

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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Have a GREAT Summer!

Hi everyone,

I want to thank all of you for letting me be a part of this wonderful organization, as a VAA member since 1984, as well as a member of its Board of Directors for the past nine years. Wow, what a blast !!! I want to thank all of the past and current members of the Board of Directors that I have served with since 2007. I could not have asked for more support from you, the VAA members and all of the VAA Board of Directors I have worked with. All of you made it so much more enjoyable.

I wish to thank Sue Parker for continuing to be our interim Treasurer and to welcome our newest board members. At the recent membership meeting, Donna Mason, a very respected and knowledgeable past board member was nominated from the floor for position of Recording Secretary and graciously accepted. A new member, Susan McNally, stepped up as our Assistant Gallery Director. Both Donna and Susan were unanimously elected by our membership and will be a wonderful addition to our Board of Directors. They will be joining Donna Bingaman as President. Hal Mason has graciously agreed to be VP and is looking forward to helping in any way he can. I told him we will be holding his election at the June picnic as well as that of Carol Wilks, Corresponding Secretary and Elaine

Wolfe, Treasurer. Marilyn Eavey will continue as Gallery Director, and Carol Wilks as Corresponding Secretary, once elected. Please continue to support our new Board of Directors and appreciate them as much as I do. I feel so blessed to have been surrounded by some of the kindest and most giving folks anyone could ever have the pleasure of working with. I will, according to our bylaws, be acting as Past President in an advisory position.

I also want to thank Lynn Ferris for yet another wonderful and inspiring demo at our May membership meeting and also thank her for offering to give a lucky member in attendance the chance to win her demo for the night !! Congratulations go to Lucy Ecker for winning Lynn's beautiful watercolor demonstration painting.

Please do not forget this month's meeting that starts promptly at 6pm for our annual porch picnic June 22. We will be providing the chicken and drinks as well as the plates, forks, cups, etc. VAA members are being asked to bring a covered dish to share along with their smiles !! This is free for our members and \$5 for guests. All are welcome.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you at the picnic and again in September at our membership meeting. As always remember --- Paint from the heart with joy!!!

*Respectfully submitted,
Marjorie Tressler
VAA President*

Membership News

The following officers will be voted on at the June picnic as part of our Board of Directors for 2016:

Hal Mason, Vice President

Elaine Wolfe, Treasurer

Carol Wilks, Corresponding Secretary

A motion to increase general membership dues from \$25 to \$30 for FY 2017 (beginning in July, 2016) was voted on and passed at the May General Membership Meeting.

In a separate action, the VAA Board voted to increase wall space fees by \$5 each (small \$70 to \$75, medium \$90 to \$95, and large \$120 to \$125, beginning July 1, 2016 (for FY 2017). (NOTE: It was confirmed after the Board meeting that the current amount charged for the small space is \$70 not \$75, so a \$5 increase will make the new amount \$75 not \$80. This correction is appearing in this newsletter to correct the announcement made at the general membership meeting in April)

The Board also voted to increase to 10% the amount retained by VAA on charge sales to cover the actual cost of facilitating and processing charges (i.e. the 3% transaction fee and the cost of maintaining the credit card machine of about \$300 per year.) If the budget permits, VAA will buy a Square and accessories in June.

NOTE: The wall change will be on June 21 at 9:00 AM. Gallery members must be present with dues and fees. If you can't be present, you must arrange to have someone else pay your fees and move your work.

New Members

New Artists' Call

We are now hanging our art for sale at Maloos Restaurant at Park Circle. Everyone is invited to contact Marilyn Eavey at 301-393-8512, if they wish to be represented at the change of art near the end of June. We already have one person signed up to participate and would encourage more folks to keep this going. The owner likes landscapes, seascapes, portraits and that type of work. She prefers not to have animals, civil war items or bar related items (like pool players, etc.) Submissions must have your business card on the back and a VAA card on the front with the price and for safety sake, write your name, the name of the painting and the cost on the back of the painting. We try to take a fairly large variety of paintings so Marylou can make a choice as to what goes on the wall. Not every submission may be used and should not be considered a rejection. Please stop by and see our first hanging and support Maloos by having lunch or dinner.

Museum Ramble

Lucy reported that the Museum Ramble will go on for the entire summer. Lucy will put the bracelets on the desk to give children.

Blue Star Museum

Lucy registered us as a Blue Star museum (for veterans.) She would like docents to ask visitors to sign in and Lucy can report them for a count that Maryland tracks.

Bake Sale On The Porch At The Blues Fest

Marilyn suggested having a bake sale on the porch during Blues Fest which will be on Sunday, June 5th in the park. Members are invited to set up on the porch from 10-5 to sell their art work, first come, first served. It is suggested that those interested let Marilyn know they are coming so we will have an idea how many will be participating in the bake sale and the porch sale. A sign up sheet was circulated at the All Member meeting. The Bake Sale at Blues Fest is to support the Valley Art Association as a fundraiser. We would appreciate your baked donations to be wrapped in saran wrap or in snack baggies with a price already on them. We would like to stick to \$1.00 amounts so that we do not have to make change for 25 or 50 cents. Your participation and cooperation in this fundraiser would be appreciated.

North Gallery News

Exhibiting members shall take responsibility for cataloging the items they place at the Mansion House, and shall maintain a list of their items at the desk in the place designated. Each shall also have a folder for receipts of any sales.

June and July will be an all member show on the theme "Feel the Heat" in the North Gallery and the miniature show in the West Gallery.

Participation in the North Gallery shows gives all of our members plenty of opportunities to show their work and take an active part in the Valley Art Association. Please refer to the list of All Member Shows in this newsletter. Your support will continue to be greatly appreciated.

Shrink-Wrapped Two Dimensional Artwork

The conditions above apply to shrink-wrapped artwork with the following additional provisions. Each member will be limited to 5 shrink-wrapped items at a time (sold pieces may be replaced), and they will be placed in designated Valley Art shrink-wrap bins. Because of space limitations, individuals may not bring in their own bins unless asked by the Gallery Director to contribute one as one of the common, shared bins.

(See Opening and Closing Dates under North Gallery Shows)

Hanging Miniatures

To all members that are interested in hanging miniatures on the miniature rack, there will be a small fee. Contact Janie Moltrup for details.

2016 Shows

- June/July -- All Member and Miniature Show in conjunction with the Blues Fest. "Feeling The Heat?" Start painting!
- August -- Tamara Hoffman Solo Show: "Reflections of Light".
- September – Tom Tholen Solo Show.
- October – Potomac River Artists Guild (PRAG)
- November – Sherry Kemp solo show.
- December – Winter All Member Show

Lynn Ferris' Annual Summer Workshop

The above workshop will be held again this year, on Thursdays starting July 21st- August 25th for a total of 6 classes. The cost is \$20 per class and will be held in the Mansion House from 9am to 12 noon. For more information and to sign up please contact Lynn at: ferrislynn@yahoo.com

Inspiration Tuesdays

Dates: Continuous Day: Tuesday Time: 10am-2pm Location: Mansion House Tuition: Free. Marjorie Tressler is facilitating a weekly painting session in oil, acrylic, watercolor or mixed media for intermediate and advanced 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. There are some critiques, but most of all, inspiration. The artists supply their own materials, still life set-ups and resource photographs, etc. The only requirement is that the artist needs to be self-motivated and able to work independently. For more information or to sign up, please contact Marjorie at 717-762-6791 or marjoretressler@comcast.net.

Wednesday Night Art Class

Beginning January 6, 2016, Marjorie Tressler will be teaching a class in both oil and acrylic the 1st and 3rd Wednesday night of each month from 6:30 to 9pm. Location: Mansion House. Tuition is \$65.00 for 6 classes. Classes are continuous and will be for all painting levels. Each student gets individual attention and is encouraged to work on any subject they are interested in and wish to paint. The class is very unique where the students are taught in a very friendly and relaxed atmosphere with fun conversations, where everyone is enjoying the experience of creating a beautiful painting. The only requirement is for students to provide their own painting materials, table or floor easel. For more information please contact Marjorie at 717-762-6791 or marjoretressler@comcast.net.

Wednesday Art Group

The Wednesday Art Group invites you to join us. We meet every Wednesday from 10am to 2pm. Bring your lunch and paints, any medium. For more information call Audrey Mentzer at 301-739-8112 or Ruth Peyton at 301-223-8688.

Destination Arts, Waynesboro

This is a news flash to our members for an opportunity to visit and maybe consider showing their work at Destination Arts in Waynesboro. Destination Arts continues with 5 permanent galleries and more in the works!!! "Gallery 50", the Arts Alliance's flagship gallery, has maintained a following featuring: Wind Down Fridays with music and Uncorked Inspiration Paint nights. Artists demo every Thursday with Marjorie Tressler and music every weekend at Gallery 50. Also, there are writers' and song writers' forums once a month. With over 80 artists and artisans represented in Gallery 50, it is joined by 42 West Arts, a co-op gallery with 17 artists; The Ceramic Center, a co-op of potters; and Through the Lens and Beyond plus Gallery 20. Hours of operation are: Thursday 1-4pm, Friday 5-8pm, Saturday 12-6pm, and Sunday 1-4pm. For more information, contact Gallery 50 Curator, Marjorie Tressler at marjoretressler@comcast.net.

After several requests for a day class in addition to her current Wednesday evening class; on Thursday starting JUNE 2nd, Marjorie Tressler has decided to conduct a new oil and acrylic class in Gallery 50, located at 50 West Main St. Waynesboro., PA.



This class will be held on Thursday mornings from 9am to 11:30 and be continuous throughout the year. The cost is the same as her current class: \$65 for 6 classes and are for ALL painting levels. The only requirement is for students to provide their own painting materials and table easels. We have floor easels available. For more information please contact Marjorie at 717-762-6791. marjoretressler@comcast.net



42 West Arts Gallery

Located at 42 West Main Street, Waynesboro,
42 West Arts Gallery is accepting 3D artists-sculptures, fine art
crafters, etc. to join the art gallery.

Donna Bingaman will be giving classes in oil painting. Her first free
classes offered in June are almost full. However, there will be 4
classes offered in July for the cost of \$15/person for each class.
The dates are as follows: Wednesdays, July 6, 13, 20 and 21st from
Noon to 3pm at the above location.

For more information, contact:

Denny & Donna Bingaman

717-762-8394

artsyfolks@embarqmail.com

Artists Looking for Artists and Models for Wednesday Portrait Group

Hagerstown YMCA

Wednesday Mornings 9:30am—12:30pm

Contact: Donna Mason: 301-791-6719 or

donnamasonart@yahoo.com

Valley Art Association 2016 Meeting Schedule

June 22, 2016 – Picnic 6pm on the porch

2016 Meritus Art In The Hallways Schedule

June	Audrey Mentzer
July	Donna Ashbaugh
August	Marjorie Tressler
September	Donna Bingaman
October	Sharon Benoit
November	Carol Miller
December	Bill Davis

2016 Chambersburg Hospital Artist of the Month Schedule

June	Cindy Barker
July	Sylvia Troust
August	Donna Bingaman
September	Denny Bingaman
October	Jean Harshman
November	Kent Roberts
December	Lynda Cook

North Gallery Shows for 2016

June & July 2016-- "Blues Fest and Miniature Show" Opening- May 27—Closing July 24
(Drop Off May 24 and Pick up July 25)

August 2016 -- Tamara Hoffman Solo Show

September 2016 – Thomas Tholen Solo Show

October 2016--Potomac River Artists' Guild (PRAG) Show—Opening September 30—
Closing October 30. (Drop off September 27 and Pick Up October 31)

November 2016 Sherry Kemp Solo Show

December 2016 Winter All Member Show—Opening December 2—Closing January 29,
2017. (Drop Off November 29 and Pick up January 30)

2016 Valley Art Board of Directors

President	Donna Bingaman
President Elect	TBD
Treasurer	Sue Parker
Corresponding Secretary	Carol Wilks
Recording Secretary	Donna Mason
Gallery Director	Marilyn Eavey
Asst. Gallery Director	Susan McNally