

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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Hello Everyone,

"Happy New Year" to all our VAA members and friends.

Our Christmas Tree Lighting and Christmas Tea were very well attended and enjoyed by all. Thanks to Marilyn Eavey and the social committee for all their work as well as to all of our VAA members for the great food. A special thanks to Jeff Grills for his wonderful Christmas songs and beautiful guitar music. We had so much fun celebrating the Holidays together at the Mansion House.

At our January 25th meeting, Elaine Wolfe will be introducing "The Parade" a story of 55 drawings". After the film Elaine will host a discussion.

The presentation is a tribute to the artist, Si Lewen. A film of his graphic novel, "The Parade", will be shown after an introduction to the life and work of this intensely powerful artist. Albert Einstein wrote of "The Parade" in the fifties, "Nothing can equal the psychological effect of real art... Our time needs you and your work!" "The Parade" draws us, through parades at the end of World War I to the death marches of World War II. After the ten minute long film, there will be an opportunity to see and discuss his other works, including the graphic novel, "The Journey" and the new, expanded publication of "The Parade" (Abrams, October, 2016) which follows his work from childhood in Germany through his many journeys, conveying the flowing immensity of his vision. Si Lewen died on July 25 of this year at the age of 97.

*Respectfully submitted,
Donna Bingaman,
VAA President*

Membership News

We've been attracting many new members and hope to continue. We encourage all members to invite friends to our monthly meetings even if they don't paint or draw. Art is for EVERYONE!!!! YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE AN "ARTIST" TO JOIN THE VALLEY ART ASSOCIATION! Please check out our activities schedule below!

Workshops/Classes
Exhibitions
Trips and Travel in Art
Mansion House Maintenance
Membership/Phone Tree

Hospital Shows and Publicity
Events Planning
Library
Nominating Program

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 following list of All Member Shows. Your support will continue to be greatly appreciated. Any questions about the North Gallery Shows should be addressed to our Gallery Director, Marilyn Eavey at Raweavey@aol.com.

North Gallery Show Schedule

<u>Month</u>	<u>Opening</u>	<u>Closing</u>	<u>Title/Exhibitor</u>	<u>Drop Off Date</u>	<u>Pick Up Date</u>
January 2017		1/29/2017	Winter All Member Show		1/30/2017
February 2017	2/3/2017	2/26/2017	All Member Show-Just Monkeyin' Around	1/25/2017	2/26/2017
March 2017	3/3/2017	3/26/2017	All Member Show- Cats	2/28/2017	3/28/2017
April 2017	3/31/2017	4/30/2017	All Member Show – Just Ducky	3/2/2017	4/30/2017
May 2017	5/5/2017	5/28/2017	VAA Teacher Student Show Reception 5/7/2017	4/26/2017	5/28/2017
June, July 2017	6/2/2017	7/30/2017	All Member Show – Just Chillin'	5/24/2017	7/30/2017

Valley Art Association 2017 Meeting Schedule

January 25 -- The "Parade" Presentation

February 22 – TBD

March 22 -- Welcome New Members Social with Art Supplies Sale

Members are to bring any art supplies they wish to DONATE for the sale, with proceeds going to VAA. Members are also to bring a finger food to share. As well as their artwork for the April Member Show (theme "Just Ducky") It was suggested that some members may like to do a "Show & Tell" about their "Just Ducky" artwork at the meeting as well.

April 26-- Kate Miller

May 24—Lynn Ferris

June 28-- Membership meeting and picnic 6pm

Artist Bios

We are asking all of our members to update (or create) their resumes for our Artist Book. Carol Gwin will be the contact person for this. Please send your updated or new resume to Carol at howiegwin@verizon.net or mail it to her at the following address:

Carol Gwin
1271 Fairchild Ave.
Hagerstown, MD 21742

Inspiration Tuesdays 10am-2pm Mansion House Weekly with Marjorie Tressler

Oil, acrylic, watercolor or mixed media for intermediate and advanced painters. Free and open to VAA members. Students supply all materials, still life set-ups and resource photographs, etc. 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 marjorietressler@comcast.net.

Wednesday Night Oil and Acrylic Art Class Mansion House with Marjorie Tressler

First and third Wednesday nights each month from 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm. Tuition is \$65 for 6 classes. Classes are for all painting levels. Students provide their own painting materials, table or floor easel. For more information please contact Marjorie at 717-762-6791 or marjorietressler@comcast.net.

Wednesday Art Group

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.

Artists' Call at Maloos Restaurant at Park Circle

Display your art for sale. Contact Marilyn Eavey at 301-393-8512 or Raweavey@aol.com for more information and to sign up for next quarter.

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.

MEMBERS OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES

The following section of this newsletter includes activities that our busy members are involved in. Please pay special attention to this section and hopefully you will be able to attend some of these events.

Destination Arts, Waynesboro

Wind Down Fridays

An opportunity for VAA members to visit and consider showing their work at Destination Arts in Waynesboro. Five permanent galleries and more in the works!!! "Gallery 50", the Arts Alliance's flagship gallery, features: 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 each 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 marjorietressler@comcast.net.

The Artist Connection - Gallery 50

The second Monday of the month. All artists, artisans, musicians and authors are welcome to come and bring a friend, a sample of your work and perhaps a snack for the reception table. As always, we are hoping you could share ideas, information on shows, etc. so please bring any literature you may have, for the table provided. We will have easels for the art you care to share for the evening and if needed we will have tables available for any displays. We are looking forward to seeing you again.

Marjorie Tressler Gallery 50 Curator/Gallery Director. Oil and Acrylic Classes

Monday Afternoons from 1-4pm. All levels of ability, oil and acrylic mediums. The cost is \$65 for 6 classes and continues throughout the year. Students provide their own painting materials and table easels. We have floor easels available. For more information please contact Marjorie at 717-762-6791 or marjorietressler@comcast.net.

42 West Arts Gallery

Donna Bingaman Oil Painting and Acrylic Classes every Wednesday from 12 - 3pm. All skill levels
42 W. Main St. Waynesboro Pa. \$15 per class. Focus on drawing, tonal values and color in your art work. Easels, tables and chairs are available. Bring in a photo of your choosing. For more information contact: Donna Bingaman 717- 762- 8394 or artsyfolks@embarqmail.com

Accepting New Artists

Now accepting 3D artists, sculptures, and fine art crafters. Free to the public every Saturday, art demonstrations oil or watercolor painting, pottery, gourd demos, weaving, sculpting. Wednesdays, Denny Bingaman will be giving free demonstrations. Hours are Wednesday 12:00 to 3:00, Thursday 1:00 to 4:00, Friday 5:00 to 8:00, Sat. 1:00 to 6:00, and Sun. 1:00 to 4:00. Music, Wine and Refreshments are offered every Friday night from 5:30 to 8:00. To join, call Denny and Donna Bingaman 762-8394 or sign up at 42 West Arts.

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

Art In The Hallway Sales Report

2016 Total VAA Sales \$2,917.00
Donations to Meritus Medical Center Auxiliary -- \$729.25
Total Sales for VAA artists since beginning May 2004 -- \$28,824.22
Total Donations to Auxiliary since beginning May 2004 -- \$7,197.51

2017 Meritus Art In The Hallways Schedule

January	Jeff Driscoll
February	Denise Sawyer
March	Susan Mc Nalley
April	Donna Mason
May	Sherry Kemp
June	Donna Mitchell
July	Elisabet Stacey-Hurley
August	Virginia Hair
September	Janie Moltrup
October	Laura Shindle
November	Marjorie Tressler
December	Linda Pedersen

2016 Valley Art Board of Directors

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