



The St. Michaels Art League Newsletter

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Thank you all for the wonderful attendance at our first meeting of the New Year and welcome new members. Walt Bartman III gave an excellent presentation that was enjoyed by all. Our February program and mini workshop should prove to be equally stimulating and informative.

We circulated sign-up sheets for the various committees with great response. It enables our volunteer organization to go forward with more programs, workshops and venues to stimulate "all palettes". Don't be shy – we all help each other and laugh.

There is a busy schedule in the upcoming months so please check the website. Our first Library Show, "Drawn to Art", March 1st to the 31st, brings us back to basics- graphite, pen and ink, charcoal. Let's get our right brain stimulated.

We are reviewing our "Artists' Responsibilities and Show Standards" to clarify some policies for all of us. You will all be informed of the results.

We have a new venue at Natural Harbor Restaurant at 100 North Street (the old Maritime Museum Library diagonally across from Flying Fred's on Talbot and North Street). There are high ceilings and open space for large and small work. Please contact Joseph Ushinski, the owner, directly at 301-758-6627.

Don't forget your dues. Our by-laws state that you will be cut from the list if not paid by March first. We DON'T want that! Keep well. Patsy Dautle

JUDY ANTONELLI ACRYLICS AS WATERCOLOR IN FEBRUARY AND WORKSHOP TO FOLLOW

Please come out on Presidents' Day to our exciting meeting with presenter, West Chester artist, Judy Antonelli! Ms. Antonelli is a watercolorist whose paintings are vibrant and full of feeling. While she paints she develops a rapport with her subject and her personal inner feelings blends with objective realism giving a unique flavor to her subject.

A watercolor teacher for 30 years, Judy is currently painting in oil, pastel and acrylic as watercolor. Two international fine arts companies have reproduced her work. Buyers of her work include major corporations such as Bell Atlantic, MBNA Bank and McGraw Hill in New York. She was featured in the Spring 2007 *Watercolor Magazine* Issue of the *American Artist Magazine*. Judy has been included in many national juried shows, including, the North East Pastel Society 2005 and West Texas National Watercolor and Purchase Award 2007. She has had 36 solo shows. Her paintings can be found at Hardcastle Galleries in Centreville, DE. where she has solo shows every odd year. Judy also has affiliations with Chadds Ford Gallery and Longwood.

Following the meeting and a break for lunch, there will be a half-day "Acrylics as Watercolor" Workshop from 12:30 – 4pm in the Parish Hall. Please see p. 3 for more information.

WALT BARTMAN III RINGS IN THE NEW YEAR

At our first meeting of the New Year, Walt Bartman III gave us a fascinating lecture on "Pennsylvania Impressionism in the 20th Century" that was centered around Bucks County, PA, particularly around the town of New Hope, near where he went to college. Walt teaches at Landon School, an all-boys school in Montgomery Co. He's also a coach of swimming and water polo!

New Hope was the best known artist colony at the time. It was begun in 1898 on the banks of the Delaware River, north of Philadelphia. During the late 19th/early 20th Century, many artists preferred to live in the numerous art colonies in rustic settings, rather than in the city. They



painted beautiful landscapes of the streams, pastures, quarries, farmhouses and colonial villages that surrounded them.

Mr. Bartman chronicled an era and a period of art that many of us were not familiar

with, mixing his knowledge of the period with a magnificent lecture in various painting techniques of 10 artists of the period: Daniel Garber, George Sotter, Edward Redfield, Walter Schofield, Fern Coppedge (the only woman of the group), William Langston Lathrop, Kenneth Nuna-maker, John Folinsbee, Clarence Johnston, and Arthur Meltzer, who he classified more as a Post PA Impressionist. Thank you, Walt, for the exciting introduction to these talented artists.

IT'S MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME AGAIN!

Your dues are due now! The dues remain at \$35 for an individual membership or \$50 for a couple living in the same house. You can bring your check, payable to SMAL, to a meeting or mail it to PO Box 1215, St. Michaels, MD 21663.

When you renew, please let us know if your email has changed in the last year, or if other pertinent contact information has changed! Please make sure that we have your email address, as there are often update "blasts" between meetings and newsletters!

FEBRUARY WINE AND ART WEEKEND

A few SMAL artists have been contacted by St. Michaels' merchants to participate in the February Wine and Art Weekend, but it will probably be last-minute that some of you might be called. Hopefully this event will be planned in the future with a lot more advance notice! Take a stroll around St. Michaels over Valentines weekend anyway, and have a glass of wine and talk up the future of Wine and Art in St. Michaels, if the opportunity knocks.

Lynne Horvath

ARMAND CABRERA'S WORKSHOP, "STUDIO AND OUTDOOR ALLA PRIMA PAINTING"

Don't forget that we still have some spaces for nationally-known oil painter Armand Cabrera's workshop May 14 -16 (Fri-Sun, 9-4) at MEBA. Armand doesn't do many workshops and has never offered



one in this area. If you attended his landscape demonstration at MEBA last August, you will remember what a wonderful painter and teacher he is. The cost is \$380 for members and \$400 for non-members, which includes lunch each day. See our website for all the details and a registration form. A deposit of \$100 will hold your place. Call Sharon Price, 410-745-9018 and see p. 3 and the www.stmichaelsartleague.org for more information.

MARCH LIBRARY EXHIBIT: DRAWN TO ART

Just a reminder that we will have a new exhibit in the St. Michaels Library gallery during the month of March entitled, "Drawn to Art." This will be the first of its kind for us – drawings of any subject, limited to graphite (pencil), charcoal and pen and ink. The media can't have color, but in response to a question at the last members' meeting, you CAN use toned paper.

Remember, the exhibit will be hung on Monday, March 1st, with drop off between 10 - 11 am. The reception and awards presentation will be on Thursday, March 4th in the Library from 5:30-7 pm. Take down will be Wednesday, March 31st at 2 pm.

We are really looking forward to a wonderful exhibit and hope that you will join us. Jo Merrill & Sharon Price

ST. MICHAELS LIBRARY BROWN BAG PROGRAMS

Monday, Feb 1st, at noon, Dr. Herman J. Viola, curator emeritus at the Smithsonian's Nat'l Museum of Natural History will speak about the Wilkes Exploring Expedition. "Magnificent Voyagers" tells the story of the U.S. Exploring Expedition of 1838-1841. The expedition discovered Antarctica and its collections led to the establishment of the Smithsonian as a national museum. For more info., call the library at 410-745-5877, or visit www.tcfl.org.

A PRICELESS RESOURCE FOR ARTISTS

For those of us who have myriad "how to paint" books crowding our bookshelves, it might be time to check out the collection of art books at the Talbot County Free Library. As my expenses have exploded (is any one else as stunned as I am by the rising cost of paints) the library's resources have been an exciting discovery for me. There are books about techniques (my focus this year is composition in watercolor), media, and the works of the masters. And if the book you want is not in their collection, they can expand your search to libraries throughout Maryland. Visit the library closest to you, Easton, St. Michaels, or Tilghman Island or go to www.tcfl.org/ to check out the collection. Members of the library may order on line. Barbara MacInnes

COMMITTEE NEWS

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE – Thanks to the bakers at the January meeting: Pat Hinkel, Ruth McCarthy, Elinor Peterson, and Virginia Smith.

THURSDAY PAINT TOGETHERS – Now being held at 1pm, not in the morning! There will not be meetings on Feb. 18th or 25th. If you would like more information, please email amgart@aol.com or call, 410-745-8117.

WORKSHOP COMMITTEE – The SMAL Board of Directors are pleased to announce that you can register for a workshop that costs over \$250, with a \$100 deposit. See our website for when the balance will be due and for cancellation policies for each workshop.

ST. MICHAELS ROTATING EXHIBITS – Paintings are hung on the 1st of the month and taken down on the last day of the month; but coordinate with the artist preceding and following you. Call Marge Boyer, 410-745-2299, to sign up 2010. Mark your calendar so you don't forget your chance to exhibit!

Art in Dr Patterson's office – 4 or 5 paintings

February: George Hamilton

March: Patsy Dautle

April: Elinor Peterson

Art in the Banks--Talbot (1) & Bank of America (2)

February: Jack Bockmiller

March: Marty Smythe

April: Mary Ellen Mabe

Tidewater Physical Therapy – 3 or 4 paintings between 16"X20" to 28"X20". Your card with price is displayed on the front. This is an active patient care office and we need to respect patient confidentiality so please be there 12 - 1 PM. Call Barbara MacInnes 410-745-6973, bwmaci@atlanticbb.net.

February: Patsy Dautle

March: Dudley Davis & Gwen Cameron-Davis

April: Carol Cathcart

The Dodson House – Rotating Exhibits to start up in spring. **Gallery 26** - (former Cherry's building in Easton), is renting four walls near the back of the building to artists for \$150 per wall per month with no commission on sales. Stop by and see Jen Wagner to reserve a spot.

Key Lime Cafe still welcomes SMAL members to display in the Burgee Bar. Contact Carol Parlett at 410-745-3158. She holds a reception for the displaying artist, at a charge of \$100. Her sales commission is 25%.

National Harbor Restaurant – see President's Message, p.1.

MEMBER NOTES AND COMMUNITY NEWS

*** The Talbot Mentors "Partners in Art" reception will be held on Fri., Feb. 5th 5-9pm. Info@talbotmentors.org.

*** New SMAL member, Carl Rulis was the featured photographer on the cover of the Sept. '09 *Tidewater Times* and he won a total of 5 awards in the '08 and '09 Easton Plein Air Photography contests.

*** Congratulations Heidi Clark for being juried into The 13th Annual National Juried Show at Gallery West, 1213 King St., Alexandria, VA! The Show will run Feb. 3rd - Feb. 28. The reception & awards given on Feb. 6th.

*** SMAL Aprons for Sale to benefit Scholarship Fund for \$20. Call Patsy Dautle 410-745-6822.

*** The prospectus for the 6th Annual "Local Color" Show and Sale, with a new format for 2010 will be available online at www.workingartistsforum.com or www.pleinair-easton.com on March 8th. This year you will be able to finish your paintings in the studio and it's your choice of subject matter!

*** **Deadline for submission in the March News is Feb. 20th, email: smartleagueneeds@comcast.net.**

St. Michaels Art League 2010 WORKSHOP & CLASS SCHEDULE

Visit the website for information and a full synopsis of these workshops. Sign up early!

Lee D'Zmura -- Colored Pencil II

Thurs., Feb.18 & Fri., Feb.19, 2010 at Christ Church, St. Michaels, MD

Lee D'Zmura is an award winning botanical artist whose experience as a landscape architect enriches her art. Her colored pencil work focuses on botanical studies and insects. Her work is in private collections throughout the country. Lee received her training, and now teaches at Brookside Gardens School of Botanical Art and Illustration. The workshop will introduce advanced color pencil techniques and explore color theory in the production of a botanical piece. Exercises will also explore the effect of color value, intensity and contrast in the creation of a dynamic study. The 2nd half of the workshop will be devoted to individual projects produced on black backgrounds with an emphasis on "grisaille" technique (gray scale painting) and will focus on composition, color blending and detailing. Members \$100/Non-members \$125. Class limited to 10! Send your form and money to Lee D'Zmura, PO Box 723, St. Michaels, MD 21663 or call 410-745-0002, dzmura@dmv.com.

Judy Antonelli - Acrylics as Watercolor, Only Better

Monday, Feb. 15 -12:30 - 4 pm after Member Meeting, Christ Church Parish Hall, St. Michaels

Sign up early, as this session will fill up fast. Enjoy the first taste of this expressive medium by watching Judy Antonelli give a demonstration to the members of the Art League. THEN express yourself using these techniques with your supplies in the afternoon. Judy has so many abilities in multiple media; she will be able to guide you into this one! For information on Judy herself, call Ginny Firth at 410-822-5136. Send your registration form to Patsy Dautle, 22434 Indian Pt. Rd., Bozman, MD, 21612 or call Patsy for workshop information at 410-745-6822. Cost is \$35 member, \$40 for non-members

Armand Cabrera -- Oil Painting

May 14-16, 2010 at MEBA

You saw Armand Cabrera's free demo this past August, and you want to attend. His work is gorgeous and his manner humorous and approachable. Please see <http://www.armandcabrera.com> for a preview. As you know, MEBA has wonderful waterfront facilities for painting in any weather and is a great location (lunch included.) You can now hold a place for this workshop with a \$100 deposit. (Please download info. re: cancellation policy on registration form.) Tuition is, for Members \$380/Non members \$400. Please see the website for more details, and send your deposit and form to Chris Murray, 28110 LeGates Cove Rd., Easton, MD 21601. Contact Chris at 410-820-743, or email your question to jmurray@goeaston.net.

Lee D'Zmura -- Colored Pencil

May 27-28, 2010

Information on this workshop will be posted in the March newsletter, so set aside the date. Meanwhile, please see related description above and at www.stmichaelsartleague.org. Contact person T.B.A.

Download the appropriate Registration Form from www.stmichaelsartleague.org

If you do not have computer access, you can use this form. You should receive an email acknowledgement with directions and a supply list. If you don't have email, please follow-up with SMAL contact. Thank you for registering!

Name:		Class/Workshop:	
Address:			
City:		ST:	Zip:
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Payment Methods: Mail this form ASAP. Note: We are not responsible for non-receipt of your registration form. To verify receipt, please call or email the listed contact. Please note the chosen class or workshop on the check, too.			
<input type="checkbox"/> Check: Please make checks payable to St. Michaels Art League, Inc., & mail with this form to the appropriate contact listed above			
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Membership is \$35 per year, and includes the opportunity to join one of the committees listed above. Please contact any of the above members who will gladly answer questions you may have.

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Pictured above: SMAL Aprons available at \$20; Happy Valentines' Day clip art; Walt Bartman III at January meeting.

Meetings are held on the third Monday of each month at 9:30am, at the Parish Hall of Christ Episcopal Church in St. Michaels, MD. If there is to be a demonstration or a lecture, it will begin at 10am. Creators of two and three-dimensional art are welcome! Presentations and locations are subject to change. Our monthly programs are partially funded by a grant from the Talbot County Arts Council. Meetings are free!

Upcoming Meetings - Save the Dates

February 15 Monday	9:30am	Judy Antonelli, "Acrylics as Watercolor". Demonstration and presentation by well-known West Chester PA artist. Parish Hall.
Workshop	12:30 – 4pm	Half-Day Workshop "Acrylic as Watercolor, Only Better". You can see some of Judy's art online at www.chestercountyartgallery.com/gallery .
March 15 Monday	9:30am	Tim Bell, acclaimed painter of skipjacks and all things marine. Teacher and exhibiter with the South Street Gallery. Winner of the 2009 Plein Air Easton Best Marine Award, as well as the Artists' Choice Award. Parish Hall.
April 19 Monday	9:30am	Mary Ekroos, a well-known local artist and member of "The Traveling Brushes" will speak and demonstrate "Drawing a Workboat in Paint" in oils. Parish Hall.