



Vienna Arts Society, Inc.
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Executive Board Meeting
Vienna Art Center

March 5, 2009, 4:00pm

VAS Gallery Show
Change Dates

March 15, 2009, 2:00pm

Art Center Show Change
Feb 22, 2009 10-1pm



Our activities are partially supported by the Virginia Commission for the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts and the Arts Council of Fairfax County.



UPCOMING EVENTS TO PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR

Show Changes

Gallery: Show Change: March 15, 2009

Art Center Show Change: February 22, 2009 (10-1PM)

Patrick Henry Library: Monday, March 16, 2009

(See back page for other venues)

Workshops

March 20-22, 2009_Acrylics Workshop with **Pauline Lorfano**

TICKET TO ART. March 28, 4-6pm raffle

Membership Meeting

March 12, 10:00 am

TART Planning Meeting

February 24, 7:30 pm – Art Center



Think Green!

VAS THANKS THE FOLLOWING CONTRIBUTORS FOR THEIR GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS

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VAS GALLERY NEWS FOR MARCH 2009

The featured artist for the Gallery show from March 15 to April 26 is **Jolanta Noska**. Jola was born and grew up in Poland. She has loved art her whole life and has worked in different forms at various times. She began with hand crafts and moved into hand-painted greeting cards and paintings on glass. She also has created works in leather and has done arrangements with dried flowers. Jola studied art during her Master's program in Elementary Education. For thirteen years, she taught children in Poland to appreciate art and to nurture their creativity. After her marriage, she moved to the United States and after the birth of her son, she began painting in earnest. Her painting is inspired by nature. She gravitates toward flowers and landscapes and occasionally ventures into the abstract. She prefers working with acrylics on canvas.



'Summer Flowers in Basket'



"Polish Winter Landscape"

The featured artist on April 26 will be Madeline Chen.

BE A GALLERY FEATURED ARTIST

Featured artists are entitled to show about 8 paintings in the most prominent area of our gallery. The VAS Gallery will submit publicity for your show to the local papers, ELAN magazine and the Washington Post. To be a featured artist, you must have been an exhibiting member of the Gallery for six months. You may have a small meet-the-artist reception at the Gallery. If interested, please call **Carol Milton** at 703-759-5320 or **Rita Bentley** at 703-281-3933. The calendar for 2010 is ready.

GALLERY SHOW CHANGE March 15 – to register call the gallery at 703-319-3220 before March 11. You may call **Rita Bentley** at the above number.

SHOW CHANGE April 26 – register as above, and by the Wednesday preceding the show change.

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PRESIDENTS PEN - February 2009

One of the important things an organization needs to do is be aware of and act upon what we can do for the community, be it local or global. The current exhibit at the Center of drawings done by the abused children of war-torn Uganda is a shocking reminder of the needs of their communities. It was obvious at the reception that awareness of the Uganda children and their families was not paramount in the schedule of our members. Participation at the reception for this exhibit was embarassingly low. The director of the Freedom of Creation showed a vivid video and gave a verbal message of the needs and abuses of the communities in Uganda. The Board was so moved by this need that we have authorized \$100 for their funds, confident the

membership will agree.

The Freedom of Creation seeks funds to be able to provide wells for clean drinking water for many communities in Uganda. More than 80% of illness, not only in Africa but many parts of the planet, is due to contaminated water. It is so good to see pictures of Uganda families getting clean water at the well and carrying it in earthen jugs on their head to their homes. We just need to turn on our tap inside our homes!

Yet, how many go to our "well", the grocery store, and return with water, not on our heads but in our arms. Water encased in plastic, not reusable earthen jugs. Those toxic plastic bottles thrown away contaminate our planet, often polluting the very water we seek as pure. A simple installation of a water filter/purification system would make your water as good or better than in the plastic bottles. (do you know where the water in the bottles come from?)

There, my sermon is done. Perhaps we could use the topic of "**Water**" for one of our monthly shows. Water is a gift we so take for granted, a need for Life itself.

Speaking of life, the life of our Society and the Center needs your participation. The "Ticket to Art Gala" is soon. We all need to encourage our friends, acquaintances, and strangers to purchase a ticket to obtain an original "Made in Vienna" creation. Those original paintings are the ones you will donate. It is important that the amount and quality of work donated is at least equal to the past "Ticket to Art". Our reputation for excellence must be preserved. Many thanks to all our members. **Margaret Johnson**

UPCOMING DEMONSTRATION

March 12 Program @ 10AM

DIANE FRYKMAN

Working primarily in oils, **Diane Frykman** has produced award winning landscapes and still lifes. Her works are colorful and strong, mostly based on realism. They have been exhibited in many juried shows. She has recently done some water-based experimentation in abstraction to add to her portfolio.

Diane holds a Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education, an Associate degree in Illustration from NOVA and a Masters from Virginia Commonwealth University in painting and sculpture. She taught art for many years in the Fairfax County public schools and was selected as Northern Virginia Elementary Art Educator of the year in 1995 by the Virginia Art Education Association.

Currently Ms Frykman is a full time painter with a studio in The Workhouse Arts Center in Lorton, Virginia.

NOMINATIONS

As many of you may already know, **Margaret Johnson** (after 2 years of dedicated service as president) and **Tara Holtaway** (after 3 years of dedicated service as Vice President) of VAS, are stepping down from their executive positions at the end of their terms. We are in need of volunteers to take over these responsibilities. Currently, we are forming a nominating committee to seek out candidates for President and Vice President. If you would like to participate in the nominating committee or you are interested in an executive position, please contact Margaret Johnson. Thank you for your volunteerism!

40TH ANNUAL TREASURY OF ART SHOW PLANNING MEETING

A meeting will be held at the Art Center on February 24th at 7:30 pm to discuss: ideas for the coming year, thoughts on how to change or improve Treasury of Art, volunteer positions you may be interested in helping with.

As many of you know, **Teresa** and **Tara** will not be chairing next year's show. Instead, we will be available to help transition the next team of people to take the leading roles. The sooner we start, the smoother the transition! We look forward to your attendance. If you are interested in participating but are unable to make the meeting at the scheduled time, please contact Teresa Ahmad at teresa@tlcillustration.com.

VIENNA ARTS SOCIETY- TICKET TO ART FUNDRAISER/RAFFLE

Starting now until the day of the raffle we will be selling raffle tickets at \$125 for our annual Ticket to Art Fundraiser. Each ticket guarantees a piece of artwork to take home! On March 8th the work donated by members of the Vienna Arts Society will be on display. On Saturday, March 28th at 4:30pm the raffle will begin. Each time a person's name is drawn they have an opportunity to pick what they would like to take home. At the end of the raffle, any pieces still hanging or on display will be for sale at \$125.

Each piece of artwork donated is one-of-a-kind, an original and valued at much more! This is a rewarding experience and a unique one as well! The money raised from this event will benefit the maintenance of the Art Center, will continue our pursuit of adding more classes, workshops and exhibits for the community to take part in, and will also benefit a local student, as we will give a portion as a scholarship to a rising college student.

Your art donations ticket sales, and gallery sitting are what make this event a success. Please drop in your artwork donations to the art center on or before February 21. We are grateful that Armand Cabrera has donated his small "oil sketch" that he worked from during his workshop at VAS on February 12. Thanks to all of our members who have already donated their art works and signed up to help with the event.

Donna Grone

VIENNA ARTS CENTER EXHIBIT IN APRIL

The Vienna Art Center is happy to welcome back **Jennifer Schoechle** and friends. They will be promoting their current works and what they have learned over the last year. Jennifer Schoechle is a portrait artist and instructor in Northern Virginia. She currently works with the Fairfax County in their Adult Education Program and teaches semi-private classes in her Annandale Studio.

Jennifer commits to her students in more ways than one. If she is not producing her own work and teaching a class, she is in the process of

lining up a class, finding show opportunities for her students and researching what benefits she can find for her students.

Some of her students, friends and peers that will be joining her are: **Judy Burnam**- landscapes, underwater scenes and animals; **Bill Cherkasky**- oil paintings and renderings of landscapes and nude models; **Joan Fagan**- concentrates on portraiture and still life models; **Karen Garel**- landscape and commission artist in pastels, oil and watercolor; **Anne Hart**- oil in nature; **Midge Holmes**- pastel and oil painter; **Isabel Rose Kulski**- Oil painter of many subjects, **Karen Loss**- inspired from pet clients and creates portraits of animals, and **Karen Robeson**- various mediums and methods to her talents.

VIENNA ARTS SOCIETY CLASSES AND WORKSHOPS

February 23- April 6, 2009

“Creative Thinking Through Watercolors”

10am-12:30pm-\$150

“Mondays With Marni Lawson

While learning the tools/building blocks for creating watercolors, students will also share exercises to learn to think like an artist/creator. All levels of ability are welcome. Class size 5-8 students. Students supply their own materials

March 20-22, 2009 (register by 3/6)

“Acrylics Workshop with Pauline Lorfano”

Friday-Saturday 9:30am-3:30pm

Sunday 1pm-4pm \$100

Different acrylic techniques- transparent to opaque. Discover the versatility and the unlimited possibilities of acrylic paint. Basic supplies list will be provided. Minimum class size of 5.

April 25, 2009 (register by 4/10)

“April Showers Bring May Flowers”- Drawing Plants with Botanical Accuracy Workshop with Doreen Bolnick”.

Saturday 9am-4:30pm \$65

Dramatically improve your portrayals of plants and capture their characters more vividly, by exploring basic plant anatomy, and underlying geometric forms. *Supplies list will be provided upon registration.*

***MONDAYS WE HOST AN OPEN STUDIO
WITH A NUDE MODEL 4:30-6:30PM AT THE
VIENNA ART CENTER. \$10 WALK INS.***

NEED FOR EXHIBITORS

We have room for a featured artist or group of artists in June! The Art Center is available for an individual or group to rent the space for their exhibit. VAS supports these shows by sending out press releases and invitations to the community. We also partner with the artist(s) for a reception. Please contact **Teresa Ahmad** (703) 319-3971 for further information.

FYI:

The African Figures in the glass showcases at the Art Center during the Uganda Exhibit were collected over the years by **Gertrud Mohr-Friedrich**.

OPPORTUNITIES

FULLY EQUIPPED DARKROOM

This darkroom is located in the Jackson Art Center in Georgetown. A great building (Jackson was an elementary school way back when) which now houses 40 or more artists in many media, including 3 photographers.

Here is a little info on the darkroom: fully equipped dark room, (35mm, 2 1/4, 4 x 5) 12' sinks, 18 x 24 trays, It is an 18' by 24' space, one person at a time in the darkroom, looking for someone that will become a long term member. Please contact: **Michael T. Ross**, (202) 408-8090, Jackson Art Center, 3048 1/2 R Street NW, Washington, DC 20007 <http://www.mtrz.com>

FRANCE WORKSHOP

Experience a once in a lifetime trip to beautiful Southern France participating in "plein air" painting and outdoor photography classes at the West Mill, an 18th century converted water-mill. The 2009 schedule includes: Basic Photography, May 2-9, 2009 (\$1,800) - Advanced Photography, May 9-16, 2009 (\$1,800) - Painting, September 26-Oct 10, 2009 (\$2,700). All prices are per person and include everything except air fare. Vienna Art Society member receive a \$100 discount. Contact: **Kirsten Apple** 703-969-7633, Kirsten@TheWestMill.com or www.WestMillWorkshops.com

PAINT IN THE PARK

Once again the Vienna Park and Recreation Department is inviting artist to Paint in the Park during the musical performances beginning on Friday, May 15 through August 28, 6:30 - 8. No performances on May 22 and July 3. They will also have some Sunday performances to be decided later.

If you Paint in the Park you may not only paint but may bring other art pieces to display.(preferably a bin with bin pieces) Please let **Pauline Lorfano** know if interested. 703 938-8539 She will try to get you some publicity for your effort.

**PAINTING STREAMS, WATERFALLS, AND
ROCKS IN WATERCOLOR**

Carolyn Grossé Gawarecki March 25/26, 10:00 am -4:00 pm, Art League School. Tuition \$170. Register now until 3/23 call 703-683-2323 www.theartleague.org. Paint calm, active, and falling water in streams, and waterfalls. Learn to paint the flow of the water, ripples, bubbles, and movement over and between the rocks. Understand and paint the mass of tumbling water of a waterfall. Create the volume and shading using dry brush techniques. Composition and design of streams in the landscape will be stressed. There will be demonstrations, critiques and lots of individual attention. Normal watercolor supplies can be used; rough Arches 140# paper works best.

Carolyn Grosse Gawarecki, watercolors, and **Stephen J. Gawarecki**, photographs, invite everyone to their show, **ARTISTIC DUO II** February 24 - April 26. The **Reception is Sunday March 29 1:00 - 3:30pm** at Green Spring Gardens in the lecture hall of the Administration Bldg., Alexandria, VA. Show hours:12:00 - 4:30 daily. Call 703-642-5173 for directions and other information.

Pauline Lorfano's "Paintings in a Variety of Mediums" will be on exhibit at the US Geological Survey Art Hall, 12201 Sunrise Valley, Reston, March 3 thru 30. Parking is available in Visitors Parking Lot. Pauline will giving a acrylic demo for the Manassas Art Guild April 2, 7 pm at the Bull Run Regional Library, Ashton Blvd, Manassas.

OPPORTUNITY TO TEACH:

Fairfax County Parks and Recreation is starting new programming at Lake Fairfax Park. If you would like to teach fine art or craft classes for any age group please call **Dan Grulke** at Spring Hill Recenter 703-827-0989 ext. 212.

Helen Dilley Barsalou has 2 paintings in the PVW Anniversary show at Strathmore Hall in Rockville. One of them, "Misty Waterfall," won an honorable mention. The show is on until February 21.

NEW YORK CITY TRIP!!!!!!

The McLean Art Society, Vienna Art Society and Potomac Valley Watercolorists cordially invite you to join our annual trip to New York City to view the American Watercolor Society 142nd Exhibition Friday, April 17th to Sunday, April 19th, 2009. View the American Watercolor Show with our group and on your own enjoy Broadway, museums, restaurants, sightseeing, etc. This trip is open to all members, family and friends of the McLean Art Society, Vienna Art Society and Potomac Valley Watercolorists.

The group will leave Lewinsville Senior Center, 1609 Great Falls Street, McLean, Va, 22101, on Friday morning at 7:00 A.M. via motor coach and will return from New York Sunday evening. The motor coach is equipped with restrooms and can store one suitcase per person. One carry-on bag is also allowed. There will be one rest stop. We will be staying at the Helmsley Middletowne Hotel, 148 East 48th St., New York, NY 10017, tel: (212) 755-3000.

The cost of the trip is \$390 per person double occupancy (two double beds in each room) and \$750 single occupancy. This covers the group trip by bus to and from New York and two nights in the hotel. Send in registration and payment as soon as possible as seating on the bus will be assigned in order of receipt of your registration beginning from the front of the bus. For McLean and Vienna information, please call **Marie Shaughnessy**, (703) 893-8116 email markaneko@aol.com or **Mary "Misty" Conway**, (703) 273-6869 email h.conway@verizon.net, for PVW please call **Betty Calabria** (540) 828-3120 email bettycalabria@hughes.net.

Registration Form for New York Trip

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

_____ \$390 I will share a room with _____

_____ \$390 I do not have a room mate but would like one

_____ \$760 I would like a single room _____

Please sign statement:

I, _____, absolve McLean Art Society, Vienna Art Society, Potomac Valley Watercolorists and its members from any liability of person or property to, during and from New York City, April 2009.

Signature and Date

Make check payable to McLean Art Society NYC trip and **send with completed form and release** to: **Marie K. Shaughnessy**, 1200 Allendale Road, McLean, VA, 22101. Cut off date for registration and payment is March 17, 2009.

PHOTO SHOOT

For your art work



FOR ONLY \$250

**YOU CAN PROMOTE YOURSELF AS THE ARTIST IN TOWN
AND INVENTORY YOUR ART WORK**

Take digital images of your work, up to 10 pieces
100 Postcards (4"x6") of one design- color front and b/w back
100 Standard Size Business Cards of one style- color front
CD with images, postcard file and business card file
Will also create your artist bio for you at no additional charge

A percentage will benefit the Vienna Arts Society

Please call Teresa Ahmad, for an appointment, 571-277-6202

Photo Shoot location:

Vienna Art Center
115 Pleasant St NW
Vienna, VA 22180
(703) 319-3971

Friday, Feb. 27- Sunday, Mar. 1

*Design your cards on site

*Create CD's for upcoming contests

*Learn some basic Photoshop while you wait

*2-4 weeks turn-around

*Inventory of artwork

What you need to know before arriving:

- Your original 2-D art work cannot be incased in glass due to reflection; matt and/or framed is acceptable. Glossy pieces or pieces with shine may have "hot spots."
- 2-D work has to have a wire back to hang or needs to be propped on easel.
- Need to know all dimensions of each piece.
- Have titles for each piece or at least a way of recognizing them.
- Have all contact information for the postcard, business card and bio.
- If you have more than 10 pieces, there will be an additional charge of \$5 per piece. You have to make it known when making the appointment how many pieces you are bringing.
- Slides can be converted to CD and you can use the package above. If you have more than 10 slides to convert to CD, it can be done with additional cost 75 cents per slide.
- 3-D work can also be accommodated- make note of this when making the appointment since it might take longer for lighting.

**PLEASE PASS THIS ON TO ANYONE YOU THINK MIGHT WANT TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS OPPORTUNITY-
CALL TERESA AHMAD DIRECTLY OR EMAIL HER AT teresa@tcillustration.com FOR FURTHER INFORMATION**

CONTINUING SHOW SET-UP SCHEDULE

Art Center:

115 Pleasant Street
Vienna, VA 22180
Phone 703-319-3971
Hours:
Tues-Sat 10:00am-4:00pm

VAS Gallery:

Village Green Shopping Ctr
513 Maple Avenue, West
Vienna, VA 22180
Phone: (703) 319-3220

Website:

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"Enriching
our community
through the arts."

Day	PLACE	DATE	TIME	Contact	Telephone
Sun.	<u>Art Center</u>	3/08//08 3/26/08	10am-1pm	Teresa Ahmad	319-3971
Thu	<u>Meadowlark Gardens Bin Pieces Only!</u>	4/09/09	10-1030am	G. Mohr Friedrich Loy McGaughy	938-5842 758-9566
Thu	<u>Potomac Bank</u>	4/03/09	10:00am	J. Caldwell	938-8066
Sun	<u>VAS Gallery Preregister by 3/11/09</u>	3/15/09	2-2:30 pm	Rita Bentley	281-3933
Sun	<u>Whole Foods Market Preregister by 2/27/09</u>	3/1/09	6:00 a.m.	Lisa Neher G. Mohr Friedrich	698-9473 938-5842
Mon	<u>L'Image Salon</u>				
Mon	<u>Patrick Henry Library Pre-register 3/14/09 5/16/09</u>	3/2/09 3/16/09 5/18/09	12-12:30pm 9:00am	Teresa Ahmad Debi Elliott Madeleine Chen	319-3971 319-1420 280-0983



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