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James Center Reception

Please try to attend the James Center Reception for our yearly juried exhibit on March 25th, 6:00-8:00 pm. Spouses and friends are invited as well. If you signed up to bring refreshments, please remember to do so. Paintings may be taken home after the reception.

Critique Corner

Vince Calabrese will be setting up an area for the **Critique Corner** at the upcoming meeting. Bring finished or unfinished pieces, framed or unframed, to get critiques from other members of BAAA. In particular, bring the pieces you're not sure of or need help with the next step. For those of you who have not juried in yet, this is a good opportunity to get feedback from the membership about your work and any suggestions we can give to improve it. Remember though, this is that person's opinion and you don't have to follow it.

April Newsletter

Bon Air Artists Association

President's Message

Thanks to Larry Robinson for being our liaison with VCU and the two art students receiving scholarships from BAAA. It is always nice to see the work these students are doing. I think it is wonderful we support these students and we should be proud of our community outreach.

Norie Burnet contacted me when she realized she had a conflict with hosting our June picnic due to a previous commitment. Thanks for the offer, Norie. We will hold you to a future date! We need for someone else to come forward. It is always a fun event and many people will pitch in to help so don't hesitate to step on up!!

I also want to thank the nominating committee which I know is hard at work slating officers for next year. Call and volunteer or accept that position if you get a call. It is such a great way to get to know your fellow members.

We are looking forward to our first wine and cheese party to meet new members, Monday the 21st at 6:00 pm the home of Sally Lawson. We have had a great response!!

Marti Franks

April Program

Our speaker for April 1st will be Ginger Levit whose "atelier" is a private art gallery open to corporate and private collectors, interior designers, museum professionals, and art dealers. She will be speaking to us and giving a power point presentation about Picasso.

Ms Levit is a frequent lecturer and writes award-winning articles about art, antiques and travel for *Fine Art Connoisseur*, *Antique Week* and several other publications. She is listed in *Who's Who in America* and many other such publications. She was named to the "Influential Women of Virginia 2009" list sponsored by *Virginia Lawyers Weekly*.

Ms Levit holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree in French from the University of Pennsylvania and a Master's degree in French from the University of Richmond, and a Master's Degree in Art History from VCU. She has studied art history in Florence, Italy and at the Sorbonne and the Ecole du Louvre in Paris.

Ginger Levit's "atelier" offers a wide range of fine oil paintings and works on paper including watercolors, gouaches, and Old Master prints. It features the work of the best Virginian and regional artists and sculptors along the East Coast.

Please note: Ms Levit has another commitment on April 1st so the meeting will start at 9:30 with refreshments. Ms Levit will speak at 10:00 with our business meeting at 11:00.

April Meeting

Friday, April 1

Congregation Or Ami
9400 Huguenot Rd.

**BAAA's Postal
Address:**

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**Deadline for the May
Newsletter is**

April 17th

Please email your information to:

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Or

Bonairartists@gmail.com

Or

mail it to:

Jean Miller
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Midlothian, VA 23112

Please let me know if you are not receiving your newsletter or if your email address has changed

If you wish me to email something during the month to all email members, send the

Suzanne Jepson

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Virginia Museum of Fine Arts

Civil War Drawings from the Becker Collection, Jan 15-April 3. Focus Galleries 1 and 2

Fleeting Glimpse—Selections in Modern and Contemporary Photography from VMFA, Jan. 15-April 3

Celebration of the Print—500 years of Graphic Art, Jan. 29–May 22, Melon Focus Gallery

Dynasty and Divinity—Art in Ancient Nigeria, Feb. 12–May 22. Members free, dated tickets—call ticket office for details.

Picasso Exhibit—Free to VMFA members, \$20—adults (non-members), \$16—groups of 10+ / seniors/ ages 7-17.

\$5—audio tours, \$40 for docent lead tours beginning in March at 9/9:15/9:30 am (Timed Tickets—go in at time on ticket)

VMFA is open daily—Monday thru Sunday; 10 am to 5 pm, Thursdays and Fridays till 9 pm.

Proposed Changes in Constitution and By-Laws

In order to bring our association into a better position to obtain a 501c3(not-for-profit) status, there are a few changes that need to be made to our existing Constitution and By-Laws. They are as follows:

Under the heading Constitution, Article Five: Membership Meetings, Section 1. Currently reads: "Regular monthly meetings will be held September through June omitting December." will be revised to read: "Regular monthly meetings will be held January through December, omitting July and August."

Under the heading By-Laws, Article Two: Membership, Section Three, Item #5. Dues. Currently reads: "Dues are payable in September. Deadline is October 15th. Late assessment of \$5.00 after October 15th. Deadline." will be revised to read: "Dues are payable in November, the deadline is December 15th. A late assessment will be charged after the December 15th deadline."

Article Four: Elections, Items #'s 1, 2, and 4. Currently references the months March, April, May and June will be revised to read: Item #1. "the President at the September meeting will appoint a nominating committee chairperson." Item #2. "the nominating committee shall present a proposed slate of officers at the October meeting. At this time nominations from the floor will be accepted provided the approval has been granted by the nominee." Item #4. "Election of officers shall take place at the November meeting. Voting will be by the majority, providing a quorum is present. Newly elected officers will be installed in December."

Article Five, Item #1. Currently reads the same as Article Five in the Constitution. It will be revised to read: "Regular monthly meetings will be held January through December, omitting July and August. In the event Chesterfield County Schools are closed; the monthly meeting will be canceled and rescheduled for the following Friday."

Respectfully submitted in writing one month prior to voting.

Pat Meek, Parliamentarian

Kudos
Susan Stuller has had paintings accepted into the Missouri National Watercolor Exhibition, Winston Churchill Museum, Fulton, MO, Texas Watercolor Society Exhibition, San Antonio Museum, San Antonio, TX, Mid-Atlantic Exhibition, Strathmore Hall, Bethesda, MD, and the Transparent Water Society of America 2011 Exhibition, Kenosha Museum, Kenosha, WI. This is her third time in the TWSA show and she now becomes a signature member.

Fred Fann won 2nd place in the "Through the Lens" photography show at Petersburg Regional Art Center in March.

Ann McEachron is showing new works for the spring show at Bella Arte Gallery the month of March. Seven of the paintings are watercolor on gallery wrapped canvas and have the fresh flower look.

Vince Calebrese will have a one-man show at the Chester Library from April 2 until April 30, 2011. There will be a reception Saturday, April 2nd from 3-4:30 pm.

Workshop and Painting Trips

Figure-Drawing Sessions (Clothed models)

Uptown Gallery will have models available to draw/paint on the 2nd Saturday of each month from 12:30 to 2:30. The cost \$10 with lunch, \$5 without lunch.

Christopher Wynn Workshop

Christopher is teaching a two-day workshop on his techniques. April 8-9 at Uptown Gallery, 1305 W.Main Street, 10 am -4 pm Cost is \$175 including lunch. Space is limited to 12 participants. To sign up contact Betty Drozeski @ 740-4720 or call Uptown Gallery, 353-8343.

Mixed Water Media Workshop by Mary Jo Beswick,

WVS, March 25-27, 2011 (10am-4pm, Friday & Saturday, Sunday, 12 noon-4pm) Crossroads Art Center, cost \$180. This workshop explores the virtues, pitfalls and advantages of watercolor and acrylic paints in mixed media painting. Contact Garry-Lou Upton, LLC at 379-9330 for more information.

Plein Air Painting in Taos, New Mexico, Sept. 24-Oct. 2, 2011. Itinerary includes Albuquerque and Taos New Mexico. This a self directed painting trip with 2 critiques scheduled. For more info contact Garry-Lou Upton @ 379-9330 or 347-4238.

EXHIBIT UPDATE - Please save this page for reference.

By (Vincent Calabrese) Chairman (794-4591)

CHANGE OUT EXHIBITS – These are ongoing exhibits that are always up. Dates refer to next time a change will be made. Over the next few months there may be some date changes so check this page closely for exhibit information at these change-out venues.

Winchester Office Complex (ongoing) Fri. March 11th—Fri, May 13th, 2011 @ 10:00 am

Chairman: Larry Robinson- 320-7734, Co-chair: Joan Osmalov-897-1521 helper.

Directions: 10800 Midlothian Turnpike. Turn onto Koger Center Blvd. First right takes you into Winchester parking lot. All doors lead to the Main foyer. Space for 36 paintings. Change will be 2nd Fri of scheduled month.

Virginia Urology Center – (ongoing) Fri, March 25th—Fri. May 27th,2011 @ 2:00 pm

Chairman: Richard Leslie – 778-4696

Directions: Take Huguenot Rd to the Chippenham Pkwy going west. First exit is to the Stony Point Fashion Center. Take this exit and stay to the right at bottom of the ramp. At second light turn left and go up the hill. The Urology building is in front of you. We will be exhibiting on the second floor. There is room for 16 paintings. Change will be made on 4th Friday of scheduled month.

Great Seasons – (ongoing) Mon March 28th—Mon, May 23rd, 2011 @ 3:00 pm

Chairperson: Renee Major 276-0009

Directions: At 11400 W. Huguenot Rd. Suite 109. Heading toward Robious Rd., In the Bellgrade Shopping Center in the corner to the left of Kroger. There is room for 12 medium size paintings. Change out will be the 4th Tuesday of the scheduled month.

MONTH LONG EXHIBITS

March - James Center Atrium – Sat. March 5th – March 26th, 2010 @ 9:00 am.

Co Chair: Donna Adams 357-4344 and Jean Miller 744-2647 Helpers needed.

Directions: 901 E Cary St., Richmond. Take the 9th St. exit from the downtown expressway to the corner of 9th and Cary St. Turn right onto Cary. On weekends you can park on the street. Enter the building on Cary Street where the Wachovia ATM is located. There is room for 40-50 paintings. Be sure to only sign up once as this is a popular show so there is room for everyone. The awards reception is on Fri. evening March 25th from 6 – 8 pm. **After the awards ceremony you may take your picture with you. Please remember to sign out. Or you may pick up your painting on Saturday, March 26th at 9:00 am**

March—Johnston Willis Hospital Cafeteria—Sun., Feb. 27th—Sun., April 3rd @ 1:00 pm (note: show is for March but setup and takedown are on the last Sunday of Feb and first Sunday in April)

Chairman: Horst Arfert 744-2553

Directions: Midlothian Tpk to Johnston Willis Drive. Turn R onto Johnston Willis Drive and then R again on road leading to main entrance and emergency room. Enter hospital through Atrium entrance. Go past desk to end of hall and turn L. Follow signs to cafeteria. (Ask for directions at front desk) Room for 15 paintings. They have 15 rods set up, so pictures can be large, within reason.

April—Bank of America—Saturday, April 2nd @ 9:30 am—Saturday, April 23rd @ 9:30 am

Chairperson: Lori Wilson, 751-9855

Directions: 1111 E. Main Street, Richmond. Proceed down Cary St to 10th St. Parking is free in Bank of America's deck on 1st level on weekends. Entrance to parking lot is between 10th and 11th on Cary Street. Take the elevator to the (PL) Plaza Level entrance and the Security Guard will let you in. There is room for 40-50 paintings. **MAX FRAMED SIZE IS 38 INCHES. AT THIS TIME WE ONLY HAVE 14 PEOPLE SIGNED UP FOR A SPACE THAT CAN TAKE OVER 40 PICTURES. PLEASE CONTACT LORI WILSON, CHAIRPERSON ASAP IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO EXHIBIT.**

May—Lucy Corr Village—Tuesday May 2nd—June 3rd

Chairman: Richard Leslie—778-4696

Direction 6800 Lucy Corr Blvd, chesterfield, VA. Take 288 South to Route 10 exit to Chesterfield Courthouse Complex. Tet to the left land. Lucy Core Blvd is the first left AFTER the courthouse. Go about 2 blocks to Lucy Corr Village on Left to the largest building. The receptionist will direct you to the location. There is room for 15 paintings. We hang with their supplies. Waiver signed by each artist. Replace sold pictures.

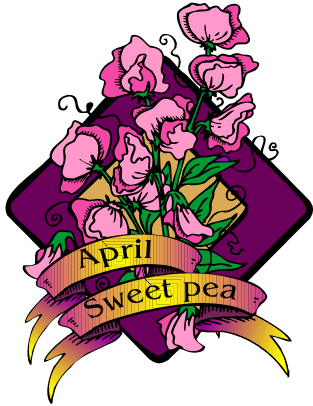
New for May—St Giles Presbyterian Church Note: this is a two month venue Wednesday, May 4th@1 pm—Wednesday, June 29th @ 1pm

Chairperson: Gina Venn 741-1572 and Linda Wolitz 262[-5882

Directions: 5200 Grove Avenue, Richmond, VA 23226 This 6 and 7 blocks east of Libbie Ave on the left going east between Tuckahoe Blvd and Greenway Ln. The office is in the middle building of the church complex and can be approached from the front or back alley. Parking is best in the back. They will hang and label the pictures; however all sales will be done directly with artist. Put all relevant information on the back of the picture. We will leave a list of pictures with all the info at the church.

If you sell a painting in a BAAA venue, please call Vincent Calabrese 794-4591. for his records.

Classes and Such...



Eleanor Cox: *Watercolor classes.* Tuesdays 7-10PM and Wednesdays 9-12AM. Bon Air Community Center. Email: Eleanorcox@verizon.net Phone: 320-1445.

Jillian Warner: *Watercolor and other media classes with an emphasis on content.* Tuesday evening 6-9 pm. For more information call Jillian @ 329-2727

J'Net Kaulfers *Oil and Acrylic Painting Studios.* Tuesdays 9:30 am –12:30 pm and 1:30 pm–4:30 pm, Off Robious Road in home studio. Call 794-8964

Betsy Kellum *Oil and/or pastel classes* i. Two four-week sessions—1st session: MARCH 3-10-17-24, 9:30–3:30 (bring lunch for midday gab and gobble), 2nd session: APRIL 7, 14, 28, MAY 5. (Betsy will be out of town on the 21st) Each session: \$160. call Betsy at 804-598-8545 or email her at betsykellum@gmail.com

Ann Marie Vaughn: *Oil Painting Classes,* Tuesdays 1-4 pm, *Mixed media classes,* Thursdays, 1-4 pm. Off of River Road. Call Ann Marie at 784-0824 or email her at anartist@mssn.com

Christopher Wynn: *Intermediate/Advanced Watercolor Classes in transparent watercolor.* Contact Christopher at 747-3446 or email him at Christopherwynnart@yahoo.com

Susan Stuller: *Watercolor class openings,* Thursday evenings 6:30-9 pm at Crossroads Art Center. Contact Susan at 379-1477 or susan.stuller@comcast.net

Gloria Callahan: *Painting in Colored Pencil:* Wednesday mornings, 9:30-12:30 May 4th–June 8th at her home studio in Powhatan (10 minutes from 288) west on Robious Rd/Huguenot Trail. For more information, call Gloria at 379-0016 or email: Gloria@gloriacallahan.com

National Gallery Trip—Monday, April 4, 2011, leaving from Crossroads Art Center, 2016 Staples Mill Road @8:00 am return from National Gallery at 3:30 pm with expected arrival in Richmond at 6:00 pm. Deadline for sign up March 25th. Cost is \$49. Your check is your reservation. Please make check payable to MRAA and mail to Garry-Lou Upton, 11740 Durrington Dr. Richmond, VA 23236. Water and breakfast items available on the bus. Please bring your own coffee, Wine and cookies will be served on the trip home. Call Garry-Lou Upton if you have any questions: 379-9330(H), 347-4238 (C)

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