



## 2019 KENSINGTON PAINT THE TOWN ART SHOW

Presented by Montgomery Art Association and Town of Kensington  
**Kensington Armory**  
3710 Mitchell Street, Kensington, MD 20895

Prospectus

**Show Manager: Anastasia Walsh** ([maatreas@gmail.com](mailto:maatreas@gmail.com))

**Show dates:** August 31 – September 2, 2019

**Media eligible for exhibition include:** Oil, Acrylic, Watercolor, Mixed media, Pastel, Encaustic, Drawing/ink mediums, and Sculptural 3D. Photography is not included in this show. The **Plein Air** competition will be held on Saturday, August 31, from 7:00am to 3:00pm (see Plein Air Event page for details/registration).

The show will be judged for prize awards in 7 categories:

1. **Kensington** (mandatory)
2. **Landscape**
3. **Still Life**
4. **Portrait** (people and animals)
5. **Abstract**
6. **3D**
7. **Plein Air** (open to non-members and children – separate registration)

**Number of pieces allowed:** Members may submit up to three (3) artwork entries. At least one artwork must be in the Kensington category. Wall-hung artwork should not exceed 32"x32", including frame. Exceptions to size must be requested and approved in advance.

**Registration Fee:** \$20

**Registration Dates:** July 12 – August 3, 2019 (Extended) [Online registration](#)

### Judge Glen Kessler

Glen Kessler is the 2019 judge for the Paint the Town show. Glen Kessler is a local artist and teacher. He has an MFA from New York Academy of Art & BFA from MICA. His work is internationally collected and has garnered top prizes such as a Maryland State Arts Council Grant, two Elizabeth Greenshields Grants, a Prince of Wales Fellowship, and winner of 'The Artist's Magazine' annual international competition. You can find out more about Glen's art and teaching at his website [GlenKessler.com](http://GlenKessler.com) & [TheCompassAtelier.com](http://TheCompassAtelier.com).

**How to register:** We only accept [online registration](#) on our website (however payment can be made by mailed check). Some notes about registration:

- **Title of artwork:** Please use title case, capitalizing the first letter of significant words in the title of your piece. (*Example: Still Life with Pears.*)
- **Media of artwork**
- **Dimensions:** Enter W x L for 2D work, and W x L x D for 3D work. (example 24 x 36)
- **Price:** Use a dollar sign and numerals, no cents. (*Example: \$175.*) All art must be for sale.
- **Image:** An image of your artwork is required for the Kensington piece; by including an image you give permission to MAA to use the image in promoting the exhibit in print and digital format.

**Key Dates:**

**Art Delivery Dates:** Thurs., Aug 29, 4:00 – 7:00 PM and Fri., Aug 30, 9:00 – 11:00 AM

**Show Hanging:** Friday, August 30, 2 – 5pm

**Show Hours:** Saturday, August 31, 11:00 AM – 5:00 PM (plus reception)  
Sunday, September 1, 11:00 AM – 5:00 PM  
Monday, September 2, 9:30 AM – 5:30 PM

**Awards Reception:** Saturday, August 31 from 6:00 – 8:00 PM. All are invited to attend.

**Pick up Date for**

**Sold & Unsold Art:** Monday, Sept 2, 5:30- 7:30 PM and Tuesday, Sept. 3, 9:00 – 11:00 AM.

**Main Show Entry Rules:**

- Open to MAA member artists
- One work to be based on a subject within Kensington (the 20895 zip code)
- Artwork to be securely labeled [on the back-top right] identifying the Artist, Title, Medium, Price, and Category, and wired to hang (sawtooth hangers not accepted)
- Large work maximum is 32” wide and 32” height (including frame). A few exceptions will be allowed and must be approved by the Show Manager (Anastasia Walsh) in advance.
- Works larger than 20” x 28” that require glazing must use plexi-glass.
- Work should be current and completed within the last two years. Do not enter work that has been exhibited in any previously judged MAA Show.
- Digital art is to be numbered if a limited edition.
- Tastefully done nudes are accepted (no explicit views).

## Registration, Payment, Dues, and Show Details

- **Sales:** MAA will process all sales, collect 6% Maryland sales tax, and take 25% commission from each artist's piece. All artists whose work is sold must have an IRS W-9 form on file with the MAA Treasurer prior to receiving payment for the sale. Sold works are not to be removed until the end of the show, Monday, Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- **Awards:** 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and Honorable Mention are given for each category. The first prize winner in the Kensington Category receives the Bertha Clum Grand Prize Award. The awards are cash prizes, gift certificates and other prizes made possible through the generous donations of merchants and businesses, and the Town of Kensington.
- **Bin Work and Card Sales:** MAA members exhibiting in the main show may exhibit their bin work and art cards. MAA will provide a limited number of shared bins and card racks. If you have more than five pieces, bring your own bin. Bins must be the standard "black canvas" in presentable shape. Artwork in bins should be presented in plastic sleeves and matted where possible, and pre-labeled with the artist's name, title, medium and price.
- **Volunteer Task Signup:** All artists entering this show are to perform at least one 4-hour volunteer task to assist with the operation of the show. This can include pre-show activities (e.g., putting up flyers around Kensington) or show time activities (e.g., set-up, hanging, cashier, hospitality, clean-up). **The Registration Website will include the link for Volunteering, or you can go directly to <https://volunteersignup.org/99DJJ>.** Review the list of tasks and click "sign up" next to the task selected.

*By submitting an entry, registrants agree with the following: I certify that I agree to the rules of the show as presented here. Entries submitted are my own work. I will not hold MAA nor the Town of Kensington responsible for any loss or damage to my artwork while on the property. MAA reserves the right to reject inappropriate or improperly framed work.*

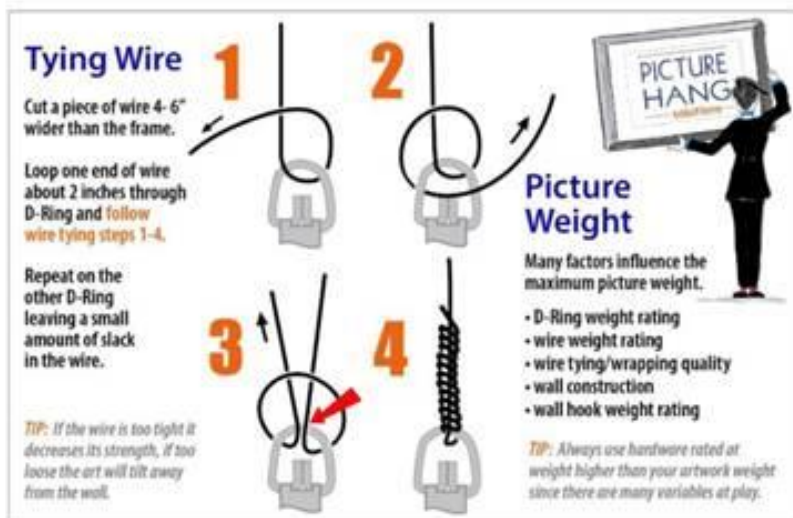
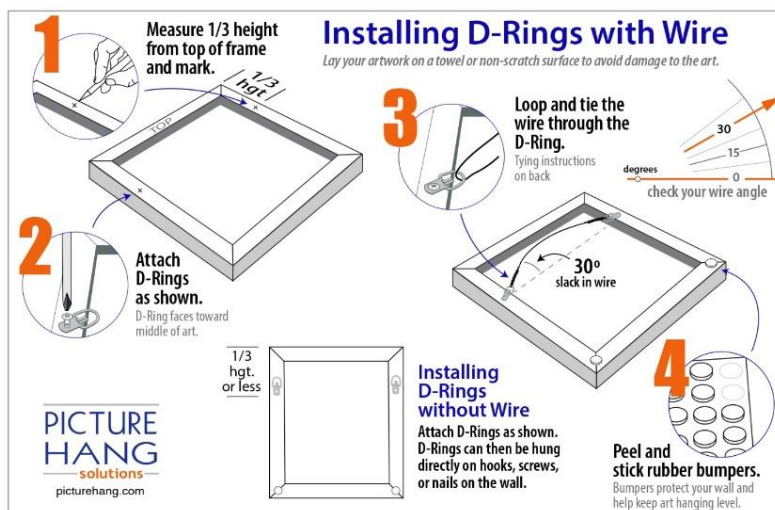
## Artwork Hanging:

Artwork is to have a label on the back (top right), securely attached. This includes:

- Artist Name & Email
- Title
- Medium
- Price
- Category

Works must be framed and wired for hanging to professional standards. Use D-rings and weight-appropriate wire that is not visible when the painting is hung. (See below) Paintings on canvas do not require frames as long as the edges are painted or taped to professional standards. No wet canvases, saw-toothed hangers, or flimsy framing.

Care will be taken by MAA volunteers in hanging and securing the show. However, MAA will not be held responsible for any loss or damage. Artists should hold their own insurance to cover loss or damage for their individual artworks.



## - PLEIN AIR EVENT DESCRIPTION and RULES -

**Saturday, August 31, 2019**  
(from Daybreak to 3:00 PM)

The Plein Air Event competition is an open show within the main show with separate competitions for youths and adults. Artwork will be judged and on display and if desired, available for sale through Monday, September 2. Membership is not required for participation.

Award winners will be recognized at the Saturday August 31 Reception from 6:00 – 8:00 PM.

**Registration Fee:** Free to MAA members and to participants under 18 years of age. \$10 for non-members 18 and over. Minors (under 18 years old) must have the written permission of their guardians and must be accompanied by an adult at all times. *MAA is not responsible for the safety/security of Plein Air Event participants.*

**Registration Dates:** Participants can register in advance, online between July 12 and August 30. Participants can also register in person on Saturday morning (when getting their canvases stamped), at the Kensington Town Hall Armory, 3710 Mitchell Street, Kensington, MD.

### **Plein Air Competition Rules:**

- **Bring your canvas or paper to be stamped at the Armory prior to beginning to paint.** The doors will open at 7am on Saturday, August 31<sup>st</sup>.
- All work must be completed between 7am and 3pm on Saturday, August 31<sup>st</sup>.
- All art MUST be of the Kensington area in the artist's preferred medium and style. Artwork may be framed after the judging process is complete.
- Return finished work to the Armory by 3pm for the judging and for sale. Judging will begin at 3pm sharp. One painting per artist may be entered for the competition. There will be separate judging for children and adults.
- Plein Air work does not need to be for sale, but if work is sold at the show, MAA will collect and pay Maryland sales tax, and will keep 25% commission.

The Artist's name, phone number and price must be placed on a label on the back of each artwork. Labels will be available during the take-in at the Armory.

All sold Plein Air artwork on display for sale will remain in the show with a red sales dot until 3:30 PM on Monday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> when customer pickup begins.