

MONTGOMERY ART ASSOCIATION

MAA News

MAA Shows

"Paint the Town"

**Labor Day Weekend
Montgomery Art Association
Saturday, Sept. 4-6, 2009**

If you have not already registered, please contact Deborah Halprin, halprinart@aol.com, or phone 301-260-9701, or at www.halprinart.com

Paint the Town's Plein Air Event:

Don't forget that the sign-up's start on Thursday September 3rd. Remember that for our Plein Air Event sign up's will begin on Thursday, September 3, 2009.

The actual event begins at daybreak on Saturday, September 5th. This event is free

for members of MAA and \$5.00 for non-members. You do not need to participate in the general show in order to participate in the Plein Air Event. The Plein Air category has a separate judge than the general show. Judging will occur at 3:00 PM, Saturday, September 5th. Long time MAA member, the talented Dan Ranhart is the event judge. The artworks will then be on exhibit during the Kensington Armory Show.

Registration for the Plein Air Event will be held at the Kensington Armory at the following times:

- Thursday, September 3rd between 5:00 - 7:00 pm

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MAA MEETINGS

Welcome back to our returning members and to our new members. We hope everyone had a great summer. Our first meeting of the 2009-2010 year will be September 9th. We will continue to meet at Plaza Arts on Rockville Pike (Route 355), across from Congressional Plaza. There is plenty of parking for those who drive. The shop is also a very short walk from the Twinbrook Metro station. Remember that, unless otherwise noted, all meetings start promptly at 7:00 PM and last until 8:00 PM.

Wednesday, September 9, 2009: "Professional Development for Artists: The Pathway to Being an Art Professional"

Ann Wiker, founder of Art Exposure Inc., will present a program on professional development, focusing on marketing your artwork. Ann will present information from her workshop titled: Professional Development for Artists: The Pathway to Being an Art Professional. This workshop is geared to both artists and artisans who are interested in learning about more successful methods in marketing their creations. The workshop will include information on copyrighting. Ann's website address is: <http://www.artexposureinc.co>

October 14, 2009: Members' Critique

We'll be doing a peer critique so bring one or two pieces of work to the meeting. In addition, we will meet the winner of the 2009 Montgomery Art Scholarship Award, Ms. Ali Fraser-Brown. This talented young artist will bring some of the work that won her this scholarship.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope everyone is busy on preparing for our upcoming shows. I know that I am. I started a few months ago but set it all aside and now it is time to finish.

Before I forget I NEED PEOPLE TO MARCH IN THE PARADE!! Conrad will be joining us again with his art car and I will be creating new banners. We also have our very own dove of peace puppet which made its maiden flight in the Takoma Park 4th of July Parade as the seagull of happiness. We were with the Celtic group Ocean Orchestra so a nautical identity was required. Our bird did not mind. I will be altering the wings some since the Chinese parachute material had a lot more lift than the silk puppet we have borrowed the past few years. We need a minimum of six people so come on out and have some fun. This job requires walking.

Take care,
Laura-Leigh Palmer



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- Friday, September 4th between 10:00 - 2:00 pm
- Saturday, September 5th between 9:00 - 9:30 am

Bring blank canvases or art paper and any painting supplies you will need with you. We will stamp the back. Painting must not begin until daybreak on Saturday, September 5th.

Finished artwork is due back to the armory by 3:00 P.M.

If you have any questions about either event, please feel free to call or email Show Chair Debra Halprin at halprinart@aol.com, phone 301-260-9701, or www.halprinart.com

Plein Air Olney 2009 August 31- October 24, 2009

Sponsored by the Olney Farmers and Artist Market

The purpose of Plein Air Olney 2009 is to raise awareness in the community about the wonderful natural features, historic sites, museums, and merchants found in Olney and the surrounding area and to celebrate the strong artist community by sharing an open air painting and drawing event. The posted deadline is Aug. 28 but we have been assured by the organizers that our members are not to worry since they are extending the deadline for students (and others), as they will not get the information until after the 31st. Also additional entries are allowed on the PAINT/DRAW days during a morning check in on each day of the painting/drawing weekends.

Free Workshops on August 30, September 6, 13, 20

Prior to the event there are workshops being held at the Market from 10 am to 1 pm being conducted by Tara Hall and Roberta Staat. Plein air techniques will be demonstrated. These are not mandatory but a good way to have some fun and learn stuff as well.

Paint/Draw Days for Plein Air Olney 2009

There are many picturesque sites in and around Olney, Ashton, Brookeville, Laytonsville, Brinklow, Sunshine, Highland, and nearby. In general there are a lot of rural sites when you move out of the town centers. There are several historic homes, churches, and public buildings that may be interesting to draw or paint. You may find more contemporary merchant facades or businesses will have appeal. There are two days (9/27 & 10/4) when the Farmers & Artists Market is going on from 9am – 1 pm, so you might find drawing/painting the vendors, flowers, vegetables, people, musicians, etc. will be great fun! You may create your works at other locations but the organizers want to know where you will be "working" at PAINT/DRAW DAYS REGISTRATION. Each artist will be asked to post an "ARTIST AT WORK" sign wherever they work for the day. At registration there will be a list of site possibilities.

Saturdays 9/26 & 10/3 check in sites will be at al Sospiro Roman Trattoria & Wine Bar parking lot – there will be a Plein Air Olney 2009 tent set up. Al Sospiro Trattoria is located one block south of Georgia Ave. (Rt. 97) and Route 108 (Olney Laytonsville Rd) at 18035 Georgia Ave. in Olney. The Saturday check in tents will be set up from 8am – 11 am.

Sunday 9/27 & 10/4 check in sites will be at the Olney Farmers & Artists Market at the shopping center 1 block east of the intersection of Route 108 & Georgia Ave. on Route 108 in Olney.

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Look for the Plein Air Olney 2009 tent. The Sunday check in tents will be set up during the Market opening hours of 9am – 1pm and will stay until at least 2:00 pm (1 hour after Market officially closes) on the last paint/draw day, October 4th.

On October 11 all work to be exhibited must be framed/matted and dropped off at the Olney Farmers & Artists Market by 1 pm and these collected works will be displayed at area merchants. Locations will be listed on the market website and People's Choice votes will be cast. This display runs until the 17th.

From October 19-24 all framed/matted work moves to be exhibited at the Sandy Spring Museum and on the 24th an evening gala/auction will be held at the Sandy Spring museum. October 25th will be the pick up date for all remain works. All are welcome to participate: professional and amateur alike and there are special children's categories

Minimum size of work is 12" x 12" maximum size 24" x 36"

One entry is \$7, Two entries \$14, Three entries \$15, Additional entries are \$5 each

- All work is to be done on site, no photographs will be permitted, no additional work can be done in the studio
- All artists must make one piece of work available for auction 20% of sales are to be donated to the Olney Farmers & Artists Market
- All artists are highly encourage to attend the Gala Event on October 24th at the Sandy spring museum to meet their patrons and receive awards

Laura Leigh will be posting information on our website www.montgomeryart.org. Information is also posted on the Olney Farmer's website at www.olneyfarmersmarket.org.

DONATIONS

In the current economy, many businesses are tightening their donation budgets. It would be helpful to the Donations Committee if members would ask businesses they frequent or work with regularly, if they would like to contribute to the Kensington Show in some way (cash, gift certificate, items). To check if a business has been contacted for a donation, please call Christina Haslinger (301/593-8291). Also, it is important that we frequent businesses which have given in the past and let them know we are MAA members. Merchants are more likely to give if they acquire customers.

~The Donations Committee

Coming soon!

Brookside Gardens Exhibition,

Oct 31-Dec 11, 2009

Show Title:

Scenes of Autumn

Linda Williams, Art/Photo Show Coordinator

1800 Glenallan Avenue

Wheaton Md 20902

Exhibition Details:

Visitors Center Venue: Lobby, Information Desk, Library

- Exhibition Dates: Saturday, Oct. 31 to 20Friday, Dec. 11, 2009
- Installation Date/Time: Saturday, Oct. 31 at 9:30 a.m. Must be completed before noon. We will be unable to accept late works for installation. (Please contact MAA Show Chair if you need to make other arrangements for delivery of your artwork.)
- Please remember that no contact information should accompany the exhibition. This includes postal addresses, phone numbers, e-mail addresses, or Web sites anywhere in the signage or on the artwork, including the back. Take down your artwork between 9 and 9:30 a.m. on the day indicated.
- Leave sold work (with a red dot) with Sharon Fitzpatrick (in the Visitors Center office) who will arrange pay ment to artists.
- Removal Date /Time: Saturday, Dec. 12 between 9:00 and 9:30 a.m.
- Commissions: Brookside Gardens collects a 25% commission on all works sold during or as a result of a Brookside exhibition. This includes works sold up to 3 months after their Brookside exhibition if the artist has not exhibited the work elsewhere in the meantime.
- Web Site: Art Shows at www.brooksidegardens.org.



Friendship Heights Village Center Show Recap

Congratulations to the Creative Expression's 2009 Show winners! We not only had almost double the entries for this year over last, but the greatest variety of styles. Sculpture was included for the first time. Due to the higher number of entries our juror, Bonny Lundy, requested that some of the combined categories be broken back out. Therefore, you will see 6 categories, rather than 5, with each category's award winners. First place winners received a monetary prize. The show looked great! We've also received positive feedback on the new miniature category.

AWARDS LIST

Landscape

- 1st Natalie Falk - Storm Coming
- 2nd Jacques Bodelle - In Rock Creek Park
- 3rd Christina Haslinger - Rehoboth, Delaware
- HM Natalie Falk - Assateague Morning
- HM Barbara March Smith - Sunrise in the City

Miniature

- 1st Marian MacKerer - Rose
- 2nd Elizabeth Stecher - Cloistered Walk
- 3rd Sara Becker - Yellow Roses and Berries
- HM Elizabeth Riordon - Lakefield Summer
- HM Elizabeth Stecher - Garlic

Portraits

- 1st Martha Fondra - The Mirror
- 2nd Dan Ranhart - The Fireman
- 3rd Gale Bell - Marcie
- HM Ed elweiss Calcagno - Double Shot
- HM Vicky Surlles - Profile Portrait

Still Life

- 1st Marian MacKerer - Sunlight Tulips•
- 2nd Sara Becker - Ready for Lemonade
- 3rd Jim Haynes - Close Call
- HM Helen Eliot - Life Force
- HM Elizabeth Stecher - Popped

Experimental & Sculpture

- 1st Lois Levitan - Entwined (sculpture)
- 2nd Edelweiss Calcagno - Symphony
- 3rd Dorothea McIntyre - A Different Landscape
- HM Edelweiss Calcagno - Transparency I
- HM Lois Levitan - Motherhood (sculpture)

Animals

- 1st Elizabeth Riordon - Summer Visitor
- 2nd Elizabeth Stecher - Conversation
- 3rd Jacques Bodelle - Morning Visitor

Nods to Newcomers

On behalf of the Board and our current members, we would like to extend a warm welcome to our newest artists. Having you as part of our association will most certainly enrich Montgomery Art Association.

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2009 Montgomery Art Scholarship Award

The Montgomery College Art Department Foundation

The 2009 Montgomery Art Scholarship Award was given to Ali Fraser-Brown of Gaithersburg, MD Montgomery Art Association awarded a

\$600.00 scholarship to this talented student, continuing our commitment to our involvement in our county. Professor Poliszczuk sends his thanks to Montgomery Art for their continued support of this scholarship.

Membership Renewal Time

Montgomery Art currently has 75 wonderfully talented members. Our annual member renewal month is September so please remember to renew promptly by sending your renewal to:

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You may also bring your check to the Kensington "Paint the Town" show

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