



## ARIZONA ARTISTS GUILD Newsletter

### April at AAG

#### This month at a glance....



**General Meeting: April 16, 2019:**  
**David Flitner: Oil Painting**

David Flitner has been making his living as an oil painter for over 30 years. Landscapes have always been David's first artistic love. Join us April 16 to learn about David and see his demonstrations of his techniques.

In his painting of a landscape, he internalizes the feeling of the scene to then make its translation into mood, color, and light. He believes that one can paint abstract concepts, like 'quiet' and 'peace,' into a painting to enrich the viewer's experience. Dramatic light, a peaceful space, and a vastness to the depth of field all combine as romantic elements that distinguish his paintings.

#### Open Studio

The Open Studio provides room to work on large pieces, camaraderie, and lively conversation about art and the creative process. Meeting weekly on Monday mornings and Wednesday evenings. AAG members and non-members are welcome to attend. Open Studio is open year round including the summer.

#### Open Studio:

Mondays 9AM - 12  
Wednesdays evenings 5-7 PM

#### Life Drawing:

Tuesdays & Thursdays 9:30 AM -12:30 PM

#### AAG Critique Group:

First Tuesdays 5-8 PM (full)  
First Wednesdays 6:00-9:00 (full)

#### Advanced Drawing With Ivan Halvorson

Wednesdays 6:00-8:00 pm

#### Sculptors' Group Meeting:

First Monday of each Month | 7-9:00 PM

#### Digital Media Lab

March 15, April 12, May 3, July 12, & August 9.  
10 AM - 1:00 PM

#### AAG Monthly Meeting:

Third Tuesday of each month, 5:30-8:00 PM

#### Outreach Programs:

##### AAG Veteran's Program:

Fourth Saturday of each month 10 AM - 2 PM

##### Survivors of Suicide Art Class

Fourth Saturday of each month 3:00-5:00 PM

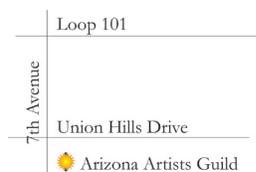
##### AAG-PVCC Veterans Ceramic Art

First and Third Saturday of each month  
1:00-4:00 at Paradise Valley Community College

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## A note from the President....

April Greetings!

I write this reveling in the aftermath of the opening reception for this year's scholarship recipients at Shemer art center. This evening we celebrated nine student artists who received scholarships. As I contemplate the evening, the art, the students, the exhibit, and the many donors that made it possible, I am reminded again that life is not a solitary act. No one can go it alone. As artists, we spend time by ourselves making our art and learn to navigate the solitude of the studio against the solicitude of relationships. It is wonderful that as a community of artists we frequently join to celebrate one another's artistic achievements through receptions and ceremonies.

Yesterday, David Bradley and I gave a presentation at the Entrepreneurial School at PVCC. During our talk, I found myself quoting an unknown source: "... get used to the person you are now..." In context, this is about recognizing our strengths and weaknesses without judgment or criticism and accepting them/yourself as you are – right now. Knowing and understanding that who you are today is different than who you were a few years or decades ago. However, I altered this quote a little and offer it to you here.....'get used to the artist you are now'. It is important – imperative, really – that you recognize your strengths and weaknesses, your artistic voice and vision, and the ability you have to convey them. The artists' propensity is to default to humility when complimented or recognized. How might you respond differently? How might your perspective shift if you believe your work is worthy of the accolades you receive? This doesn't mean to become pompous. It frees you to believe "I made this and it is good, or beautiful, or complete".

From that conversation we discussed art as an extension of the artist – how often artists consider their creations in some way a part of them. Oftentimes as artists we hang our personal identities and well-being onto the creations we make when in fact, our identities are who we are; our art is how we show it to the world. They are not conjoined twins. How might you detach from this myth if you could see the work as something you do separate from your identity? How might that liberate you from a defensive response to a critique?

Circling back, if you haven't seen the New Art Arizona show at Shemer, please don't miss it. We have a lot going on this month at AAG. Hope to see you there. Onward with grace,

Tess



**Scholarship recipients presentation at AAG March 2019:** from left: Tess Mosko Scherer, President and Scholarship Co-Chair, Kareem Ferreira, Trent Pechon, Danielle Christine Jones, Leah Netsky, Lee Davenport, Emery Anne Hall, Min Kyu Kim, and Layne Farmer, Scholarship Co-Chair.

## AAG General Meetings Schedule

Each monthly meeting offers a presentation or demonstration by expert artists.

Join us on the third Tuesday of each month from September through May, except for December, for an evening of socializing with artists of all media, informative and entertaining presentations by experts in their fields, critiques of member artworks, and competition for Artist of the Month.

## Overview of Meeting Time line

5:30 pm Member critique

Members bring a piece of art they want feedback about, or suggestions for improvement.

6:15 Enjoy a snack, view the exhibit, vote for artist of the month, buy a raffle ticket.

6:30 Business meeting

7:00 Program presentation

8:00 pm Meeting adjourned



## AAG LEADERSHIP TEAM

President | Tess Mosko Scherer  
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## AAG Sculptors Group

Douglas Hebert- Presentation of his work and artistic Process. Demonstration on Paper Clay  
Doug will share his love of all things visual arts- drawing, painting, and sculpting. He will give a presentation on his work and a demonstration on paper clay. In-

spired by his college art instructor and mentor, John Wittersheim, sculpting captured and kept his heart. Influenced by surrealism wherever it can be found in the art world, he hopes viewers "... interpret my work with an open mind and take away a slight sense of bewilderment."

This will prove to be a fun-filled night. Hope you can join us. Monday, April 1 | 7:30-9:00 PM  
Please RSVP to Doug Hebert, sculptor group chair:  
mrdouglashebert@gmail.com

## AAG welcomes the following new members:

Sandra Berkson | Janice Bicho  
Andrew Fiala | Lisa Godo  
Sharon Rawson | Lacey Shelton  
Ans Taylor | Caren Watts | Tracy Thompson

## Congratulations to the new Juried Members:

JoAnn Almich  
Lauren Harvey

**Membership cards** are available for pick-up at Monthly meetings. **There's still time to renew for 2018-2019 membership.**

The AAG Membership Directory is available to members. Request your updated AAG 2019: membership@arizonaartistsguild.net. Write Membership Directory in the subject line and include your name in the email.

## Golden AAG Memberships

If you are 90+ years old and have been a member of AAG for at least 5 years.

## How to become a juried member?

An Associate member becomes a Juried Member after acceptance into three (3) AAG juried shows. It is the responsibility of each Associate to maintain a complete record of the title of the art and the exhibition it was in. The form may be downloaded from the website or picked up at AAG. Submit this record to the Membership Chairperson. Dues must be current to maintain 'Juried Member' status, Visit the website for more details.

## Scheduling your event at AAG

If you wish to contact AAG for scheduling meetings, etc. at AAG please email us. The email address is:  
info@arizonaartistsguild.net.



**1st Place**  
**John McCain**  
Ivan Halvorson



**2nd Place**  
**Tea Cups**  
Deanne Hunkler Sanks

## Artist of the Month

Each month, members select by vote from a selection of work exhibited at the monthly meeting. The winning art is displayed for the month at AAG. Each Artist of the Month winner receives a ribbon, a cash prize of \$25, and the opportunity to compete for Artist of the Year. All the winning works return for the May meeting, where members vote for artist of the year. All artists are celebrated at a show and reception for their work at the September meeting.

### AAG Community Outreach Fine Art Exhibitions

The Arizona Artists Guild in partnership with the Beatitudes Foundation present on-going fine art exhibitions for their residents and guests. AAG juried members show for three months at this venue. The Beatitudes is located at 1610 W. Glendale Ave, Phoenix.



**Betty Braig**



**Judy Pate**

### Beatitudes: Vision of Possibilities Exhibition

Judy Pate and Betty Braig  
March 6 - June 5 2019

### AAG Critique Groups

The AAG Critique groups are small groups of members who meet monthly for a group critique. Open to AAG members, each group consists of about 10 people. Once the maximum is reached, the group is closed and a list of interested members is started for forming a new group. If you are interested in participating in a critique group, email: [info@arizonaartistsguild.net](mailto:info@arizonaartistsguild.net).

### ART SUPPLY EXCHANGE SALE

**Frames, paint, paper, brushes, easels and more!**  
Art Supply is open 9 am to noon Mondays and  
5PM - 9PM AAG Meeting nights

### Art Supplies Needed

Art Supply Exchange is one of AAG's most popular programs. Donated gently used art supplies are available at very reasonable prices. If you are interested in donating or purchasing supplies e-mail: [ArtSupply@ArizonaArtistsGuild.net](mailto:ArtSupply@ArizonaArtistsGuild.net) or call 602-944-9713. Hours: Monday 9am-12pm, at AAG meetings 5-9pm, or by appointment

### AAG - LIFE DRAWING

MEMBERS \$10.00 | NON MEMBERS \$15.00  
NO INSTRUCTION  
Easels and tables provided or you may bring your own.  
Bring supplies | coffee is provided

**9:30 AM - 12:30PM**

**ALL TUESDAYS - LONG POSE**  
**ALL THURSDAYS -SHORT TO LONG POSES**  
(except holidays)

Walt Wieder - [wweider@uuma.org](mailto:wweider@uuma.org)

### AAG - OPEN STUDIO

MEMBERS FREE | NON MEMBERS \$10.00  
Easels and tables provided or you may bring your own.  
Bring supplies | coffee is provided

**Mondays 9 AM - 12PM**

Alicia Plogman [aplogman@icloud.com](mailto:aplogman@icloud.com)

**Wednesday Evening 5-7PM**

John Erwin [salesxisw@aol.com](mailto:salesxisw@aol.com)

## AAG's Community Outreach Art Programs

*Since its inception in 1928, Arizona Artists Guild has promoted the arts through education, exhibition and outreach.*

Community outreach is the cornerstone of the Arizona Artists Guild's activities and is the main focus of our organization. We recognize the impact that art has on people's lives and its potential for facilitating healing which is immeasurable. AAG recognizes the value of the arts in how it enriches lives. Guild members and Outreach Program participants alike relate stories about how their lives were changed through their own exposure to Fine Art, be it at an early age or later in life when they could pursue a life long urge that had been repressed due to family and career obligations.

AAG provides free monthly art classes to underserved segments of our community who find an improved quality of life through making art.



**Veterans Art Classes:** AAG provides free art instruction for Veterans of US military service. This class meets on the fourth Saturday of the month from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. This project is supported in part by the Arizona Art Alliance which receives support from the Arizona Department of Veteran Services. Contact David Bradley [davlbradly@gmail.com](mailto:davlbradly@gmail.com) to register or volunteer. March Program was led by Bruce Sink, pictured at left.

### Survivors of Suicide Art Class:

This program is designed specifically for friends and families who have lost a loved one to suicide as well as those who have attempted suicide and survived. This project is supported in partnership and funding from Your Art Your Story. Pictured at left: Bruce Sink demonstrating watercolor techniques

**AAG-PVCC Ceramic Art Classes for Veterans:** AAG has partnered with Paradise Valley Community College to offer a ceramics program to Veterans and their family members. The classes are offered on the first and third Saturday of each month from 1:00-4:00 pm. Partial funding provided by the Phoenix Office of Arts and Culture through appropriations from the Phoenix City Council. Contact David Bradley [davlbradly@gmail.com](mailto:davlbradly@gmail.com) to register or volunteer.



**The Mosaics:** AAG offers monthly art classes to non-English speaking adult immigrants who are isolated due to age and language. They face the challenges associated with creating new friends and building community. Art becomes the common language and is often the only language spoken. Contact Karen Weingartner for additional information and to volunteer: [kareninsun@gmail.com](mailto:kareninsun@gmail.com). This project is supported in part by an award from the Arizona Commission on the Arts, an agency of the State of Arizona.

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**Please Help Support The AAG's Outreach Art Programs! Attend the next AAG Meeting!**

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## EXHIBITIONS AND WORKSHOPS

**2019 AAG Statewide Exhibition | May 10 – June 20, 2019.**

West Valley Art HQ | 16126 N Civic Center Plaza, Surprise, AZ 85374

This exhibit is open to all residents of Arizona. Membership in AAG is not required for this exhibition.

Awards: **Best of Show \$1000 cash** **Award of Excellence \$500 cash** **Award of Merit \$250 cash**

**Important Dates:**

Notification to Artists: Friday, April 19, 2019

Drop off to WVAHQ: Friday, May 3 and Saturday May 4, 2019 | 10 AM to 12 Noon

**Reception: Friday, May 10, 2019 | 6 to 8 PM**

Pick up: Saturday, June 22, 2019 | 10 to 1 PM

**New Art Arizona: An exhibition of the art by the 2019 AAG Scholarship Recipients**

**Shemer Art Center and Museum**

**5005 E. Camelback Rd , Phoenix Az | Tues - Sat 10:00 - 3:00 pm.**

**Min Kyu Kim** | ASU | Arizona Artists Guild Ruth Magadini Scholarship

**Danielle Christine Jones** | UA | Arizona Artists Guild President's Scholarship

**Emery Anne Hall** | ASU | Arizona Artists Guild Scholarship

**Leah Netsky** | UA | Arizona Artists Guild Erin O'Dell Scholarship

**Megan Beth Johnson** | ASU | Arizona Artists Guild Marigold Linton Scholarship

**Trent Pechon** | UA | Arizona Artists Guild Scholarship

**Breanna Kohlmeyer** | ASU | Arizona Artists Guild Arizona Watercolor Association Del Decil Scholarship

**Kareem Ferreira** | UA | Arizona Artists Guild Arizona Watercolor Association Del Decil Scholarship

**Lee Davenport** | ASU | Arizona Artists Guild Arizona Watercolor Association Del Decil Scholarship

**Monthly Digital Media Lab with Tess Mosko Scherer | 10:00 AM –1:00 PM**

**March 15, April 12, May 10, July 12, August 9**



Participants are invited to bring their laptop, tablet, or smart-phone. Bring digital images and information to edit, post on social media, or update your website. Topics covered: posting, creating events, sharing, boosting and other aspects of Instagram and FaceBook, along with business tips and marketing strategies. Photo editing, management and other aspects of social media and marketing will be covered. Word Press website and Blogging. Each session is driven by the needs of the attendees. members: \$35/members | \$45 non-members.

MEMBER NEWS



Rosemary Holusha  
Arizona Photography Alliance Members' Exhibition  
Founder:RE Hotel  
Central Avenue & Portland Street, Phoenix  
March -01-2019 to May-30-2019 | dily 7AM to 10PM



BENJYE TROOB  
Salt and Sand  
Jackson Junge Gallery 1389 N. Milwaukee Ave Chicago, IL  
Solo Show of her Cape Cod and Arizona Acrylic Landscapes  
April 12 – May 5, 2019 | open daily 11 am – 7 pm.  
Reception April 12, 2019 | 6:00-9:00 pm



Joan McGue  
West Valley Art Museum Celebration of Artists 2019  
City Hall Art Gallery 8401 W. Monroe Peoria, AZ 85345  
March 11 – April 25, 2019 | MTW 10-4; Thursday 12-6



Ann Osgood  
Desert City  
Vault Gallery ASU Downtown Center  
411 N. Central Aveue Phoenix | January 1 – May 4, 2019



Frances O. Murphy  
Sacred Threads: Quilts Exploring Life's Journeys  
Florin United Methodist Church Herndon, VA  
July 11 – July 28, 2019



Bela Fidel  
Artist Inspirations  
Herberger Theater | March 1 – April 28, 2019



**THANK YOU**

Thank you [Arizona Art Supply](#) for your donations to AAG. I'd like to encourage our members to support the people who support AAG. Think about [Arizona Art Supply](#) when you need art supplies



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## AAG 2019-2020 Leadership Roster

Below is the list of AAG members who will be elected to lead AAG for the fiscal year 2019-2020. Please be sure to attend the meetings to meet with them and learn more about the AAG leadership team. Don't miss the opportunity to cast your vote at the April meeting.

Although this list reflects only those who are elected into their positions, the list is incomplete without mentioning the wide net of members who work alongside the elected officials who continue to volunteer their time and resources to make AAG what it is today.

### Board of Directors

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Director	Karen Weingartner	kareninsun@gmail.com
Director	Maurice Hirshberg	imondabeach@yahoo.com
Director	Alicia Plogman	aplogman@icloud.com

### President's Team

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Treasurer	Joan McGue	treasurer@arizonaartistsguild.net

### Art

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### Community Outreach Program

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	Tess Mosko Scherer	info@arizonaartistsguild.net

### Exhibitions

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### Communications

Vice President	Tess Mosko Scherer	info@arizonaartistsguild.net
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### Membership

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### Facilities

Vice President	Jim Kinne	720-480-6028
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### Meeting Logistics

Vice President	Cheryl Wassar	ijustgottapaint@gmail.com
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