

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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March 2021



Hello Valley Art Association members, prospective members and ART lovers,

The North Gallery in the Mansion House will be opening its members' show Friday March 5th with the theme "Spring Fever". I hope that many of you will be able to participate with your great "Spring Fever" artwork. Please bring your submissions ready for display to the Mansion House during the weekend of Feb. 26, 27, or 28th and clearly label your items with your name, phone number, and price or NFS (not for sale). You must have a Maryland Sales & Use Tax ID to sell in the Mansion House. If you don't, your items must be marked NFS. Any questions, please contact a board member. (see inside for contact information).

Please read this entire information packed newsletter! And don't forget, if you find your address hidden somewhere inside the newsletter, you can win \$10.00! Just contact a board member if you do find it.(see inside for contact info)

We want to thank member, Nicole Troup for her wonderful demonstration at our Zoom General meeting on February 24th. Michael Davis will be doing the demo for the next General Meeting which will be held via Zoom on Wednesday, March 24th at 7pm. Guests are always welcome.

Please contact a board member if you have any questions or concerns, and please do consider serving on the board or on a committee. We would welcome all of your ideas, advice and help anytime! Valley Art is only as strong as its members, and we do appreciate each one of you!

Keep having fun and stay safe! And until next time, don't forget to continue sharing Valley Art's motto; "ART is for Everyone!"

Members, if you haven't paid your dues that were due in July 2020, please do so as soon as you can, so that you will continue receiving your newsletter, and so that you can participate in upcoming Valley Art events, such as the Mansion House members' shows in the North Gallery. In addition, as a member you can be featured on VAA's Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/ValleyArtAssociation.Hagerstown.Md> as " member of the month". Or you can have any other information posted about your outside art exhibits, classes and other art activities. Just contact VAA's Facebook editor, Jen Martin. (see inside for her contact info).

We are also looking for members interested in helping on committees.

Until next time, please keep taking care and we hope to see you soon!

Artfully yours,

Hal Mason

Valley Art Association President

Additional note: Mansion House Sitters can contact Donna Mason if they need a review of any Mansion House sitting procedures.

2021 North Gallery Shows

<u>Month</u>	<u>Title/Exhibitor</u>	<u>Drop Off Dates</u>	<u>Opening</u>	<u>Closing</u>	<u>Pick Up Date</u>
March	Spring Fever	February 28-March 1	March 5	March 28	March 29-31
April	Oil and Water* Janie Moltrup	March 29-31	April 2	April 25	April 26-30
May	Favorite Pets	April 25-26	April 30	May 30	May 31
June/July	Summer's Dream	May 30-31	June 4	July 31	August 1- 2
August	Driven to Abstraction	July 30-August 1	August 6	August 29	August 30-31
September	Ann Williams' Garden	August 30	September 3	September 26	September 27-30
October	Three Gals and a Guy (Hal and Donna Mason, Carol Miller, Marilyn Eavey)	September 27-30	October 1	October 31	November 1
November	Memories Disappearing	October 31- November 1	November 5	November 28	November 29-30
December 2021/January 2022	Winter Wonderland	November 28-29	December 3	December 31	January 2-3

*Waynesboro Studio Arts Club group show - workshop students of David Good and Fritz Biggs

2021 ART IN THE HALLWAY Meritus Health Center

Month	Name
March	Marilyn Pontius
April	DeWeina Ann Williams
May	Carol Gwinn & Bonita Conry
June	Victoria Baker
July	Chris Shingler
August	Jeff Jones
September	Donna Bingaman
October	Carol A. Wolfensberger
November	Nicole Troup
December	Denny Bingaman

Member News and Activities

DID YOU KNOW...?

Dick Blick Icon on the VAA Web Page

If you are buying art supplies from Dick Blick, and go to the Dick Blick web site by clicking on the Blick link on the VAA web site, VAA 8511 Wilderness Way will receive a commission of 10% on your total order. There is no difference in cost to you, and it is "free" money to VAA. Blick pays this to VAA for the privilege of advertising on our web site. (Note that this payment will only occur when you use the VAA link; otherwise, Blick will not connect your order to VAA.)

Valley Art is now being added to the Cultural Trail. There will also be new plaques at locations around the park including at the Mansion House.

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, have an album with up to a maximum of 5 photos of your work, or if you have any other information posted about your outside art exhibits, classes and other art activities, 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.

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.washingtoncountyparts.com/> or Washington County Arts Council, Inc. on Facebook.

Figure-Drawing Sessions

Live figure-drawing sessions at the Mansion House are on hold due to the coronavirus. Online sessions are available through the DC Art Models Collective: a weekly schedule of these sessions is detailed through their website dcartmodelcollective.com. Subscribe for their weekly update via the website or emailing dcartmodelcollective@gmail.com. Wonderful selection of models and options, very well organized, price of sessions \$7/1 hour, \$14/2 hours, \$20/3 hours.

Zoom Classes and Online Mentoring and Other Resources

Nicole Troup Portrait Society of America 2020 Finalist with portrait, "Golden Dreams"

ONLINE DEMO AND Q&A "PORTRAIT DRAWING IN CHARCOAL"

March 17, 2021, 6:30 pm. Cost: \$40 for a live demo of a portrait drawing for approximately 1 hour. She will discuss her materials and will be explaining her process step by step to create a portrait in charcoal and Pan Pastel using special tools for applying and blending. Viewers can ask questions throughout the demo. The demo will be online through zoom and will be recorded and emailed to participants afterwards.

To register: visit <http://www.nicoletroupmasterpiece.com/workshops> or Contact Nicole Troup nfntroup6@gmail.com

Drawing the Child Portrait using Charcoal Pan Pastel techniques March 25, April 1, 8, 15 Cost \$110 Thursday evening Zoom classes, 7:00 - 8:30 PM Her website contains information and links to a wide range of teaching opportunities for groups, online mentoring and also private lessons live or online. Critiques will take place in the beginning of each class and through email correspondence.

Registration/details here: <http://www.nicoletroupmasterpiece.com/workshops> or email nfntroup6@gmail.com or 717-331-1003

Michael Timothy Davis

2021 Art Renewal Center Award Winner with still life, "Art of the Imagination"

“Creating The Still Life” online classes, \$35 per 3 hour session. Classes will be started once the minimum number of artists is reached. For details and to register, contact Elaine Wolfe at valleyartinfo@gmail.com or 304-261-9583.

Summer Workshops Are Being Planned

The series of 2020 workshops which were canceled due to the coronavirus are being rescheduled for the summer into fall period of 2021. The plan is to resume live classes and workshops, using the lovely outside porches of the Mansion House whenever possible, observing best practices as required. Information detailing the information about each workshop will be emailed to the membership. For those without email, please contact Elaine as above.

Painting Best Practices is an excellent online resource for technical paint handling (problem resolution/primer/varnish, paint-making, etc.) classes can be found at this website. Some classes are *free*, others \$35. Just click on the following link: <http://paintingbestpractices.com>

Hudson River Fellowship - apply for June, 2021 landscape artists' fellowship at the Wethersfield Estate and Garden. Application details at the Grand Central Atelier website, email info@grandcentral.atelier.com. (This is also another resource for online classes in classical drawing and painting techniques.) Fellowship dates: Monday, June 7 – Monday, June 28th Application Deadline: March 15, 2021 (no application fee) Notification: By April 2nd

Hans Guerin and his artist wife, Beth Loiselle

Offering Online Mentoring: see their websites for details at hansguerin.com and bethedeloiselle.com.

Sadie Valeri: a fine resource for online classes on classical drawing and painting techniques, www.sadievaleriatelier.com.

The New Masters Academy. Another resource for poses/models online: The website is <http://www.nma.art/>.

Current and Future Exhibitions

The Washington County Museum of Fine Arts

The Cumberland Valley Artists and Photographers Exhibitions are on display until April 4th. Photographer, Evan Perkins, with "Heron, Taking Flight" won the **Valley Art Association Award**. This 2021 award honors our members whose love of art and whose contribution to the Association have enriched the organization and the community: *Elizabeth Altman, Michael Cresswell, Karen Gelsleichter, Carole Harding, Melanie Shoemaker and Gordon Sanders*. Valley Art members whose work is in the Cumberland Valley exhibitions are: **Photographers Exhibition** - new member, Ryan Wilson **Artists Exhibition** - Phillip Grove (past member), Dee Henry, Guy Kuhn and Elaine Wolfe (2nd Place Juror Award).

Monterey Pass Battlefield Park and Museum

“First Annual Monterey Pass Art in the Park!” will be held July 17, 2021 from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm at our park in Blue Ridge Summit, Pennsylvania. Artist and artisan participants will show and sell their work to our guests, and all who attend will enjoy music and food. Registration and attendance for the event is free. Participants will be assigned locations on a first-come-first-serve basis. More details will follow on registration, and will be posted at montereypassbattlefield.org and our social media sites. Questions can be directed to montereypassbattlefield@gmail.com. Save the date - July 17th. See you there.

The Museum of Shenandoah Valley in Winchester, VA, until August 8, 2021: Norman Rockwell's America - from the National Museum of American Illustration, Newport, RI, including original works spanning six decades along with the Four Freedom posters and vintage Saturday Evening Post covers www.themsv.org

Metropolitan Museum is showing "Graphic Imagination" for those who wish to see a rich show of graphic work by Goya: you may join in the virtual reception without charge by going to <http://www.metmuseum.org>. It is also available via Facebook and YouTube (no login required).

Message from Our Historian

Should you have any art-related articles, notices of awards, photos or other information that you feel is pertinent to the VAA and your artistic endeavors, please leave them at the Mansion House Gallery desk. Place your name and date upon the item and I will enter them into the VAA archives. Please leave clippings, photos, information or other appropriate items that you would like to have placed into our archives at the Mansion House Gallery desk. Please place your name and the date of the event onto the item. Thank you for your help. In addition, I urge you to take advantage of this opportunity to participate and help shape the VAA's history by using ZOOM, the newest VAA tool. Hope to see your smiling faces soon!

Roy Tressler

Historian

42 West Arts Gallery Fine Arts and Crafts 42 West Main Street is open for business! Fridays 4-7 and Saturdays 10am-4pm Come in and browse or make a purchase from local artists, and fine craftsmen. All work is handmade by local artisans. Classes are temporarily on hold because of Covid 19. They are hoping to resume as soon as possible. Guest Artists are Evie Cook, whose work is in still life subjects, birds, animals and studies in oil painting; and Jean Harshman, whose subjects range from landscapes to florals and animals in watercolor, colored pencil and acrylics. Evie and Jean will be doing a two person featured artists' show for February. Patrick Schlee will return to play music as well.

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