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ARIZONA ARTISTS GUILD

Newsletter

January



The January 15, 2019 AAG general meeting presenter will be Tess Mosko Scherer who will present a program on her leadership program for the World Academy for the Future of Women.

In May and June 2018, Mosko Scherer facilitated a program on leadership to college students for the World Academy for the Future of Women. While there, she also facilitated art experiences to residents of local and remote villages on behalf of WAFW program called give Voice to Women through the Arts. This program was made possible from a grant from the US State Department. This experience is the topic of her presentation.

Evening Open Studio

All AAG members are welcome to attend the Evening Open Studio on Wednesdays from 5-7 PM. The Open Studio provides room to work on large pieces, camaraderie, and lively conversation about art and the creative process.

AAG Membership News

AAG welcomes the following new members:

New Members:

Mary Farrell Aiton Eldon Beers
Peter Heading Nancy Kravetz
Stan Kurth Andrea Landes
Vanessa Lipp Carol McDonald
John Pereksta Susan Riedo
Tom Sharp Cathy Shyers

Juried Members: Candice Diaz John Kaskela

Membership cards are available for pick-up at Monthly AAG meetings. Remember renewal for 2018-2019 membership is due. Except for date, same as last year.

The AAG Directory is only available to paid members as a PDF. Request your updated AAG 2018 Directory by email: membership@arizonaartistsguild.net. Be sure to 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, you become a Golden Member of AAG.

Map to AAG



AAG meets the third Tuesday of the month at 5 PM for members and friends to socialize.

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AAG President's Message

Happy New Year!

For me, as for many, this time of year stirs sentimentality through reflection. As I sit writing this in the shadow of yesterday's Veterans and Suicide Survivors art



classes I clearly see the medicine AAG brings to the communities we serve. I am invigorated by the experience of having led the class, and am feeling appreciative of the people who attend and volunteer. I sometimes think I gain more than the participants. Yesterday so many people expressed gratitude and appreciation for what the classes ignite in them. I am honored to be a part of this and to provide this opportunity for so many.

I gave a presentation on Kandinsky. We talked about the repetition of color, shape, and form in his work and how we could exploit repetition in our alcohol ink paintings. By its nature, alcohol ink lends itself to repetition of pattern or so I believe it to be. Repetition in art can be beautiful through the pattern, and often a simplicity emerges in the chaos.

As life imitates art, it got me thinking about my life. This year flew by in a nano-second. Days, weeks, and months blurred into one. How can we as artists find the beauty in the chaos that is our lives, to find the beauty in the mundane repetition of the day to day routine. What can I do - we do - differently next year, in essence, to slow down time? My intention is to be present, to honor the ordinariness of the everyday so much that they no longer blur into one.

My presidency will come to an end before I know it. I am happy to pass the baton to Ivan Halvorson who has generously and eagerly offered to step into the position in May. I've known Ivan for many years. We share a vision for the future. I couldn't be happier to work with him these next few months preparing him for the position and continuing alongside him next year in my role as past president.

The Artstravaganza saw another packed house overflowing with laughter, creativity, and camaraderie. If you missed it this year, be sure to plan to attend next year, not only fun, but proceeds fund our outreach and scholarship programs. It is a great way to engage with members and share AAG with your friends and family. (continued)

AAG General Meetings Schedule

5:00 - 5:30 Building is open for members to socialize.

5:30 - 6:30 Pre-meeting Critique sessions for members only, the public is invited to watch.

6:30 - 7:00 Members socialize, eat snacks, vote for Artist of the Month and get your raffle tickets.

7:00 - 7:20 Business meeting

7:30 - 8:30 **Meeting Program** starts featuring Artists/ Presenters.

Please help us keep to the schedule so that our featured Artists/Presenters will have time to share their work and knowledge in a more relaxed, welcoming atmosphere. Those members wanting to participate in the Critique need to bring artwork for artistic input. AAG Past President David Bradley and Ann Osgood will critique the artwork. At 6:30 the Critique ends and snacks will be available in the small studio.

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 or call 602-944-9713.

(President's Message continued)

I hope you will enter our upcoming exhibitions: entries for the Statewide and The Associates Body of Work open in February. Both of these offer a great opportunity to build up points to become a juried member. We continue to pursue and offer opportunities for our juried members through exhibitions in Phoenix.

AAG is a vibrant and respected arts organization with an active membership and community engagement. Thank you for being a part of this important institution.

Blessings to you and yours for a wildly creative and inspired year.

Onward with grace,

Ders Mosko Scheres

AAG Calendar

Check out the AAG calendar on the AAG web site for all upcoming events:

http://www.arizonaartistsguild.net

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AAG Sculptors' Group



The Sculptors' Group will have their monthly meeting. Monday, January 7, 2019 | 6:00-8:00 pm | Location: 2211 West Olney Avenue, Phoenix 85041 | Harold Baldwin will do a studio tour and Presentation of his Work and Artistic Process

Harold Baldwin is longtime member of Arizona Artists Guild. Highly respected for his creativity, skill and the precision with which he creates his work, which is often kinetic. A retired industrial arts teacher from the Phoenix Union High School District he continues mastering machine-shop processes and creating unique metal works.

AAG - LIFE DRAWING

OPEN SESSIONS: MEMBERS \$10.00 DRAWING FEE
NON MEMBERS \$15.00 DRAWING FEE
NO INSTRUCTION

MODEL RELEASE FORMS AVAILABLE FOR PHOTOGRAPHS -(at model's discretion)

Easels, tables provided or you may bring your own.

Bring supplies and coffee is provided

January and February ALL TUESDAYS - 9:30 AM - 12:30PM LONG POSE

ALL THURSDAYS - 9:30 AM - 12:30PM SHORT TO LONG POSES

(except holidays)
Email Walt Wieder if you have any questions at wweider@uuma.org

AAG - OPEN STUDIO
AAG OPEN STUDIO: AAG MEMBERS FREE
NON MEMBERS \$10.00 DRAWING FEE
January and February

Mondays 9 AM - 12PM
Wednesday Evening 5-7PM
Email Alicia Plogman if you have questions at aplogman@icloud.com or salesxisw@aol.com

AAG Calendar Highlights

Open Studio:

Mondays 9AM - 12 Wednesday evenings 5-7 PM

Life Drawing:

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

AAG Critique Group:

Jan 1 5-8 PM

Sculptors' Group Meeting:

Jan 7, 2018 - 7-9:00 PM

Digital Media

Jan 11, 10 AM - 12

Pick-Up Artwork Winter Exhibit

Jan 11, 10 AM - 12

AAG Monthly Meeting:

Jan 15, 2018- 5-9 PM

Bela Fidel Encaustic Workshop Jan 25, 10 AM - 4 PM

AAG Veteran's Program:

Jan 26, 2018, 10 AM - 2 PM at AAG

For details please see the AAG Calendar at:

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Artist of the Month



1st Place
Alina
Britt Steinmann



2nd Place

Ed

Anna Marie Peterson

Exciting News: AAG has designated a space for the 2017-2018 monthly winning art to be displayed for the month. Additionally, each Artist of the Month winner receives a ribbon, a cash prize of \$25, and the opportunity to compete for Artist of the Year.

Winning works return for the May meeting, where members vote for artist of the year. The Artist of the Year wins a cash prize of \$100.

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. The Current Exhibits include:

Beatitudes: December 5,2018 through March 6, 2019



Connie Ostenak



Marcia Losh

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Frida Kahlo
They thought I was a Surrealist, but I wasn't.
I never painted dreams. I painted my reality.

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+ AAG Artist Highlight Feature +

AAG's 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 it's 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 tuition-free monthly art classes to underserved segments of our community who find an improved quality of life through making art.



Veterans Art Outreach Program: In recognition of the sacrifice made in service to our country, AAG has created a program to provide free art instruction for Veterans of US military service. This program meets on the fourth Saturday of the month to instruct and inspire.

The Mosaics: are groups of non-English speaking elderly immigrants who are isolated due to age and

language. They are newer to the area and face the challenges associated with creating new friends and building community. Their art becomes the common language and is often the only language spoken.

Perennial Picassos: Arizona Artists Guild is partnering with Hospice of the Valley to bring an art program to their palliative care dementia patients.

Suicide Survivors: Arizona Artists Guild offers tuition-free art classes to Suicide Survivors. 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.



Ceramic Classes for Veterans

Arizona Artists Guild is proud to partner with Paradise Valley Community College to offer a ceramics program to Veterans' and their family members. The class is run by David Bradley and AAG members who help.



AAA Veteran Program This program is supported by AAG donations and funding from the Arizona Arts Alliance. It's designed to provide meaningful art instruction to Veterans of US Military Service for free.

AAA News

Call to Artists: *Interpretations IV* at WHAM West Gallery 16560 N. Dysart Rd., Surprise, AZ This is a juried show and is open to all artists who are members of AAG or another AZ art league. Deadline to Enter: January 13, 6 PM Exhibition Dates: March 2 - 28

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

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AAG Winter Exhibition | November 18, 2018 - January 11, 2019,

This exhibition was open to all current AAG members in good standing.

Prizes: \$500 - Best in Show \$250 - Award of Excellence \$150 - Award of Merit

Important Dates: Pick up date: Jan 11, 2019, 10 AM to 12 noon

AAG Associates Body of Work Exhibition | Feb 24 thru March 22, 2019

This exhibition is open to AAG Associate members only. Associate members are required to submit three works that are consistent in medium, artistic style, and subject. Jurors will look for quality of technique and artistic concept originality that is consistent across all three works. Jurors will either accept all three works or none of the three. Acceptance of all three works in this exhibition counts as one exhibition towards juried member status. **Prospectus coming soon** Prizes: \$500 – Best in Show \$250 – Award of Excellence \$150 – Award of Merit

Important Dates:

Drop off date: Feb 22, 2019 | 10 AM to 12 noon

Jurying: Feb 22, 2019 | 12 PM to 2 PM

Installation Date: February 23

Show dates: Feb 24 thru March 22, 2019

Reception Date: March 3, 2019

Pick up date: March 22, 2019 | 10 AM to 12 noon

2019 AAG Statewide Exhibition | May 10 - June 20, 2019.

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

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

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

Important Dates:

Submissions:Feb. 16, 2019 thru March 30, 2019 | On line entries only. To enter the exhibition via entrythingy.com*

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

AAG will host a submission assistance day. Services include photography and uploading the submission.

AAG Workshops

Tess Mosko Scherer | Digital Media Lab | monthly program | 10:00 AM –1:00 PM | \$35/session

Digital Media Labs will be held monthly on the following dates: 2019: January 11, March 8, April 12, May 10, July 12, August 9 Cost: AAG members: \$35 | Inon-members: \$45

Space is limited as this is a hands-on program. 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 webite and Blogging. Each session is driven by the needs of the attendees.

Bela Fidel | Encaustic for Beginners | Friday, January 25, 2019 | 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM Cost: AAG members: \$130 | Non-members \$150

In this workshop, students will learn the important basics for painting with wax.

The instructor will provide equipment, irons, wood and encaustics. Material fee of \$30 per student due to the instructor on workshop day.

Students bring collage materials: beads, glass, small jewelry, papers, and etc.

Please also bring a apron, latex gloves, comfortable shoes and a sack lunch.

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ARTISTS INFORMATION



AAG Workshops (continued)

Future AAG Workshops

Pat Stacy | Beyond What I See | March 1 & 2, 2019 | 10:00 – 4:00

AAG Programs, Exhibitions, Workshops and the AAG Sculptors Group

AAG Programs: Critique 5:30 - 6:30 | Break | 7:00-7:20 | Business & Presentation | 7:30 - 9:00

2018 AAG Exhibition Calendar: visit ArizonaArtistsGuild.net for entry information.

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Veterans Art Program: Fourth Saturday of the month | info@ArizonaArtistsGuild.net for details

AAG Member exhibits

Joan McGue will have artwork in the Sonoran Small Works Show, 7100 E. Cave Creek Rd., Cave Creek, AZ 85331. The exhibit runs from 12/01/2018 – 01/6/2019 and the hours the exhibition is open: 10-5 Monday-Saturday; 1-4 Sundays. There is a reception on 12/01/2018 from 5-8 PM.

Alice Pelchat has 2 paintings accepted in CWA exhibition at the University Club 39 E Monte Vista Rd. Phoenix. Thurs December 6 thru January 31.

Ivan Halvorson has a pencil sketch portrait juried into the prestigious Portrait Artists of Arizona show at the Scottsdale Artist School January 6 - 25, 2019. Reception with food and drinks is January 12, at 2 - 4PM. The show is open to the public during office hours 6 days a week. The portrait is of Anna Marie Peterson, active member of AAG at the age of 102 years.

Mark Woehrle has a Mixed Media artwork titled, *Nature vs Technology*,in the 56th Annual Glendale Arts Council Juried Fine Arts Competition at the Sahauro Ranch Park, 59th Ave. and Mountain View Rd. in Glendale. The show runs from January 8 - 27th, 2019.

Bela Fidel has artwork in, Color, Rhythm and Pattern Dynamics, a exhibit at the Wham Gallery 16560 N. Dysart Surprise, AZ 85378. The exhibit runs from 1/11/2019 – 1/31/2019 from 10 AM – 5 PM with a reception on 1/11/2019 from 5 – 7 PM.

PLEASE NOTE: All notices for member exhibits need to be sent to me no later than the 25th of the month before that months newsletter. An example would be: information needs to be sent by January 25 for the February Newsletter.

Remember AAG in your Estate Planning

Please remember AAG in your Estate Planning. AAG does invaluable work through outreach and scholarship programs primarily funded through the generosity of member and private donors. For more information call Tess Mosko Scherer at 928-300-7185

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Julie Gilbert Pollard

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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

Scheduling the AAG Building

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

M.C. Escher

What I give form to in daylight is only one percent of what I have seen in darkness.

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