



ENRICHING OUR COMMUNITY THROUGH THE ARTS

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Board Meetings

Usually held First Thursday of the month at 10:30 am at the Art Center. President **Doré Skidmore**, will email Board members if there is a change in time or location.

Membership Meetings

Usually second Thursday of the month at the VAS Art Center. 7:30pm except 10:30am in winter. Check [website](#) and Email News for details.

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Once again VAS participated in the Vienna Hallowe'en Parade. Big thanks to:

Larrissa Tung Berry, who drove her fabulous red BMW convertible at the front of the line,

Joyce Myers, Roxanne Himmelberger and their team, who toggled to a hand built riding train

Deborah Kennedy for sharing with us her period collection of HATS, and even gloves for the ladies!

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OF THE ARTS IN FAIRFAX

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

It has been such a privilege meeting new members this fall, and to welcome back those of you who have been active in VAS. Our Art Center Director, Lu Cousins, has found some interesting possibilities for exhibiting our work around the region, to include Patrick Henry Library (a quarterly show co-chaired by Anita Epstein and Terry Svat); as well as KATIBEH ART CENTER (chaired by Deborah Schneider), where the Vienna Arts Society will debut in December.

As you know, we have been notified that we can stay in our current location until next summer, and our new home, just across the street at 234 Church Street, NW, is being prepared for us to move into at that time. By the way, the town of Vienna selects a building to be featured as a wooden ornament each Holiday Season, and this year's creation is a very detailed, hand-painted miniature Vienna Art Center, complete with tiny green doors. It's available at the Freeman Store on Church Street.

We look forward to more exhibitions, classes and workshops in the months ahead. I especially want to thank those of you who are helping VAS with outreaches to the Children's Inn at NIH (chaired by Karen Fleming) and to the troops on the mend at Fort Belvoir Community Hospital.

You will be able to keep abreast of our many changing exhibitions and events through the weekly "eblasts" and our web site.

Doré SkidmoreVAS President

ON THE HORIZON

See weekly Email Members News or call the Art Center for more information

ART CENTER SHOWS CHANGE DATES - Mondays 10-12

Nov. 28 – *"Thinking Outside the Box"*

UPCOMING EVENTS - see Eblast for up to date information

Oct. 13 - Meeting 7:30pm, Debra Kierce, oil painting demo

Nov. 10 – Meeting & Demo 7:30 pm, Sandy Olszowy alcohol ink demonstration

Friday – Sunday Nov. 18-20 – *"BIG SALE/small works!"*

Saturday, Nov. 19 – Wine&Cheese Reception 6 – 8 pm *"BIG SALE"*, *"Music to my Ears"*, 50/50 Raffle!

Thursday, December 1 – KATIBEH delivery - Time and date of reception TBD

Thursday, Dec. 8 – Holiday Reception ,7:30 pm. Card/Ornament exchange/Public invited

Monday, December 12 – Patrick Henry Library 10 am. Show change to winter exhibition

Monday, December 19 – Greenspring Gardens Delivery

Annual exhibition through February juried by Susan Herron

**WATCH FOR THE WEEKLY EBLAST
FOR DETAILS ON UPCOMING SHOWS & EVENTS!**

OPEN STUDIO is organized by David Delano on Monday evenings. For more information and to get on Dave's email list, - davidrdelano@me.com

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JULY - A “THREE PART” EXHIBITION

Nearly one hundred puzzle pieces created by troops on the mend at the Fort Belvoir Community Hospital in the "Healing Wall".

A collection of watercolors by Artist of the Year, Rita Bentley.

“All Stars” Dozens of original artworks from our members.



Viewers enjoying the puzzle pieces on the “Healing Wall”



“Emerging Stars I” Mosaic
by Britt Weaver



Along the Danube, Watercolor
by Rita Bentley
VAS Artist of the Year

AUGUST "ON THE STREET" VAS ANNUAL PHOTOGRAPHY SHOW

At the August 6 Awards Reception, members and visitors enjoyed meeting the artists and listening to a poetry reading by Photographer **Deborah Kennedy**.

Juror Deborah Silva, who was out of town, sent her comments about each winning picture to show chair, **Kelly Rankin**, who presented awards.

Congratulations to the following winners:

1st place winner: **Patricia Deege**
"Weaver in the Marketplace Cuzco, Peru"

2nd place winner: **Janet Gelb** *"Street Painter"*

3rd place winner: **Margaret Raymond**
"Night Hawks / Frozen Custard"

Honorable Mention : **Patricia Deege**
"Market Alleyway Tanzania"

Honorable Mention : **Janet Gelb**
"Avignon Summer Evening"



Deborah Kennedy Poetry Reading



*Weaver in the Marketplace,
Photograph by Patricia Deege*



*Market Alleyway, Photograph by
Patricia Deege*

SEPTEMBER - "PAINT THE TOWN"

At the AWARDS RECEPTION, a team including town leaders from the VAS Advisory Board selected artworks to receive ribbons.

Thanks to our judges: **Carey Sieniki, Doug Francis, Jayme Rosandich and Laurel Gainor.**

Congratulations to the following artists:

1st Place -- **Ken Frye**, "Vienna Art Center", watercolor

2nd Place - **Carl Landow** "Vienna Storefronts" watercolor & ink

3rd Place - **Deborah Kennedy** "Spokes" Photograph

Honorable Mentions

Joyce Myers - Meadowlark Memory - Pastel

Susan Scanlon -- "Vienna Art Center", watercolor

Kate Purvis Montoya - "Late Bloomer" collage

Margaret Raymond - "Winter in Vienna" Photograph

Deborah Schneider "Woods" Acrylic



*"Woods" Acrylic
Honorable Mention
by Deborah Schneider*



*"By the Creek" Acrylic by
Madeline Chen*

*Right: Members and friends
enjoying the reception for
PAINT THE TOWN*



“GALLERY NEWS”

**VAS GALLERY, 513 Maple Avenue W.
703-319-3971 Tuesday - Saturday 10am-4pm**



JUNE & JULY 2016 - MEMBER SHOW Mixed Bag, Mixed Media, Mixed Subject Matter

*Left: More Orange, Mixed Media
by Kath Gayle*

AUGUST & SEPTEMBER - FEATURED ARTIST BOB KAMINSKI

Opening: *The Way I See It*, acrylic paintings by Featured Artist Bob Kaminski, opened August 2 and will be on display through October 1.

Deep philosophical and psychological concepts are present in these unique paintings by the artist who states that the underlying premise in his works is "The artist conceives and creates a work and the viewer reacts to the work. Somewhere in the interaction harmony exists and a communication occurs".

*Right: Olympic Sports
Acrylic, by Bob Kaminski*



*The gallery shows hang for eight weeks
and each show has a Featured Artist.
There are a few spaces for more artists to
join the Gallery, for more information
contact Gallery Director Ruth Ensley at:
rensleyart@verizon.net*

VAS MONTHLY MEETINGS



Members who crowded into the Art Center at our July meeting were rewarded by learning the secrets of methods award-winning artist **Susan Herron** has invented to paint her dynamic artworks.



At the September meeting, **Lassie Corbett** demonstrated some of her techniques with water media.



At the October meeting, **Deborah Keirce** shared techniques for creating "true miniature" artworks, 25 square inches or smaller and with subjects no more than 1/6 actual size. She invited members to try their hand at a sample miniature oil painting.

There is no VAS meeting in August

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE: Remember to sign up to sit to keep the Art Center open. If you have work hanging at the Art Center, or in one of the continuing shows, you are required to sit for one 3 hour period per month. If you have work in two or more locations, you are required to sit for two 3 hour periods per month. Artists hanging at the VAS Gallery are required to sit at that location, check with Loy McGaughy mcgaughy2@verizon.net to schedule a time.

DAY	PLACE	DATE	TIME	CONTACT TO PREREGISTER	EMAIL
Monday	VAS Art Center 115 Pleasant St.	28-Nov	10am-12noon	Lu Cousins	artcenter@viennaartsociety.org
Sunday	VAS Gallery 513 Maple Ave. W	2-Oct	1:00pm	Ruth Ensley Loy McGaughy Janice Burns	rensleyart@verizon.net mcgaughy2@verizon.net janhburns@cal.berkeley.edu
Monday	L'Image Salon Pan Am Shopping Center, Vienna	14 Nov 9 Jan	12:00noon	Grace Rooney	gracemrooney@gmail.com
Wednesday	Channel 10, 2929 Eskridge Road, Fairfax	16 Nov 25 Jan	11:00am	Ginger Sanaie	vbsanaie@gmail.com
Monday	Patrick Henry Library Vienna	12-Dec	10-11am	Anita Epstein Terry Svat	akepstein3555@gmail.com terrsvat@gmail.com
Friday	Ameriprise Financial 1950 Old Gallows Rd. Vienna	28 Oct 20 Jan	10:30am	Grace Rooney Lu Cousins	gracemrooney@gmail.com artcenter@viennaartsociety.org

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**Information for the next newsletter should be sent
to editor Susan Webster at
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Deadline for Winter 2016/17 is December 15**