

LAUREL ART GUILD NEWSLETTER



OCTOBER 2024

President's Message

As the year progresses, artists are continually inspired by the seasonal colors and natural forms shaped by the ultimate creator of this Universe. Soon, vibrant yellows, browns, and oranges will grace our surroundings, sparking creativity and artistic expression. Be sure to carry your sketchbook and materials with you, ready to capture nature's beauty in your drawings. Share your work with us on [social media](#) and join the conversation! You might even be featured in a future newsletter, with an interview by our communications team. Let this season fuel your inspiration—get out there and create!

Exhibits

Ongoing - Small Works at MAC. We will be hanging a new show on October 19, 2024 and it will run through January 17, 2025.

2025

Linda and Diane are working on shows for 2025 and so far have two confirmed: the Laurel/Beltsville Senior Center beginning in March and Brookside Gardens beginning in October.



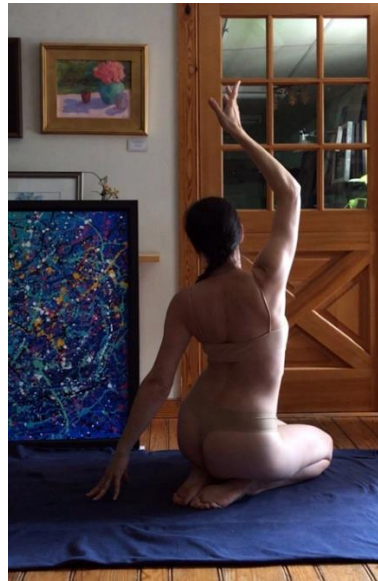
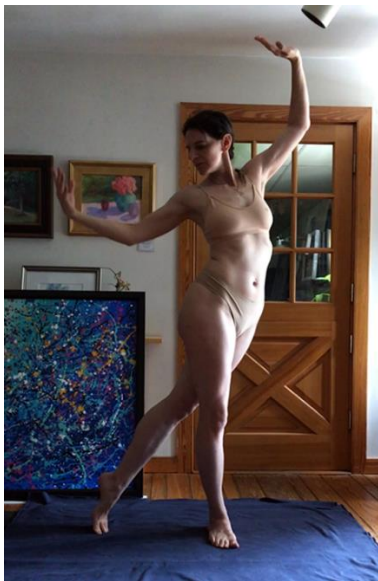
Wild Flowers by Diane Shipley

October Program

LAG programs are free and open to everyone.

On **Monday, October 14, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.**, we will have a hands-on sketching and painting from life session. Bring your sketching and painting materials. LAG will provide tables and chairs. If you like using an easel, please bring your own.

Experienced model Sarah Wardell will pose for us. Because we meet in a public area, Sarah will be minimally clothed. She will do several short poses and one long pose with appropriate breaks. Here are two photos of some poses Sarah did for us a few years ago:



November Preview: Andree Tullier will demonstrate painting the portrait, using pastel as her medium.

Member News

Pam Bozzi

Pam sold two watercolor paintings at the Friends of the Yellow Barn Drawing and Water-based Media show on Labor Day Weekend and received an Honorable Mention with a cash prize for one of them. She has 12 paintings on display at the Arts Herndon Gallery in Herndon, Virginia as part of the Irish Folk Festival being held there on Saturday, September 28. She painted this piece, *Dancing Feet*, for the show based on a photo she took at music camp last summer.



Dancing Feet

Diane Shipley

Diane has some rusty metal work and three abstract paintings on consignment at beachKraft Gallery, 18200 Georgia Avenue, Unit O + N, Olney, Maryland. She also has her greetings cards for sale in the gift shop at Brookside Gardens, 1800 Glenallan Avenue, Silver Spring, Maryland.

Anita Henley Carrington

Exciting news! Anita was part of an exhibition titled *WOVEN: Threads of Identity in Abstract Expressionism* at the Popcorn Gallery, which ran from August 2 through September 29, 2024. Although Anita missed the opening reception due to Covid-19, she was able to attend and participate in the closing reception and artist talk on September 29, 2024. Here is the August 2, 2024 article from [Daily Campbello Art News](#).

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Rebecca Rothey

Rebecca's painting, *Truchas Vista*, was selected for inclusion in the Baltimore Watercolor Society's "2024 Mid Atlantic Exhibition". Her watercolor "Rainbow" is currently being shown in the Rhode Island Watercolor Society's "Small Works" exhibition and "Dennis Beach Goers" was selected for inclusion in the RIWS's "On the Coast" on-line exhibition.



Truchas Vista



Rainbow



Dennis Beach Goers

September Paint-Out

Three LAG members met on Saturday, September 28, on the grounds of MAC (Montpelier Arts Center) to sketch and paint from the various scenic views on the grounds. What started as a cloudy day soon became a day of bright sunshine and blue sky. Melba, Linda, and Carol enjoyed capturing the effects of sunlight and shadows highlighting the trees and grass.

We were also pleasantly surprised by a visit from our president Efrain Montanez, who would like to see the plein air efforts of LAG expand into outreach events that include other artists in the community. In addition, the plein air participants were happy to have a visit from LAG member Stacy Voccia and her husband along with their new baby, Jack, born two months ago. CONGRATULATIONS to the Voccias!

Images of this MAC paint-out will soon be available for viewing on the [LAG plein air webpage](#).

For the month of October, LAG artists are invited to the St. Barnabas Church in Temple Hills, MD. This picturesque location includes a church and graveyard that were built in 1830. If you are interested in participating in this plein air event, please contact Carol Leo at paintoutdoors@laurelartguild.org



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