



GALLERY HOURS:
Friday & Saturday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Sunday 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

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May 2017

Hello Everyone,

Hello everyone, and hope all of you are enjoying the beautiful spring weather, and painting many beautiful works of art. The May show will be the Teachers-Student's show.

This month brings our annual elections and the last call for anyone interested in taking on the open board of directors jobs for our VAA. You will be joining a great group of men and gals to work with.

Please welcome once again, Lynn Ferris, our May demo artist. Originally from New Jersey, she attended Moore College of Art in Philadelphia. Before beginning her career as a watercolorist she worked as a commercial and architectural illustrator. Lynn was chosen to be one of the presenters at the 2010, 2011 and 2013 Florida Watercolor Society Annual Conventions. Among her many awards are the top award in the 2007 Florida Watercolor Society Tri-State Juried Exhibition. I am sure she will deliver yet another wonderful watercolor demonstration. She will be conducting a summer watercolor workshop here at the Mansion House.

*Respectfully submitted,
Donna Bingaman,
VAA President*

Membership News

We have learned with sorrow that the husband of our dear and gallant corresponding secretary, Carol Wilks, passed away yesterday evening, April 29. Details about the arrangements will be shared with you as soon as we know them. Messages of sympathy may be sent to Carol at her home address.

The April 20, 2017, workshop with Michael Davis was a big success, we look forward to more workshops later in the year. Watch the newsletter for more upcoming workshops at the Mansion House!

**Reception Sunday, May 7th for Teacher-Student Show
Mansion House North Gallery 2-4pm.**

Blues Fest! June 4, 2017 We need Volunteers!

Volunteers are still needed for the Blues Fest. Members should arrive and set up their works for sale and painting demos before 10am. We will be having the bake sale again.

VAA Picnic June 28th at 6pm.

Please bring your favorite side dish or dessert to share! Chicken and drinks will be provided from the club. Members are free and minimal \$5.00 fee for guests.

Wall Change June 27th Please note the times and the order for the wall change.

Time for wall change 10am. People are to arrive at 10 and remove their paintings from their wall. Then move to each station (table):

- 1) pay for wall & dues
- 2) do a square transaction test,
- 3) sign up for sitting dates
- 4) sign their contract
- 5) then pick their number for their wall space....and move their works to new location.

Information about the VAA Membership List

A current Membership List is kept on the desk at the Mansion House. It is kept up-to-date by the treasurer and includes information as to whether VAA dues have been received for 2017. If you wish to check the status of your dues or if you have any changes to your contact information, please call the Mansion House during its open hours and the sitter will write the changes on the list.

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	Membership/Phone Tree	Nominating Program
Exhibitions	Hospital Shows and Publicity	
Trips and Travel in Art	Events Planning	
Mansion House Maintenance	Library	

If you have special interests that you wish to pursue, e.g., workshops, trips and travel, publicity for art, there are sign-up lists for various activities on the desk at the Mansion House Art Gallery. Please feel free to stop in at the Mansion House during its open hours to check the lists, add your name, or you may call to ask the sitter for assistance.

North Gallery Show Schedule*

***We still need solo artists for North Gallery shows. Solo Artists are responsible for hanging their own shows**

<u>Month</u>	<u>Opening</u>	<u>Closing</u>	<u>Title/Exhibitor</u>
May 2017	5/5/2017	5/28/2017	VAA Teacher Student Show Reception 5/7/2017
June, July 2017	6/2/2017	7/30/2017	All Member Show – Just Chillin’
September 2017	9/1/2017	9/28/2017	Ruth Peyton Solo Show
October 2017	10/1/2017	10/29/2017	All Member Show – “Dogs”
November 2017	11/3/2017	11/26/2017	Ron Lytle Solo Show

Drop Off Dates are the weekend that the Mansion House is open to prior (or following) each show:

Fridays and Saturdays 11-4; Sundays 1-5 or pick up on Tuesday mornings after each show (Check with Marilyn Eavey or Susan McNally on the exact time for pick up on Tuesday morning).

Valley Art Association 2017 Meeting Schedule

May 24—Lynn Ferris

June 28-- Membership meeting and picnic 6pm

September 27-- Demonstration Philip Grove

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

Lynn Ferris Watercolor Classes

Lynn Ferris, AWS, NWS will be teaching watercolor classes at The Mansion House this summer on Thursday mornings for 6 weeks beginning June 22nd and running through July 27th. Classes are from 9AM - noon. The price is \$20 per class. Lynn is a signature member of the American Watercolor Society and National Watercolor Society. To reserve your space, email Lynn at:

ferrislynn@yahoo.com

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.

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 marjoretressler@comcast.net.

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.

VAA's membership with the Washington County Association of Museums and Historic Sites was approved by the Board to continue.

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. Four 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; and The Ceramic Center, a co-op of potters. 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.

The Artist Connection - Gallery 50

Hi everyone,

Hi everyone, We are having the Artist Connection this month on Monday May 8, from 6:30-8:30 in Gallery 50. Continuing this month, we will have a short 15 minute demo /talk starting at 7pm. We had a wonderful turnout with several artists participating in the discussion. I will continue this discussion by covering my process in oil painting with value and color.. If you are interested in volunteering to give a talk, please contact me, Marjorie Tressler, with a very short bio and description of the talk for publicity. As always, please come with ideas, news about shows to share, and any new projects you are working on. All are welcome and we would like you to invite your artist friends to tag along and see our gallery. Also please feel free to bring your newest creation for all of us to see, we will have easels and a table for you to display your work. Also if you are currently showing in gallery 50 and have something already here you can talk about that piece. Anything goes with this gathering. We have had folks go to the piano and play a tune or more, sculptors talk about their process and Trudy with news about starting up a new working artists studio. New to Gallery 50 are the Ceramic Centers pottery now on display, and the "Down on the Farm" show and featured artist Tina Stonestreet. Any info on shows you are participating in. If you would like to add to my snack table with wine, dips etc. it is always welcome. FYI a surprise awaits this month!! Thanks and looking forward to seeing all of you, Marjorie Tressler

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 marjoriertressler@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.

2017 Meritus Art In The Hallways Schedule

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

Chambersburg Hospital

May Nicole Troup
Jun. Deirdre Smith
Jul. Dan Weeks
Aug. Janette Koons
Sep. Sue Zacharias

Oct. Delores Henry
Nov. Glen Sabetto
Dec. Jody Wolfe

2016 Valley Art Board of Directors

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