



# Beaver Valley Artists

Newsletter

April 2019

**Next meeting:**  
**April 11th, 7:00 PM, Merrick Art Gallery**  
**Juror Critique**

Our show this year has a variety of wonderful artwork. For our April meeting, our show Juror, Kim Freithaler, will discuss the award winners and will give us feedback on our work. Thanks to everyone who entered our show. And thank you to all who helped make it a great show, including those who took in and hung art, and those who set up food tables, provided food, and played music for the opening!

**See work from our show throughout these pages:**



*Artwork throughout this newsletter by BVA members: Norma Nicely, Rhonda Pigman, Mary DeSanzo, Dona Boots, Rodica Constantine, Maya Peel, Marge Gardner, Lucinette Alvarado-Rivera, Wanda Selley, Sally Sheffler, Colleen Tittiger, Linda Sant'Eufemia, Laurie Fillinger, Debra Tobin, Michael E. Burckure, Jr., José M. Cancel-Narváez.*

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*Snacks for the February meeting will be provided by*

*Mary DeSanzo  
Jocelyn Guidry  
Jennie Johnstone  
Sally Sheffler*

*Arrive at 6:45 for food and conversation!*

**Congratulations** to award winners at our show:  
**Dona Boots**, Best of Show for *Sea Swimmer*,  
**José M. Cancel-Narváez**, First Place for *Paso Fino*,  
**Marge Gardner**, Second Place for *Super Moon*,  
**Mary Jane Hadley**, Third Place for *Sunning. . . Ahh. . .*  
**Honorable Mentions: Michael E. Burckure, Jr.**, *Shattered Masks*, **Rodica Constantine**, *Cooling Down*, **Mary DeSanzo**, *Lake Erie Scene*, **Maya Peel**, *Brown Jug*, **Red Apple**, **Lynn Roberts**, *Apple Blossoms*, and **Debra Tobin**, *A Moment of Peace*.

Two BVA members received awards at the North Hills Art Center *Art for Animals* show from juror Ron Thurston! 2nd place was awarded to **James Tobin** for his digital art piece *Night Horse*, and an Honorable Mention went to **Kathleen Bischak** for her acrylic piece *Confident*.



**Debra Tobin** will be teaching a Glass Mosaic Workshop at the North Hills Art Center, 3432 Babcock Blvd., Pittsburgh, PA Mondays, May 20 and June 2, 7:00–9:00 PM. Registration Deadline is April 13 at [WS-14 Mosaics on Glass](#).

**Debra and James Tobin** have artwork on display at Campbell Pottery Store Stonewall Gallery exhibition, *The Essence of Art: Pattern and Color* from March 30 – April 28.



**Carol Volz Begley**, PSA, has a pastel alleyscape juried into the Butler Institute of American Arts 83rd National Mid Year Exhibition. The exhibit opens May 26 and closes July 26. The Opening is Sunday June 2 from 1:00–3:00 PM.

Our **May 9th program** will be a members only meeting. Jenny the ballerina will model for us in costume. We will also have a longer than usual business meeting to elect officers and to discuss our show including a vote on entry fees.

## Cranberry Artists Network

**First Tuesday Open Studio** at the Cranberry Municipal building continues. We will meet from 6:00-8:00 PM through May 7, and this year we will continue during the day starting in June until September. We will be meeting from 10:00 AM-1:00 PM June, July, and August. Cost is \$10 for the model. Snacks, Music, and Lights are also provided. Bring your own supplies. We meet in the Council Chambers.

**Plein Air Painting** will begin in May also. If you are interested in being on the email list please send your email address to [kbischak@comcast.net](mailto:kbischak@comcast.net).



## Calls for Artists

**The Midland Arts Council Summer Gallery 2019 Exhibition** will be held from June 25–July 4 at the Lincoln Park Performing Arts Center Atrium, 10th Street & Midland Avenue. Deliver work on Sunday June 16 between Noon–2:00 PM. An Opening Reception for Artists and Guests will be held on Tuesday, June 25 from 7:00–9:00 PM. Inquiries: Evelyn Adams, Council President, **724-643-9968**.

**Beaver County's Senior Center at the Mall** is holding its **7th Annual Juried Art Exhibition** May 2nd, 3rd, and 4th. Open to artists of all ages. Prizes will be given in a variety of categories. Entry fee is \$6/piece or \$25/five pieces, with payment due upon registration. Reserve your space by **Friday, April 26th** by calling **724-774-5654** or stopping by the Center. Selling art is permitted. An **artist'sk reception** with refreshments will be held from 11:00 AM–1:00 PM on Thursday, May 2nd. All participating artists are encouraged to attend. Judging will be done and prizes awarded during the reception.



**Bridgewater Borough 4th Annual Spring Arts Festival**, Saturday, June 1st, 10:00–4:00 in the Riverside Park behind Stone Point Landing. Artists, crafters, painters, makers, musicians, and artisan food makers wanted. Vendor fee of \$35 for a 10'x10' spot. If interested in being a vendor, please send an email with a description of your goods to [wvutim@live.com](mailto:wvutim@live.com) to receive an application. Application and fee due by May 25th.

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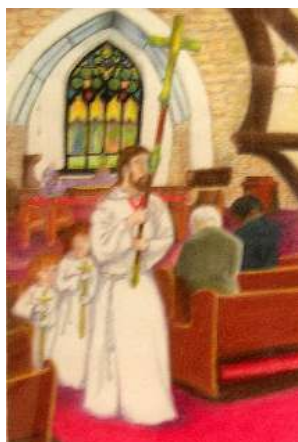
## The Merrick Art Gallery News

The Merrick will hold a **Spring Tea and Fashion Show** on May 5th, 2019 from 2:00–4:00 PM (doors open at 1:30 PM). Cost is \$40 per person. With priority seating for members and their guests, reservations will be accepted beginning on March 19th and closing on Tuesday, April 16th. Seating is on a first come, first serve basis. For more information, please call **724-846-1130**.

### Art Classes at the Merrick:

**Children's Art Class for Ages 5–12.** Five Saturdays: May 4, 11, 18, 25, and June 1, 10:00 AM–12:00 Noon. \$70 includes all materials.

**Teens on the Imagination Track: Surrealistic EYES!** for Ages 13 and up. Saturday, May 18, from 1:00–3:00 PM. \$75 includes all materials.



**Adult Workshop: Gel Printing.** Friday, May 24, from 7:00–9:00 PM. \$80 includes all materials.

**Arbor Day Celebration** To celebrate Arbor Day, the Merrick Art Gallery will hold an **open house and garden on Friday, April 26 from 10:00 AM–4:00 PM.** Gallery and garden tours will be given, and a blessing of the garden and historical commentary will be held 1:00 PM.

**Plein air artists are invited to paint in the garden during the event.**

Visitors are encouraged to bring a plant to donate for the garden. The **garden wish list** includes specific plants to fit in with the garden scheme. Call 724-846-1130 or see <http://www.merrickartgallery.org> for more information.

## Other Events of Note

**The Phipps Conservatory spring flower show**, *Gardens of the Rainbow*, is now open, and runs through April 21st. Enter a spectacular kaleidoscope of color as tens of thousands of spring blooms burst forth in all the season's vibrant hues. View amazing gardens and get inspired! <https://www.phipps.conservatory.org>

The **Artists Guild** is a new networking group among artists in Sewickley and throughout the greater Pittsburgh Area. Spearheaded by Christine Swann to fill a need in the Sewickley area, the group meets informally at Sweetwater Center for the Arts on the last Monday of the month at 7:00 PM. They have open membership with no dues and no screening required. For more information, see their Facebook page:

<http://www.facebook.com/ArtistGuildatSCA>



As artists we are manifesting  
thought into reality every time  
we create. -Cristina Acosta



Send **Newsletter** submissions to Jennie Johnstone, [jennjo@comcast.net](mailto:jennjo@comcast.net),  
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724-775-1787.

**BVA Membership Dues**—Individual: \$20, Family: \$30. Dues will be accepted starting in  
September, either at the meeting or by mail to Lynn Roberts, 616 8th Ave., New Brighton,  
PA, 15066. (Note: **from December–April, the dues are \$25**)