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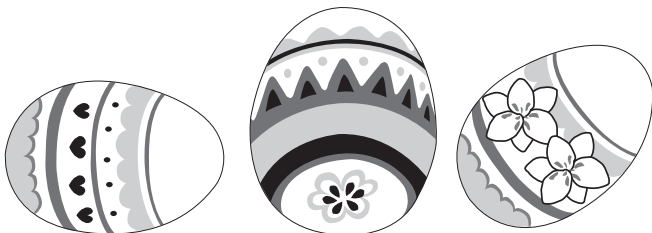
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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is with a sad note that I start my message , by reporting that we've lost one of the greatest artists of our generation, Milford Zornes. He was a wonderful artist and giving soul, and he will never be forgotten. Our condolences to his family and friends.

This is the month we look for some brave souls to become a part of our nominating committee. We need someone to join 2 of our board members in the nominating process.

We have our work cut out for us this year. I will be stepping down as president. I have enjoyed my time in this role, and I was pleasantly surprised when it turned out not to be as difficult as I thought it would be. Many on our board have done their jobs wonderfully, for a very long time and are needing to step down. I want to encourage the next generation to step forward and join us in bringing Mid-Valley Arts League into the future. We can't do it without your help. When the nominating committee calls you, ask, "How can I help!" It will be one of the most rewarding experiences you will ever have.

Paint with Passion!

**Lynne Fearman**  
*President*

Our web-site has been redesigned and updated... take a look. It should be up by this mailing.... if not - be patient, it is on it's way. If you want to add yourself to the member's gallery - contact Roy Genger at: [webmaster@midvalleyartsleague.org](mailto:webmaster@midvalleyartsleague.org)

## MARCH GENERAL MEETING

The March General Meeting with be held:  
Wednesday, March 19, at 7:30 PM  
Arcadia Presbyterian Church - 121 Alice St. Arcadia

## APRIL BOARD MEETING

The April Board Meeting with be held:  
Wednesday, April 2, at 7:30 PM  
Temple City Community Center

### MID-VALLEY ART LEAGUE 2004- 2005 BOARD OFFICERS

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### Membership in MVAL:

Membership is open to artists and art lovers of all levels. If you're interested in membership call: John Goodno 626-351-9189

### WEBSITE:

[midvalleyartsleague.org](http://midvalleyartsleague.org)  
or [mval.org](http://mval.org)  
Website Editor: Roy Genger

## Art & the Artist

All articles and announcements to be included in the Art & the Artist may be sent to:

253 Windsong Court  
Azusa, CA 91702  
(626) 334-1646 - phone and FAX  
E-mail: [janunamaker@verizon.net](mailto:janunamaker@verizon.net)  
Deadline is the first Wednesday of the month. If you have an event that takes place in the first half of the month - be sure to get it in the month before.

Cover Editor \_\_\_\_\_ Patty McMillan

Mailing \_\_\_\_\_ Sally & Don Kubly



## *MILFORD ZORNES - 1908 - 2008*

*February 24, 2008*

Dear Friends:

Many of you may already know, but in case you do not, our friend, teacher and artist, Milford Zornes, died this morning, Sunday, at age 100.

I suddenly have a memory of him telling a joke about a three legged pig as we rode in a tour bus through the Netherlands on one of his many international painting workshops. Attached is a photo of Milford from October 2007, at age 98, discussing art with my painting class at his house in Claremont. If you have ever taught a class, you know how tiring it can sometime be. It's so impressive that Milford kept teaching, pouring out all that energy until his last days, always happy to talk about art with anyone.

It is his warm spirit, along with his lifetime of teaching and dedication to painting that we will miss. Fortunately, there are thousands of paintings and acres of notes from lessons taught, which will keep Milford in our thoughts always. He preferred to be called a painter, not an artist, because "artist" was a little bit pretentious for him. It was a term for great masters... a label of respect earned only after a lifetime of hard work. So today, I think we can surely refer to Milford as a great Artist, with a capital "A". Thank you Milford Zornes.

Best regards,  
Quinton Bemiller

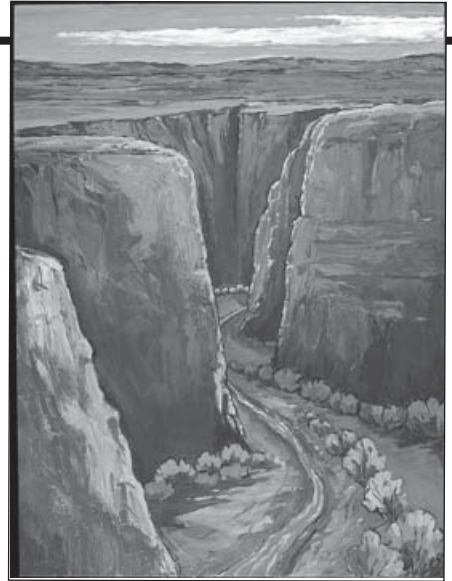
*Shortly before his death, Milford Zornes sent MVAL the following:*

"To all the friends at MVAL who sent letters, cards and their best wishes to me for my 100th birthday, thank you so much I enjoyed hearing from all of you." - Milford Zornes

## TRICE TOLLE

In the colorful expressionistic landscape paintings of Trice Tolle, one can see how she has found infinite ways to capture the endless beauty and emotion found in nature. She has traveled extensively throughout her life and draws upon her travels as one of her inspirations. Trice states that when she paints, it is like one of her adventures, she never knows how it will end up!

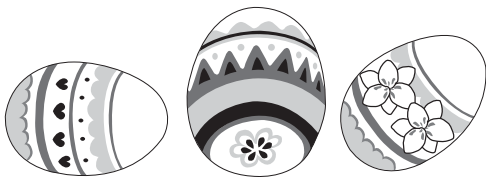
Trice started painting as soon as she could pick up a brush, but has only just started painting as a full artist time in 2000. Her style has evolved and transitioned over time to develop her current style, her "signature". When one views her paintings, you can feel the passion & emotion she has in her painting process. Once you have viewed a landscape painting by Trice, you will surely be able to recognize another one when you see it.



Trice is an award winning artist and native of Southern California. She attended school at California State University at Northridge, UCLA and Otis Institute of Art. Trice has exhibited locally at VIVA Gallery, Burbank Creative Arts Center Gallery, Bolsky Gallery (Otis Art Institute), Lankershim Art Gallery and the Finegood Art Gallery. Her paintings are currently represented by the Bridge Street Gallery in Cambria, CA. She recently had work accepted into the Los Angeles Museum of Art's Sales and Rental Gallery and had a group show there in November of 2007.

*"I draw upon images from my travels through California and the Southwest, Arizona and New Mexico. Those images along with my inner journeys, reflect the beauty, harmony and mystery found in nature. Like the expressionist painters, my paintings are meant to provoke a feeling or sense of place, rather than the actual scene.*

*I use simple shapes and bright color to convey the emotion to the viewer. The process of painting itself – the physical aspect of applying the paint, the movement of the brush across the canvas, the use of large bold brushstrokes, the layering of the paint on the surface - is the creative process. I quickly paint the entire painting with one large brush, then begin to layer color upon color, to "push & pull" the surface, allowing the painting to evolve, taking on a life and language all of its own."*



**Dorothy Davis**  
Program Chairman

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## WHITE ELEPHANT SALE TABLE

Now that we are meeting in a larger hall, we can go back to having our monthly White Elephant Table. Any art supplies, materials or books that you no longer have a use for - you may bring them and sell them to someone who could make good use of them. Clearly mark all your items with the price and your name and provide a container for the buyer place their money in - also clearly marked with your name.

# MID-VALLEY ARTS LEAGUE 55th ANNIVERSARY MEMBERS' SHOW

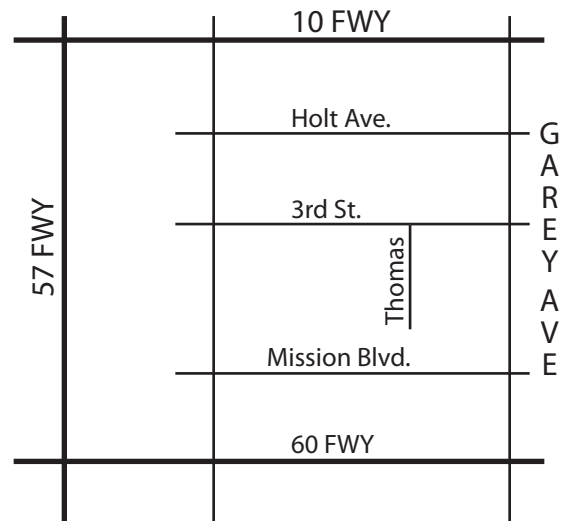
**LOCATION:** Prog Space Gallery, 300 "A" South Thomas Street, Pomona, CA 91766

**ELIGIBILITY:** All Mid-Valley members whose dues were paid prior to January 31, 2008, are invited to submit work. No work completed prior to 2005 will be accepted (artist's honor). No teacher-assisted class work, computer art, photography, crafts or copies of artwork will be accepted.

**FEES:** Up to three pieces may be submitted. Registration fee is \$15 per single entry, \$25 for two, and \$35 for three. Checks should be made to Mid-Valley Arts League. A commission of 25% on all sales will be retained by MVAL.

**EXHIBITION TAKE-IN AND PICK-UP:**

Take-in -  
 Tuesday, May 6, 3-7 p.m.; Wednesday,  
 May 7, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. only  
 Judging, Thursday, May 8  
 Second Saturday Reception  
 (area galleries open to the public,  
 May 10, 5-10 p.m. )  
 MVAL Reception and Awards -  
 Saturday, May 31, 3:30 p.m.  
 Pick up -  
 Saturday, May 31, after awards and before 5 p.m.  
 Must be picked up!



**PREPARATION:** Paintings must be suitably framed, ready to hang with wires and eyes. No sawtooth hangers. No wet paintings. Size not to exceed 48" in any dimension including frame. Paintings must be titled, and identified with price (or NFS).

**CATEGORIES:** Landscape, Seascape, Still Life/Floral, Animals, Portraits/ Figure, Structural/Mechanical, Abstract/Non-Objective and Genre.  
 Fewer than seven entries in any category will be included in another category.

**AWARDS:** (Paintings will be judged by category, not by medium.) Awards presented will be either by check or for merchandise certificates to equal the cash award.  
 Best of Show, \$300, MVAL President's Award, \$150, San Gabriel Fine Arts Association, \$125.  
 Awards by Category: 1st Place, \$100, 2nd Place, \$50, 3rd Place, \$25.

**LIABILITY:** Participating artists must have a liability waiver card on file with the show chairman.  
 Reception, Awards and Pick-up, Saturday, May 31 (times above)

**GALLERY HOURS:**  
 Thursday - Sunday, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m., May 15 - 18, May 22 - 25, May 29 - 31.  
 (Gallery must be staffed by MVAL members during these hours.)

Additional information: *Jan Wright, 909/625-4128, JoAnn Formia, 626/797-8562 or Shirley Manning, 626/797-1659*

## ART OF THE MONTH

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With our new larger meeting space we will be back to having our regular monthly sharing of artwork done by MVAL members.

If your bringing a painting, try to get to the meeting a little early so that it can be hung in time for everyone to enjoy.

The theme this month is "ABSTRACTS" you may interpret the theme in any manner you wish!

### THEMES FOR THE MONTHS TO COME

March ----- "Abstracts"

April ----- "Urban Art"

May ----- "In The Garden"

June ----- "Seascapes"

**Chet Specht**

*Art of the Month Chairman*

## INSPIRATION

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The following members have volunteered to give the inspirational message at the general meetings:

March ----- Mark Wood

April ----- Jan Wright

May ----- Julie Crouch

June ----- Alan Marriott

## NEW MEMBERS

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Gail Wright

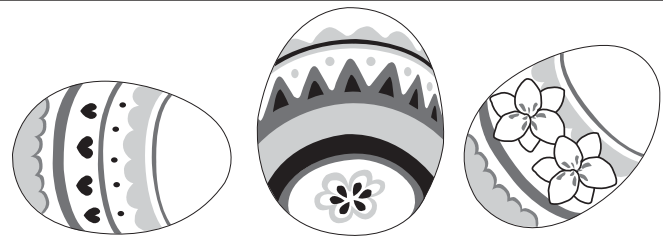
Steven Radice

290 Old Ranch Road

Sierra Madre, CA 91024

626-355-2620

email: wildhoney2u@yahoo.com



Gail says, "I love and enjoy the beauty of nature and I want my landscapes to nurture the senses of the viewer, creating a deep connection and respect for our beautiful planet."

I am primarily self-taught in oils and watercolors.

I am joining Mid-Valley to meet other artists and become more involved with the artist community.

Steven has been a part of the San Gabriel Valley music scene for the past 25 years, performing at coffeehouses, galleries, and other venues. His art has been seen on various websites, CD and DVD productions, and is adhered to many refrigerator doors. Primarily, Steven is known for his cartoons, but also enjoys sculpture and watercolor painting when he is able to sit still and behave. Samples of his art and music can be found at his myspace website.

[www.myspace.com/stevenradice](http://www.myspace.com/stevenradice)

## ABOUT THE COVER

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The artwork for this month's cover was done by **Valya Hristova**.

## GALLERY

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**Vicki Thomas** is showing her work in our gallery at the Live Oak Community Center.

## SCHOLARSHIP NEWS

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The time is here to begin bringing in your donated items for the Scholarship Raffle!!!!

The Mid-Valley Arts League is an organization that not only provides opportunities to its members to become more accomplished artists, but it also supports young students who are interested in making a career in some field of art. It is because of your generous support that this event takes place annually. We accomplish this by asking for donations from our members for our raffle that is held in June. Each year we request items such as original art, no larger than 1/2 sheet, matted and shrink wrapped, please. No glass - it's too hard to store and to carry. We also encourage miscellaneous donation of new art books or art supplies and other small art objects. For those of you that are still too shy about contributing a lovely painting, would you consider it for this year? Raffle tickets will be sold at our January meeting for \$1 each; 6 for \$5.00; or 12 for \$11.00. Please let Retha Wells know if you plan to contribute something, or have any questions.

If you would like to make a donation by mail, please send your check made out to MVAL with a notation that it be earmarked for the Scholarship Fund. Send to: Alan Marriott, at 633 E. Palm Drive, Glendora, CA 91741. Thank you.

**Retha Wells**  
*Scholarship Chairman*

## ARTIST'S NEWS - Shows and Workshops

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*"Artists of the Canyon"* MVAL members **B.J. Lane, Lynne Fearman, and Karen Winters** are participating in a show at Chevy Chase Country Club, 3067 East Chevy Chase Drive.  
Artist's Reception: Friday, March 14, 2008 from 4:30 to 6:30 pm.  
Exhibit continues through March 30.

**Linda Fullmer** will exhibit new watercolor paintings in a 3-woman show from March 3rd to March 28th at Alhambra City Hall.  
Reception Monday, March 10th, 6pm-8pm.

**Mary Higuchi** received the David Gale Memorial Award for her Executive Order 9066, Series 2, by the Western Federation Watercolor Society-33 Exhibition hosted by the Southern Arizona Watercolor Guild at the Tubac Center of the Arts, Feb. 22-April 6, 2008.

**Justine Limpus Parish's** Bernina Fashion Show Garment - "Fusion" will be featured in this international juried exhibition of fiber art and jewelry.  
FEBRUARY 22 - APRIL 20, 2008 - PALOS VERDES ART CENTER  
[www.pvartcenter.org](http://www.pvartcenter.org)

**Justine Limpus Parish** - FREE-MOTION MACHINE FIBER COLLAGE WORKSHOP

Sunday, March 9, 10 AM - 4 PM

\$160, PVAC members \$130

Justine will demonstrate and teach her method for making her exotic and opulent fabrics. She will also cover the "painted" version of her collage process, which she uses for her wall hangings. Topics covered: free-motion machine stitching and embroidery, painting on organza, color and design as it relates to fiber collage, "captured" fiber collage method. Students will complete "samplers" in class for future projects.

To register: 310-541-2479

Students must bring their own sewing machines for this class.

## THURSDAY'S IN PLEIN AIR - paint out

Meet at 9:A.M., Break for lunch around 12:15 and share in a friendly critique.

Bring a lunch or take a chance there will be a place to buy lunch.

Walter & Martha McNall (626) 446-1066, cell (626) 664-0397

FEEL FREE TO CALL AND CONFIRM LOCATION

### MARCH 13TH, DESCANSO GARDENS, LA CANADA

Take 210 Fwy to Angeles Crest exit in La Canada, turn left at end of ramp to Foothill Blvd, Turn right to Verdugo Blvd, Turn left to Descanso Drive, proceed to garden entrance on your right.

There is an entrance fee. We will meet at the patio for lunch.

### MARCH 20TH CASTING POND, LOWER ARROYO PARK, PASADENA

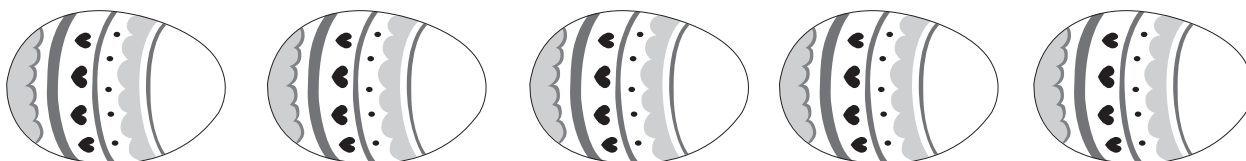
Exit freeway at Orange Grove Blvd. Go south on Orange Grove to W. California Blvd, turn right. Arroyo Blvd, turn right. Lower Arroyo Park entrance is on the left. Good view of the Colorado St. Bridge and casting pond. Plenty of parking and restrooms. Bring lunch.

### MARCH 27TH, RUBEL FARMS/CASTLE, GLENDORA

844 N. Live Oak, Glendora. Take 210 Fwy, exit Grand and go north to Foothill, turn right on Foothill to Live Oak Ave. Turn left and proceed north until you see a very high rock wall on your right. Entrance is to the left side of the main gate. Be prepared to paint some unusual art subjects. Bring lunch.

### APRIL 3RD PERSSON'S NURSERY, PASADENA

3115 East Sierra Madre Blvd. Pasadena. Take Sierra Madre Villa Ave north to E Sierra Madre Blvd turn left. Nursery is a short distance on the right side (0.3 mile). Entrance is easy to miss. Bring a lunch



## WIN A YEAR'S SUBSCRIPTION!

### INTERNATIONAL ARTIST MAGAZINE

has given us the opportunity to participate in a free subscription program. One subscription will be given

for each month we have a newsletter. Fill out the entry form and bring it to the next general meeting, drop it in the box on the front table when you pick up your name badge.. We will draw one name to receive a subscription.

The box will be emptied each month - so bring in a new form each month.

One winner per name, MVAL members only.

Last months winner was Rebekah Morris.

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**BRING TO NEXT MVAL GENERAL MEETING**



# DALE LAITINEN WORKSHOP

## APRIL 17, 18, 19, 2008

Dale Laitinen is best known for his aqua-media landscape painting of the west. He lives and works in the rural California uplands of the Sierras where he is drawn to the topography of exposed rock which manifests itself as light-catching ranges of mountains and deep canyons. The hallmark of a Laitinen painting is a unique blend of representation and abstraction that reveals clarity of form and shape.

Dale was born in Minnesota, but has been a resident of California most of his life,. He is a graduate in Art from San Jose State University. He is a signature member of both the National Watercolor Society and Watercolor West. Dale's articles and paintings have been published in The Artist's Magazine, Watercolor Magic, the Splash series and several other books.

Mid-Valley Arts League is proud to be sponsoring Dale Laitinen in a Watermedia Workshop, April 17, 18 & 19, 2008. Dale is a favorite with Mid-Valley members so we expect this class to fill quickly so you should act without delay if you want to attend. Only 22 registrations will be accepted. The workshop will be held at the Community Room at Temple City Hall. Complete information will be sent after registrations are received.

FEE: Mid-Valley Members     \$300.00  
      Non-Members             \$350.00

A deposit of \$100.00 must be sent with registration

Final payment due April 1, 2008 – NO REFUND AFTER THIS DATE!

Registrations will not be accepted by hand!

Please enclose self-addressed stamped envelope with registration (SASE)

Please address all correspondence to:

Saralyn Lowenstein, Mid-Valley Arts League  
836 Crestfield Drive, Duarte, CA

QUESTIONS? Phone: (626)358-0395

### REGISTRATION FOR DALE LAITINEN'S WATERMEDIA WORKSHOP

Yes, I'm coming!! Deposit of \$100.00 is enclosed with SASE!     \_\_\_\_\_ MVAL Member  
(Make check payable to Mid-Valley Arts League)             \_\_\_\_\_ Non-Member

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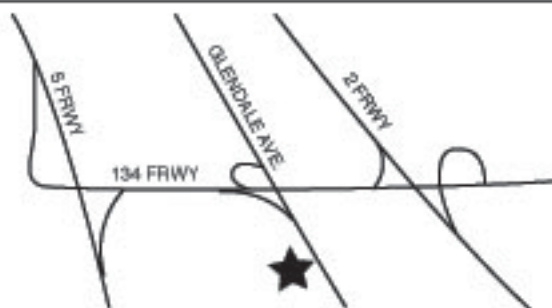
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Final deadline for registration and full payment is April 1, 2008 - NO EXCEPTIONS  
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