

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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One of the year's big events, the Fall Fest, takes place at Hagerstown City Park on Saturday, September 16, 10 AM - 4 PM.

An Invitation
from our President

The Mansion House Gallery is one of the listed attractions of the day's activities (see attached Fall Fest Guide produced by Parks and Rec.).

We will provide cider and gingersnaps for the children, along with an array of activities for them on the porch - painting/printing/stamping, working with clay, and rock painting. There will also be some activities offered for adults this year.

We will also hold a bake sale on the porch - this was a big hit last year.

There are three areas where Valley Art seeks volunteer help:

1. Porch volunteers and a bake sale table volunteer - we need six people and more is always better!

We will begin setting up at 10 AM and close down at 4 PM. Any portion of the day you can help will be very welcome! Please contact Susan McNally, the Gallery Director, if you would like to sign up to help - or if you have any questions. Her email is susamcnally2@gmail.com.

2. Painting on the porch - would you like to come and paint on the porch? One area of the porch is being reserved for Valley Art artists. If interested, please contact Susan, as above.

3. Items for the bake sale - please volunteer cookies, cupcakes, etc.. We suggest items in a \$1 bag, for example, perhaps three or four small cookies in a bag. Cookies can be dropped off at the Mansion House on Friday, September 15, during open hours, of the morning of Saturday, 16th.

Please let the Social Committee chair, Gwen Bergey, know if you will be bringing items for the bake sale. Her email address is gwenbergey@yahoo.com.

Best wishes!

This should be fun!

Elaine

(Via treasurer)

VAA members to attend Board meeting.

Sept. 27th 4:30pm, Mansion House Art Gallery

President's Message:

Greetings! I hope everyone is ready for another very active Valley Art Association year! Please read your newsletters for information on the many upcoming activities and events. Also, please attend membership meetings when you can. And let us know if you can attend a Board meeting as well. This month's Board meeting is September 27th at 4:30 pm and will be an open meeting for the entire membership held just prior to the membership meeting. Welcome to all new members, and thanks to everyone who has helped make Valley Art Association one of the best art groups in the area. Remember, "Art Is For Everyone"! Best regards, and looking forward to seeing all of you soon!

Hal Mason
President

"A Process Comparison of Traditional and Digital Art"

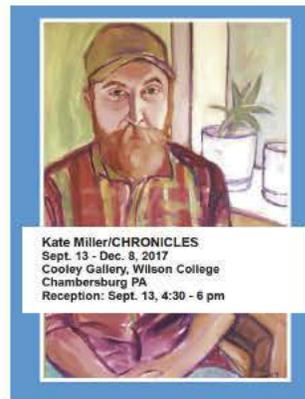
The Valley Art Association (VAA) will be conducting their regular "All Members" monthly meeting on September 27, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. You do not have to be a member of the VAA to attend the meeting because "All Members" meetings are open to the public. Monthly meetings generally include a presentation and/or demonstration relating to art. September's meeting will include a process comparison of traditional and digital art by Phillip B. Grove.

"Landscapes and Flowers"

North Gallery Show

Ruth Peyton and Audrey Mentzer titled

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Kate Miller/CHRONICLES
Sept. 13 - Dec. 8, 2017
Cooley Gallery, Wilson College
Chambersburg PA
Reception: Sept. 13, 4:30 - 6 pm

Kate Miller
Hagerstown painter and
Valley Arts member
is having a show in the Cooley
Gallery of Wilson College in
Chambersburg from
Sept. 13 - Dec. 8.
Reception is at Cooley Gallery
Sept. 13 from 4:30 - 6.

Activities for Children at the Mansion House

- Block Printing
- Clay
- Painting
- Rock Painting

VAA Members are asked to move their cars from the circular driveway in front of the Mansion.

A note from Lucy

Lucy Ecker will not be VAA representative to WCAMHS any longer. VAA needs a member to attend and do items for VAA. Lucy has everything printed in her book, which she will give VAA member, and going with you to the meetings for Sept., Oct., and Nov. to get VAA member introduced to Pres. and other members, so you do not have to walk in "Cold Turkey" as she did first time. No one at VAA knew anything about this group, but we are renting one of Historic Homes in City Park, VAA paid their dues and joined. All items for 2017 are done for CVB, except going to CVB and picking up Christmas Brochures when printed. Sometimes WCAMHS Pres. will pick them up and bring them to meeting so each site has them for display rack. May meeting is PICNIC, hosted by Lucy on Porch and she will give you all supplies she has leftover.

It has been a GREAT EXPERIENCE. Met people and sites that I probably would never have known.
Lucy Ecker

We welcome Betty Heck back home after her recent hospitalization, and we wish her a full response to therapy to aid in her recovery.

Our Valley Art Association member, Sherry Kemp, has created a vintage star which is one of eighteen stars being voted on in the 2017 Eddie Mercer Agri-Services Vintage Art Contest at the Great Frederick Fair.

To see her star - and to vote - (if not going to the Fair itself), please go to Facebook, and enter the "2017 Eddie Mercer Agri-Services Vintage Art Contest Voting" in the search line. Sherry's star is the third from the last and is sponsored by "Valley Concession". For voting, one hits "Like".

Currently, Sherry's star has the most likes! Voting ends on September 16.

Congratulations on your beautiful work, Sherry!

"The Art of Life" celebrating 85 years of Art Education .

Four members of the VAA are being honored in the new show at the MFA called Bob Wantz, Nicole Troup, Elisabet Stacy-Hurley and Marjorie Tressler, as well as a memorial showing of Clyde Roberts work.

August 19- October 8 2017.

Opening reception
August 20, 2017 2:30pm

Help Wanted for a VAA's representative on the Association of Museums and Historic Sites, and Coordinator for Art in the Hallway at Meritus Hospital.

Fritz Briggs Watercolor Artist Workshop

Plein Air Painting Tuition \$165.
September 18-22nd
Contact: Virginia Hair to register: 717-762-3677

Fritz will be demonstrating watercolor techniques at Waynesboro Studio Club meeting Tuesday, September 19th at 7PM. at Church of the Brethren, 117 South Church Street Waynesboro, Pa.

Informal drop-in portrait drawing/painting (including life-drawing if wished)

sessions at the Mansion House Gallery: Elaine Wolfe is planning to start regular drawing (or painting if you prefer) portrait study sessions. The only cost will be the shared model fees. Contact Elaine at ecwolfe@frontier.com or 304-754-5116.

Classes with Marjorie Tressler --- Marjorie Tressler is now teaching 3 classes in both oil and acrylic at 2 locations.

Wednesday night at the MANSION HOUSE every First and Third Wednesday from 6:30 to 9pm and continues throughout the year.. Tuitions is 65.00 for 6 classes. Contact Marjorie at marjoriertressler@comcast.net or 717-762-6791

Marjorie Tressler GALLERY 50's Curator/Director is offering Oil and Acrylic classes every MONDAY and THURSDAY from 1-4pm at GALLERY 50 located at 50 West Main St. Waynesboro PA. Tuition is 65.00 for 6 classes and continue through-out the year. Please contact Marjorie at 717-762-6791 or marjoriertressler@comcast.net

The Artist Connection

September 18, 6:30 -8:30

Gallery 50 West Main Street, Waynesboro, Pa.

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... 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.. If you would like to add to my snack table with wine, dips etc. it is always welcome. Thanks and looking forward to seeing all of you, ALSO Next month The Artist Connection will be held at the new Rodney Clark Photography at Gallery 35 East on Oct. 16, with other galleries to follow please stay tuned !!!

Marjorie Tressler

For more information please call Marjorie at 717-762-6791 or email : marjoriertressler@comcast.net

WE WANT YOU!

Valley Art needs people for committees. In order for our operation to be a success we need your help! Most of these are not a long term commitment. No heavy lifting when we all participate and become a part of the VAA team.

Let someone on the board know if there is something you would like to do!

Events Planning:

We need people to work with ideas and implementation of social events for our club, as well as coordinating with the city and our local community events.

Exhibitions: An example is Marilyn Eavey who works with Maloo's Restaurant to display artists work. You could work within your local area to discover places to share the art works of VAA members.

Nominating Program: Once a year we need people to seek out members who would like to sit on the board of VAA. We want to encourage new faces to participate.

Hospital Shows: Currently Lucy Ecker is our Meritus Hospital coordinator. Sometimes she could use a hand! Handling the shows works is a once a month task and it does not take all day. Please let Lucy know if you want to learn more about working on displaying work at hospitals in our area. She is the person to ask!

Mansion House Maintenance: Working to schedule and assist with the thorough cleaning of our gallery. A good way to get to know other members. Cleaning chair rails, door trims, and windows. Other tasks that need to be done on a semi annual basis. You don't have to do all of the work, just work with the Gallery Director to be sure we have volunteers.

Publicity: Get the word out, through social media, print media, and work to let people know what is going on.

Membership Phone Tree:

Trips and Travels in Art: Get ideas about trips, classes and such to the board. We want your ideas!

Workshops and Classes: Gather, collect ideas from members in our community about people who are teaching art or who might like to teach a class. We have so many talented members in our community.

Library: Maintain our library and work to ensure our collection is kept in some type of order. We have a really nice reference library for our members.



Bus Trip to see Vermeer and the Masters of Genre Painting:

"Inspiration and Rivalry at the National Gallery of Art"

WHEN: Thursday, November 16, 2017"

WHERE: Organized by the Washington County Museum of Fine Arts HAGERSTOWN, MD — The Washington County Museum of Fine Arts announces a bus trip to the National Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C. on Thursday, November 16, 2017. This exciting opportunity for art lovers is only available for a limited number of people, both museum members and non-members are welcome. Participants will travel by tour bus to the National Gallery of Art, featuring Vermeer and the Masters of Genre Painting: Inspiration and Rivalry.

The group will be able to enjoy the museum at their leisure from 10:00a.m. to 5:00 p.m. with meals on their own in one of the museum's cafés or on the "Mall."

This landmark exhibition examines the artistic exchanges among Johannes Vermeer and his contemporaries from 1650 to 1675, when they reached the height of their technical ability and mastery of depictions of domestic life. The exhibition brings together some 65 works by Vermeer and his fellow painters of the Dutch Golden Age, including Gerard ter Borch, Gerrit Dou, Pieter de Hooch, Gabriel Metsu, Frans van Mieris, Caspar Netscher, and Jan Steen. Juxtaposing paintings related by theme, composition, and technique, the exhibition explores how these artists inspired, rivaled, surpassed, and pushed each other to greater artistic achievement. The paintings also reflect how these masters responded to the changing artistic climate of the Dutch Republic in the third quarter of the 17th century, particularly in Amsterdam, Delft, Leiden, and The Hague. The exhibition features 10 paintings by Vermeer (many of which have not been seen in the United States since the Gallery's legendary 1995–1996 exhibition Johannes Vermeer), including *The Lacemaker* (c. 1669–1670, Musée du Louvre, Paris) and *The Love Letter* (c. 1669–1670, Rijksmuseum, Amsterdam). A fully illustrated catalog features essays by the curators and essays and entries by a team of international scholars 2017.

This exhibition is curated by Arthur K. Wheelock Jr., curator of northern baroque paintings, National Gallery of Art, Washington; Dr. Adriaan Waiboer, head of collections and research, National Gallery of Ireland, Dublin; and Blaise Ducos, curator of Dutch and Flemish paintings, Musée du Louvre, Paris."

"Other exhibits currently on view at the National Gallery of Art include Edward Munch: Color in Context; Bosch to Bloemaert: Early Netherlandish Drawings from the Museum Boijmans Van Beuningen, Rotterdam; and Fragonard: The Fantasy Figures. Interested members of the group may choose to explore additional museums on the Mall or other nearby locations.

The tour will depart from the Washington County Museum of Fine Arts promptly at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 16, 2017.

Amy Hunt, who has led highly successful bus tours for the Museum of Fine Arts for several years, earned her B. A. degree in Art History, served the museum in the past as educator and curator, and lives in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania with her family where she is currently Inn Manager of the Brickhouse Inn Bed and Breakfast on Baltimore Street. The tour is expected to return by 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$65 for Museum Members and Valley Arts Association Members/\$70 for Non Members. For more information about the trip, please contact Donna Rastelli at 301-739-5727. Tickets are non-refundable and must be paid for in-full upon registration. For more information on the Museum, please phone (301) 739-5727 or visit www.wcmfa.org. Museum hours are Tuesday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and Sunday from 1:00 to 5:00



