

MVAL

Art & the Artist

May 2016

Newsletter for the Mid-Valley Arts League



**Demonstration by Angela Hernandez
Saturday in the Park with the Masters**

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

MID-VALLEY ARTS LEAGUE
2013 - 2014

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Membership in MVAL:

Membership is open to artists and art lovers
 of all levels.

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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.

Greetings Fellow Artists,

May is here, bringing with it lots of activities and inspiration
 for Mid Valley artists.

Our annual juried exhibition in Ontario continues through
 June 5th and the show has been acclaimed by those
 who have seen it. Flora Johnson is the Mid Valley person who has been in charge
 of the exhibit this year and has worked tirelessly and effectively, and of course she
 was aided by many volunteers from our organization and the dedicated staff of
 CCMA.

On Saturday, May 21st, we hold our annual Saturday in the Park with the Masters
 at Maranatha High School in Pasadena. It is an annual fund raising event for Mid
 Valley that benefits our scholarship program for art students. Mark Wood,
 the person in charge of this event, has re-tuned the activities of this day to create
 more artistic participation from those attending the event. Mark has put together
 a great list of master artists who will paint and teach about their work, and all those
 who come are being invited to bring their own art supplies and paint along with
 the masters in this beautiful setting with models.

Our yearly scholarship activities are now in full swing. Works of art have been
 donated by members of our Honor Court and other member artists and will be
 raffled at our June meeting. You may purchase raffle tickets this month or at the
 June meeting. There will also be a silent auction for valuable paintings donated by
 well-known artists. The scholarship committee is working diligently with schools
 and student artists to identify those artists who will receive scholarships for
 continued artistic study.

Last month we enjoyed a very good watercolor demonstration and teaching
 session by James Wisnowski. At our May 18th General Meeting we will be treated
 to a watercolor demo by Angela Hernandez, who's work was accepted recently to
 the prestigious Watercolor West exhibit. She is a truly outstanding watercolorist
 and artist and I think we're in for a treat. Please let your fellow artists and other art
 groups know about this one.

We hope to see you at the upcoming meeting, and please bring a piece of art for
 the Artist of the Month contest!

Best regards,

Pete Morris

President

MEETING DATES

MAY GENERAL MEETING

The May General Meeting will be May 18th - 7:30 PM
 Church of the Good Shepherd
 400 W. Duarte Rd., Arcadia, CA 91007-6819

JUNE BOARD MEETING

June Board Meeting will be held June 1st - 7:30 PM
 Live Oak Park, Temple City

Angela Hernandez

"I find that my ideas are best expressed in the medium of transparent watercolor. From early successes with oils, I was inspired to shift to watercolor because of its ability to capture myriad creative impulses arising from my experiences gained through world travel.

From my career beginnings as a successful fashion illustrator for such clients as May company, Robinson's, Bullock's and others, my interests migrated toward fine art and to watercolor, in particular, because of its versatility and its quality transparency. These characteristics have become increasingly important to me as the sources for my ideas and have expanded from my professional art career to include my experiences with both local and foreign travels.

My primary subject I paint is usually the figure or figures in an environmental odd symbolic background, but, recently, I have also explored the landscape in design."



- Art Training:
 - Art Center School of Design
 - Chouinard's Art School
 - Scripps summer programs in oil painting
 - Watercolor workshops with Rober E. Wood, Christopher Schink, Milford Zornes and others
- Recipient of various awards at local and international exhibitions
- Taught model drawing and fashion illustration at Otis College of Art and Design and conducted watercolor classes and workshops
- Member of art organizations, including:
 - Watercolor West, Signature Member
 - SDWS, Signature Member
 - Women Painters West, active member

Rosina Maize
Programs

ART OF THE MONTH

Last Artist of the Month for our 2015-2016 season!
We will vote for 2 winners -
One that best represents the theme and one best over-all painting.
Also - WINNERS WILL RECEIVE A \$5 STARBUCKS CARD!
Bring a painting in to share this month!

Bobbie Twydell
Art of the Month Chairman

May _____ En Plein Air (paintings done outdoors)

NEW MEMBERS

Debbie Thornhill
Northridge, CA



"I love Sketching/painting the figure in an environment, as well as plain air painting and occasionally other subjects. Currently, I am a committed Urban Sketcher, experimenting with line and color using fountain pen, brush pen, and watercolor as well as other media, while exploring the urban scene and recording everyday experiences."

Debbie is a Speech Language Pathologist by profession and will be retiring from her current position in June, 2016. He educational background is UCLA, B.A. Political Science; B.U. School of Law, J.D, C.S.U.N. M.A. Communicative Disorders - Speech and Language.
She has been involved actively in the fine arts for the past 12 years and continues to pursue opportunities to learn and grow as an artist.

Joining MVAL she hopes to meet and learn from other artists, enjoy shared interests, participate in paint-outs and workshops and make social connections.

Studio 2310 Open Studio, Mondays

Mark Wood, cofounder of Studio 1310, invites you to join him Mondays, from 10am to 2pm to paint in your medium of choice.

Creativity is contagious. Learn, share and be inspired by other artists creating art in different mediums and styles. Participate in friendly constructive critiques. Painting in a series will be encouraged.

Studio 2310 is now accepting registration for 10 committed artists on a first come first served basis.

Submit your reservation NOW.

Artists commit to weekly sessions on a month to month basis. \$40 for a four Monday month, \$50 for a five Monday month.

Studio 2310 is located on Central Ave. in Duarte.

Email Mark for more information
markjwood@earthlink.net

ARTIST NEWS

Scenic Vistas of the San Gabriel Mountains California Art Club Exhibit

Altadena Country Club

Address: 2290 Country Club Dr, Altadena, CA 91001

Phone:(626) 794-7163

Show run thru May 24th

Jo Ann Formia and **Jan Wright** have paintings in the *Pasadena Society of Art* show at the Women's City Club of Pasadena/Blinn House, 106 N. Oakland Ave., Pasadena which will have its reception on March 5 from 2-5. The show will be open M-F 9 - 5, 1st & 3rd Sat. 9 - 3 until June 3. For more information call 1-626-796-0560.

"Hello MVAL Members,
Many of you will remember, before I left LA, that I was writing a middle grade fantasy series. It has been a long and inspired journey. I've loved every minute of it, even the countless hours of editing.

Now my dream has come true. I signed the 7-book deal at the end of January, 2016.

My series will be traditionally published by a publisher in Clovis, CA.

I know you are all happy for me.

Best to All,

Vicki D. Thomas"

Joyce Nunamaker and Fred McCall are busy with their booth at The Original Renaissance Pleasure Faire in Irwindale.

There are still 2 more weekends of faire and the last day is May 22nd. Joyce is selling her art and craft items and they are also selling Native American Style Flutes. Fred is playing the flute at the front of the booth pretty much all day long! Booth name is The Ortfairie - booth number 406.

renfair.com/socal/ for information

Chris Van Winkle Show

Citrus College Visual Arts

Chris Van Winkle

Watercolor paintings

"A Celebration of Life"

April 2 - May 13

Hayden Library Gallery

626-914-8640

1000 Foothill Blvd., Glendora, Ca 91741

SCHOLARSHIP

Thank You for all your generous donations of paintings, books and supplies.!

They are quite a testament to the talent and generosity of our MVAL members.!

If you have not had a chance to donate, we will be accepting items at the May General Meeting.!

Contact Susan Zenger if you need to have items picked up.!

Don't forget to purchase your raffle tickets. If you know that you will not be able to come to the June Extravaganza, just designate a friend to choose a prize for you



Painting by Milford Zornes



Painting by John Bohnnenberger



Some of the paintings that have been donated for the raffle.



Painting by John Bohnnenberger
back side



MVAL JUNE BANQUET & SUMMER SUPPER!

Fun Visiting, hardy drinks, delicious buffet.

Wednesday, June 22nd, 2015

6:30 p.m.

The Oaks of Pasadena

2954 East Del Mar Blvd. (between Madre St.
and San Gabriel at El Nido), Pasadena 91107

(Park on El Nido)

Please bring a small matted painting to participate in painting exchange.

Cost: \$32.00 per person, checks payable to Mid-Valley Arts League

Mail to: Chet Specht, 2956 East Del Mar #244, Pasadena, CA 91107

Name _____

_____ Tickets at \$32.00 each. Amount Enclosed _____

Check # _____ Cash _____

ABOUT THE COVER / Winners in ABSTRACT Category

I made a horrible mistake in April's newsletter and missed including the ABSTRACT category in the Show Winners. I am so very sorry! The cover of this month's newsletter is the winning painting in that category.

"A Patch of Light" by

Congratulations to our excellent and creative abstract painters!

- Joyce Nunamaker, Editor



ABSTRACT:

1st Place:

Julie Crouch, "Patch of Light" 2nd

Place:

Carol Hendrickson, "Hideaway"

3rd Place:

Georgia DeBeers, "Old Coat"

Honorable Mention:

Laura Barnes, "In the Woods"

MVAL DUES

Thank you to the 95+ members that have already paid their dues for next year, September 2016- June 2017.

This is a reminder to those who have not yet paid their dues.

Membership is \$35 for a single member, \$45 for couples.

Make checks payable to Mid-Valley Arts League and send your dues to Armando Ruiz.

"ART AND SOUL" 63rd ANNIVERSARY MEMBERS EXHIBIT 2016

REMINDER FOR PAINTING PICK UP

Sunday, June 5, 2015- 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm.

Each member is responsible for picking-up their work.

Any work not picked up will be assessed a \$25.00 transport/storage fee.

MVAL CRIT GROUP

The MVAL CRIT GROUP is open to anyone who wants an opportunity for growth and feedback as an artist. Everyone is to bring at least one painting, complete or nearly complete, to share and discuss in a friendly constructive environment. Invite your artist friends.

Crit Night is on the SECOND WEDNESDAY of the month

Time: 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM

Location: Studio 2310 in Duarte, 2310 Central Ave, Unit 13.

Directions: 210 FWY, Mt. Olive/Duarte exit, right on Huntington Dr., right on Crestfield Dr. right on Central Ave.

Contact: Mark Wood - 626.825.0464.

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, our directions stem from there.

It is each person's responsibility to carry a map, GPS, or double check directions.

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

MAY 5th - BUSTERS SOUTH PASADENA

1006 Mission St, South Pasadena, CA 91030. Mission Ave. at Meridian. Bring lunch or buy at local eatery

MAY 12th - LOWER ARROYO PARK, PASADENA

Take Orange Grove south to California Blvd. Turn right on California at the bottom T make a right at Arroyo Blvd.. At the first possible left with a sign directing you to Archers Haven and the Casting Pond, make a left. Bring lunch.

OR -

MAY 11th, 12th & 13th - CATALINA ISLAND, AVALON BAY

Come for 1 day or stay for all 3. Everyone is on their own to make plans and reservations. The Atwater Hotel has a package deal, and if it fits you ask for "senior boat trip and room". If you are not a senior they also have a nice discount for AAA Members. They can also make boat reservations when you make room reservations. The Atwater is a simple and clean hotel near the boardwalk. The hotel has no elevators but they let us keep our equipment down stairs if you ask. For Atwater reservations call 800 322-3434.

MAY 19th - OLD TOWN PASADENA

South Raymond at Green Street. Shops and views of St. Andrew's Cathedral on the north side of the Green Hotel. Free parking in lot on Green Street just east of Raymond beyond the Stats parking lot. Bring lunch or buy in local restaurant.

MAY 26th - 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.

JUNE 2nd - DUEKMEJIAN PARK

3429 Markridge Rd, La Crescenta, CA 91214.
210 Fwy West to Pennsylvania off ramp. Right turn to Foothill Blvd. Left turn on Foothill to New York Ave. Bare right at top onto Markridge Rd. Entrance on the right. Bring lunch.

JUNE 9th - HOME OF MOLLY MUNGER & STEVE ENGLISH, PASADENA

(may have to be rescheduled) 450 S. San Rafael Ave. House is located on the west side of the arroyo and has an exquisite view over looking the lower arroyo, park outside on street. Bring a lunch.

JUNE 16th- CHINA TOWN

Hill Street Towntown LA Take the Gold Line to China Town Station, or park in nearby lots for \$10. Group lunch will be at the Golden City Cafe around the corner. \$7.

JUNE 23rd- E. WARD RANCH, SIERRA MADRE

273 E. Highland Ave. Go North on Baldwin, right on Highland. Bring lunch.

JUNE 30th - CRYSTAL COVE, LAGUNA

Check maps for directions. I prefer to take the 57 south to the 91 east south on the 55 to the 405 south exit Jamboree Rd. or MacArthur Blvd. depending on traffic. left at Pacific Coast Hwy look for signs after 2 miles. Bring lunch or buy lunch there. (1hr 25min) Fee to park.

COLORFUL ELEPHANT

You may bring your gently used supplies and books to the meeting and get them into the hands of someone that could use them! Did you find stuff you no longer need but is still use able? Mark each item with a price and provide a container for money. This is the last Colorful Elephant for the year, there will be no sales in June due to our Scholarship Raffle.

REFRESHMENTS

Refreshment volunteers for April are:

Rosina Maize, Shirley Manning, and Nancy Dorn.

Chuck McPherson Workshop

September 22-24, 2016

In his eighth year as a watercolorist, Chuck's efforts have garnered hundreds of awards for his artwork. He holds triple Signature status with The San Diego Watercolor Society, National Watercolor Society and the Western Federation of Watercolor Societies.



He served as Member Shows Director on the SDWS Board, as Third VP on the NWS Board, plus a 3-year stint as Newsletter Chair on the Board of Directors for the San Diego Museum of Art Artists Guild.

He paints full-time and builds his reputation through a quick wit and his infamous 6" brush, flamboyantly creating paintings using props borrowed from large &

intimate crowds... like lipstick & coffee. A few years ago Chuck co-founded *BallastPointGallery.com* offering his fellow artists unique workshops and paint-alongs, and serves often as a discerning exhibition juror.



Watercolors (clockwise from left):

Plaza de Panama (Balboa Park)

Ocean Lily

Torrey Trestle

website: chuckmcpersonart.com

Chuck McPherson Workshop

This three-day workshop is geared towards intermediate students.



Dates: Thursday, Friday, Saturday, September 22-24, 2016

Hours: 10am to 4pm

Location: Church of the Good Shepherd Community Room,
400 West Duarte Road, Arcadia, CA 91007

Fee: \$275 MVAL Members / \$300 Non-members

A deposit of \$100 must be submitted with registration.

Registration is based on receipt of registration and deposit.

Final payment is due by September 1, 2016

NO REFUNDS AFTER September 8, 2016

REGISTRATION

(Check payable to: Mid-Valley Arts League)

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NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/ZIP _____

PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

Chuck McPherson Workshop, September 22-24, 2016

Enclosed is my check for: \$ _____

Check one: ☐ MVAL Member ☐ Non Member

Mail to: Minoru "Ike" Ikeda, 2038 Paseo Susana, San Dimas, CA 91773

Questions: 626.332.7782 / mikeda1812@gmail.com

Saturday in the Park with the Masters

Southern California artists and patrons are invited to the Twelfth Annual **"Saturday in the Park with the Masters,"** Saturday, May 21, from 10am to 4pm 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.

2016 Master Artists

1. JoAnn Formia watercolor
2. Chuck Kovacic water-based oil
3. Richard Martinez watercolor
4. Richard Myer sculpture
5. Richard Piña charcoal portraits
6. Al Setton acrylic
7. Julie Snyder oil
8. Joseph Stoddard watercolor
9. Tim Tien oil
10. Laura Wambsgans oil

SAVE
THE DATE
SATURDAY
MAY 21

Artists are encouraged to bring their sketchbooks, and painting materials and plan to paint with their favorite Master artist. Or move from venue to venue and learn from each Master artist. Plan to spend the day. Bring water and a picnic lunch.

Each Master artist will be prepared to speak at a specific time about their process and answer questions.



The beautiful Maranatha High School Campus is the location of this year's event.



Guests watching Chuck Kovacic paint from a model in a period costume.

The Day's Schedule

10:30 am	Julie Snyder	oil
11:00 am	JoAnn Formia	watercolor
11:00 pm	Tim Tien	oil
11:30 am	Chuck Kovacic	water-based oil
12:00 pm	Richard Myer	sculpture
12:30 pm	Richard Martinez	watercolor
1:30 pm	Al Setton	acrylic
2:00 pm	Richard Piña	charcoal portraits
2:30 pm	Laura Wambsgans	oil
3:00 pm	Joseph Stoddard	watercolor

EARLY REGISTRATION (Check payable to: Mid-Valley Arts League)

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/ZIP _____

PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

Twelfth Annual 'Saturday in the Park with the Masters'

- ☐ Prior to May 21, 2016 \$15 (in advance) \$ _____
- ☐ Saturday, May 21, 2016 \$20 (at the location) \$ _____

Registration identification tags will be available May 21, at the Maranatha High School campus at the registration EZ-up.

Registration forms are to be returned with payment to:
Janet Christmann, 1959 Harding Ave., Altadena, CA 91001

For additional information call Mark Wood at, 626.825.0464 or email: markjwood@earthlink.net.

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

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

MVAL

Saturday in the Park with the Masters

Maranatha High School, May 21, 2016



Chuck Kovacic sharing his plein air oil painting.



JoAnn Formia finishing her plein air watercolor painting.



Richard Myer - One of nine clay sculptures (above) used to create 'Many Mermaids' (left)



Richard Piña sketching a patron.



Laura Wambsgans painting on location.

APRIL MEETING



Demonstration by
James Wisnowski

ARTIST OF THE MONTH - APRIL



Best fitting
with theme
Lee Johnson

THANK YOU DONORS

The following organizations and business donated to the MVAL Anniversary Show:

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The Huntington Library



Best General Painting - Mary Gilman