

Valley Art Association NEWS



GALLERY HOURS:

Friday & Saturday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Sunday 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

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President's Message

We would like to thank Barbara Powell for an informative demo on the Bob Ross method of painting. This is a quick and easy method of painting for those who have never painted.

Our VAA board members have done a wonderful job arranging speakers and demo artists for our future meetings.

We are in need of a librarian for our club. This is not time consuming but is a much needed position.

November is a busy month at VAA as you will read in this newsletter. When we all work together it is a lot of fun and a great way to get to know other artists.

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, November 20, 2013, at 7:00pm. We look forward to seeing you at the Mansion House!

Liz Altman, President

Note:

Any calls that come into Mansion House concerning Credit Card Machine, banking information, etc., should be referred to Donna Smith, Treasurer.

Gallery Director's Notes

We enjoyed a lovely exhibit by Donna Mitchell in the North Gallery. But, of course, all of our member exhibits are lovely! The exhibit for November will be by Tom Tholen. It runs from November 1 thru 24. His reception is November 3, 2-4 p.m.

Our all member Christmas Craft and Art Sale starts November 8 and runs thru December 29. You must have your sale items in the Mansion House no later November 7. Please contact the Gallery Director, Carol Miller at 240-675-9807 if you have any questions. And remember, only ten (10) shrink wraps may be placed in **provided bins FREE** during this time of the year only (See Christmas Crafts Policy, updated October 24, 2012, in White Book on the desk).

November 29 thru January 26 will be our All Member Winter Show. It is our Diamond Jubilee with the Valley Art Association celebrating 75 years. The reception is December 8, 2-4 pm. Please have your art at the Mansion House by November 27. Refreshment donations please!!

Illuminations in the Park will be held on December 6 at 6 p.m. The Mansion House will be open and we will offer refreshments to the public. We need lots of cookies! We also need members to man various craft, etc., stations.

To anyone who loves to decorate for the holidays, we invite you to show your artistry in the Mansion House after Tom Tholen's reception on November 3 thru November 6.

Carol Miller, Gallery Director

Washington County Museum Show

Please note, our show at the Washington County Museum of Fine Arts, will be held February 22 to April 27, 2014. This year's show will be a "little" different with a small "Gem" show featuring works no larger than 12x16 inches including the frame. This means that if you paint an 8x10 canvass you may use a 2 inch frame. or a 9x12 in canvass using a 1 1/2 inch frame etc. To make sure you are within the maximum size required, measure your frame around the outside making sure it does not exceed 56 continuous inches. Watercolor artists will have to calculate using image size, matt size and frame size. Using a small metal frame might help with this small format. The DEADLINE for entries to be juried will be Sunday Jan. 5, 2014.

For questions please contact:

Marjorie Tressler at
marjoretressler@comcast.net
or
717-762-6791

Date for entries to the Mansion House to be juried: DEADLINE, Sunday, January 5, 2014

Date of the exhibition: February 22 thru April 27, 2114

Exhibition list due to WCMFA: Friday, January 17, 2014

Delivery to WCFMA deadline: Tuesday, February 18, 2014, by 12 noon.

Installation dates: February 18-February 21, 2014

Location: Baer Gallery at the WCMFA



Visit to Scott Cawood's Studio

On Saturday, October 5, Lucy Ecker organized a visit to Scott Cawood's studio in Sharpsburg. Scott recently installed a large sculpture in The Centre for Joint Surgery and Sports Medication lobby on Western Maryland Parkway in Hagerstown. This exhibit was noted in the press and is well worth a visit.

The weather was beautiful and Scott's studio is in a lovely rural setting with splendid gardens which are home to many of his life size sculptures. The studio is at the end of his gardens and is surrounded by very interesting pieces of used metal that he uses in his sculptures. He is currently gathering a collection of pedal bike forks for his next large sculpture.

Scott made us very welcome and explained his process. He is currently working on busts of blues musicians which he creates in his down time between larger projects. It was amazing to see the detail in the faces he can create from sheet metal and welding.

Many thanks to Lucy for her work organizing this interesting and pleasurable visit.



Hospital Art in the Hallways

Mertius Hospital

November: Carol Miller
December: Sharon Benoit

Waynesboro

November: Becky Dietrich
December: Wayne Gunnelson

Chambersburg

November: Roy Hoffman
December: Charles Gelsleichter

New Members, Welcome!

Leona Kronstadt

Art Medium: Started oil painting classes March 2013.

Sara Knox

Art Medium: Clay vases, sponge holders, sculpture
Recently exhibited work at the American Craft Council Show, Baltimore, MD

Claudia Giannini

Art Medium: Printmaking, Mixed Medium.
Has helped around Mansion House and Valley Art for many years.

John Braun, Jr.

20 year old art student at Shippensburg University.
Works in many mediums.

Harold Mason

Husband of member Donna Mason

Franklin Miles

Member of Valley Art in 1990's
Art Medium: Watercolor.
Has taken classes from Tony Couch, Bob Wantz and Joe Mayer

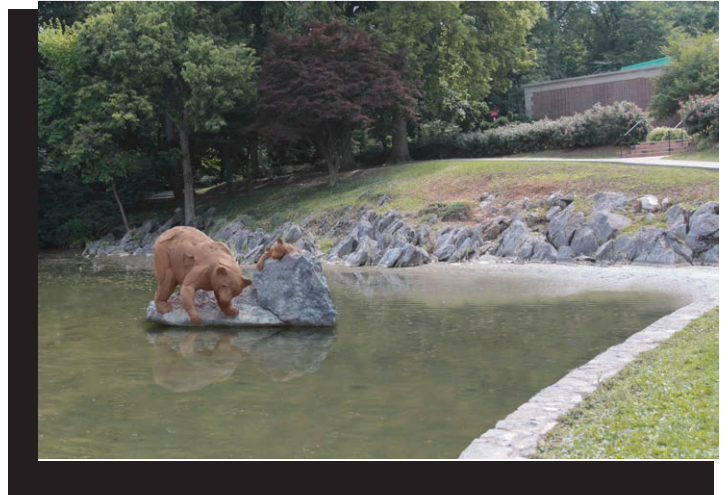
Monika Wertman

Art Medium: Digital Media and Acrylic Painting

Elizabeth Carolson

Art Medium: Watercolor
Former member. Still painting and teaching watercolor at age 87.

"The Fishing Lesson" Moves Closer to Becoming a Reality in City Park



We received word in October that the Washington County Arts Council was awarded the Maryland State Arts Council grant of \$5,000 that it had sought for the creation of Paul Rhymer's proposed life-size bronze sculpture, "The Fishing Lesson," in City Park. This grant, along with other planned and committed donations will cover more than half of the project's budget. Now the effort begins to raise the remaining funds needed to sculpt, cast and install the sculpture. The City's goal is to have the sculpture in place in September, 2014 for the resumption of the annual fall arts festivals.

Reminder

Annual 2014 Membership Dues \$25

Make checks payable to:
Valley Art Association
and mail to
Donna Smith, Treasurer, Valley Art Association,
501 Highland Way,
Hagerstown, MD 21740.

Questions:
Call Donna Smith 301-797-8761.

Reminder

Next meeting Wednesday,
November 20, 2013

Inspiration Tuesdays with Marjorie Tressler

Dates: Continuous Day: Tuesday Time: 10-2pm
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, and use of materials, some critiques, but most of all, inspiration. The artists supply their own materials. and still life set-ups etc. The only requirement is the artist needs to be self-motivated and able to work independently. For more information or to sign up, please contact Marjorie directly at 717-762-6791 or marjoriertressler@comcast.net.

Wednesday Watercolor Group

The Wednesday Watercolor Group invites you to join us. We meet every Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Bring your lunch and watercolors!

For more information, call Audrey Mentzer at 301-739-8112 or Ruth Peyton at 304-274-3465.



ARTISTS looking for ARTISTS and MODELS for the **WEDNESDAY PORTRAIT GROUP**

TIME: 9:30am-12:30pm
PLACE: Hagerstown YMCA
STARTING: September 18, 2013

COST FOR 12 SESSIONS: \$15
MODEL FEE EACH SESSION: \$4

CONTACT

Donna or Hal Mason
301-791-6719

Acrylic Painting with Marjorie Tressler

Dates: September 3 starting for 6 Wednesdays
Time: 6:30 - 9:00 pm Location: Mansion House Tuition: \$65.00

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 started again, Sept. 4, 2013. Please be prepared to have your own materials. For more information please contact Marjorie Tressler 717-762-6791. Cost \$65 for 6 week course.

A Reminder to Gallery Artists

All gallery members with wall spaces need to sit 8 times per year. Members who show baskets, pottery, or sculpture, need to sit 2 times per year. Members who show miniatures, shrink wraps and regular members who exhibit in All Member Shows in the North Gallery need to sit 2 times per year with a gallery member.

Please be sure that you have signed up for the appropriate number of days in the Sitters Book. We cannot be open if we don't have sitters.

The Hagerstown Police have asked that we have 2 people in the gallery at all times when we are open

Local Workshops

VAA members are invited to join with Waynesboro Studio Art Club for David Buckley Good's Oil Workshop. Hurry if going!

November 11-15, Monday - Friday, 9 a.m.-3p.m.

Cost: \$165.00

Fee due: November 4, 2013

Make checks out to:

Waynesboro Studio Art Club Workshop
with your name and address.

Mail to:

Virginia Hair
11613 Country Club Road
Waynesboro, PA 17268

Questions:

Call Virginia, 1-717-762-3673

Mansion House Sitters Schedule

November		December		January	
1	Donna Mason	1	Eliane Ambrose	3	Marjorie Tressler
2	Jean Strike	6	Marjorie Tressler	4	Lesley Whalley
3	Becky Dietrich	7	Lesley Whalley	5	Sue Parker
8	Marjorie Tressler	8	Ruth Peyton	10	Donna Mason
9	Lesley Whalley		Christmas Tea 2 - 4 pm	1	Donna Bingaman
10	Eliane Ambrose	13	Carol Miller	12	Moltrup
15	Carol Miller	14	Sue Parker	17	Marjorie Tressler
16	Becky Dietrich	15	Elaine Ambrose	18	Moltrup
17	Jeff Driscoll	20	Donna Bingaman	19	Moltrup
22	Donna Bingaman	21	Ruth Peyton	24	Donna Bingaman
23	Lesley Whalley	22	Jeff Driscoll	25	Moltrup
24	Eliane Ambrose	27	Donna Bingaman	26	Moltrup
29	Donna Bingaman	28	Moltrup	31	Carol Miller
30		29	Moltrup		
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Calendar of Events and North Gallery Shows, 2013-2014

November	Tom Tholen Nov. 1-24. Reception Nov. 3, 2-4 pm
December	All Member Winter Show "Diamond Jubilee" VAA 75th Anniversary. Nov. 29 thru Jan. 26.
December	Illumination, Dec.6. Reception 6 p.m.
December	Christmas Tea, December 8, 2-4 p.m.
January	Continuation of Winter Show. Ends Jan. 26
February	
March	Carol Wilks, Mar 2-30
April	Denny Bingaman, April 4-27
May	Inspiration Tuesday Group, May 2-25. Reception May 4, 2-4 p.m.
June	All-Member Show, May 30-July 27
June	Blues Fest Porch Show, June 1, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

2013-2014 Valley Art Board of Directors

President	Liz Altman
Past President	Janie Moltrup
President Elect	Marjorie Tressler
Treasurer	Donna Smith
Corresponding Secretary	Ruth Peyton
Recording Secretary	Sue Parker
Gallery Director	Carol Miller
Asst. Gallery Director	Leslie Whalley