



# VAS News

*Enriching our community through the arts*

OCTOBER 2009

Vienna Arts Society, Inc  
www.ViennaArtsSociety.org

Executive Board Meeting

Oct 5, 2009, 10:35am-Donna's Home

Membership Meeting Oct 8, 2009 7:30pm, Art Center

Oktoberfest Oct 3, 2009

Treasury of Art Nov 20-22, 2009

**SAVE THE DATE!** Our 40th Annual **TREASURY OF ART** show and sale is November 20 - 22, in Vienna's Community Center on Park Street. Look for the banner across Maple Avenue that week, and tell everyone you know about this milestone event. And, of course, make sure you have three wonderful works of art to enter! (Prospectus is attached.)

Artists are encouraged to participate in this year's 40th Annual Treasury of Arts Show. Planning is underway to make this show even more special with the inclusion of some live musical entertainment throughout the weekend. Look for the VAS banner across Maple Avenue the week of the show. You can pre-register using the attached Prospectus. Please keep an exact copy of this form, because any changes to the information will invalidate the pre-registration discounted rate. We are looking forward to seeing each of you.

Debi and Dore'

Our activities are partially supported by the Va. Commission for the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts.



**DON'T MISS!**

**Oct. 8, 2009 - VAS Demonstration Artist - Pauline Lorfano**

**"MANY WAYS WITH ACRYLICS AND MEDIUMS".**

Pauline will demonstrate the unique advantages of acrylics in creating a watercolor. Heavy body , Open and Interactive acrylics will be demonstrated as well as the use of acrylic skins and acrylic transfers.

**VAS THANKS THE FOLLOWING DONORS FOR THEIR GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS IN 2009:**

<u>Patrons (\$1,000+)</u>	<u>Donors (\$500-\$999)</u>	<u>Friends (\$100-\$499)</u>	<u>Associates (\$25-\$99)</u>
VA Commission for the Arts George Dumas Rotary Club of Vienna	Whole Foods	Maureen & Joe Kammerer American Friends of Pinacothèque Harris Miller Aldo Becci Gertrud Mohr-Friedrich Business Bank Nancy Garcia Money & King Donna Grone Carolyn Koslow Maude Robinson Town of Vienna	Sandy Springs Bank

## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

I came by the center one day with a teacher friend who lives in Vienna. We talked about joining the Vienna Arts Society. She did not join, but started a family. I was ending a 33-year teaching career. I joined and after teaching art for my whole life, I just wanted to practice what I preached. That was three years ago. I am enjoying getting to know you. There are some pretty incredible people in the Vienna Arts Society.

This is a good place for the encouragement-and-art-type comrades along with all of the history with this organization, things that artists in other larger organizations wish they had. For example, the many venues for exhibit give opportunities to sell your art. Not only are there great artists in The Vienna Arts Society but people who have some good ideas about art and are not afraid to share.

The Treasury of Art is coming soon. The information is here. I hope that you participate in this long-standing tradition. This is our big 40 and the celebration continues with this activity. Doré Skidmore and Debi Elliot have assembled a great team. There is still time to volunteer--I want you to be on board.

I am amazed too, and impressed with our new members. They have outstanding art works that they exhibited here and are stepping up to leadership challenges. Among them is **Carol Fogelsong**, a new member who had a wonderful show of her pastels at the arts center in August. She has stepped forward to take charge as the membership chair. This may be a challenge for a new person, but it is a great way to get to know everyone. **Nancy Morehead**, who joined VAS with her participation in the photo show in July has agreed to act as secretary whenever she can. I am grateful to her. **Gwinn Ward** and **Sue Lutz**, hospitality committee, are seeing that we have snacks at our meetings. **Judith Mensh** came by the Center to weed the landscape and fix our plantings. She is a gardener in her other life. **Sasha Elliott** has redesigned our membership brochure. We used the very last one and this was a real gift to have a new member who is a graphic design artist. Your work will be put to use immediately. Remember to check out our website for new information. [viennaartssociety.org](http://viennaartssociety.org) **Arla Albers**, our webmistress, is a rather new member also. These new members are filled with enthusiasm. I know that I missed someone, but I wanted to show you a sampling of the new things that are being done for Vienna Arts Society.

Some members whom I would like to mention are those who are creating another chapter in VAS history with the Wolftrap International Childrens' Festival. Artists who are demonstrating their art for the children are **Shari MacFarland, Vivian Attermeyer, Grace Rooney, Lassie Corbett Marni Lawson**. Other members who are lending a hand at the event are **Nancy Morehouse, Teresa Ahmad, Patricia Farrell, Robert Dowler, Mina Smith** along with **Patrick Conte** who brought this event together for our organization and has helped the Arts Council of Fairfax deal with how to include a visual arts group. I am proud to say that I was a part of this too. We are members of the Arts Council of Fairfax this and other outreach events will help us to be more viable and let people see what we do. The Arts Council does grant us operating funds.

I hope that you will come to the Oktoberfest in Vienna on Oct 2. Visit the Vienna Arts Society tent. This is still another event where you can exhibit and sell your work as a member of VAS. Lend a hand and help the children with their projects. You are always welcome.

On another note (a bank note):

**The economy is catching up with our cash flow. We spent more money than we made last month. I am open to fund-raising ideas, including begging! If any one has an idea or a cash donation, please come forward. The committee position for fund raising remains open. Perhaps you and a friend would like to co-chair. The state funds, which keep the Virginia Commission for the Arts, afloat have again been cut. We received a notice from them that we will not be receiving the second and last of our grant payments.**

**Donna Grone**

## VAS GALLERY NEWS FOR OCTOBER

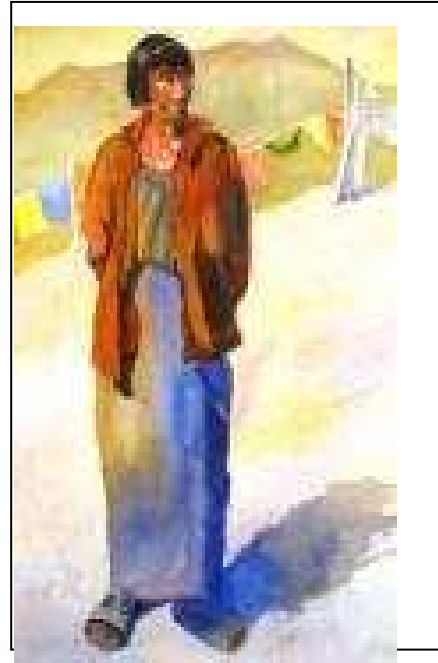
### GALLERY FEATURED ARTIST

#### Janice Burns Is The Featured Artist From October 11 To November 22, 2009

*"People and Places From Around the World"* is the title of Jan Burns' exhibit. Ms. Burns has an AB degree in Fine Art from the University of California at Berkeley. Since leaving school, the artist has studied water color and collage painting from several nationally known teachers. The artist is best known for her realistic watercolors and abstract collages for which she has won many awards in area shows.



*"Morning Ritual"*



*"The Woman from Bhutan"*

In addition to painting, Jan loves to travel. Her present show consists of watercolor paintings of people she has met and sights she has seen on her travels around the world.

#### The featured artist on NOVEMBER 22 WILL BE JEAN JOHNSTON.

### BE A VAS 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 VAS 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 full but you may put your name on a waiting list..

### VAS GALLERY October 11, 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 October 7, 2009. On Sunday, October 11,** please bring your pictures to the Gallery at 2:00 p.m. Your assistance in hanging the show will be appreciated. The Gallery show change schedule for the remainder of 2009 is October 11 and November 22.

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**ART CENTER NEWS**

October featured artists are **Maureen Kammerer and Suzanne Farrell** with "*Monet's Garden and Other Landscapes.*" The Reception to be held on Sunday, Oct. 18th 4pm-7pm at the Art Center. Show hangs Tuesday Sept 29th and will run through Nov. 2nd.

They will be showing a variety of their work on all 3 walls of the center, which leaves VAS Members with one wall to display. I have put together a pre-registration list for members interested in exhibiting that month- please call me if you haven't already.

November is a time of giving (and cleaning)...The Art Center will host a "Pre-Season Sale" Nov. 2 to Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>. This is a chance for you, the artist, to clean house and hopefully sell some of your work to someone that will enjoy it! People often want a unique gift for that special someone and what better gift than something done with love...We will determine how much space everyone interested will receive when we get the final count. We hope that everyone who would like to take advantage might host a table and/or "mini" exhibit of their own but space may be limited. Please let **Teresa Ahmad**, ([teresa@tlcillustration.com](mailto:teresa@tlcillustration.com) or 571-277-6202) know by Oct. 15th if interested in participating in this event, and what you would like to display/sell. Everyone is welcome: jewelers, glass workers, sculptors, painters, craftsman, knitters and quilters...Our hopes are that not only the artists get to sell some work but to also raise funds with the commissions for VAS.

December- "Holiday Show" this is the only time of the year that you can sell greeting cards and reproductions/giclees and not have a "size limitation." Please pre-register with Teresa Ahmad. VAS Members receive the entire venue to display. We sometimes rent the facility out to groups for holiday parties at this time of year-please be aware in case you know someone looking for a fantastic atmosphere to host a reception, but to also keep in mind your work may be seen by an audience that doesn't often visit the location.

**CLASSES AND WORKSHOPS**

Washington Calligraphy Guild is hosting a workshop Oct. 3-4th at the Art Center 9am-5pm each day.

**October 16-17, 2009 (register by 10/1)**

**"Finding Your Creative Self" Workshop with Shari MacFarlane**

Friday- Saturday 10am-4pm \$200

Directed to those afraid of being creative or haven't in awhile. The class will allow you to "let go" and explore using Acrylics & Mixed Media.

**November 13-14, 2009 (register by 11/1)**

**"Experimental Watercolor" with Lassie Corbett**

Friday-Saturday 10am-4:30pm \$150

Explore a variety of new techniques using watercolor in a nontraditional setting. Learn ways to combine transparent areas with opaque, create interesting textures and form new ideas. We will paint a series of small works to get the most out of the time. Basic supplies list will be provided.

**CLASSES- PLEASE REGISTER DIRECTLY WITH THE INSTRUCTOR FOR CLASSES**

September 21-November 2, 2009

**"Creative Thinking Through Watercolors"**

**10am-12:30pm \$150 (7 sessions)**

**MONDAYS WITH MARNI LAWSON 703-577-0967**

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. [marnilawsonwatercolors@hotmail.com](mailto:marnilawsonwatercolors@hotmail.com)

**September 23- November 18, 2009**

**"Painting Nature" 1pm-3pm \$165**

**WEDNESDAYS WITH LASSIE CORBETT 703-435-1888**

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.

**"Oriental Brush Painting" 4pm-6pm \$165**

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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.

**“Beginning Watercolor” 7pm-9pm \$165  
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703-435-1888**

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.

**MEMBERS’ NEWS**

The following VAS Members had paintings accepted for the Virginia Watercolor Society's Annual Juried Show: **Judy Antico, Helen Dilley Barsalou, Jan Burns, Tricia DeWeese, Betty Ganley, Carolyn Gawarecki, Concetta Scott, Florence Setzer, Marie Shaughnessy, and Judy Wengrovitz.** The show, which was juried by **Tony Van Hasselt**, opens September 1st and runs through October 15th. It is held at the Workhouse Art Center in Lorton, VA

**DEMONSTRATIONS** **Darlene Kaplan** gave a very interesting demonstration of Chinese Watercolor techniques at the September meeting. The methods are quite different from regular watercolor. She explained as she painted and had a congenial exchange with the members.

**Carolyn Koslow** will be our guest demonstrator at the November membership meeting.

**SALES FOR AUGUST**

Meadowlark	6	\$325
Gallery	2	\$480
Whole Foods	1	\$225
Art Center	3	\$635

**APPOINTED EXECUTIVE BOARD  
2009/2010 COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

Art Center Director	Teresa Ahmad
Chamber of Commerce Liaisons	Patricia Farrell Mary Ellen Larkin
<b>*Continuing shows</b>	<b>(open)</b>
Directory	Arla Albers
<b>*Fundraising Chair</b>	<b>(open)</b>
Gallery Directors	Carol Milton Rita Bentley
<b>*Grant Applications</b>	<b>(open)</b>
<b>*Historian</b>	<b>(open)</b>
Hospitality Chairs	Gwinn Ward Susan Segrist Jackie Liedl Arla Albers
Mailing Coordinator	Margaret Johnson?
Membership	Nan Hornstein
New York City Trip	Pauline Lorfano
Newsletter Editor	there is a “team”
Parliamentarian	Allen Pearson
Photographer	Mary Ann Taylor,
Photography Show	Helen Dilley Barsalou
Program Chairs	Patricia Farrell, Beverly Schindler
Public Relations Coordinators	Penny Champagne
Spring Show	Debi Elliott
State Agent for Corporation	Grace Rooney
Ticket to Art	Dore’ Skidmore
Treasury of Arts Show	bebi Elliott
Webmaster	Arla Albers
<b>*Workshops</b>	<b>(open)</b>

**\*THESE POSITIONS ARE OPEN AND WAITING FOR YOU TO STEP UP AND FILL ONE OF THEM. PLEASE CONTACT DONNA GRONE IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN HELPING YOUR ORGANIZATION. WE NEED YOU!**



## 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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Day	PLACE	DATE	TIME	Contact	Telephone
Sun.	<u>Art Center</u>	11/02/09	10-1:00pm	Teresa Ahmad	319-3971
Thu	<u>Meadowlark Gardens Bin Pieces Only!</u>	11/05//09	10-1030am	G. Mohr-Friedrich Loy McGaughy	938-5842 758-9566
Thu	<u>Potomac Bank</u>	12/10/09	10:00am	J. Caldwell	938-8066
Sun	<u>VAS Gallery Preregister by 10/0709</u>	10/11/09 11/22/09	2-2:30 pm	Rita Bentley	281-3933
Sun	<u>Whole Foods Market Preregister by 11/06/09</u>	11/08/09	6:00 a.m.	G. Mohr- Friedrich	938-5842
Mon	<u>L'Image Salon Preregister by 10/29/09</u>	11/02/09	12-12:30pm	Debi Elliott Viktoria Maslova	319-1420
Mon	<u>Patrick Henry Library Pre-register 11/11/09</u>	11/16/09	9:00am	Madeleine Chen	280-0983



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