



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

May 7, 2009, 4:00pm

VAS Gallery Show
Change Dates

June 7, 2009, 2:00pm

Art Center Show Change
April 26, 2009 1-4:00pm



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.



PRESIDENT'S PEN

The past few weeks have been rather exciting. If you weren't there, you missed a lot of good creative fun and artistic stimulation.

Our annual fund raising event, Ticket to Art, went great. It was organized so well by **Grace Rooney** and **Donna Grone** with mistress of ceremonies, **Tricia DeWeese**. There were really good pieces of art donated by some of our members and eagerly sought by our public. The evening had lots of laughter and excitement, enhanced by the comments of the participating artists present. Everyone seemed to get at least one of the paintings they wanted. And we made over \$4,000.!! Hurray.!!

There was quite a crowd for the reception of **Jennifer Schoechele's** class's show. The walls of the Center have rarely been so full and of really good oil renditions of the artists' life. A fine evening was enjoyed by her students and friends. It would have been even better if our members had come to encourage and support.

With Passover and Maundy Thursday falling on our usual meeting night, we informed all by Newsletter and announcement at the last meeting of the change of the April date, a week earlier. Guess you forget or didn't read the Newsletter. Sorry, you missed an unusual inspirational evening. Yes, the artist, **Sara Linda Poly** hurt her back and couldn't come as planned. BUT, she sent her husband, Tim, a man of many talents. His provocative and inspirational thoughts on creativity of the artist was a welcome change and a surprise. Would you send your husband to speak in your place at an art meeting?? The few who were there went home smiling and thankful they came.

Missed opportunities in life. Can you count them?? May you resolve to miss no more. Yes, you are busy people, still, participate in the Spring Show at the Center, enter the Gallery's shows, take a workshop, paint in the park, sketch, create, call a friend, listen, **READ THE NEWSLETTER**, enjoy our monthly meetings, take an art trip.

Do, rather than be.

MARGARET JOHNSON

UPCOMING EVENTS TO PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR

Reception

Spring Show Reception, Friday, May 1, 7:00-9:00pm.

Membership Meeting

May 14, 7:30 pm (Art Center)

Trip to Doukenie Winery

See inside for information

VAS THANKS THE FOLLOWING CONTRIBUTORS FOR THEIR GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS

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VAS GALLERY NEWS FOR MAY 2009

Madeleine Chen is the featured artist from April 27 to June 7, 2009.

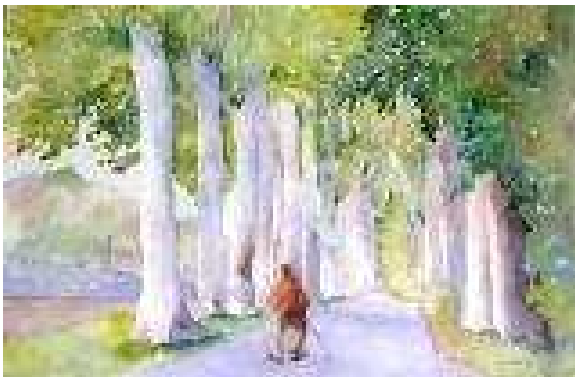


“Transition”



“Across”

The featured artist from June 7 to July 19 will be Rita Bentley.



“Trees, Trees, Trees” is the title of the show by **Rita Bentley**, who is the featured artist at the Vienna Arts Society Gallery from June 7 to July 19, 2009.

In 1991, Rita began watercolor lessons and since that time has become engrossed in the process, finding it usually to be a source of great joy. She and her family settled in Vienna in 1975 and Virginia is now home to the original group plus eight grandchildren.

Rita has been very fortunate to participate in watercolor workshops with Don Andrews, David Daniels, Mel Stabin, Frank Francese, and Gerald Brommer, among others. She especially enjoys creating paintings based on places she has visited

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.

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VAS GALLERY June 7, 2009 SHOW CHANGE

To register you must be a member and agree to sit at the Gallery. You may enter 2 paintings (two dimensional only). Size limitation and VAS exhibiting requirements apply. We can accommodate up to 30 artists per exhibit. To enter send your picture information to Rita Bentley at the above number, by phone to VAS Gallery phone number (703) 319-3220 or by signing the "sign up sheet" you'll find at the Gallery.

Please sign up by Wednesday June 3, 2009. On Sunday, June 7 please bring your pictures to the Gallery at 2:00 p.m. Your assistance in hanging the show will be appreciated.

Julie Cochran is now doing the publicity for the Gallery! Thank you Julie. Congratulations to Gallery members **Larissa Tung Berry, Rita Bentley, Bev Nickens, Libby Eckert, Gabriel Riego de Dios, Alina Bennett, Loy McCaughy and Jean Johnston** who sold paintings from December through March!

UPCOMING DEMONSTRATION

At our April 2 meeting **Sara Linda Poly** was unable to do her demonstration due to a back injury the day before the meeting. However, her husband Tim generously volunteered to do a program for us. He is a professional photographer and public speaker with many awards for his work. Tim focused on the artists' creative and inspirational experiences in making art and how others are affected by the artists' personal vision. The attendees shared their ideas about creating art. We thank Tim for a thought provoking presentation.

On May 14 **Susan Tilt**, a contemporary fiber artist will do a demonstration at our 7:30 meeting. She is a graduate of Mary Washington College with a degree in studio art and a background in photography and painting. Susan makes contemporary quilts, whimsical fiber sculptures, fiber wall hangings, banners and liturgical vestments. Her fabrics are hand dyed and printed, appliqued, hand and machine quilted. She also incorporates beading and polymer clay in her pieces. Susan is inspired by phrases and ideas from everyday life. Currently she has been working on a very large commissioned series of wall pieces for the new Stafford Hospital Center. She will demonstrate how she works in her particular media of fiber.

VIENNA ARTS CENTER EXHIBIT IN APRIL

In May we are pleased to announce the Annual Judged Members Only Spring Show! This year's Judge is **Ginger White-Hergenroeder**! Attached is a registration form. Pre-registration is due by April 20th- **THERE WILL NOT BE AT THE DOOR REGISTRATION.** You have opportunity to drop off your artwork Saturday, April 25 at 5p-7p or Sunday 1p-4p.

ABOUT THE JUDGE: Ginger White-Hergenroeder;

Ginger graduated with Honors from Virginia Commonwealth University with a bachelor of Fine Arts in Painting and Printmaking. She has completed coursework for her Masters of Art in Art History from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. She has lectured for the University of Maryland, European Campus, Indiana Purdue, Heron School of Art,

Indianapolis, Indiana, and for the past ten years, the Ringling School of Art and Design in Sarasota, Florida. She is an associate artist with the Lorton Workhouse.

ALSO IN MAY- Vienna Arts Society has partnered with the **ZANTA FOUNDATION** once again! This will be their Second Wine Tasting/Silent Auction Fundraiser at the Vienna Art Center. It will take place Saturday, May 16th 4pm-7pm. All are welcome- it is a great cause to support!

Coming up in June: **The SHEPHERD'S CENTER** will be hosting an art exhibit/silent auction benefit at the Art Center the month of June (May 31-June 28). Each item they have collected from area artists will be silent-auctioned throughout the month. Each time someone is

outbid they will receive a call having the chance to bid again. The bidding process is expected to close Saturday, June 20 at 4pm. The winners will be notified and artwork will be available for pick up and payment the following week. This is a great organization with a lot to offer the community. Please support them by joining them at the Reception Saturday, June 13, 2pm-5pm.

WALK ON THE HILL: Sunday April 26 2pm-5pm! Up the hill from the Art Center...if artists are interested in joining the festivities and would like to paint and display their work to the community it is welcomed!!! Please contact **Teresa Ahmad** for further details (703) 319-3971 office teresa@tlcillustration.com

WORKSHOPS

April 25, 2009 REGISTRATION EXTENDED TO APRIL 15- Spaces Still Available!!!

This is a great workshop for those that like nature and want to learn more about the anatomy of plants and flowers and drawing the subject more accurately. Doreen is a published illustrator, and instructor.

*"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.*

May 8-9, 2009 (register by 4/24)

Oriental Brush Strokes for the Watercolor Artist Workshop with Lassie Corbett, Friday-Saturday 10am-4:30pm \$150

Learn a series of brush strokes that translate directly into watercolor paintings. There will be many hand outs as examples and a lot of in-class practice. We will also do a floral still life to learn directly how to make the transition from strokes to a direct painting. Basic supplies list will be provided.

June 5-6, 2009 (register by 5/22)

Mixed Media Technique Workshop with Lassie Corbett, Friday- Saturday 10am-4:30pm \$150

This crash course will give an exciting new dimension to your paintings. There will be a

number of demonstrations with ideas to try at home as well as in the workshop. You may bring in paintings that don't quite work and we will problem solve. Basic supplies list will be provided.

June-August: Week-long Summer Art Camps. Please pass along the information to anyone you may think interested. Classes start at age 4 and go through 18! WE HAVE ADDED MORE CLASSES RECENTLY: SEE ATTACHED FLYER!

CLASSES

April 29--June 17, 2009

"Painting Nature" Wednesdays, 1pm-3pm \$165 with Lassie Corbett .

Subjects will vary from landscapes, floral and seascapes to buildings. The emphasis will be on painting glowing light, value studies and designing a good composition. We will use new ideas from the book "*Exploring Watercolor*" by **Elizabeth Groves**. There will be weekly critiques and bi-weekly demonstrations of subjects.

April 29--June 17, 2009

"Oriental Brush Painting" 4pm-6pm \$165 Wednesdays with Lassie Corbett.

This is a combined course for beginning and advanced students. Beginning students may join the class at any time. Instruction is individual. More advanced students will be working on landscape painting. If there is an interest we will also use crinkle paper techniques.

April 29--June 17, 2009

"Beginning Watercolor" 7pm-9pm \$165 Wednesdays with Lassie Corbett.

This class is a must for anyone contemplating watercolor as a painting medium. The class covers the basic techniques and concepts necessary to paint in watercolor successfully. We will learn some of the "tricks" of the medium plus color mixing, brushstrokes, washes and composition.

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 own 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

L'IMAGE SALON AND SPA

Happy to announce, new member **Victoriya Maslova** will be assisting **Debi Elliott** in coordinating this venue. The next show change is Monday, May 4th at 12 (noon). Please contact Debi to pre-register your pieces. You need to know title, medium and size. Teresa Ahmad will only be handling sales at this venue from now on.

PAINTING OPPORTUNITY

The Doukenie Winery, which is located in Purcellville, is having a music and art month this month. They are featuring artists and musicians from the area who come to their winery and participate and have invited us to come. It will be advertised in their newsletter and newspaper. We can set up to paint, demonstrate, or just talk to those in attendance. They can have tents set up so we can show our work on easels and bring bin pieces. There is no charge to us and we keep what we sell. So, save Saturday April 25th for this fun excursion! The time can be decided by those interested and we can car pool. If you are interested in going, please call or email Grace Rooney at 703-620-6153, graceroo32@aol.com

NATIONAL GALLERY TRIP

The McLean Art Society is sponsoring a trip to the National Gallery on May 19th to see the work of **Luis Meléndez**, greatest Spanish still life painter of the 18th century. Trip is by bus from the McLean Community Center, 9:30am—returning at 3:00 pm. Cost is \$25 per person—lunch is not included. Make checks payable to McLean Art Society and mail to Treasurer, McLean Art Society, P.O. Box 7724, McLean, VA 22106.

PAINT IN THE PARK

Once again the Vienna Park and Recreation Department is inviting artists 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.

MEMBERS' NEWS

Judy and Sy Wengrovitz are having an exhibit from May 3- May31 at the Dennis and Phillip Ratner museum located at 10001 Old Georgetown Road, Bethesda, Md. The reception is Sunday May 3 from 1:30 -3:30. Judy will show her watercolors and Sy his wood sculpture. You are all invited.

Mary Anne Taylor has a piece in the current Torpedo Factory "*Recycle/Reuse*" show .

Gallery West, on King Street in Alexandria invites artists to exhibit in a Guest Show in July. Go to <http://gallery-west.com> for a prospectus.

Pauline Lorfano, Concetta Scott, Carol Higgs, Gertrud Mohr-Friedrich, Marie Shaughnessy and Jane McElvaney Counce invite everyone to "*The Visions of Six*" exhibit at the Dennis and Philip Ratner Museum, 1001 Old Georgetown Road, Bethesda, MD 20814, June 3-29, Reception, Sunday June 7, 2009. Museum Hours, Monday through Thursday, noon-4pm, Sundays 10-4:30pm.

Pauline Lorfano and Concetta Scott also have paintings in the Potomac Valley Watercolorists Exhibit at Green Springs Horticultural Center and Historic House, April 28-June 28. Reception, Sunday, May 3, 1-3pm.

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

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through the arts."

Day	PLACE	DATE	TIME	Contact	Telephone
Sun.	<u>Art Center</u> Preregister by 4/20/09	4/26/09 5/31/09	1-4:00pm 10-1:00pm	Teresa Ahmad	319-3971
Thu	<u>Meadowlark Gardens</u> <u>Bin Pieces Only!</u>	5/21/09	10-1030am	G. Mohr-Friedrich Loy McGaughy	938-5842 758-9566
Thu	<u>Potomac Bank</u>	5/28/09	10:00am	J. Caldwell	938-8066
Sun	<u>VAS Gallery</u> Preregister by 6/3/09	6/7/09	2-2:30 pm	Rita Bentley	281-3933
Sun	<u>Whole Foods Market</u> Preregister by 4/17/09	5/31/09	6:00 a.m.	Lisa Neher G. Mohr- Friedrich	698-9473 938-5842
Mon	<u>L'Image Salon</u> Preregister	5/4/09	12-12:30pm	Debi Elliott Viktoria Maslova	319-1420
Mon	<u>Patrick Henry Library</u> Pre-register 5/16/09	5/18/09	9:00am	Madeleine Chen	280-0983



P.O. Box 371 •
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Register through the Vienna Art Center, Contact Teresa Ahmad
115 Pleasant St NW, Vienna, VA 22180 (703) 319-3971



Summer Week-Long Art Camps For Children!

June 22-26

“What Can You Create?” with Teresa Ahmad
10am-11am \$75 (Materials included.)
Allow your child to express their creativity by using a series of different materials. to create various arts & crafts projects, collages and paintings. Ages 4-6.

June 29-July 3

“Fun with Art” Printmaking with Teresa Ahmad
10am-11:30am \$75 (Materials included)
Various techniques and mediums used to enhance the imagination. The class plans to introduce a new technique in printmaking each day. Ages 5-9.

“Multi-Media Arts & Crafts” with Patricia Farrell
12:30-2pm \$110 (Materials included)
Exploring working with pastel crayon, paint, collage & printmaking. Each day will be a new art form. Ages 7-10.

“Multi-Media Arts & Crafts” with Patricia Farrell
2:15-3:45pm \$110 (Materials included)
Exploring working with pastel crayon, paint, collage & printmaking. Each day will be a new art form. Age 10-12.

July 6-10

“Making it 3-D” Sculpture with Mary Jo Lorfano
9:30am-12pm \$80 (Materials included)
Learn some basic skills in sculpture and create from your imagination 3-D art. Ages 6-12.

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2:15-3:45pm \$110 (Materials included)
Exploring working with pastel crayon, paint, collage & printmaking. Each day will be a new art form. Age 10-12

July 13-17

“Making it 3-D II” Sculpture with Mary Jo Lorfano
9:30am-12pm \$80 (Materials included)
Learn some basic skills in sculpture and create from your imagination 3-D art. Ages 6-12.

“Multi-Media Arts & Crafts” with Patricia Farrell
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July 20-24

“Canyon Lands” Painting with Vivian Attermeyer
10am-12pm \$130 (Materials included)
Read stories and legends based on the Native Americans & the areas in which they lived- canyons, plateaus and the southwestern US. Allowing the imagination to create the students own Indian Art. Ages 6-9 years old.

“Painting in Oil/Acrylic” Painting w/ Vivian Attermeyer
1pm-3pm \$130 (Material not included)
Class will include basic design and paint handling techniques. Beginners to intermediate students. Intermediate will receive freedom to create their own projects with supervision. Ages 13 years and older.

July 27-31

“Looking at Black & White” Pen/Ink w/ Teresa Ahmad
10am-11:30am \$100 (Materials Included)
Learn basic skills using pen in ink. Techniques, contrasts and composition. Ages 6-12.

“Ceramics I” with Michael Westbrook
12:30-3pm \$125 (Materials included)
Exploration of 3-dimension form using clay and sculpey for both functional use and decoration. Ages 6-12.

August 3-7

“Imagine People and Animals” Pencil and Charcoal with Teresa Ahmad
10am-11:30am \$100 (Materials included)
Learn basic proportion and “tricks” to look beyond what the eye can see Ages 6-12.

“Ceramics II” with Michael Westbrook
12:30-3pm \$125 (Materials included)
Exploration of 3-dimension form using clay and sculpey for both functional use and decoration. Ages 6-12.

August 10-14

“Creating Pointillism” Painting with Teresa Ahmad
10am-11:30am \$125 (Materials included)
Learn the technique by Georges Seurat, painting in which a lot of tiny dots are combined to form a picture. Class will introduce the technique and concept behind this movement with watercolor and acrylics. Ages 6-12.

“Multi-Media Arts & Crafts” with Patricia Farrell
12:30-2pm \$110 (Materials included)
Exploring working with pastel crayon, paint, collage & printmaking. Each day will be a new art form. Ages 7-10.

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Dear Fellow VAS Members,

Happy Spring! I hope everyone had a lovely spring break, Easter or Passover celebration. This year certainly has been very special for my family as we prepare for the arrival of our baby girl tomorrow. It is funny how nine months suddenly does not seem like a very long time at all! Having prepared little by little along the way, we are more than ready for tomorrow, stress and worry free to boot!

Along these lines, I hope this year's Treasury of Art Show will run as smoothly. It is only eight months away, so we are in our first "trimester" so to speak. This is the time to prepare, lay out plans, and make good decisions so that there is no stress and worry come November.

Our TOP two priorities are to fill the Lead Chairperson and Judging Committee positions. The Lead Chairperson organizes the effort and recruits members to volunteer for the required positions, all of which are outlined in existing materials. Sign up sheets have already been created and located in both the Art Center and the Gallery.

The Judging Committee's job is to select a Judge for this year's show. I know many of you have opinions about past judges, positive or negative. Regardless, if you want to have an effect on the process BE INVOLVED! Put in your 2 cents worth and be heard! The sooner we begin the thorough process of finding a judge, the more satisfied people will be with a final decision.

I am VERY proud to say that many of you have stepped up already – thanks to **Charlotte Potashnik, Penny Champagne, Jean Johnston, and Bev Nickens** for signing up at the March meeting for Treasury of Art! Your commitment and dedication to this organization is noted and appreciated and will no doubt be a part of what makes November's show a success – THANK YOU!

It is important to remind people that things are changing for Teresa and me, and oddly, within the same week. I am starting my "maternity leave" tomorrow and Teresa, as many of you know, is moving to Woodbridge. After two years of service, Teresa and I will NOT be chairing this year's Treasury of Art show, as our lives take new paths and our on-site availability is unknown at this point. She and I still plan to be involved in the Arts Society as well as Treasury of Art, and we will be available to help the new Lead Chairperson and Subcommittee Chairs. However we will NOT be chairing this year's show.

On that note, as many of you already know, after three years of service as your Vice President I will be stepping down at the end of this term. Because of the timing of baby's arrival, I will be on "maternity leave" for the remainder of my tenure. I will continue to work from home as I plan to be an involved Board Member until the end of June, however you are not likely to see much of me before then. Margaret will also be stepping down as President after two years of service.

Our 40th year has proven to be a time heavy with transition and abundant in volunteer opportunities. As members in a members-run organization, I ask you to please ask yourself, "How can I offer my time and talents to make a difference and sustain this great organization?"

Please look at the sign up sheet in the Art Center – Please look at the sign up sheet in the Gallery. Please think about the openings in the Board and ask yourself, "How can I give back? How can I help?" Take it from a worrier – if I can do it, anyone can.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve Vienna Arts Society. God bless you all and have a safe and happy spring.

With Love,

Tara Holtaway
Outgoing VAS Vice President