

GALLERY HOURS

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

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

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February 2020

Greetings Valley Art Members and Friends!

Welcome new members!

Thanks to all who participated and contributed to our January 2020 meeting and "Show-cial"! It was a great opportunity to make new friends and to get together and share!



Be sure to put Feb.26th , 7pm on your calendars for our next meeting!

Eric Carter will be our featured artist next month , and he is one you won't want to miss!

(PLEASE NOTE: IF WASHINGTON COUNTY SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER, THE MEETING WILL BE CANCELED.)

More details about other upcoming events are inside this newsletter. So PLEASE read it ALL when you get a chance! Hope to see you soon!

*Artfully yours,
Hal Mason*

Future Events:

Please be advised that a detailed list of upcoming activities in 2020 is provided at the end of this newsletter.

Paintings by Bonita Conry-Solo Show in the North Gallery, January 31 to February 23, 2020. Bonita, an emerging artist with a lifelong passion for art, has developed an amazing painting ability in just 4 years, by taking classes at Hagerstown Community College, and any other classes & workshops that she can find! She is very prolific, as can be seen by all the paintings she has done so far. The opening reception is Saturday February 1, 2020 1-3pm

Calling All Members: Art in the Hallway will feature Prints during the month of March.

A sign-up sheet will be posted at the Mansion House. Prints to be shown in the Hallway must be framed. The show for March will be hung on Wednesday February 26th between 9 and 10 am. Prints that are not framed but are shrink wrapped can be placed in the Gift Shop for the month of March.

To lessen the traffic at Meritus, I am offering to transport the prints from the Mansion House to Meritus. So if you don't plan to come to Meritus, please have your prints available for transport by Sunday, February 23rd at the MANSION HOUSE. They should be labeled the same as when they are hung at the Mansion House: Name, Title, and Price. If you have further questions, please send me an email at charlove288@gmail.com, or call/text at 301-733-7611.

Premier Jewelry Party Raffle—Total raised amount was \$130. Many, many thanks to Dianna Basile!!

Painting Groups at the Mansion House.

Tuesday: 10am to 3--ish Call Donna Mason 301-791-6719. Check with Donna (text or call 301-491-2899) before coming each week in case of a day change.

Wednesday: 10am to 1pm. Bring your paints, any medium, then join us for lunch at a local restaurant. For more information call Ruth Peyton at 301-223-8688 or Audrey Mentzer at 301-739-8112.

Oil and Acrylic Art Classes with Marjorie Tressler

Marjorie Tressler will now be teaching 2 classes, both in oil and acrylic at the Mansion House. Continuing: the 1st and 3rd Wednesday evenings 6:30-8:30pm, NEW CLASS: MONDAY AFTERNOON 1-4PM starting January 6th 2020. Both classes are for the novice to the advanced painters who want to learn how to improve their painting and drawing skills covering portrait, still life and landscape. \$65.00 for six classes continuous: for more information please contact: marjoretressler@comcast.net or 717-762-6791.

Figure-Drawing at the Mansion House: February Mondays, 10 - 1.

If the schools are closed due to bad weather, the session will be canceled. Upcoming dates: February 3, 10, 17 and 24. Professional male and female models. No instruction. Only cost is shared model fees. Contact Elaine Wolfe at valleyartinfo@gmail.com or 304-754-5116 with any questions.

Michael Davis Two-Day Portrait Workshop: Wednesday, April 8th and Thursday, April 9th, 2020

This is a two day, 12 hour portrait workshop with Michael Davis. This workshop will have a live model for the full time period. Cost is \$140 for VAA and Washington County Museum of Fine Art members, and \$160 for non-members. There will be an additional model fee of \$20. Lunch will be included. To register, please contact Elaine Wolfe valleyartinfo@gmail.com or call 304-754-5116..

Katriel Srebnik: Painting People In Interiors

This is a one-day, 8 hour workshop on Tuesday, May 5, at the Mansion House. Artists welcome to work in watercolor, gouache, acrylic or oil. Cost is \$125.00. See his remarkable bio and work at SreGallery.com. To register and for details/materials list, contact Katriel Srebnik at infoSreGallery@gmail.com or call 843-580-8488.

Some of the Upcoming Workshops - Details to Follow in the March Newsletter

David Bottini: One day, Thursday, June 18, landscape painting glazing with acrylics.

Nicole Troup: One day, Thursday, September 10, "Drawing the Portrait".

Brendan Rich: A series of two hour hands-on workshops on subjects such as making paints by hand, and pewter casting, materials will be provided by the artist at cost.

Upcoming Classes with Lynn Ferris

Six weeks of watercolor painting with Lynn Ferris, Thursday mornings, July 9 - August 13.

For details and to register, contact Lynn Ferris at ferrislynn@yahoo.com or 304-258-1651.

This class fills up quickly!

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 or take part in some of these events.

Virginia Hair - A Sixty Year Retrospective:

Beautiful solo exhibition January 7 - February 16, 2020, reception on Saturday, February 8, 2 - 4pm (rain, snow or shine). Burgin Center for the Arts, Cofrin Gallery, The Mercersburg Academy, 300 E. Seminary Street, Mercersburg, PA

Many congratulations to VAA member, Nicole Troup, who won First Prize for 2-D art, with her beautiful painting, "Vitaligo Beauty", at the Washington County Arts Council's Annual Community Art Show: The Best Local Art of 2019! Congratulations go also to the following VAA members whose work was also selected for the show - Jennie Avila, Guy Terry Kuhn, Susan McNally, John Mullican, Elaine Wolfe and Stephen Wright.

Artisans Connection: Monday, February 10, 2020 at 6:30-8:30

This month's theme will be of course Valentines Day, and all things about love, chocolate and the love of the ARTS!!! Please bring poems , art, chocolate, music and most of all your love of the ARTS !!!.

We are excited to announce that the Artisans Connection home gallery for our monthly gatherings is now in a new location! We will be gathering in the MUSIC MAKERS: a space located at 46 West Main Street, Waynesboro, PA. Of course we will continue to enjoy being hosted by other galleries/studios periodically and those visits will be preannounced. We are looking forward to a new year of more expanded opportunities in this larger space. As special thank you to all of those associated with the MUSIC MAKERS for so graciously extending the use of their facility to the Artisans Connection.

4th Biennial Maryland Regional Juried Art Exhibition (BMRE) Presented by the University of Maryland Global Campus is from December 8, 2019 to March 15, 2020, at the UMGC Arts Gallery, Lower Level. Phillip Grove and David Bottini have had works selected for the exhibition. These are among 68 works chosen by jurors from artists in Maryland, Washington D.C. and Virginia. The UMGC Arts Gallery is open daily 9 AM to 9 PM. The reception is on Thursday, December 12, from 5 to 7 PM; RSVP by calling 301--985-7937 or visiting umgc.edu/artsvp.

Destination Arts, Waynesboro 42 West Arts Gallery Fine Arts and Crafts, 42 West Main Street, Waynesboro. Come in and browse or make a purchase from local artists, and fine craftsmen. Open: Wednesday 12 – 3; Thursday 1 – 4; Friday 5 – 8; Saturday 10am-4pm; Sunday 1 – 4. Artist Janie Moltrup, professional photographer will be our guest artist for the months of January and February. Janie has been a member of the Valley Art Association for many years and served on the Board there as well. For further information on the many activities that take place here, please get in touch with either Donna or Denny at 717-762-8394 or email artsyfolksatembargmail.com.

The Tuscarora Wildlife Education Project (www.twep.org) is inviting artists to take part in their annual Middle School/High School Art Show Open House. The date is Sunday, April 5, 2 - 4pm. Artists are cordially invited to bring something to work on and to display their artwork. This is a great opportunity to meet with many young students, their teachers and their families. Please contact Sheila Snider, Director, 717-328-2126, 4881 Ft. Loudon Road, Mercersburg, PA 17236.

***All Member (and Solo) Shows 2019-2020**

All artwork should be ready to hang with a wire on the back. Paintings can be dropped off the weekend before the show during open hours: 11 to 4 on Friday and Saturday and 1 to 5 on Sunday. Drop/off pick up on Tuesday morning before the show opens. The new show will be hung from 10 AM to 12 Noon and anyone willing to help will be welcomed with open arms.

<u>Month</u>	<u>Title/Exhibitor</u>	<u>Drop Off Dates</u>	<u>Opening</u>	<u>Closing</u>	<u>Pick Up Date</u>
February 2020	Bonita Conry Solo Show	NA	January 31 2020	February 23 2020	NA
March 2020	Nicole Troup Solo Show "My Story"	NA	February 28	March 29	NA
April 2020	Waynesboro Studio Art Club*	NA	April 3	April 26	NA
May 2020	In My Garden* (Blossoms, Bees, Butterflies & Birds)	April 24-26	May 1	May 31	June 2
June & July 2020	Art Is For Everyone*	May 29-31	June 5	July 26	July 28
August 2020	Vacay Daze* (Vacations)	July 24-26	July 31	August 30	September 1
September (Labor Day Show) 2020	Working Life: Hands, Mind & Heart*	August 28-30	September 4	September 27	September 29
October 2020	"Earth, Wind and Fire"*	September 25-27	October 2	November 1	November 3
November 2020	Teachers/Students Show* (see note below)*	NA	November 6	November 29	NA
December 2020-January 2021	Dazzle*	November 27-29	December 4 2020	January 31, 2021	February 2, 2021

(The "Teachers/Student" Show will feature Valley Art members who are teachers exhibiting with their students.)

Valley Art Association 2019-2020 Meeting Schedule

2/26/2020	<i>Business Meeting and Snacks</i>	7:00pm Demo by Eric Carter	
3/25/2020	<i>Business Meeting and Snacks</i>	7:00pm Demo by Joseph and Trudy Gembe-Palughi	
4/22/2020	<i>Business Meeting and Snacks</i>	7:00pm Demo by David Good	
5/27/2020	<i>Business Meeting and Snacks</i>	7:00pm Demo by Lynn Ferris	
6/24/2020	<i>Member's picnic on Porch</i>	6:00 pm	<i>Fried chicken /drinks members bring side dishes</i>

Meritus Art in the Hallway Schedule

Month	Artist	Hang Date	Take Down Date
February	Lily Ramos	2/22	3/25
March	Open for all members "Prints"	3/25	4/22
April	Paul Berryhill	4/22	5/27
May	Ronda Albright	5/27	6/24
June	Monika Werkman	6/24	7/22
July	Jennie Avila	7/22	8/26
August	Chris Shindler	8/26	9/23
September	Carol Wolfenberger	9/23	10/28
October	Sue Bell	10/28	11/25
November	Carol Miller	11/25	12/23
December	Gwenn & Larry Bergey	12/23/2020	1/27/2021

New 2019 Valley Art Board of Directors

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