



Laurel Art Guild Highlights

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January 2009

Robyn's Report

Welcome to the New Year!

The Laurel Art Guild offers many opportunities for our member's involvement in the new year. Our monthly meetings held in the Montpelier Arts Center will continue to offer instructional programs, timely information, and fellowship with other artists. Our next monthly meeting will be held on January 12th, at 7:30pm in the Montpelier Art Center. Workshops, various exhibit opportunities, and this year's Open Juried Exhibition have been planned, and are being readied by the faithful volunteers who work together to present these opportunities for artists to grow in their talent, and show their works. This month we look forward to the Sandra Blair Animal/Bird 3-Day Workshop, "Painting Wildlife in Watercolor," which will be held from January 9-11, from 9:30 -4:30pm, at the Montpelier Art Center Carriage House. Thank you to our workshop chair Cathy Nickle, for her careful planning of this exciting event.

Use the News! Your newsletter has notices of exhibit pick up, and drop off dates, workshops, and opportunities to volunteer. Guild news is also available on the Laurel Art Guild website, which can be accessed at: www.laurelartguild.org. The opportunities for service, education and exhibition afforded to you this year are plentiful! Make sure you are ready for exhibitions on time by keeping your newsletter close at hand, and by checking the website frequently. *Robyn Church Hatton*

January Program

On **January 12, Sheila Blake** will give us a lesson on **Drawing the Head**. Ms. Blake is an artist and adjunct professor at the Corcoran College of Art and Design. Her varied career includes raising four children, stints working as a sign painter and a house painter, and teaching art at Duke University. She currently teaches Pastels and Painting at the Corcoran. Sheila works in charcoal, pastel and oils. Her most recent exhibit was at Strathmore Hall last September.

We will have a live model, Michael Dunn, for the program. **Please bring your sketch book and your choice of dry medium** (pencil, charcoal or pastel).

Show Schedule

- February 6 - Postmark Deadline for slides/CD
- February 23 - Notifications of acceptance
- March 3 - Deliver Artwork 12 - 2 pm and 6 - 8 pm
- March 6 - Exhibit opens to public
- March 8 - Reception 2-4 pm
- March 29 - Exhibit closes
- March 30 - Pickup artwork 12 - 2 pm and 6 - 8 pm

LAG Annual Juried Show

Prospectus Available at:

<http://www.laurelartguild.org/lagopen.htm>

Discount on Digital Images of Your Artwork

Greg Staley will make digital images and traditional slide of your artwork on Tuesday, January 13, in the Carriage House at Montpelier starting at 7pm. The images will be returned to you no later than January 30, in plenty of time for your entry to LAG's Open Juried Show.

The cost is only \$10.00 per artwork for a CD with three file sizes (suitable for web, email or printing use). For \$12.50, you get the CD plus 5 traditional slides. You will pay Greg directly, in cash or by check, at the imaging session.

To sign up for this session, telephone or email Mary Ellen Simon (301-776-6721 or st8900@verizon.net) to let her know how many pieces you plan to bring and which option you want, CD or CD + slides.

LAG Exhibit Notes

- **Patuxent Wildlife Refuge Exhibit in April:** We are in need of a coordinator for the show which is located in Laurel. This person would accept artist forms, complete the required paperwork, be at the hanging and take down of the show. This is a one month exhibit.
- **Pick up for the U. S. District Courthouse** will be Saturday, January 31st, noon-1:00 pm in MAC parking lot. Carol, Tom, Robyn, and Walt will be there to help you load your paintings. If weather is stormy/icy, an alternate date will be set.
- **Artwork on CDS needed:** Artists, More and more venues are asking for examples of our artwork on CD's. In order to build a base for exhibit applications, I am asking for artists to send me your artwork on CD so that I may include it in our applications for various exhibits around the area.

Please send as many images as you want on a CD-R (resolution 300 dpi in 4x6 inches size) to me at the below address or when you see me at the meetings:

Carol Clatterbuck
4312 Briggs Chaney Rd
Beltsville, Maryland 20705

We have exhibits set throughout this coming year 2009, but will need these images to apply for 2010 and beyond.

LAG Exhibit Schedule

Venue	Exhibit Dates	Drop-off Date	Pick-up Date	Pick-Up Time	Commission
Laurel Regional Hospital	Sept. 29, 2008-Jan. 5, 2009	In progress	Jan. 5, 2009	9-10 a.m.	20%
U.S. District Courthouse	Oct. 7, 2008-Jan. 29, 2009	In progress	Sat., Jan. 31, 2009	Noon-1 pm in MAC Parking Lot	
Doctors Hospital	Dec. 1, 2008-Jan. 26, 2009 Contact Harvey Kuperberg 301-983-0167 240-994-8965	Dec. 1, 2008	Mon., Jan. 26, 2009	11 am-noon	
Laurel Regional Hospital	Jan. 5, 2009-Mar. 30, 2009	Jan. 5, 2009	Mar. 30, 2009	9-10 a.m.	20%
Brookside Gardens	Feb. 7, 2009-Apr. 4, 2009 Contact April Rimpo april@rimpo.org	Feb. 7, 2009	Apr. 4, 2009		25%

The Dennis and Phillip Ratner Museum

Ratner Museum Juried Exhibit
10001 Old Georgetown Rd, Bethesda, Maryland
Date: TBA
Send this signed form, 3 photos and resume to:
Carol Clatterbuck, 4312 Briggs Chaney Rd
Beltsville, Maryland 20705

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 shipping, exhibition, or another reason, 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

Coordinator: Carol Clatterbuck

Exhibit Location: 10001 Old Georgetown Rd, Bethesda, Maryland 20814

Dates: To be announced

Deadline to enter: February 15th, 2009

Specifications: In order for me to apply for a group exhibit, please send 3 photos representing your best artwork along with your artist resume.

If we are chosen as a group, the gallery director, will notify me as to which artists and pieces were accepted. If submitted artwork has been sold, there is room for negotiation. Dates, commission, and other details will be given if an exhibit date is provided.

Brookside Gardens Exhibit

Coordinator: April Rimpo

Exhibit Location: 1800 Glenallan Avenue, Wheaton, Maryland 20902

Dates: February 7, 2009 – April 4, 2009

Deadline to enter: Friday, January 30, 2009—

Entries will be accepted in the order received until approximately 35-40 paintings have been entered.

Hangers needed: Please sign up to help!

Drop-off: Saturday, February 7, 2009 **9:30am**
(must be completed by noon)

Pick-up: Saturday, April 4, 2009 9:00 – 9:30 am

Specifications: Framed artwork should measure no more than 48 inches in any direction, art must be clean and securely wired for hanging. *** **Only original work---horticultural/botanical in nature will be accepted.**

Brookside Gardens
1800 Glenallan Avenue, Wheaton, Maryland
Date: February 7 – April 4, 2009

Send a \$5.00 check (for hanging fee, unless helping with exhibit) made **payable to LAG**, along with the signed form to:

April Rimpo, 14032 Howard Road
Dayton, Maryland 21036

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E-mail: _____

Title: _____

Medium: _____ Price: _____ Size: _____

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Signature: _____

Date: _____ Check if will help hang exhibit

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Member News

The Laurel Art Guild is pleased to welcome two new members. **Jean Adamson** (301-593-0611, jadamson@verizon.net) whose media are oil and watercolor is a biologist and statistician. **Daniel Venne** (202-257-6041, daniel.venne@yahoo.com) whose media are oil and pastel, is a college art professor.

Harvey Kupferberg's photo "Live Oaks in Fog" took first place in the amateur category of FotoWeek D C. More significantly, he just received the American Epilepsy Society's William G. Lennox award for his contributions to the treatment of epileptic seizures. Harvey is justifiably proud that his work contributes to three new drugs soon to become available for the treatment of seizures.

Anne Harter sold two paintings from the exhibit at Doctor's Hospital in Lanham.

Mary Ellen Simon's pastel "The Levee at Arles" was accepted into the Towson Arts Collective's juried Travel Exhibit: Where Have You Been?

Congratulations to the following LAG members for being juried into the Patuxent Art League's Annual Show: **Stephanie Lyon, Mary Ellen Simon, April Rimpo, Carol Leo, Gail Zinar, Jane Trout.**

Critique Group

The Critique will be on January 4 in the Carriage House at Montpelier at 2:30 p.m. Please come. You may bring two unframed pieces. If they are on paper they should be matted. I hope to see many of you there. Please let Jane Trout know whether you will come either by email jd_trout@msn.com or phone 301 572-2898.

FYI...

Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church at 3215 Powder Mill Rd. is looking for visual artists or even groups of artists. The space is well lighted and will accommodate 20 to 30 pieces. You may have a reception and if you sell anything the church asks that you donate 20% of what you receive. If you are interested you would need to submit 4 to 6 photos or slides or a CD for review by the Arts

Summary of December Holiday Party

LAG members celebrated the holidays at the December 8 meeting with desserts and snacks; group art project contest between the red and green teams; challenging word scramble game; and white elephant sale to aid the scholarship fund. Those who attended had a lot of fun as they ate, socialized, played the games, took home art supply treasures, and viewed the lovely artwork in the Patuxent show hanging in the party room/gallery. Congratulations to Barbara Reiher for winning the door prize and to Sherrill Gross and a visitor for tying in the word scramble game. Who won in the contest between the red and green teams was impossible to determine.

2-Day WATERCOLOR FLOWER WORKSHOP WITH FRITZ SCHULER BRIGGS

Saturday & Sunday, April 4 & 5, 2009, Montpelier Art Center Carriage House 9:30 am – 4:40 pm

Laurel Art Guild is pleased to have scheduled well-known Maryland Artist Fritz Schuler Briggs to conduct a 2-day Watercolor Flower Workshop. Fritz is a member of the prestigious American Watercolor Society, President of the Charcoal Club of Baltimore and past President of the Baltimore Watercolor Society. He has won numerous awards for his work, teaches watercolor and drawing at The Schuler School of Fine Art in Baltimore and workshops throughout the State of Maryland.

LAG members receive priority registration through February 28, 2009. After February 28 LAG will advertise the workshop to outside art groups at a non-member fee of \$60. Incoming registrations from LAG members and outside artists will then be handled on an even basis. The workshop is limited to 16 participants. Once the workshop is filled incoming registrations will be placed on the waiting list.



FRITZ BRIGGS, 2-DAY WATERCOLOR FLOWER WORKSHOP

Saturday and Sunday April 4 and 5, 2009 9:30 am - 4:30 pm, Carriage House, Montpelier Art Center

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____

E-mail address: _____

***Please enclose check for \$50 (\$60 non-members) payable to Laurel Art Guild.**

Send completed Registration Form and check to: Catherine Nickle, 11201 Montgomery Road
Beltsville, Maryland 20705, (301) 937-7917

Registration deadline: March 20, 2009.

No refunds after March 20, 2009 unless your slot is filled from the waiting list.

2008/2009 Executive Board		
President	Robyn Hatton	301-421-0949 president@laurelartguild.org
Vice President	Sherill Anne Gross	lagopen@laurelartguild.org
Secretary	Rachel Hatton	301-421-0949 jesuslamb20@msn.com
Treasurer/Membership	Mary Ellen Simon	301-776-6721 treasurer@laurelartguild.org or membership@laurelartguild.org
Programs, Immediate Past President		
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Historian	Mavreen Veihmeyer	Mkveih@aol.com 301-776-6264
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Website	April Rimpo	410 531-7602
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Nominating Committee	?	
Publicity	Edith McMullin	
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Telephone Tree	?	
Workshops	Cathy Nickle	301-937-7917 workshops@laurelartguild.org

Please note: We have board openings wherever there is a “?” in the above chart. We welcome volunteers to serve in any of these capacities. Please contact Robyn Hatton, President if you would like to serve on the LAG Board. Thank you in advance!

PAINTING WILDLIFE IN WATERCOLOR

3-DAY ANIMAL/BIRD WORKSHOP WITH SANDRA BLAIR : How to Create a Credible Wildlife Painting

Dates: Friday, Saturday and Sunday, January 9, 10, 11, 2009

Location: Montpelier Art Center Carriage House from 9:30 – 4:40

The Laurel Art Guild is delighted to obtain internationally-known wildlife artist Sandra Blair to conduct an intensive 3-Day Watercolor Workshop on painting animals and birds. **Day One** will focus on painting animal eyes; **Day Two** painting fur; **Day Three** painting bird eyes and feathers.

The workshop will be a two-step process: the Artist will give a brief overview on her painting process in the morning and demonstrate her painting technique and in the afternoon will provide photo references and line drawings from which the participants will do small practice studies. The Artist will give individual help during each step of the process and will provide handouts of the lesson. The discussion will include how to successfully combine elements from different photos: lighting, proportion, highlight and shadow detail, geographic and seasonal considerations.

Sandra is a Signature Member of the Society of Animal Artists, the Baltimore Watercolor Society, the Artists for Conservation and invited to become a member of the International Guild of Realism. Her paintings have received numerous awards in local, regional and international wildlife exhibitions. She received the coveted Award of Excellence from the prestigious Society of Animal Artists in 2005.

LAG members receive preferred registration through November 30, 2008. After that date LAG will accept incoming registrations from outside groups and LAG registrations will be handled on an even basis. The workshop is limited to 16 participants. Once the workshop is filled incoming registrations will be placed on the waiting list.



PAINTING WILDLIFE IN WATERCOLOR : SANDRA BLAIR ANIMAL/BIRD 3-DAY WORKSHOP

January 9, 10, 11, 2009 from 9:30-4:30, Carriage House,
Montpelier Art Center

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____

E-mail address: _____

***Please enclose check for \$155 (\$165 non-members)
payable to Laurel Art Guild.**

***Send completed Registration Form and check to:**

Catherine Nickle
11201 Montgomery Road
Beltsville, Maryland 20704
301) 937-7917

Registration deadline: December 26, 2009.

*No refunds after December 26 unless your slot is filled
from the waiting list.*

Next Board Meeting:

Tues., Jan. 6, 2009, 7:30 pm

Next General LAG Meeting:

Mon., Jan. 12, 2009, 7:30 p.m. at MAC

LAG Peer Critique:

January 4th, 2:30 - 4:30 p.m.

LRH Exhibit Pickup and Drop-off:

January 5th, 2009 9 - 10 a.m.

Sandra Blair Workshop:

January 9 -11, 2009 from 9:30 a.m. -
4:30p.m.

Brookside Garden Entries due:

January 30, 2009

Send information for the newsletter to

Carol Leo at:

newsletter@laurelartguild.org or mail to

Carol Leo

4114 27th Avenue

Temple Hills, MD 20748

We'd love to hear about shows you have been accepted into, tidbits from workshops you have attended, new member bios, etc.

DEADLINE FOR EACH NEWSLETTER IS THE 17th
OF THE MONTH.

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9652 Muirkirk Rd.
Laurel, MD 20708