# LAUREL ART GUILD NEWSLETTER



#### **NOVEMBER 2024**

# **President's Message**

As the Fall season settles in, creativity awakens with the vibrant colors around us. For artists, this time of year offers endless inspiration, with nature's beauty providing motivation to capture and eternalize its essence. At the Laurel Art Guild, we offer a supportive community for both aspiring and professional artists who seek to grow and refine their artistic skills.

Our members regularly host events where we come together to exchange ideas and inspire one another. Join us for our outdoor painting sessions, where the peaceful connection with nature not only nurtures creativity but also brings a sense of tranquility. Painting outdoors can be a therapeutic experience, helping to clear the mind and refresh the spirit

Another exciting event I encourage you to take part in is the MAC Small Works Show, hosted at the Montpelier Arts Center. This exhibition is a wonderful opportunity for LAG members to showcase their talents and sell their artworks. Be sure to visit our website for guidelines on how to participate.

As we embrace this new season with LAG, we invite you to spread the word. Open your mind to the countless possibilities that visual art offers and share your unique knowledge and creativity with our vibrant community.

#### **Exhibits**

**Ongoing** - Small Works at MAC. We hung a new show on October 19<sup>,</sup> 2024 and it will run through January 17, 2025.

Linda and Daine are working on shows for **2025** and so far have two confirmed: Laurel/Beltsville Senior Center - March 22 through April 25; and Brookside Gardens beginning in October.

### **November Program**

LAG programs are free and open to everyone.

On Monday, November 11, 2024 at 7:00 pm, Andree Tullier will demonstrate portrait painting from a live model using pastel. Ms. Tullier is a Maryland resident, artist and educator who is passionate about the color of light in nature. In addition to portraits, Andree paints still life, landscape and the figure. She says her work in sculpture has given her an understanding of form in space, which has elevated her ability to paint portraits and the figure. She paints both plein air and in the studio.

Andree holds a BA in studio art from the University of Maryland and an Art Educator degree from Bowie State University. She spent some time teaching high school art, followed by a career in graphic design before returning to first love, fine art. Today she teaches at Maryland Hall, Anne Arundel Community College, and in her studio.

She exhibits widely throughout the Delmarva region and has won many awards. She has served as an Artist-in-Residency at the Cook Foundation in Gloucester, Virginia. She is a member of several professional societies including the American Impressionist Society, the Maryland Society of Portrait Painters, and the Maryland Pastel Society as well as the Portrait Society of America.





"Samantha"

Pastel

"Katheryn Roberts" Pastel

More of Andree Tullier's work can be seen at andreetullier.com.

# **LAG Open**

Timeline: LAG Open Juried Exhibition / Request for Juror Recommendations

I'm excited to announce the dates for the 56th Laurel Art Guild Open Juried Exhibition! That's right—you heard it here first! There's plenty of time to bring your next masterpiece to life, with submissions open until midnight on Monday, March 20th, 2025. So, gather your brushes, scissors, or whatever magic tools bring your vision to life and give us something jaw-dropping! Consider this your head start—most folks aren't in on this yet. See? You're special! Like American Express says, "membership has its privileges." So let your creative genius shine!

- Submission window opens Monday, January 20, 2025
- Submission window closes Monday, March 18, 2025
- Show opens Saturday, April 19, 2025
- Reception/Awards Ceremony Saturday, May 3, 2025 1-3 pm
- Show ends Sunday, June 1, 2025

And while I've got you here, we need a juror! If you know any top-notch artists/professors who'd be a great fit, send their names my way ASAP. Our goal is to lock in the juror by year's end. Thanks in advance, and let's make this exhibition unforgettable!

Warmly, Anita Henley Carrington Vice-President, LAG

#### **Member News**

## **Rebecca Rothey**

Rebecca's painting, *Afternoon Nap*, was selected for inclusion in the Rhode Island Watercolor Society's "Simply Watercolor" exhibition.



#### **Diane Shipley**

Diane Shipley won an Honorable Mention Award at the Montgomery Art Association's "Autumn Colors and Reflections" exhibit at the Glenview Mansion Art Gallery in Rockville. The show runs through November 27. Her painting is a watercolor called *Aspen Glow*.





#### **October Paint-Out**

Our October Paint-Out took place on the grounds of an historic Prince George's County Church, St. Barnabas Episcopal church built in 1830 and located in Temple Hills, MD. Two LAG artists, Linda Botts Butler and Carol Leo made it to this site and enjoyed an intense day of capturing some of the sights in this historic landscape. A third artist, Pam Bozzi moved forward at another site and painted a picture of Lake Reddington.





Carol did a watercolor of the church and graveyard. Linda did an oil of an intriguing tree and building on another part of the property. All agreed that the day was a very inspiring one for plein air art.

We hope to try this site again in the spring, when the weather will not be a deterrent for some of our artists.





If October's bright blue weather continues into November, we may be able to schedule another plein air art session. Be watching your email for the details.

See information and images on our Paint-In/-Out Page.

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