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CHINESE ARTISTS VISIT THE VIENNA ARTS SOCIETY

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

Second Thursday of the month at the VAS Art Center. 7:30pm except in Nov/Jan/Feb/Mar which are 10:30am. Check the Email News for details.

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On Thursday, July 23, VAS welcomed dozens of visitors, including young Chinese artists touring the United States, as well as Chinese American kids who study painting with Chinese artists in our area.

Pictured is **Wei Lu**, a VAS member and organizer of the American International Children's Art Exhibition, with Stephanie Tang, age 8, from China, holding one of her paintings. On the right is Stephanie's mom, Lily Xie, the leader of the children's tour.

The reception showcased dozens of paintings by children who take painting classes from Chinese teachers in their homeland of China as well as here in Northern Virginia. Below is Grace Rooney, VAS past president, with the young Chinese artists.



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PRESIDENT'S CORNER - we welcome new VAS President, *Doré Skidmore*, who took office July 1, 2015

I want to welcome our new and returning members and invite you to participate in the exiting events we are planning at the Art Center, at the Gallery in the Village Green, and beyond. After a summer that brought artists from as far away as China to our Art Center, we welcomed fall with GOLDRUSH and a lively watercolor demonstration by Rachel Kazan.

Please plan to bring your friends to our second annual **HALLOWEEN BUNCO**, Thursday, October 22, 7:00 – 9:00 pm, at the Art Center, chaired by **Grace Rooney**. It's a lot of fun, and it benefits the arts. Details in the email Members News.

Many of our artists have asked us to have an exhibition featuring small paintings, and **Sandra Hill** is planning a two-day **BIG SALE – small works** exhibition on November 14 and 15 at the Art Center. This is a great opportunity for you as well as for art collectors. Artists will receive 100% of the proceeds from any sales of small works, and art collectors will enjoy the opportunity to purchase original paintings and other artworks for under \$99. You'll find the prospectus in the email News and at the Art Center.

The year ahead promises to be exiting, with opportunities to exhibit art beyond the walls of our Art Center and to travel as far as Amsterdam and Paris. You'll find the details in your weekly "eblast" of Vienna Arts Society news. It's packed with member news and a list of our long range plans. Any member who does not receive the eblast should call our Art Center Director, **Lu Cousins** at 703-319-3971. If you don't have email, please drop by the Art Center to catch up with us and see what news is listed on the bulletin board.

I'm looking forward to seeing all of you in the weeks ahead!
-- **Doré Skidmore** -- President, Vienna Arts Society



ON THE HORIZON

ART CENTER SHOWS CHANGE DATES - Mondays 10am-12noon

"UP DOWN INSIDE OUT": Monday Sept. 28; RECEPTION Fri., Oct. 2, 7:00 -9:00 pm

"MEMORIES": Monday, Nov. 2; RECEPTION Sat., Nov. 14, 4:00 – 6:00 pm.

Also in November "BIG SALE small works": Nov. 14/15 - watch Email News for more details

"MAGIC MOMENTS": Monday Nov. 30.

"THE BLUES", Monday, Jan. 4, RECEPTION DATE TO BE DETERMINED

UPCOMING EVENTS - See weekly email Members News or call the Art Center for more info.

MEETING: Thurs. Oct. 8, 7:30 pm – Anabela Ferguson program on art restoration.

JEFF GORRELL WORKSHOP: Sat/Sun. Oct. 10/11 - space is still available, call the Art Center.

JAM SESSION: Fri., Oct. 16, 7:00 – 9:00 pm

HALLOWEEN BUNCO: Thurs., Oct. 22, 7:00 – 9:00 pm

HALLOWEEN PARADE: Weds., Oct. 28

*MEETING: Thurs. Nov. 12, 10:30 am – George Brown photographing our artwork - **note Morning time!***

NEW!!! *"BIG SALE small works" Nov. 14/15 - VAS members can pay a \$25 fee and bring small pieces of original artwork, priced \$99 or less - all proceeds of sale to the artist. See email Members News for details.*

OPEN STUDIO is now up and running again, but the day is changed from Wednesday to MONDAY 6pm-9pm. Arranged by David Delano each session has a different model, bring your drawing/painting tools of choice and draw, draw, draw! For more info email David at: davidrdelano@me.com

“PUZZLED AGAIN?” JULY AT THE VAS ART CENTER



Many thanks to the many VAS members who donated puzzle pieces for a silent auction fundraiser. Once again VAS artists worked with troops on the mend at Fort Belvoir Hospital, where puzzle pieces were created by soldiers and used to build a “Healing Wall” Above left some puzzle pieces on display, Above right the Reception with artists and guests enjoying the artwork and snacks.

AMSTERDAM & APRIL IN PARIS! APRIL 12 - 20, 2016

Keukenhof Gardens
photograph courtesy of
Patricia Deege

Sponsored by the Vienna Arts Society.
American Express travel Services Representative
Peter Himmelberger, whose wife, Roxanne, is a VAS
member, has designed a tour that will appeal to our
members as well as non-artist participants.



Painters, photographers and those who love art will
experience Holland's famous Keukenhof Gardens in full bloom, as well as picturesque canals and world famous museums. We will then travel First Class by high speed train to Paris, allowing us to enjoy that energetic, cosmopolitan city, including more art collections, food markets and side trips to places like Versailles.

For more information and to sign up go to: www.travelcruiseandtour.com/rwt/view/529

AUGUST - VAS ANNUAL PHOTOGRAPHY SHOW ***“GOOD EYE”***



Top Left: First Prize “St. Mathias Church” by Larry Dean

Below: Third Prize, “Beach Dweller” by David Heagy

Bottom: Margaret Raymond with her Honorable Mention for “River Oaks with Snow”

1st Prize - Larry Dean, St. Mathias Church:

2nd Prize - Duncan Whitaker, Two Calla Lilies

3rd Prize - David Heagy, Beach Dweller:

The Honorable Mentions are:

John Naman, Rose in Fog

Margaret Raymond, River Oaks with Snow

Susan Scanlon, Alasitas

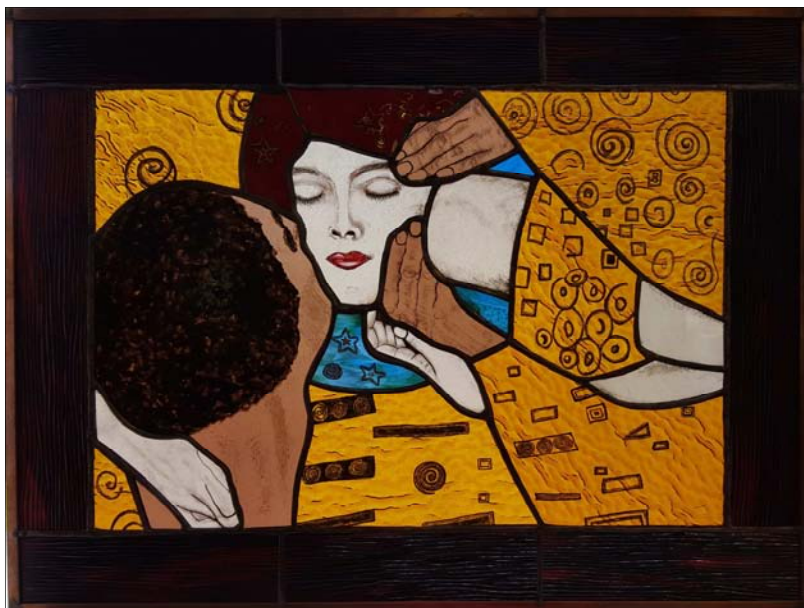


Special thank you to **Kelly Rankin Faulkner** and her team; **Margaret Raymond, Patricia Deege** and **Jan Ponder** for putting everything together

HAVE YOU RENEWED YOUR VAS MEMBERSHIP?

Membership runs from July 1 to June 31, so if you haven't renewed yet for 2015/16 you need to do so NOW! In mid October anyone who has not renewed will be deleted from the Email list to receive the weekly VAS MEMBER NEWS, so don't delay. Send your check for \$40 to the VAS center, or contact the membership chair Debi Elliott at: dmelliott@cox.net





**SEPTEMBER
“GOLD RUSH”
MEMBER SHOW AT
THE VAS CENTER**

*Top Left: “The Kiss”
Stained Glass & Copper Foil
by Larissa Tung-Berry*

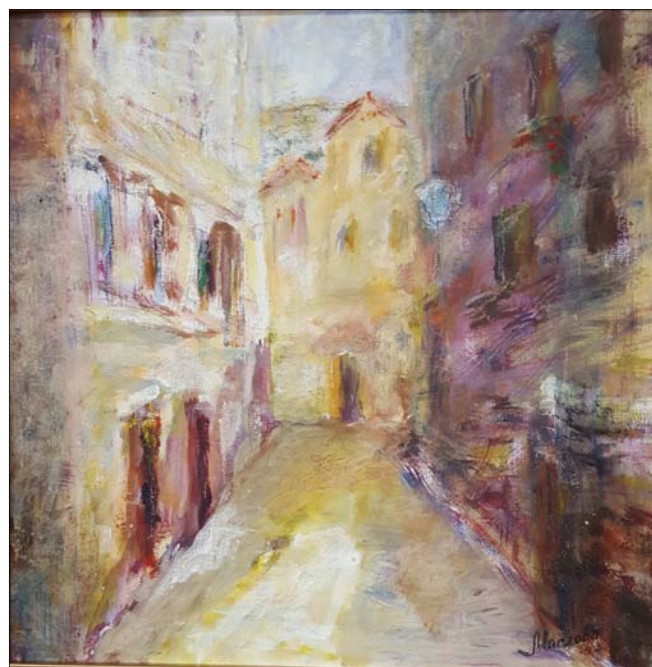
*Middle Left: “Golden Eyes”
Pastel by Susan Webster*



*Bottom Left: “Koi”
Acrylic by Madeleine Chen*



*Bottom Right: “Dubrovnik”
Oil Painting by Viktoriya Maslova*



“GALLERY NEWS”

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

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



*“Falling Leaves”
Watercolor by Loy McGaughy
Featured Artist in June /July*



*“Macaw in the Cloud Forest”
Watercolor by Ruth Ensley
Featured Artist August/September*

Featured Artist for October/November is Carol Milton, her work will appear in the next newsletter.

A big THANK YOU!!!

to **Diane Blackwell** who made arrangements for VAS to participate in the third Annual Artist Material Market August 22 at the Torpedo Factory in Old Town, Alexandria. **Grace Rooney and Dore' Skidmore** joined **Diane**, and nearly \$500 was raised from donated art supplies provided by some generous VAS members.

VAS MONTHLY MEETINGS



Our July Meeting featured renowned contemporary impressionist Trisha Adams who demonstrated her exuberant techniques for capturing light in acrylic paintings.

“Vernazza Boats” Acrylic Painting by Trisha Adams



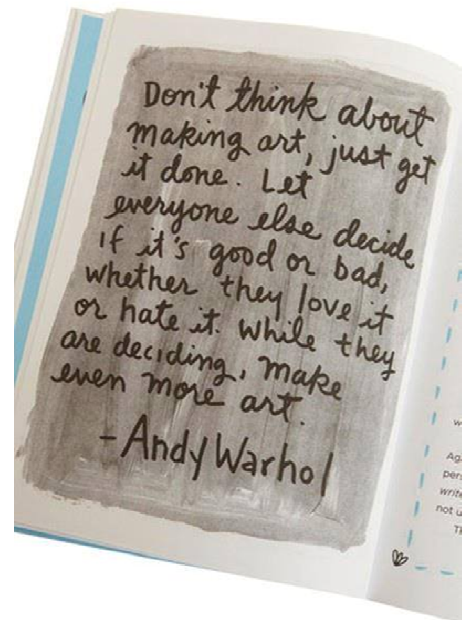
At the September Meeting, Rachel Kazan entertained 50 artists and visitors with a lively explanation of her techniques to create textures in watercolor paintings

There is no Monthly Meeting held in August.

Start thinking about the VAS Winter Art Show “NATURE’S TREASURES” December 28 - February 29, 2016.

This is the third year for the Vienna Arts Society to exhibit and partner with the Friends of Green Springs Gardens Park to create a juried public exhibition and sale. Your submissions must be original artwork including photography, and can portray themes of Horticulture, Nature (flora and fauna) or Local History.

A prospectus is in the “in the works” and will be sent out soon in the weekly email Members’ News, so think about what you will enter and watch the “eblast” for more details.



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.	2 Nov 30 Nov	10am-12noon	Lu Cousins	artcenter@viennaartssociety.org
Sunday	VAS Gallery 513 Maple Ave. W	4 Oct 6 Dec	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	9 Nov 11 Jan	12:00noon	Grace Rooney	gracemrooney@gmail.com
Wednesday	Channel 10, 2929 Eskridge Road, Fairfax	25 Nov 27 Jan	11:00am	Ginger Sanaie	gsanaie@cox.net
Tuesday	Sweet City Desserts, 131A Maple Ave. Vienna	20 Oct 22 Dec	10:00am	Bob Kaminski	bobkaminski@usa.net
Friday	Ameriprise Financial 1950 Old Gallows Rd. Vienna	23 Oct 22 Jan	10:00am	Grace Rooney Lu Cousins	gracemrooney@gmail.com artcenter@viennaartssociety.org

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**Information for the next newsletter should be sent to editor Susan Webster at susanwebster@verizon.net
Deadline for Winter 2015 is December 15**

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