestone.

The months of February, March and April are open and if you are interested in having a show please contact Marjorie Tressler or assistant gallery Director Carol Miller for more information.

The month of May 2014 will feature "Inspiration Tuesdays" starting Friday May 2 running until Sunday May 25 Reception May 4 2-4pm. Contact person Marjorie Tressler, facilitator of "Inspiration Tuesdays"

# North Gallery News

## Gallery Director's Message

I would like to thank all of the members of the Valley Art Association for their constant cooperation and loving help during my last 2 years as gallery director. I have enjoyed working with all of you while providing some very special shows in our north gallery.

One of the most rewarding parts of these past 2 years has been working with Sue Parker on the "Civil War Back Stories" show last September and October 2012. This show was one of the finest membership shows we have had. We all should be proud of the results of many months (years) work and preparation from our members and especially Sue Parker. Sue's extensive research and background notes that she provided for the show were very professionally done and added a much needed dimension to the show. Also I would like to thank members like Gretchen Starliper, who without hesitation, helped me with the Christmas decorating of the gallery these past 2 years. It is people like this that make a difference in running a gallery and volunteer organizations need people like this to survive. Another member who has been a "silent" but mighty influence has been Lucy Ecker, she has handled all of the VAA advertising for our shows as well as the shows at the hospital. Many thanks Lucy for a job well done. But the most important member and help was none other than Roy Tressler, my help mate and assistant gallery director and inspiration for my latest portrait, "American Rider" or Captain America as he likes to be known. His un-tiring help in hanging shows, painting, repairing and cleaning of the gallery as well as his constant smile and encouragement when things started to get me down. I must say you just have to love this man! Thank you Roy, you are my hero! Many thanks to all of you for providing beautiful art for our gallery and to the gallery members thank you for always keeping your dates with the gallery and for always being so cooperative in changing dates with other gallery members, you all deserve a round of applause. It has been a pleasure working with you.

*Marjorie Tressler, Mansion House Gallery Director.*

## Mansion House Sitters Schedule

June	July	August
1 Anna Hogbin	5 Tamara Hoffman	2 Tamara Hoffman
2 Jeff Driscoll	6 Carol Wilks	3 Carol Wilks
7 Marjorie Tressler	7 Lucy Ecker	4 Lucy Ecker
8 Sue Parker	12 Tamara Hoffman	9 Tamara Hoffman
9 Jeff Driscoll	13 Becky Dietrich	10 Lucy Ecker
14 Tamara Hoffman	14 Lucy Ecker	11 Lucy Ecker
15 Carol Wilks	19 Tamara Hoffman	16 Tamara Hoffman
16 Eliane Ambrose	20 Becky Dietrich	17 <b>Need Someone</b>
21 Marjorie Tressler	21 Lucy Ecker	18 Lucy Ecker
22 Becky Dietrich	26 Tamara Hoffman	23 Tamara Hoffman
23 Chris Shingler	27 Becky Dietrich	24 <b>Need Someone</b>
28 Jean Strike	28 Lucy Ecker	25 Becky Dietrich
29 Donna Bingaman		30 Jean Strike
30 Becky Dietrich		31 <b>Need Someone</b>

## 2012 - 2013 VAA Board of Directors

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