

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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November 2020

Hello Valley Art members, prospective members and ART Lovers,

We are heading into another busy month for Valley Art Association, regardless of the restrictions due to the COVID-19 pandemic. I hope that you and your families are staying safe. The Mansion House is thankfully still open, while still practicing health officials' guidelines. There have been many visitors and sales as a result of the hard work by our members who continually promote the galleries in the Mansion House and who promote our artists. Small groups of members are still carefully gathering to paint/draw on the porch or inside. And we are still having rotating shows in the North Gallery. We are signing on a lot of great new members too, whom we enthusiastically welcome! And Valley Art Board and General meetings continue to be held via Zoom. As I write this today, we are planning our next Zoom General meeting for this Wednesday, October 28th. By the time you read this, it will be past. But we are working on plans to have programs at future meetings.



Next month for our November 18th Zoom General meeting, we will be excited to present Valley Art member, Linda Barnhart, who will show her recent video, where she demonstrates her procedures for painting with encaustics (hot wax). You won't want to miss this one so mark your calendar now! Zoom meeting invitations will be emailed to all members, but do contact me if you don't see the email and would like to join in. Guests are always welcome!

Our "Teachers & Students Exhibit" in the North Gallery opens November 6th and runs till the 29th. The show features members who teach art classes, along with the artworks of their students. Unfortunately there won't be an opening reception this time due to COVID restrictions, but we are putting out publicity & working to get virtual exposure for the show.

As the holidays are approaching, members will again sell their craft items at our "Holiday Market" in the Mansion House. (See inside for details.) We'll again be participating in this year's City Park Tree Lighting event, although it will be different this year. We're also having a project for members in lieu of our December holiday party. We're asking members to participate in a "Members' Surprise Holiday Cards Jingle". Just let a board member know that you'd like to participate, then make or buy a seasonal holiday card and send it out in December to the member's name that is chosen for you. It will be a fun holiday surprise for everyone who joins in!

Until we meet again, please always do read your entire newsletter. A lot of work goes into putting our newsletters together and you won't want to miss anything that's going on! Keep taking care and don't forget our motto, "Art Is For Everyone"!

Artfully yours,
Hal Mason,
Valley Art Association President

Below are the shows for the remainder of 2020.

Month	Title/Exhibitor	Drop Off Dates	Opening	Closing	Pick Up Date
November 2020	Teachers/Students Show* (see note below)*	TBD	November 6	November 29	TBD
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 presents a Teachers & Student's Exhibit at City Park's Mansion House Art Gallery, 501 Highland Way, Hagerstown, MD. A number of Valley Art members who teach art classes will be showing their own artwork with some of their students during the month of November 2020. The show runs from November 6 to November 29th. Mansion House hours are Fridays & Saturdays 11am-4pm and Sundays 1pm-5pm. Admission is Free. www.valleyartassoc.com

**2021 ART IN THE HALLWAY
Meritus Health Center**

Month	Name
January	Mary Thompson
February	Lily Ramos
March	Marilyn Pontius
April	Cory Kerr & Martin Nikirk
May	Carol Gwinn & Bonita Conry
June	Victoria Baker
July	Chris Shingler
August	Jeff Jones
September	Donna Bingaman
October	Carol A. Wofensberger
November	Nicole Troup
December	Denny Bingaman

"Holiday Market" in the Mansion House

Holiday crafts will be accepted starting November 6th weekend. We will have tables set up for shared use. If you have specialized items like a large quilt, you should display it on a quilt rack that you provide. Make sure your items are displayed safely. We don't want anything rolling off the tables! Have a good show!

Valley Art will now be featuring our members on Facebook! If you are interested in being the "Featured Valley Art Association Member" on Valley Art Association's Facebook page, or have an album with up to a maximum of 5 photos of your work, please email editor, JEN MARTIN at jenmartin72@outlook.com and she will be glad to work with you about your feature. Other VAA FB editors are : Sue Parker at scp2art@gmail.com, Carol Wilks at cawilks44@gmail.com, and John Mullican at johnmullican@gmail.com. They are available to post other articles of interest to members on FB as well.

Figure-Drawing Sessions in November:

Figure-drawing sessions are ongoing at the Mansion House. The number of artists is restricted to four. The necessary COVID precautions are observed. Professional models. Shared model fees only. No instruction. The sessions in November are on Monday 9th, 23rd and 30th, 10:00 - 1:00. For details and to book a space for the November-December period, please contact Elaine Wolfe at valleyartinfo@gmail.com or 304-261-9583 (no text). A waiting list is maintained, as needed.

Figure-Drawing/Portrait Classes with Michael Timothy Davis via Zoom:

Three hour sessions. Cost \$35.00. Minimum number is 4. Timing will be worked out to suit participants after the minimum number is reached. To sign up and for more details, contact Elaine (see above).

Workshops and Demonstrations

We deeply regret that in-person workshops and demonstrations are on hold at present, and hope to resume our workshop series soon. Wishes and suggestions are welcome!

NOTE: Hans Guerin and his artist wife, Beth Loiselle, are offering Online Mentoring: see their website, hansguerin.com, for details.

Please visit our partner in the arts, the Washington County Arts Council, Inc. either in person at 34 S. Potomac St., Hagerstown, Md 21740, Phone number (301) 791-3132, <http://www.washingtoncountvarts.com/> or Washington County Arts Council, Inc. on Facebook

42 West Arts Gallery Fine Arts and Crafts 42 West Main Street is open for business!

Fridays 5 – 8 and Saturdays 10am-2pm

Come in and browse or make a purchase from local artists, and fine craftsmen at 42 West Arts Gallery. All work is handmade by local artisans. We have art classes and demonstrations every week from our artists. Jennie Avila, Stephen Wright and Pamela Bartl will be having a joint show of their work the months of November and December, with a reception on Friday November 13th from 5:30 - 8:00 pm. Patric Schlee will be playing flute, hand drums, etc. in a relaxed atmosphere on Wind Down Fridays every Friday night from 5:30 - 8pm. Donna Bingaman offers painting classes every week of the year on Wednesdays from 12 - 3pm. Each student gets personal instruction from her 50 years of experience of painting portraits, still life, landscapes, etc. Bring in a photograph of what you want to paint and Donna will help you learn to draw and paint in oil, acrylic, pastel, and other mediums to achieve a beautiful painting of your own.

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