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Art & the Artist

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Newsletter for the Mid-Valley Arts League



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Demonstration by Sharon Weaver

66th Annual Member's Exhibit - March 21st

Painting Take-In Saturday, March 16th

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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.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



The recent workshop with Rise Parberry was a success with lots of information shared with the attendees. Julie Crouch will be presenting a one-day workshop on May 11th, 2019 from 9AM to 4PM and it is filling up fast. The Member's Exhibition will have their reception on March 31st, 2019. Check this newsletter for all other relevant dates.

Our next demonstrator will be oil painter, Sharon Weaver. All artists teach and all art teaches.

We are still in need of a Refreshments/Hospitality Chair.
We are also in need of a Scholarship Chair.

A very clear message continues to come across loud a clear for MVAL...we truly need each other to succeed and survive. So many of our activities require attentive and dedicated work. This is true, but each activity has many details and one person cannot do all of the work. When something goes wrong, it is often because the leader was trying to do too much. Many persons are needed for MVAL to function properly. Look over the many tasks we have and volunteer somewhere...please help where you can. We need helpers and leaders. Refreshments chair position for example; someone said to me, why do we need to have refreshments at our meeting? All I could think of is, because hospitality is important. Dozens of volunteers make refreshments work.

March theme for Art of the Month is Spring into Spring.

Armando Ruiz
President

MEETING DATES

MARCH GENERAL MEETING

The March General Meeting will be March 19th - 7:30 PM
Church of the Good Shepherd
400 W. Duarte Rd., Arcadia, CA 91007-6819

APRIL BOARD MEETING

The April Board Meeting will be held April 2nd - 7:30 PM
Live Oak Park, Temple City

MARCH PROGRAM

SHARON WEAVER

Sharon grew up in a small town in post-industrial Pennsylvania where the winters were cold and monotone. The use of bold colors in her art is a direct rebellion against that drab landscape.

After finishing a Fashion Design degree at Parsons School of Design, Sharon worked in the garment industry as a designer and merchandiser. Her career took her to Europe and Asia on business trips where the rich culture and people influenced her creativity.

Moving to California was a turning point for Sharon. Seeing for herself the country that inspired the California Impressionists opened her eyes to the beauty of the landscape. After studying with Karl Dempwolf, Sharon dedicated all her time to plein air painting. It paid off when she was juried into the prestigious Carmel Art Festival. For the next four years Sharon honed her skills by participating in many more plein air events.

Today, Sharon's art combines her understanding of nature with her exceptional talent for drawing to create unforgettable images. The bold and unique colors in her work, much like the California Impressionists who first inspired her, are a feast for the eyes and touch the soul. Using new techniques, working with other artists and teaching help Sharon continue to grow as an artist and push her limits.

Sharon was juried into the Oil Painters of America 20th Annual National Exhibition and an award winner at the Carmel Art Festival. She is a founding member of PAC6 Painters; a group dedicated to painting the beauty and grandeur of the American landscape. A museum exhibition and gallery shows were the result of a pack trip into the Eastern Sierra Nevada

Mountains. Her art was featured in a four page article in the February-March 2017 issue of Plein Air Magazine and she was invited to the San Dimas Art Festival and was awarded the Bronze Medal for her work. Sharon teaches an ongoing studio landscape class with Kline Academy of Fine Art.



ART OF THE MONTH

Each month you are invited to bring a painting to enter in our "Art of the Month" contest. Your painting may relate to our theme of the month, or it may be any topic you wish. The membership votes, and a prize will be awarded for each of the two categories: "Best of Theme" and "Best of Show".

March ----- Spring into Spring
April ----- April Showers
May ----- ...Bring May Flowers

Anne Steben
Art of the Month Chairman



This Milford Zornes painting will be part of the Silent Auction



Examples of paintings donated this year



ARTIST NEWS

Paintings by the following MVAL members

Franceska Bryton, JoAnn Formia and Valya Hristova

were juried by Soon Warren into

"10th Annual Signature American International Watermedia Exhibition"-*"World of Watercolor and Beyond"*

The exhibition is on a display at

"The Janice Griffiths Gallery,

Fallbrook, California,

February 10 - April 21, 2019.

JoAnn Formia and Valya Hristova's paintings were juried into "49th National Exhibition" of CWA by Ian Stewart.

The show was held Jan 11-February 16 at Harrington Gallery-Firehouse Art Center, Pleasanton, Ca.

April Drew Foster will be participating in a one day art show:

Art in the Afternoon

Saturday, March 23, 2019

11:00 am to 5:00pm

South Pasadena Library Community Room

1115 El Centro Street, South Pasadena

SCHOLARSHIP

We would like to encourage all of our members to take a look at their artwork and consider donating an art piece to our June Raffle. It is always special to win a painting or work of art that has been created by someone you know. Each donation is greatly appreciated and never taken for granted. If you have an art piece ready to donate, please bring it for display at the meeting. Also, we are accepting donations of art supplies, art books, etc. Thank you for your generosity.

GOOD NEWS!

Deadline for the Exhibit Entry has been Extended! To Saturday MARCH 16TH, 2019

As soon as possible (before March 16 if possible)

E-mail your Name, Painting details from the form To:

Jeanne Windoffer jwindoffer@sbcglobal.net 818-240-2104

Then, bring your 1) Painting, 2) Completed Registration Form,
3) Check payable to: Mid-Valley Arts League
on Take-in DAY MARCH 16, 2019 to *Chaffey Community Museum of Art*,
217 South Lemon Ave., Ontario Ca, 91761 between 1:00-3:00 pm, museum 909-463-3733

Walk-in painting with form and check or have a friend or family member bring in for you.

ALL RULES apply for category, frames, hanging and CCMA rules.

Please see Registration form on Website or February **Newsletter**

General Reminder about ARTWORK: The Annual Members Exhibit is for all studio media except photography. Enter Original Work, not over 3 years; oil, acrylic, watercolor AND ink pen drawings, pastels, colored pencil, mixed media. See Members Exhibit Guidelines on page 41 of the MVAL 2018/19 Directory.

Sorry there are no official TRANSPORTERS due to Take-in date that is before our General meeting date this year.
Please ask other members to help you.

RIDE THE BUS

We have 28 confirmed with room for more.
We need closer to 40, Ask a friend to join you.

Sign-up Now! Email franortizart@outlook.com or Call 909-213-0511
Give name, phone number, number of persons.

Meet at GS Church parking lot to board bus at 11:30am.
LEAVES at 12Noon! Returns By 4:30pm.

HELPERS NEEDED FOR SHOW

Take-in Helpers to be at CCMA by 12:30pm noon Saturday March 16th

Help Provide Food for OUR Reception
Items still needed are: small fruit trays, cheese and crackers, chips and dip, guacamole, mini cupcakes, nuts, Bring your own dish too!

Sign up-through e-mail tell Chris what you would like to bring
(Ms.) Chris Gordy crisgordy@sbcglobal.net

MID-VALLEY ARTS LEAGUE

66th Annual Member's Exhibit - March 21st thru May 18th, 2019

Intuitive, Brave, Bold, Unfold

Juror:

Eileen McCullough – Plein Air Fine Artist, Teacher and Juror

Location:

CHAFFEY COMMUNITY MUSEUM OF ART - CCMA
217 South Lemon Ave. • Ontario • CA 91761-1623 • (909) 463-3733 www.chaffeymuseum.org

Exhibit Opens:

Thursday, March 21, 2019, 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Reception & Awards:

Sunday, March 31, 2019, 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Reception:

12:00 pm - 2:00 pm with Awards 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Exhibit hours:

Thursday through Sunday 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Exhibit Closes:

Saturday, May 18, 2019 at 4:00 pm,
PICK-UP is the next day, Sunday-see below*

Julie Crouch One-Day Workshop

May 11, 2019 9am - 4pm

“SHAPES! VALUE! COLOR! . . . AN ORGANIZING APPROACH TO PAINTING IN WATERCOLOR”

Have you ever approached a clean white piece of watercolor paper, wondering “Where should I begin?” After years of classes and workshops, Julie realized that she needed a way to synthesize the information her instructors had so generously imparted so that her brain wasn't bombarding her with all of the disparate bits as she painted. In this one-day workshop, Julie Crouch will share how she simplifies her thought process in order to paint stronger watercolors by planning of value and shape through layering. Working with large and small shapes with hard and soft edges. Ultimately recognizing when to stop.

This will be a fun and exciting one-day workshop....



F I F T E E N T H A N N U A L

Saturday in the Park with the Masters

Southern California artists and patrons are invited to the 15th Annual "Saturday in the Park with the Masters," Saturday, April 6, from 10am to 3pm at Maranatha High School in Pasadena.

Milford Zornes was an avid supporter of MVAL and this special event, so proceeds are



used in his memory to offer art scholarships to dedicated art students and grants to art departments of schools within the area.

2019 Master Artists

Julie Crouch	wc
Jay Ewing	wc
Lynne Fearman	oil
Debra Holladay	oil
Chuck Kovacic	oil (water based)
Jim Salchak	wc
Jeannine Savedra	oil
Joseph Stoddard	wc
Ray Tucker	acrylic
Brian Zheng	oil



Plan to spend the day moving from one Master Artist to another. Or bring your sketchbook and painting materials and plan to paint along side your favorite Master Artist. Bring water and a picnic lunch.



At 2:30pm, the Master Artists will speak about their process and share the art that they created. Be sure to view MVAL Members' artwork in the EZ-up near the registration table.





F I F T E E N T H A N N U A L

Saturday in the Park with the Masters

Maranatha High School, April 6, 2019



(from top to bottom)

Be sure to check-in and register at the registration table.

Brian Zhang painting a portrait at his preferred 4x5' format.

Ray Tucker at work along with a display of his work.

Joseph Stoddard sketching

Chuck Kovacic discussing his painting process.

EARLY REGISTRATION Check payable to: Mid-Valley Arts League

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/ZIP _____

PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

Fourteenth Annual 'Saturday in the Park with the Masters'

Prior to April 6, 2019 \$15 (in advance) \$ _____

Saturday, April 6, 2019 \$20 (at the location) \$ _____

Registration identification tags will be available April 6, at the Maranatha High School campus at the registration EZ-up.

Registration forms are to be returned with payment to:
Lee Johnson, 356 Noren Street, La Cañada, CA 91011

For additional information call Mark Wood at, 626825.0464 or email: markwood2310@gmail.com.

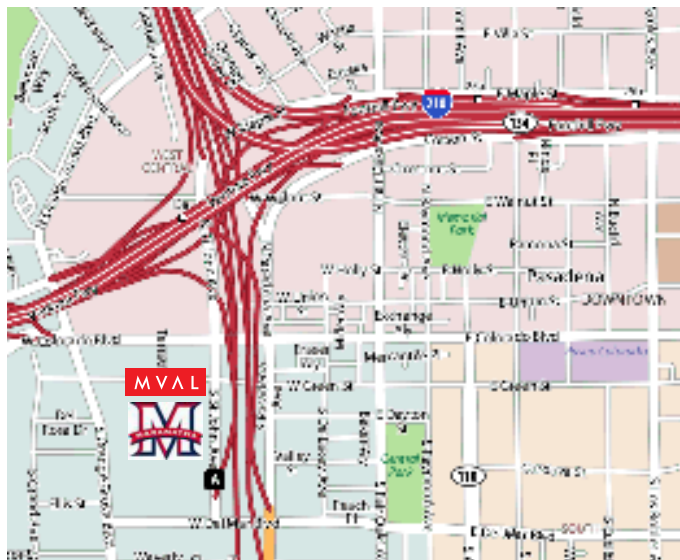
Directions

From the West on the Pasadena Freeway (110): Exit at Orange Grove Blvd., go North (turn left) and proceed six traffic lights to Green Street. Turn right onto Green Street, go one block and turn right onto St. John Ave (one way street going south). Go half a block and park in the underground parking structure on the right.

From the East on the Foothill Freeway (210): Exit at Orange Grove Blvd. via the Ventura Freeway (134). Go South (turn left) on Orange Grove, then turn left at the second traffic light onto Green Street and turn right onto St. John Ave (one way street going south). Go south half a block and park in the underground parking structure on the right.

From the Ventura Freeway (134): Exit at Orange Grove Blvd. and proceed straight onto Colorado Blvd. Turn right at the first traffic light onto St. John Ave. Go south one and one-half blocks and park in the underground parking structure on the right.

From the north on the Foothill Freeway (210): Take the Colorado Blvd. exit, proceed straight onto Saint John Ave., and park in the underground parking structure on the right.



Maranatha High School, 169 South Saint John Avenue, Pasadena

THURSDAYS IN PLEIN AIR

To confirm or ask questions call Call Lynne Fearman (626) 355-7562 cell: (626) 487-6566
Bring lunch or take a chance there will be a place to buy.

Meet at the designated location at 9:00am and paint till 12:00. At noon we gather for lunch and sharing of sketches and paintings. After lunch is the critique/share. The critiques are informative and instructional.

In the event of rain the paint-out will be canceled. We have done our best to give accurate directions.
Since we are based in San Gabriel Valley, our directions stem from there.
It is each person's responsibility to carry a map, GPS, or double check directions.

Thursdays in Plein Air is an open and separate activity and not part of Mid-Valley Arts League.
This group is an unaffiliated, and uninstructed group of artists, not associated with any particular art organization, and cannot be held responsible for any loss or bodily injury that may occur while participating with this group's activities.

If you are on Facebook, join the "Thursdays in Plein Air" Facebook Page.
The Facebook page will keep you updated on any changes and connected with the other painters!

MAR 14th - VICTORY PARK, PASADENA

2575 PALOMA ST. Corner of Paloma & Altadena Dr.
Just south of Pasadena High School. Park on the south side near the restrooms and Recreation Center.

MAR 21st OLVERA STREET, LOS ANGELES

Leave at 8:30 am on the Gold Line from the Sierra Madre Villa Station in Pasadena (Located at Halstead St. and Foothill). We'll take the Gold Line to Union Station. It is a short walk across the street to Olvera St. Eat there or bring a lunch.

MAR 28th - LA ARBORETUM

301 N. Baldwin Ave. in Arcadia. Fee to get in. Meet at the Peacock Cafe for lunch.

APR 4th - DESCANSO GARDENS

Take 210 W Fwy to Angeles Crest exit in La Canada, turn left at light and continue to Foothill Blvd, Turn right. Make a left at Verdugo Blvd, then left at Descanso Drive, proceed to garden entrance on your right. There is an entrance fee. We will meet at the patio for lunch.

APR 11th - PECK ROAD PARK, ARCADIA

5401 Peck Rd. Arcadia. Take 210 freeway east to Myrtle Ave. in Monrovia. Turn south, heading away from the mountains. In 2.6 miles look for entrance to the park on your right. Just past McBean Dr. on your left. Entrance on your right. Bring lunch.

APR 18th - THE WALKER HOUSE SAN DIMAS

121 N. San Dimas Ave. The Walker House was placed on the National Register of Historic Places. It is the most significant historical building in the City of San Dimas. Take the 210 Freeway east to Dan Dimas Ave. exit . Turn Right. The house will be on your right. Parking in the rear. Bring lunch.

UPCOMING DEMONSTRATIONS

March - Sharon Weaver

April - John Byram

May - John Taggart

DID YOU KNOW?

The dues renewal letter will be mailed out at the beginning of April. The dues for the next fiscal year are due on May 1st and become delinquent on June 30th.

COLORFUL ELEPHANT

We will be having a White Elephant table at our December meeting. Maybe your gently used art supplies or books are the perfect thing for another member to gift themselves! Come a bit early if you need to set up your items. Mark each item with a price and provide a container for money or be available for sales.

CRIT NIGHT

Just a reminder, Crit Nights are still happening the second Wednesday each month from 7:30pm to 9-9:30pm.
Studio 2310, 2310 Central Avenue, Unit 13.
Mark Wood
626.825.0464

NEW MEMBERS

Janice Herr Arcadia, CA

Janice has been a bilingual teacher for 38 years. She graduated from University of Redlands.

She also has an Interior Design Certificate from Mount Sac. She took Tole Painting many years ago. She took Teaching Art to Elementary Students at UCLA Extension.

Janice is very interested in learning watercolor.

"I would like to learn how to express myself through watercolor, I am a beginner."

Her other hobbies include ballroom and swing dancing and interior design.

She would like to connect with other artists and learn more!

She is being sponsored by Mary Gilman.

Janet Lau Pasadena, CA

Janet is a beginning watercolor student. "I have always liked to draw as a little girl. Never received art training. Now that I am retired, I enjoy exploring the area of art."

Janet likes art, line dancing and traveling.

In joining MVAL she wants to open up her interest in Art.

She is sponsored by Julie Crouch.

GALLERY

We have a MVAL Gallery at the Live Oak Community Center, 10144 Bogue Street, Temple City. Stop by and have a look at the artwork our talented members have created.

This gallery is an important community outreach. MVAL Board is given a space for our monthly meetings in exchange for adding to the beauty and interest of the community center at the park.

The paintings are seen by a lot of people and members have sold paintings that they exhibited there.

The space holds 11 paintings and are hung for 2 months. We need artists for March/April and the following months into the summer. You may partner with another artist to meet the 11 paintings needed.

If you have interest in hanging your paintings at the Center please contact Linda at 626-358-7178.

GALLERY

With Spring just around the corner:

Calla Lilies -- From trip to Pacifica by the Sea.

by **Michi Ikeda**.

"Lilies were blooming brilliantly in my in-law's garden in the Fog Capital of the world."

FEBRUARY MEETING



Richard Gutschow won demonstrators art donation.

ARTIST OF THE MONTH



Elana Goldheimer won theme art: Young at Heart.



Mary Gilman won Best of Show.