

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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September 2019

Greetings Valley Art Association Members and Friends!

GREAT BIG WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS! We'd like to invite you to participate in whatever activities you can. Our active members are what keep us going! Just contact a Board member (see their contact info on last page) to see what you can do to participate. Once again, we would like to highlight the following events coming up this Fall.



**Annual Fall Fest in City Park on Saturday,
September 21, 2019 from 10-4.**

Hagerstown is again sponsoring and coordinating this event and Valley Art will be participating and offering art activities for kids, e.g. painting (on rocks and paper), printing, and stamping. Members are invited to set up on the porch to paint and sell their work. We will be offering cider and cookies for refreshments, and having a bake sale again as a fundraiser. Please see additional details under the Future Events section. ***And please show up! This is one of our biggest public promotion events of the year...and which really helps let people know we are here!***

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More details about other great upcoming events are inside this newsletter. ***PLEASE DO read it ALL when you get a chance!***

Again, a ***BIG*** thanks to each of you for being part of Valley Art and for all you do to help make us the ***BIGGEST, BEST and MOST FUN ART COMMUNITY*** around! We couldn't be what we are without you! Don't forget our motto, ***ART IS FOR EVERYONE!***

Hal Mason
President Valley Art Association

Membership News

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.

Membership dues are \$30 for July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, and are non-refundable. 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.

Valley Art Association/Mansion House Policies Attention All Gallery Members

Mansion House Sales Policy with regard to Maryland Sales and Use Tax (SUT)

Valley Art Members who sell anything (artwork, crafts, etc.) in the Mansion house must have a Maryland State Sales and Use Tax ID. Valley Art Association collects sales tax on all sales, and the sales tax money collected is paid to the member. It is the responsibility of the member to then pay that amount to the Maryland State Comptroller. Members need to provide their Sales Tax ID number to the Valley Art Association.

If members wish to only display their work, but not sell it, they should mark their items "NFS" for NOT FOR SALE. They can provide their contact info in the event customers want to purchase from the member directly.

When you are preparing sales slips, please include the following:

- Sales Tax
- Your Initials or name on the sales slip to identify who took care of the sale

Payment – cash, credit card or personal checks accepted.

Identification – you may be requested to present your name, address & phone number and/or asked to present I.D. This information will not be given to 3rd parties, nor used for solicitation purposes.

Discounts – are at the sole discretion of the artist.

Returns – returns and other transaction adjustments may only be arranged between the artist and purchaser.

Thank you for your support. Enjoy!

Please contact Donna Mason: 301-791-6719 if you require training on the above.

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

*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> |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|------------------|---------------------|
| September 2019 | Make Me Laugh* | August 30-September 1 | September 6 | September 29 | October 1 |
| October 2019 | Abstract Show* | September 27-29 | October 4 | October 27 | October 29 |
| November 2019 | Dragons, Fairies and Fantasies* | October 25-27 | November 1 | December 1 | December 3 |
| December 2019/January 2020 | Winter Nights; Winter Lights* | November 29-December 1 | December 6 2019 | January 26 2020 | January 28 2020 |
| February 2020 | Bonita Conry Solo Show | NA | January 31 2020 | February 23 2020 | NA |
| March 2020 | Nicole Troup Solo Show "Heroes" | 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

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| 9/21/19 | | <i>Fall Fest</i> | | |
| 9/25/2019 | | <i>Business Meeting and Snacks</i> | <i>7:30pm Demo by Nicole Troup</i> | |
| 10/23/2019 | | <i>Business Meeting and Snacks</i> | <i>7:30pm Demo by Katriel Srebnik</i> | |
| 11/20/2019 | | <i>Business Meeting and Snacks</i> | <i>7:30pm Demo by David Bottini</i> | |
| 12/6/2019 | | <i>Tree Lighting</i> | | |
| 12/7/2019 | | <i>Christmas Lunch</i> | | <i>Fireside</i> |
| 1/22/2020 | | <i>Show-cial (which means "get together")</i> | | <i>Members please bring a painting of your own plus finger food to share</i> |
| 2/26/2020 | | <i>Business Meeting and Snacks</i> | <i>7:30pm Demo by Eric Carter</i> | |
| 3/25/2020 | | <i>Business Meeting and Snacks</i> | <i>7:30pm Demo by Joseph and Trudy Gembe-Palughi</i> | |
| 4/22/2020 | | <i>Business Meeting and Snacks</i> | <i>7:30pm Demo by David Good</i> | |
| 5/27/2020 | | <i>Business Meeting and Snacks</i> | <i>7:30pm Demo by Lynn Ferris</i> | |
| 6/24/2020 | | <i>Member's picnic on Porch</i> | | <i>Fried chicken /drinks members bring side dishes</i> |

Future Events:

Mark your calendar!!!

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So, to make this happen, we need volunteers for the following:

1. People to help with the kids' art tables —we'd like to have at least 6 people there during the day, (if you can't commit to all day, we'd love to have you for whatever period you can help)
2. People to help set up and replenish the refreshments, (2 people would be good)
3. Artists to paint and display their work for sale on the porch, (as many as will fit)
4. People to donate baked goods for the bake sale, (everyone!?)
5. People to oversee the bake sale on 9/21, (1 or 2 should work).

If you would be willing to help that day, please contact Sue Parker at 304-258-4046 or susanparker@frontier.com, or put your name on the sign-up sheet that we will have on the desk at the Mansion House.

Nicole Troup - Child Portrait and Gold Leaf Workshop On Monday, October 7, 2019, we will have a one-day 7-hour portrait workshop with Nicole Troup. The emphasis will be on child portraiture utilizing Golden Open Acrylics and the application of gold metal leaf. The cost is \$80 for VAA and Museum members and \$90 for non-members. Bring a packed lunch. Minimum number of participants is 5 and the maximum is 9. To register for the workshop, and for further details, please contact Elaine Wolfe at valleyartinfo@gmail.com or call 304-754-5116.

Weekly Acrylic Painting Studio with David Bottini Two hour evening studios from 6 PM to 8 PM on Mondays at the Mansion House, beginning on October 14th. These will be in four week sessions, and will be continued on an ongoing basis. Students will have the opportunity to explore their personal development with professional guidance, input and instruction. The use of glazing techniques in acrylics will be covered. Cost \$70 for 8 hour/4 week session for VAA and Museum members (\$75 for non-members). Minimum 5, maximum 10. To register, and for further details including suggested materials list, please contact Elaine Wolfe as above.

Donna Mason is hosting a Premier Design's Jewelry Fundraiser for the Valley Art Association Mansion House on Tuesday, November 5, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Dianna Basile a VAA member will show the versatility of the jewelry. If for some reason you will not be playing in the jewelry with us that night, catalogs will be at the Mansion house and on line at premierdesigns.com/diannabasile. Call Dianna at 240-818-1336. Please, get your order to her before Nov.5, as she will be donating 50% of her profit from the event to Valley Art Association and we want your order to count!

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Figure-drawing at the Mansion House

Professional models. No instruction. Any medium. Gesture and 20 minutes poses with occasional long pose session. Only cost is shared model fees. The sessions are now being held on Mondays, from 10 - 1. September sessions will be on the 9th and the 23rd. During October - December there will be three sessions per month, starting on October 14th. Drop-in O.K., but please contact Elaine Wolfe to confirm coming at valleyartinfo@gmail.com or 304-754-5116.

NOTE: Michael Davis has expressed interest in giving a one-day figure-drawing workshop. If interested, please contact Elaine as above.

Painting Groups at the Mansion House

Tuesday: 10am to 3--ish Call Donna Mason 301-791-6719

Wednesday: 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.

Oil and Acrylic Art Classes with Marjorie Tressler

The Wednesday classes at the Mansion House are still the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays 6:30-9pm. All classes are for the novice to advanced painters who want to study oil or acrylic plus drawing. \$65.00 for 6 classes and are continuous. Contact Marjorie at marjorietressler@comcast.net, or 717-762-6791.

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.

Lillian Rhinecker, Solo show of Paintings

November 3rd, 1 - 4 PM, at the Boonsboro Shafer Park Community Building. All are welcome to come and join her!

Council for the Arts: Miniature Art 2019 Annual Exhibition

All fine art media are acceptable, including sculpture. Entry fee for 1-4 works is \$25. Deadline is September 27th. Best of Show \$300, 3 Merit Awards of \$100, and Honorable Mentions will be awarded by the judge. The exhibition runs from November 1st through December 18th. For details, go to councilforthearts.net, or email hambersburgcfta@gmail.com or call 717-264-6883 at 81 N. Main St., Chambersburg, PA 17201.

Note: Entry Forms for the Show and flyers for Fall Classes with the Council for the Arts in Chambersburg are available for pickup at the desk in the Mansion House.

Marjorie Tressler is conducting 2 art classes at Gallery 35 East every Monday, 9am to 12pm and 1-4pm. Students are taught in the classical way of painting covering oil, acrylic and drawing. These classes are for the novice to the professional who want to improve their skills in a very relaxed and fun atmosphere. Cost: 65.00 for 6 classes and classes are continuous. Contact for more information, Marjorietressler@comcast.net or 717-762-6791.

Artisan Connection with Marjorie Tressler

This month's Artisans Connection gathering is again at our home gallery, Gallery 35 East, Monday September 9, 6:30-8:30. Because this was so popular with a wonderful response, we are asking that those attending, if you choose, to bring in a favorite work of art to share with us. Then if you care to, we would like to hear what is so special to you about this piece of your art. So please come see and hear about our area artists and their ART!!! The Artisans Connection is about art and invites all artists from all disciplines, artists, artisans, authors, musicians, poets, and those who love art!!! Artists are asked for topics to discuss, with the goal of sharing art related events and conversation related to the local art community. This is also a way for artists to socialize with food and drink by bringing something for our table to share. No costs or dues. For more information contact: Marjorie Tressler, Founder and Facilitator at marjorietressler@comcast.net or 717-762-6791. PS: The October gathering is at the Mansion House in Hagerstown City Park October 7, the FIRST Monday of October. Thanks and looking forward to seeing all of you both in September and October!!!!

Destination Arts, Waynesboro 42 West Arts Gallery Fine Arts and Crafts, 42 West Main Street, Waynesboro.

Donna Bingaman gives oil, acrylic and pastel Classes every Wednesday from 12 - 3pm at Cost per class is \$15. The focus is on drawing, tonal values and color in your art work. Easels, tables, and chairs are available. Bring in a photo of your choosing for painting reference, and enjoy a fun and relaxed atmosphere as Patric Schlee plays flute and soft background music. Refreshments and snacks are provided along with special music every Friday from 5:30 thru 8pm. Free Fine Art and Craft demonstrations are held every Saturday afternoon. Oil painting by Donna Bingaman, Weaving by Pat Beard, Sculpting and Gourd Art with Denny Bingaman, Pottery by Rod Benedict to name a few. 42 West Arts is now accepting 3D artists, sculptures, and fine art crafters. To join or display your work at the Co-Op call Denny or Donna Bingaman at 717-762-8394 or artsyfolks@embargo.com Hours: Wednesday 12-3, Thursday 1-4, Friday 5-8, Saturday 10-4, Sunday 1-4

Teachers and Art Organizations: Opportunity for Classes/Workshops/Shows/Fundraisers

Mary Schurz is offering the use of her beautiful, completely renovated 1859 townhouse on East Potomac Street in Williamsport, MD, for regional artists' use for classes, workshops, shows, demonstrations, fundraisers, etc.. This house has lovely space for receptions, a full kitchen opening onto a terrace and garden (the kitchen could also be used for classes), free off-street parking, several excellent rooms for workshops and classes and storage. She welcomes interest from artists and art organizations, and will be happy to show you through the house. Her email address is maschurz@myact.net, and telephone number is 301-223-2698 and cell number is 240-217-2906.

The Mercersburg Historical Society is holding its annual Nancy Horton Heefner Memorial Art Show

September 11 through October 14, in the foyer of the Burgin Center for the Arts on the campus of the Mercersburg Academy. The theme is "Potpourri": artists may enter work in any medium and upon any subject matter. This non-juried show is open to residents of Franklin and Fulton counties in Pennsylvania, and Washington County in Maryland. Artists are cordially invited to enter one work. Application forms have been sent out to the membership under a separate email from Elaine Wolf or contact her for further information at valleyartinfo@gmail.com or 304-754-5116.

TRIPS AND TRAVEL:

National Gallery, Washington, D.C.:

Verrochio (1433 - 1488), Sculptor and Painter of Renaissance Florence, September 15th through January 12th. The first monographic exhibition of his work in the U.S., with fifty of his masterpieces - paintings, sculptures, drawings. Among his pupils were Leonardo da Vinci and Perugino, and possibly also Botticelli. If interested in making a trip to the National Gallery, please contact Elaine Wolfe at valleyartinfo@gmail.com or call 304-754-5116.

The Washington County Museum of Fine Art has a new bus trip planned for October 17-18. That's right... it's overnight! This will be a mini vacation filled with art and beautiful sites and private tours. Find the full flyer attached for the details of all you will visit, and share with your friends! Call the WCMFA at 301-739-5727 or follow the link for more info and to register. <http://wcmfa.org/learn/tours/>

If interested in the National Portrait, National Gallery or MSV trips, or, if you would be interested in making a trip to The Walters Gallery in Baltimore, please contact Elaine Wolfe at valleyartinfo@gmail.com or call 304-754-5116.

Meritus Art in the Hallway Schedule

| Month | Artist | Hang Date | Take Down Date |
|-----------|-------------------|-----------|----------------|
| September | Susan McNally | 8/28 | 9/25 |
| October | Carol Wilks | 9/25 | 10/23 |
| November | Melanie Shoemaker | 10/23 | 11/27 |
| December | John Mullican. | 11/27 | 12/27 |

*Reserve: Carol Wolfensberger, Gwen & Larry Bergey
Sign up here for 2020. Indicate month of interest.
Carol Wolfensberger Sept. 2020*

New 2019 Valley Art Board of Directors

| | | |
|-------------------------|------------------|--------------|
| President | Hal Mason | 301-791-6719 |
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