

LAUREL ART GUILD NEWSLETTER



October 2019
Meeting, October 14, 2019, 7 PM

President's Message

As a plein air landscape painter, it's been hard to find inspiration in the past months' hot and very dry weather. The advantages of still life painting and using photographs or even of abstract work have become much more apparent. So I hope all of you have been able to find inspiration somewhere and will have some beautiful things ready for LAG's next exhibit.

If you have been wary of making a large watercolor painting because the glass and frame get too heavy, then our next program may give you a way to overcome that issue – see below. I hope to see you all there.

If you haven't yet had a chance to see LAG's exhibit at the Laurel-Beltsville Senior Center, please do stop by – it runs through October 10.

October Program

David Daniels will speak on "The Varnished Watercolor" on October 14, 2019 at 7:00 pm at the Montpelier Arts Center. His talk will include a demonstration of the necessary preparation, before the painting even begins, and the final step of varnishing the finished painting. Mr. Daniels is a well-known artist and instructor of national repute. His work has earned best of show at the Capitol Hill Art League in D.C., the Cultural Society of Coral Springs in Florida, and the Washington Watercolor Association. It hangs in corporate collections such as the Quadrangle Corporation, Michigan Education Association, Home National Bank of Arkansas City in Kansas, and the National Institutes of Health, as well as private collections.

He teaches at Artists and Makers Studio in Rockville, at the Smithsonian Institute, is on the faculty of the Amalfi Coast Music and Arts Festival in Italy and gives workshops throughout the world. He has taught at Montgomery College in Maryland and in Michigan Public Schools for many years.

David says that capturing the spirit of nature and interpreting its beauty through his vision is what he loves most about making art. He finds it a personal challenge to elevate the medium of watercolor by using innovative techniques, all the while preserving the natural beauty of its transparency. You can find examples of his work at mrwatercolor.com.

Exhibits

August 11 – October 10 - Laurel/Beltsville Senior Activity Center. There are 12 artists participating and 24 paintings were hung. I hope you can stop by and see all the different styles, and use of color and technique. We have had two sales so far – Janette Lovell and Phyllis Ross.

Schedule for 2020

Brookside Gardens – February 10 – March 9

Patuxent Wildlife Refuge – the month of May

Online Exhibit – The new LAG Online Exhibit theme is **Go With the Flow**

As always, you can post your own image to this exhibit (one per member) or you can send a jpg to me and I will post it for you. To login to the online gallery go to <http://laurelartguild.org> and click on Member Log In from the left-hand menu. If you have forgotten or lost your copy, I can send the instructions to you - just ask for them.

I look forward to seeing everyone's images. The more the merrier, so if you have never provided an image, please consider doing so. You can also provide images for the other three exhibits:

“Beginnings,” “Weather,” and “Here Comes the Sun.”

If you send me images, please be sure to also provide the title, medium and size. Optionally, you can also provide price, and contact information, but based on what we learned from Kathryn Goldman, the Copyright Office will consider this a published work (made available for sale) and must be handled as such.

John Cholod

Workshops

Boot Camp for Artists

Saturday, November 2nd, 10am-4pm

Harmony Hall Arts Center presents Mr. Lenny Campello's seminar, “The Artists Boot Camp,” which is open to all artists, 16 and up. Mr. Campello is the Greater Washington D.C. area's pre-eminent art dealer, critic and consultant, as well as artist. He designed his seminar to deliver information, data and proven tactics to artists, and to allow them to develop and sustain a career in the fine arts. Some of the topics that he will cover are: creating a resume, creating a body of work, selling your art, juried shows and news releases, just to name a few. The seminar is free and lunch is included. Seating is limited so please call 301-446-3251 or email stuart.diekmeier@pgparks.com to register and provide lunch preference, by 5 pm, October 25th.

BOOT CAMP FOR ARTISTS will be held at: The Harmony Hall Arts Center, 10701 Livingston Road, Fort Washington, MD, 20744.

Other Activities

Plein Air Opportunity
2019 COLOR COLUMBIA:

We would like to invite you to participate in the 2019 COLOR COLUMBIA Plein Air Paint Out and Exhibition which will take place Saturday, October 26, 2019.

On Saturday, October 26 (rain date, Sunday, October 27) Columbia Art Center is holding a plein air day, that will take place in the heart of downtown Columbia around Lake Kittamagundi with a colorful autumn background. This event is open to all plein air artists working in any 2-D medium. It is not a juried event, but it is a competition with monetary awards. There is also a gala reception on Sunday, November 3 from 2-4 pm followed by an exhibition in the Columbia Art Center Galleries with opportunities for sales from November 2-17. A 20% commission will be taken on all sales.

If you are interested in participating, please send an email as soon as possible to LizHenzey@ColumbiaAssociation.org or Trudy.babchak@columbiaassociation.org stating your interest.

This email must be followed by the application and fee of \$25 no later than October 17.

I plan to participate and would love to have other members of LAG join me. Please let me know if you are interested! I will forward to you additional information.

Carol Leo paintoutdoors@laurelartguild.org

Member News

Diane Shipley sold six paintings and around 100 greeting cards at the Montgomery Art Association's Labor Day show in Kensington. She also sold her painting "Wine for Two," and will be working on a commissioned piece of a Civil War soldier.

Catherine Nickle had three pastel paintings hanging in the Maryland Pastel Society Members New Perspectives Juried Exhibit this summer.

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