



# *Laurel Art Guild Highlights*

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February 2015

## *Carol's Column*

Dear LAG Artists,

Winter siege has overtaken us. I hope that LAG members are using the indoor time to produce artwork in their studio or workspace.

Pending are exhibits, workshops, and the annual Montpelier Festival. Please be aware of the upcoming events in the following pages of the newsletter, and sign up while there is still space.

Our January meeting was an enjoyable and informative critique by local, acclaimed artist, Brenda Kidera. Everyone agreed that her review of our works was insightful and helpful. Brenda's advice and tips gave us new wisdom in approaching our next works of art.

February will go by without a Members Meeting. Our next meeting will be held in March at MAC. Our presenter is Ray Ewing. (See information below.) His presentation will be on the timeless and always timely topic of composition. Please don't miss this presentation on Monday evening, March 9 at 7:00PM.

Feel free to invite guests to our Member Meetings as they are meant not only for the benefit of LAG members, but for the community at large.

Looking forward to seeing you soon!



### ***Monday, March 9, 2015 7:00 PM Members Meeting***

#### **Raymond Ewing: Painting Light**

Raymond Ewing grew up in the scenic mountains of western Maryland.

The southern Maryland landscape now serves as inspiration for many of his watercolor and pastel paintings.

Ray has been an art instructor, an active juror and a guest lecturer in the Washington, D.C. area for over thirty years. He has been featured in solo and group shows throughout the Mid-Atlantic region as well as in New England. He has participated in the Department of State Art in Embassies Program and his work is included in private and corporate collections in the U.S. and abroad.

He is represented by the William Ris Gallery in Stone Harbor, New Jersey and the North End Gallery in Leonardtown, Maryland and is a member of the Mid Atlantic Plein Air Painters Association and the Baltimore Watercolor Society and the Maryland Pastel Society.

## **Workshop Update submitted by Donna Aldridge**

1. Saturday, April 11, (tentative) may be a second Composition/Design Workshop with Emily Conover. 18 artists signed for the Jan. 31 workshop but I had room for 14 only. It is important to sign up and pay early. Payment assures a space. Emily will expand on what was taught at the first workshop. See page 4 for the registration form.
2. Saturday, May 16, is the date for a Steve Fleming workshop at Riderwood, Silver Spring, Md. Steve teaches regularly for our watercolor and oil artists. We are fortunate to have him as an instructor since he teaches regularly in Alexandria, Va. We may have a demo of a still life. Participants can bring their own subject matter and Steve will aid you in completing a painting. This workshop is open to all levels of watercolor, acrylic or oil painters. See page 5 for the registration form.
3. July 2015(?) is a possible month for a Collage Workshop. Irene Sylvester would like to conduct this workshop if I have 8-10 artists. Cost will be about \$35.00. Email or call me if you might be interested. Irene, a resident artist at Montpelier, does beautiful and intriguing collages. This workshop is for intermediate level artists. You are expected to have a design in mind. Irene will assist each artist preparing a collage. You do not have to be an expert in collage. Beginners are welcome. Call me at 301-927-5999 if interested.

## **LAG Online Exhibit Submitted by April Rimpo**

The current online exhibit is "Black and White." Exhibit may be viewed [here](#). Eight members are exhibiting. Contact April Rimpo [webmaster@laurelartguild.org](mailto:webmaster@laurelartguild.org) if you would like to exhibit and need instructions or assistance.

## **Exhibits Update Submitted by Diane Shipley:**

### **2015**

LAG will have an exhibit at **Huntington Community Center's Art Gallery/Cyber Cafe** in Bowie from March 2 – May 4. See the attached form on page 3. Please try to attend our reception on Thursday, March 12 from 7:00 - 9:00 pm.

We will also be exhibiting at **Laurel Regional Hospital** this summer. As of now, the dates are May 1 – July 31.

### **2016**

Brookside Gardens - February 22 – March 28, **2016**

# Huntington Community Center Art Gallery/Cyber Cafe

**Exhibit Dates:** March 2 – May 4, 2015

**Exhibit Location:** 13022 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Bowie, MD

**Coordinator:** Tom Kirby

**Exhibit Dates:** March 2 – May 4, 2015

**Deadline to Enter:** Friday, February 20, 2015

**Drop off:** Saturday, February 28, 10:00 am

**Reception:** Thursday, March 12, 7:00 – 9:00 pm

**Pick up:** To be announced later (week of May 4)

**Specifications:** Artwork should measure no more than 36 inches in width. They must have clean mats and glass (if needed), be framed (unless edges of canvas are finished), and securely wired for hanging. Paintings must be labeled with artist information on back (name, title, medium, and price). Up to three (3) pieces per artist will be accepted in order until 30 paintings have been received. There will be a **20% commission** on sales.

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

Tom Kirby  
13112 Oval Lane  
Bowie, MD 20715

## 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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**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



# Color & Design: Mixed Media

## Workshop with Emily Conover

Sponsored by The Laurel Art Guild, Inc., Laurel Maryland



**Saturday, April 11, 2015**

**9:30 AM to 3:30 PM**

Riderwood Town Center

Craft Room

3140 Gracefield Road

Silver Spring, MD

**\$22 Lag Members**

**\$28 Non-Members**

**Breakfast Snacks provided -- Bring a Lunch**

**Payment is due by March 23, 2015**

Enrollment is limited to 14

**EMILY CONOVER - Adjunct Professor of Fine Art, UMCP**

Emily currently teaches courses in Fine Art at the University of Maryland. Her specialties include painting, drawing, mixed media, design fundamentals, color theory and printmaking. She is a member of the artist advisory group at the Brentwood Arts Center, 39th Street Gallery. Emily will lead this workshop on Color and Design using mixed media. Her enthusiasm and expertise is sure to inspire us to engage our right brains and improve our composition skills.



Contact Donna Aldridge:

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or

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### Emily Conover Workshop - April 11, 2015

Enclosed is my check payable to "LAG" in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

I AM \_\_\_\_\_ / AM NOT \_\_\_\_\_ a Laurel Art Guild member.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Detach and return this portion with payment to Donna Aldridge**

**7008 College Heights Drive, Hyattsville MD 20782**

# Oil, Acrylic, & Watercolor Workshop With Steve Fleming

Sponsored by The Laurel Art Guild, Inc., Laurel Maryland



Steve works in watercolor, acrylic, and oil, and teaches both for The Art League in Alexandria, Virginia, as well as in workshops across the country and abroad. Steve says that his goal as an artist is to be creative and his goal as a teacher is to help his students learn to interpret the world around them, not to promote the belief that the goal of art is the perfect rendering of a subject.

Check out Steve's blog at:  
[www.steveflemingartiststudio.com](http://www.steveflemingartiststudio.com)

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**Saturday May 16, 2015**

**9:30 AM to 3:30 PM**

To be held at: Riderwood Town Center  
Craft Room  
3140 Gracefield Road  
Silver Spring, MD

The cost is: \$38.00 for LAG Members  
\$46.00 for Non-members

Breakfast Snacks provided - Bring a Lunch

Enrollment is limited to 14

**Payment is due by April 25, 2015**

## Steve Fleming Workshop - May 16, 2015

Enclosed is my check payable to "LAG" in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

I AM \_\_\_\_\_ / AM NOT \_\_\_\_\_ a Laurel Art Guild member.

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## Member News

LAG welcomes new member, **Brenda Wheeler**. Brenda works in water media and her email is [spiderlover@clear.net](mailto:spiderlover@clear.net) She lives in Laurel.

**Michelle Morgan** received a first place award in the Rockville Art League Holiday Show at Glenview Mansion in December. She was also awarded an honorable mention in the Annual Members show. Congratulations, Michelle!



**April Rimpo** was invited to participate in an exhibit representing Maryland artists at the Lowe House Office Building, where the Governor's Inauguration was held. The exhibit runs from January 21 – April 13, 2015. April's paintings, **Country Tour**, **Looking Up**, and **Tall Ship-Gloria** are included. A reception will be held on February 2 from 6 - 8 PM. I hope you can attend.

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Items with ? Are in need of Chairpersons!			

## **LAG Calendar 2015**

**Emily Conover Workshop**, Saturday, January 31, 2015,  
Riderwood Town Center Crafts Room

**LAG Juried Open**, Entry deadline, January 31, 2015

**Huntington Submission**, Entry deadline, February 20, 2015

**LAG Board Meeting**, Saturday, February 21, 2015, 10 AM MAC

**Huntington Drop-off**, Saturday, February 28, 2015, 10 AM,  
Huntington

**Member Meeting**, Monday March 9, 2015, 7:00 PM, MAC

**Huntington Reception**, Thursday, March 12, 7-9 PM

**LAG Juried Open**, March 7-March 29, 2015

Send information for the newsletter  
to [newsletter@laurelartguild.org](mailto:newsletter@laurelartguild.org)

**DEADLINE FOR CONTENT FROM  
EACH BOARD AND/OR GENERAL  
MEMBER IS THE 17th OF THE  
MONTH.**

**Please proof your submission, and  
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greatly appreciated. Thank you!**

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