

Beaver Valley Artists Newsletter SEPTEMBER 2021 Page

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Letter from the president



Welcome back everyone! The summer has flown quickly and it's time to begin again.

The last year and a half have changed us all in some ways, and some people have experienced major life changes, by necessity or choice. We have all had to do our best to "keep calm and carry on" under strange and difficult circumstances. Now, just when we thought things would be returning to normal, it all continues. This has me thinking about persistence.

Artists know about this! Although we mostly enjoy the process of making our art, we also struggle with frustration, thinking, "why am I doing this?" when our vision for our work is not coming to fruition. Or when we keep having the same problems with our work over and over. Or when the tedious parts seem to override the creative, fun parts. Or when we struggle to figure out what our own style even is.

Yet we persist. To achieve any kind of mastery requires persistence. Think of the Olympic athletes, whose lives revolve around their sport for years to achieve such a high level. We are like them! We too make sacrifices and work hard, driven by the desire to create something that truly expresses some part of us.

Our featured artist for this month's newsletter is Maria Bouman. Maria has practiced her technique for painting on porcelain with oil for many years, and has achieved mastery of her medium. Those judges who award her work and patrons who purchase her work recognize this mastery. I was impressed by her skill when I watched her demonstrate her technique a few years ago. I hope you enjoy reading about her.

May this new season of the Beaver Valley Artists bring inspiration to all of us!

Jennie

Please note: For this meeting, although it is not required, I encourage people to wear masks to help protect each other and our extended community. Thank you!

Meeting

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September 9, 2021 is the next meeting at of BVA at 7 p.m. in the Merrick Art Gallery in New Brighton!

Our meeting will feature artist Lorrie Minicozzi of Gibsonia! Lorrie will present a graphite portrait demonstration.

Membership News

We are back to "Normal" at BVA! Yeah! So that means that dues for this year, 2021-2022 are due.

Membership Dues: If Paid By November 30 Individual: \$20 - Family: \$25 If Paid After November 30 Individual: \$25 - Family: \$30

Make checks payable to Beaver Valley Artists. Mail to: Lvnn Roberts 616 8th Avenue, New Brighton, PA, 15066

Art News

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BEAVER ART GROUP Members of the Beaver Art Group will be showing and selling artwork at Garrison Day in downtown Beaver on Saturday, September 4th, from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Their tents will be on the corner of 3rd Street and Insurance Street in Quay Park.





Collage Meet-Up by Contemporary Craft

Join us on the third Wednesday of the month for Collage Meet-up day in the Mixed Media Studio.

Meet-ups are a great way to get to know other artists working in a similar medium and enjoy the company of others while you craft. No formal instruction is offered during the meetup, but everyone is encouraged to learn from each other.

Dates:

August 18, September 15, October 20, November 17, December 15

Time: 11am-1:30pm

Cost: Pay what you can. There is a suggested \$10 donation per session

Materials: Bring your own materials (paper, glue sticks, etc.) and feel free to use Contemporary Craft's stash of old marketing postcards, etc. to create your collages. Contemporary Craft will provide scissors, cutting mats, and a large, bright Studio space to work in!

Lunch: You are welcome to bring a bag lunch to enjoy while you are here or you can order food from any of Pittsburgh's many meal delivery services.

Location: Contemporary Craft (5645 Butler St., Pittsburgh, PA 15201)

COVID-19: Masks are not required for vaccinated visitors

If you require accessibility accommodations, please let us know by calling 412.261.7003 and we are happy to assist you.

September Speaker Lorrie Anne Minicozzi

September 9, 2021 is the next meeting at of BVA at 7:00 p.m. in the Merrick Art Gallery in New Brighton!

Our meeting will feature artist Lorrie Minicozzi of Gibsonia!

Lorrie will present a graphite portrait demonstration.

In preparation, please go to the youtube link below and watch the video in preparation for the demonstration. Please come ready with any questions you may have and Lorrie will answer them.

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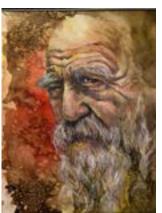
Lorrie Minicozzi says that she "cannot remember a time that art did not dominate her being." Born in Huntington, NY, she grew up on Long Island and attended SUNY Potsdam and Stony Brook. She moved to Colorado and lived there for 20 years perfecting her skills, teaching in her home studio, and giving seminars. She now lives in Gibsonia, PA. Lorrie is a traditional Realist inspired by Caravaggio, Durer, and Rembrandt. She specializes in graphite portraits.

Lorrie has memberships in the Portrait Society of America, The Pittsburgh Society of Artists, The Pittsburgh Society of Illustrators, The Pittsburgh Pastel Artists League, and the Cranberry Artists Network.

Lorrie has exhibited at Nemacolin Woodlands, The Christine Frechard Gallery in PA, Gallery 5280 in CO, and Christopher Gallery in New York. This demonstration is FREE! There will be refreshments, and the public is invited.

https://www.climbingthewalls.net/index.html Lorrie at Lorrie_Minicozzi@yahoo.com, or on Facebook at Climbing the Walls Designs.













September Member Profile MARIA BOUMAN

Maria is an artist of many forms. She paints in oil on canvas, is a seamstress, and is most known for painting roses and grapes on porcelain tiles, vases, and other items.

Maria's work is elegant in style. She has won many awards and has sold paintings locally as well as in Florida and Europe.

Maria was born and raised in the Netherlands, and there she studied tailoring, sewing, and dress pattern making before coming to America in 1954. The Netherlands tradition of delft painting was a starting point for the oil on porcelain painting that Maria does now.

Maria is mostly self taught through many hours of painting. Her porcelain painting technique involves mixing oil with special

powdered pigments, and then painting in layers that are fired in between the layers. She describes the process as challenging but not stressful, because until it is fired, the oil paint stays workable, so she is not afraid to do it all over again if she is not satisfied with the end result. At one time Maria taught her technique to others in her home studio. She was also the subject of an article in the Beaver County Times that explained her process.









CALL FOR ARTISTS

Coraopolis Fall Festival and Art Walk Artists Wanted

Saturday, October 16th from 12-4 pm

Coraopolis Fall Festival and Art Walk and will be pairing in-person regional artists/artwork with participating businesses.

In addition to the art walk, the fall festival will provide an opportunity to book vendors at the 5th Avenue lot location.

Artists will be welcome to display original art and prints for sale and may also do plein-air to capture the day.

Artists interested in being added to the participant list, please email

Debra Tobin at westhillsartists@gmail.com

CALL FOR ARTISTS



Cover the region in messages of love and hope!

Calling ALL FIBER ARTISTS!

Do you appliqué, crochet, embroider, knit, macrame, quilt, weave, make lace, hook rugs, or have some skills to share? Want to learn?

WHY:

Join together with others in our community to brighten and beautify spaces and neighborhoods touched by gun violence.

WHERE:

Join us at an in-person event or drop off your materials or finished projects at any of our convenient locations.

Scan the QR code below for more information, and details about drop-off locations and events





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CONTACT US:

If you want to host an event, partner with us, or teach others, please let us know!

lovebindspittsburgh@gmail.com

HOW:

Create a 24"x 36" panel in whatever your medium and docorate with the word 'LOVE' or 'HOPE'!

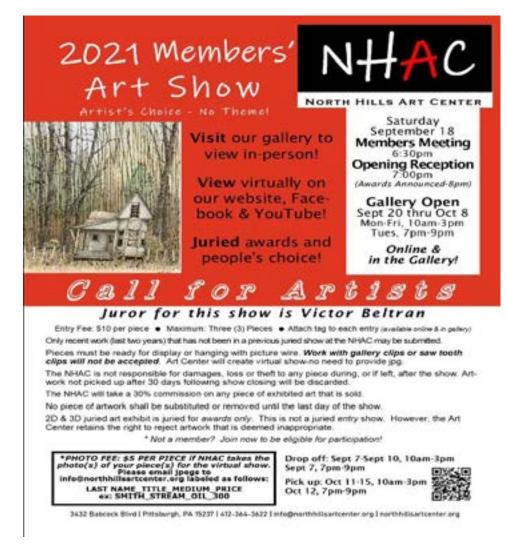
The places will be hung inside or outside in places chosen by our community partners.

Please use weatherproof yarns (acrylic and wool are good choices) or materials.

Plonty of inspiration can be found at lowescrossthessa.org. a crochet project created by artist London Kaye.







Stifel Fine Arts Center Holiday Art Show & Sale Call for Artists

Nov 5 – Dec 23, 2021 Stifel Fine Arts Center, Wheeling, Schrader Center, Oglebay Park

Opening reception: 5-8pm, Thursday, November 11, 2021

Oglebay Institute's annual Holiday Art Show & Sale is an extraordinary holiday shopping event featuring fine art and crafts from the region's most talented artists. The exclusive six-week show provides an outstanding opportunity for selected artists to sell to thousands of enthusiastic shoppers in TWO ideal locations – the historic Stifel Fine Arts Center, located on the highly traveled National Road in Wheeling, and the Schrader Environmental Education Center, located in the world-class Oglebay Park.

Apply Here: https://oionline.com/stifel/holiday-art/#apply

Part of the Oglebay Institute mission is to serve as a resource for artists and emerging artists and provide opportunities for them to exhibit, sell and promote their work to the public. The Holiday Art Show and Sale provides extensive space, staff and marketing resources to artists and gives the public a refreshing alternative to traditional retail. Shoppers can purchase one-of-a-kind gifts for the holidays while becoming familiar with the work of numerous artists and artisans.

CALL FOR ARTISTS

Plein Air Artists Wanted

for the
11th Annual
Crush & Brew
Tasting

(Artisan Homemade Wine & Homebrew Beer Tasting)

Saturday, September 18th 6:30-9:00 pm Church Street 13th to 14th Ambridge, PA

Artists May set up beginning at 2:00pm

Artists will be welcome to display original art and prints for sale and may also do plein-air to capture the day.

All volunteers will receive admission to the event, including beer and wine tasting.

Artists interested in being added to the participant list, please email

Debra Tobin at debratobin@ymail.com



CALL FOR ARTISTS

Associated Artists of Butler County announces its Annual Juried Nature and Wildlife Exhibit.

October 2-31, 2021 Artwork should reflect the theme of "Nature and Wildlife."

Deadline: midnight Sept 1, 2021

Info and Registration: https://www.cognitoforms.com/ ButlerArtCenter1/NatureWildlife21

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The Art Center Fall Mini Art Crawl 2021

Saturday, Oct 2nd from 5-7pm Deadline to apply: September 12 Downtown Butler

The Art Center is sponsoring the Fall Mini Art Crawl again this year on Saturday, October 2nd from 5-7pm. We have downtown Butler businesses that are willing to host artists and their artwork, so we need YOU to submit your artwork. The show is a mini artwork show. All pieces must be 6" or less not counting the framing or means of display. Photos, paintings and 3D works are all welcome. Won't you help us make this event a success? For more information, check out the Upcoming Shows page, email us at events@ butlerartcenter.org or call us at 724-283-6922. Be a part of this exciting downtown Butler evening!!

https://www.cognitoforms.com/ ButlerArtCenter1/ 2021FallArtCrawlArtistSubmission





Holiday Mart - Annual Sale of Artist Made Gifts In-person & Online Nov 26 - Dec 12, 2021

We are excited to offer our annual Holiday Mart in-person again this December! But are also excited about our new online audience and sales! So in 2021, we will be offering both!!

https://sweetwaterartcenter.org/call for artists/holiday-mart-2021/

Deadline: Sept 12, 2021







Pam Wenger Weekend Watercolor Portrait Workshop Saturday, Oct. 2 and Sunday Oct. 3 from 9am to 4pm

Pittsburgh Watercolor Society is delighted to present a Weekend Watercolor Portrait Workshop with Pam Wenger. Pam is a retired teacher who has won numerous awards from the American Watercolor Society (AWS), National Watercolor Society (NWS), Pennsylvania Watercolor Society, Pennsylvania Watercolor Society, Pennsylvania Watercolor Society, Pennsylvania Society's Mid Atlantic shows. Pam's work has been featured in Splash Magazine, in Artist's Magazine, and she has worked with Charles Reid and Ted Nuttal. Pam's art can be viewed on her website at took pamwenger.com and on Fecebook at facebook.com/pamwengerwatercolor.



Pam Wenger "connects with people through their expressions, their posss, their placement in a composition."

At the workshop, participants will learn to paint watercolor portraits in a spontaneous style that involves minimal layering and the use of transparent colors. Students should be comfortable with painting in watercolor, but do not need to have experience with portrait drawing or painting. Experienced artists may work freehand, but drawings printed on watercolor paper will be provided for all participants so that those who want to focus on the painting process without spending too much time drawing can do so.



As the workshop is cumulative and sequential, participants must attend both Saturday and Sunday of the workshop. (Friday evening attendance is optional.) CDC and state health guidelines will be followed during this in-person workshop. Also, Pam. is an experienced Zoom workshop presenter who will mail all references and watercolor papers to participants in the event the workshop goes online.

Life Drawing at Gilberti Fine Art Studio & Gallery

Sharpen your skills by drawing the human form in the company of fellow artists. We alternate both nude and costumed models. A voluntary critique follows each drawing session.

Tuesdays 10:00am - 1pm Fee: \$20

 Email gilbertifineart@gmail.com to reserve your spot. Class size is limited.

Easels are provided. Bring your preferred drawing/painting materials.

http://gilbertifineart.com



Andrew Carnegie Free Library & Music Hall 300 Bleechwood Ave., Carnegie, PA 15:106 (Free parking on site at venue. Easily accessible from 1-79, 1-376, U.S. 22-30, PA routes 19, 50, 63, 6, 51)



FRIDAY, OCT. 1, 2021, 6:00-9:00 P.M.
Meet the Artist / Wine & Cheese Presentation
free for workshop participants.
All others: Suggested donation: \$10-\$15
COST FOR TWO DAY in-person WORKSHOP:
PWS Members: \$200, Non-Members: \$240

REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT IN FULL DUE: Online: September 1, 2021, 11:59 P.M. Mailed: Postmarked by August 25, 2021

To obtain the supplies list, workshop description, cancellation policy, accommodations, and/or to register and pay securely online:

https://www.pittsburghwatercolorsociety.com

QUESTIONS? E-mail: Pwsworkshops?5@gmail.com

To ensure your spot, you must register online, PWS prefers online payment, but to pay by mail: Complete and detach the form below. Mail with a check payable to Pittsburgh Watercolor Society, Address

PWS Wenger Workshop c/o Wilkins School Community Center 7604 Charleston Ave. Wilkinsburg, PA 15218

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CALL FOR ARTISTS



Tuscarawas County Art Guild

2021 Fall Art Exhibit

Opening Nov 20, 2021 Tuscarawas County Center for the Arts 461 Robinson Dr. S.E. New Philadelphia 44663

Entry Date Friday Oct 29, 2 to 7pm Saturday Oct 30, 9am to 3pm

Delivery - All art must be delivered to the Tuscarawas County Center for the Arts at time of entry. All entry labels must be completed and attached to the upper left back of artwork or attached to a side of other forms of art.

Removal - All entered works of art in the show is to be removed from the Art Center Dec. 17, 20, 21, 10am & 2pm. Dec. 18, 9am to 2pm.

Entry Fees Entry fee for TCAG members is \$30 - \$35 non-members. 4 pieces max.

Rules:

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Special arrangements can be made by calling William Koch 740-922-1880



"Celebrate Steubenville Today" Art Competition

Sponsored by the Steubenville Art Association

THEME: Celebration of the City of Steubenville architecture and the vistas Steubenville has to offer.

THEME SCOPE: The subject for any potential artwork to be submitted shall be any current view the artists chooses provided it can be identified as being in the City of Steubenville. Views may be of the city from across, above, or along the river, or any other vantage-point of the city the artist can locate. Full views of buildings, structures, sculptures; or details of buildings or structures, is acceptable and eligible.

MEDIUM: All two-dimensional artistic media: Oil, Acrylic, Pastel, Pencil, Colored-pencil, Char-coal, or Ink Drawing, Water Media, Mixed Media (includes collage), Cold Wax, Encaustic. Sculptures of any traditional material (clay, wood, metal, etc.) are also eligible. NO live vegetation. No jewelry, as we cannot secure it. Printmaking processes resulting in what would be considered original works of art (relief {linocut,woodcut, monoprints}, intaglio {etching, engraving}, serigraphy {stencil} or planographic (stone lithography)) are permitted. No photographic prints, photo-transfers, digital-imaging, videos, or installations. Sculpture should be free-standing or your own pedestal should be provided, unless able to be placed on a regular-tabletop. No loose-pieces for three-dimensional artwork...all pieces should be adhered and secured. Hanging relief/three-dimensional work that does not protrude more than six-inches from the wall and that does not exceed the weight-limit of 25 lbs., is also permitted. We reserve the right to refuse any two-dimensional work that will not securely hang on our system, or any three-dimensional work that cannot be appropriately displayed.

LOCATION: Eastern Gateway Community College, main-floor corridor, 4000 Sunset Blvd., Steubenville, OH WHEN: DROPOFF/RECEIVING/PAYMENT will be at the show location on Thursday November 4 from 9 AM-4 PM and Friday November 5 from 12PM-6PM. EXHIBIT RUNS FROM SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13 to DECEMBER 1, 2021. Viewing hours are during Eastern Gateway Community College regular hours of operation. PICKUP Thursday DECEMBER 2 noon to 4:00 PM and Friday DECEMBER 3 4:00-6:00 PM.

OPENING RECEPTION/AWARDS PRESEN-

TATION: A reception and awards presentation open to the public will held Saturday, November 13, 2021, 2:00 PM-4:00 PM in FOUNDERS HALL

(downstairs glassed-gathering area of Eastern Gateway Community College). Awards will be presented at 2:30 PM.

ELIGIBILITY/ENTRIES Any living artist of all levels of experience and from any location, 18 years of age or older may enter up to three pieces for \$25. IN PERSON delivery and pickup only.

REQUIREMENTS: PROFESSIONAL CATE-GORY ORIGINAL artwork only; this means it is the compositional design of the artist and/or the photograph used is taken BY the artist. Work can also be done 'en plein-air' (live, on location) or from the imagination. Jurors' Awards will be given from this category ONLY. Artwork must have been created October 2019 or AFTER.

OPEN CATEGORY This category is less restrictive. Entries in this category are eligible for memorial-awards and special-awards, such as Mayor's Choice, People's Choice ONLY. Work done from internet references, class-instruction, or vintage-photos or photos where the artist has permission of another photographer MUST be placed in this category. Artwork must have been created October 2019 or AFTER.

NOTE: If you, your business or organization would like to receive publicity in our show-materials, contact Judy Schmidt, President, at 740-424-3835 if you would like to provide funds for an award or memorial tribute.

ARTWORK: Eye-hooks and wire and ready to hang. Gallery-wrap is permitted for panel or canvas. Water media must also be matted and under glass or plexiglass. Pastels should be under glass, with or without matting. Size limits 48" in any direction. Nothing over 25 pounds. The subject view of the city and the entry category must be identified on the bottom or back of the entry form along with the official entry tag with artist's identification.

PRIZES: OVER \$900 in PRIZE MONIES: Mr. BILL KARAFFA, an independent qualified judge from Pittsburgh, not affiliated with the SAA, will select the following winners: Best of Show \$ 275 Second Place \$150 Third Place \$100 Fourth Place \$75 and four honorable-mentions at \$50 each. There will also be special awards given (Mayor's Choice, People's Choice, Memorial-Awards, etc.) which will later be announced in show materials.

COMMISSION: Art sold will be assessed a 20% commission fee retained by SAA.

INSURANCE: Insurance on all works of art is the responsibility of the artist.

AGREEMENT AND PERMISSION Submission of work guarantees an agreement to all the conditions in this prospectus, including permission for reproduction in print and electronic media and new-releases for purposes of SAA publicity.

QUESTIONS?? Any questions, please contact co-chairs Bob Watson at 678-787-5245 (or Gina Judy at 740-765-4410 if questions about the high-school student-exhibit.)

ENTRY PROCEDURE: Please fill out the attached entry form, and be sure to list the name and location of your building and/or vista, and bring with your painting(s) to receiving inside the main entrance hallway by the lecture-halls at EASTERN GATEWAY COMMUNITY COLLEGE, November 4, and 5, 2021. Cash or checks will be accepted. Please make checks payable to Steubenville Art Association.

steubenvilleartassociation@yahoo.com



LIVE FIGURE DRAWING SESSIONS

at Lorrie Anne Minicozzi - Portrait Society of America -Western Pennsylvania Ambassador's studio in Gibsonia PA

- The fee is \$10 per 3-hour session and will vary weekly between draped, costumed, and nude posing.. - The upcoming sessions are scheduled for Sunday afternoons from 1-3 pm.

More sessions may be added as needed. -The Dates Follow: September 5, 12, 19, 26

As advance coordination needs to occur, an RSVP for each individual session will be needed. -There will be tables and chairs, great natural and studio lighting, ample space to spread out, room for easels and light refreshment provided. - In the interest of Covid, the models have been vaccinated and

social distancing will be encouraged. Please feel free to text or call with any additional questions 631-697-4065

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JOIN US!

The West Hills Art League is Accepting New Members!

Membership year is Sept 1 - Aug 31

Membership is open to all art enthusiasts who share our mission.

Membership Cost: \$25 single and \$35 family

Some membership benefits include:

• Guest speakers and demos • Monthly Zoom Show and Share • Plein Air Days • Eligibility annual art show and other league-sponsored events

• Ongoing Pittsburgh Airport Area Chamber of Commerce Gallery

• Newsletters and Social Media • Interaction with other artists

For more info and sign up form please visit our Membership Page at http://westhillsartleague.com/

CRANBERRY ARTISTS NETWORK **NEW MEMBER SCREENING**

The next membership screening is scheduled for October 18, 2021. All screening is online until further notice.

Membership Benefits:

Networking Opportunities - Join us in meeting talented artistic individuals. Our members have diverse talents with media including: Watercolor, Oils & Pastels, Graphite & Pen & Ink, Photography & Digital Painting, Mixed Media & Jewelry, Glass, Pottery & Ceramics

Member Only Shows

Minimally one member only show per year to feature member artwork Life Model Drawing, Plein Air Painting, Classes & More Check out the Events page for upcoming shows, classes, events, and more.

Please fill out the Membership Application Form at

https://www.cranberryartistsnetwork.com/membership-application

and email three (3) of your best works in a single medium to mjart49@gmail.com.

General Information

Website

http://beavervalleyartists.org/

Facebook

@BeaverValleyArtists

Beaver Valley Artists Board

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