

LAUREL ART GUILD NEWSLETTER



February 2019

President's Message

ONE LAST REMINDER: the deadline for entering the LAG Open is midnight on **Saturday, February 2nd**. If you've misplaced your prospectus, you can find another copy at laurelartguild.org. Just click on LAG Open. This is also where you can upload your entries.

A few days ago, I uploaded my own entries for the LAG Open. I was pleasantly surprised by how straightforward it was and how easy it was to do – made me feel quite tech savvy! But I'm well aware the smooth functioning was all due to John Cholod's efforts, for which we thank him.

February Program

Pauline Jakobsberg will discuss print-making on **Saturday, February 9 at noon** at the Montpelier Arts Center. In her presentation, Ms. Jakobsberg will tell the story of a journey through three countries reflecting in several examples of her art, explaining each and how they are done.

The hand pulled print has been Pauline's medium of expression for the last 40 years. Pauline says "Family history is the driving force behind much of my art, which is layered with powerful undercurrents of connection, loss and renewal, as well as tenderness and humanity balanced with sadness and joy. I avail the full richness and variety of print media to construct poignant narratives aware of my inability to fully grasp the past, as I turn history into a visual reality. Many of my prints are quiet, reflective and intimate, confronting the highly charged subjects of personal and cultural memory to please the eye and feed both the soul and mind. Others are colorful and playful, bearing the mark of one part of my heritage."

Ms. Jakobsberg co-founded the Washington Printmakers Gallery in 1985, which still exists in Georgetown. Her works are in several private collections around the world, most recently in Shanghai, as well as solo exhibitions in the Czech Republic, New York and the Houston Holocaust Museum. Pauline's studio is at Artist and Makers in Rockville and is open to the public, especially on the first Friday of every month.



Exhibits – by Diane Shipley

Three shows are booked for 2019:

March 3-31 – Ranazul (a Spanish restaurant) in Maple Lawn (Fulton). It is small and will only hold about 20 paintings so I am limiting entry to 2 pieces per person until we reach 20. The Entry Form is elsewhere in this newsletter.

April 8 – June 14 - Maryland University of Integrative Health, Himmelfarb Gallery, in Maple Lawn (Fulton). This exhibit will have a theme of "The Artist's Journey" and entries will be judged by the venue's art committee. It is a small show (probably about 20 paintings). **On-line registration only at MUIH's website. Please see separate e-mail sent January 23 with details.**

August 10 – October 11 – Laurel/Beltsville Senior Center.

We are also confirmed for Brookside Gardens in 2020.

On line exhibit and member gallery– by John Cholod

Following a software problem, the Art Guild's Online Exhibit and Member Gallery are back in business. All members have an account on the new system, whether they have any art on the site or not. Anyone can view the art at the following URL: <https://www.laurelartguild.org/ZenXhibit/>

To add or change something, please log in at the following URL:
<https://www.laurelartguild.org/ZenXhibit/admin>

Your starting login name is your first initial and last name, all in lower case. For example the login name for John Smith would be jsmith. The starting password is your first name (capitalized) underscore and your ZIP code. For example, the starting password for John Smith might be John_20707. If you have a two-part first name such as Billy Bob Smith, then both of your first names would be used (login: bbsmith, password: BillyBob_20707).

As of the first of the year, we also have a new exhibit theme in our on line gallery: Beginnings. Please take a look and add a work of your own, if you wish. Three other exhibits remain open: Melody, Vacation, and Weather. Each member can post one image depicting their interpretation of the title.

For a printed copy of the instructions, please visit
https://laurelartguild.org/documents/Gallery-n-Exhibit_Instructions.pdf

You can send a jpeg file to John - If you do, also provide the title, size and medium. If you want it listed for sale, also provide the price and contact information that you are willing to share online. Contact John for assistance, if needed at 301-755-7879 or webmaster@laurelartguild.org.

Workshops

Space is still available in the Spring workshop with Karen Norman. See the announcement elsewhere in this newsletter.

Member News

LAG welcomes three new members

Cynthia Grollman draws and paints as a hobby using oil and watercolor. She can be reached at grollc2@gmail.com.

Kelli Hart is a mixed media artist with a love of paper. She can be reached at gohartcash@gmail.com.

Jessie Tickles, our scholarship 2017 winner, joined as well. She just completed her sophomore year at Stephenson University where she made the Spring 2018 Dean's List. She can be reached at j4tickles@hotmail.com.

Deanna Williford had a recent solo exhibit of 32 paintings at the Swift Creek Mill Dinner Theatre, a 350 year old restored mill in Chester, VA. She sold 7 pieces and also got two commissions as a result. Why the folks purchased the paintings

is always fascinating, isn't it? "Italian Abodes" was purchased as a gift for the buyer's parents' 40th anniversary. Another buyer said the eyes of the "Ash Faced Owl" really touched her soul! A horse lover wanted two paintings to decorate her new home in Florida.

Raymond Robinson will be exhibiting his work at the Laurel-Beltsville Senior Activity Center from February 3rd to April 4th, 2019. The free reception will be held on Monday, February 4th from 7-8 pm with light refreshments. Please stop by and enjoy the "Avenue of the Arts" at the Center and the pleasant atmosphere.

Tom Kirby has a piece, 'Spinakkers' in MNCPPC's annual exhibit at the Lowe House Office Building in Annapolis, "Seeking Prince George's" through April 8, 2019. He also has a piece, 'Blue Crab Special' at the Annapolis Art Alliance exhibit, "Winter at Ginger Cove" in Annapolis through March 18, 2019.

Helen Wood and **Mary Ellen Simon** both have art in the Montgomery Art Association show at the Oasis Art Gallery, The gallery is in Macy's Home Store, Westfield Montgomery Mall, 2nd Level, 7125 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20817. Please join us at the reception Saturday, January 26 from 2:00 – 3:30 pm.

Working from Creative Vision

(Mood, Atmosphere and Visioneering in Landscape Painting)

Workshop with Karen Norman

Saturday, April 6 (9:30 am - 12:30 pm) at

Montpellier Arts Center

\$30 LAG members (\$40, non-LAG members) Maximum 12 participants

Payment is required to reserve a place in the workshop. No refunds after March 1, 2019.

Supply list will be emailed to participants.

Please fill out this form and include it with your check. When your check is received, an email will be sent to confirm your reservation and provide materials list.

Name of

Participant: _____

Contact phone

number(s): _____

email

address: _____

Send checks made out to Laurel Art Guild to : Sally Davies,
157 Research Road, Greenbelt, Maryland, 20770

La Galeria at Ranazul

8171 Maple Lawn Boulevard, Suite 170
Fulton, MD 20759

Exhibit Dates: March 3 – 31, 2019

Deadline to Enter: **Wednesday, February 13, 2019**

Drop off: Sunday, March 3, 10:00 am

Reception: **Sunday, March 10, 4:00 – 5:00 pm – Ranazul provides the food.**

Pick up: Sunday, March 31, 10:00 am

Specifications: This is a small gallery so please limit the size of your pieces to a maximum of 24" wide. If matting and framing is needed on your art work, please be sure it is clean and the frame is in excellent condition and securely wired. No saw-tooth or triangle hangers. A frame is not needed if the sides of the canvas are finished. Art work must be appropriate for all ages – no nudes. Paintings must be labeled with artist information on back (name, title, size, medium, and price). Up to **two (2) pieces per artist** will be accepted in order of receipt until we have reached 20 pieces. The gallery handles sales and charges a 20% commission.

Send one **\$5.00** check (hanging fee) made payable to LAG, along with this signed form to:

Ofelia Moore
8004 Big Pool Road
Laurel, MD 20724

Exhibition Agreement

I acknowledge that in the event of damage, loss, injury, or theft, neither the Laurel Art Guild, nor its officers, volunteers, nor any receiving agent or gallery will be held responsible. Insurance, if desired for exhibition, is the responsibility of the individual artist. LAG will not be responsible for any artwork not picked up at the designated time.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Title: _____

Medium: _____ Price: _____ Size: _____

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Medium: _____ Price: _____ Size: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

List your medium as: A=acrylic, C=color pencil, K=casein, G=graphite, O=oil, Pa=pastel,
Ph=photography, M=mixed media, S=scratchboard, W=watercolor

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the 10th of the Month**