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Newsletter

May at AAG



General Meeting, May 20, 2019

Outreach Programs Exhibition and Reception

A presentation by Co-Chairs of the AAG Outreach Programs and exhibition of the AAG/Paradise Valley Community College Veterans Ceramic Class. AAG Outreach Programs Chairs include: Karen Weingartner, David L Bradley, Patrice Al-Shatti, Lisa Wayman, Mark Woehrle, and Tess Mosko Scherer.

The AAG/Paradise Valley Community College Veterans Ceramic Class was made possible from a grant from Phoenix Office of Art and Culture, and supported by Paradise Valley Community College, Arizona Artists Guild and Marjons Ceramics.

The Mosaics Program was made possible from a grant from Arizona Commission of the Arts

The Survivors of Suicide Class was made possible through collaboration and a grant from Your Art Your Story.

Open Studio

The Open Studio provides room to work on large pieces, camaraderie, and lively conversation about art and the creative process. Meeting weekly



on Monday mornings and Wednesday evenings. AAG members and non-members are welcome to attend. Open Studio is open year round including the summer.

May 2019 events at AAG

Sculptors' Group Meeting:

First Monday of each Month | 7-9:00 PM

AAG Monthly Meeting:

Third Tuesday of each month, 5:30-8:00 PM

AAG-PVCC Veterans Ceramic Art

First and Third Saturday of each month 1:00-4:00 at Paradise Valley Community College

Summer 2019 events at AAG

Open Studio:

Mondays 9AM - 12 Wednesdays evenings 5-7 PM

Life Drawing:

Tuesdays & Thursdays 9:30 AM -12:30 PM

AAG Critique Group:

First Tuesdays 5-8 PM (full) First Wednesdays 6:00-9:00 (full)

Advanced Drawing With Ivan Halvorson

Wednesdays 6:00-8:00 pm

Digital Media Lab

May 3, July 12, & August 9 | 10 AM - 1:00 PM

Outreach Programs:

AAG Veteran's Art Program:

Fourth Saturday of each month 10 AM - 2 PM

Survivors of Suicide Art Class

Fourth Saturday of each month 3:00-5:00 PM

For details please visit ArizonaArtistsGuild.net

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A note from the President....



This is my last letter as President. It has been the most difficult to write because it feels so final. It has been an honor and privilege to serve as president these past 3 years. They went by so quickly and hold so many memories. There is so much I would like to say, and yet want to keep it short.

I am grateful to have had this opportunity to serve all of you and AAG. This was an opportunity to get to know so many of you that I might not otherwise have had an opportunity to know. As I have grown, I have witnessed your growth, too. I have seen the work evolve through the critiques, the shows and exhibitions, and hearing about what you are doing and where you are showing. It is an exciting time for all of us.

I have had an amazing group of people to work closely with through the years. Not just the board members, but also the committee members. We all worked together, mostly in harmony, in pursuit of a common goal: to advance the mission of AAG to promote the arts and artists through exhibition, education and outreach. I am grateful to all of you for sharing your gifts and graces, and influence my life. We have laughed really hard, cried, shared stories, births, deaths, illnesses, and life experiences together. Although volunteering is a huge time commitment, the payoff was beyond measure. In these 3 years, AAG has expanded its reach and I am fortunate to have been a part of that.

I am grateful to have succeeded David Bradley. He has become a mentor and a dear friend through this process. In the early days he guided and encouraged me, partnered on projects with me and then cheered me on as I flew on my own. I hope I can do as much for Ivan as he has done for me.

On a personal note, these 3 years have been a time of expansion and growth for me. I overcame my fear and loathing of public speaking -- I would never have gone to China or Bangladesh if I hadn't worked through that! This position provided me an opportunity to explore myself as an artist, a leader, and a public servant in a deeper way that I can accurately convey.

My life has transformed over the past ten years as I have been a member of AAG and AAG has influenced that transformation. AAG has helped me find my voice as an artist, to realize the social impact of my art and my artistic practice, and how my art can affect others and create change. In this nascent stage of understanding, I am excited to have the time to develop the work and see where it leads.

So I ask you, what does AAG mean to you? What have you gained? How have you grown? And if your answer is NO to these questions, then I ask, what is holding you back?

At one point I shared the famous Teddy Roosevelt speech, The Man in the Arena. I'd like to share it again one last time. AAG is in the arena. We have been dusty, fallen and risen time and again. We have prevailed for 90 years. I believe it is our clear mission statement that keeps us focus and grounded as an organization, and it is our core values of public service and encouragement that keeps us unified.

Onward with grace and gratitude,

Tess

It is not the critic who counts; not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles, or where the doer of deeds could have done them better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood; who strives valiantly; who errs, who comes short again and again, because there is no effort without error and shortcoming; but who does actually strive to do the deeds; who knows great enthusiasms, the great devotions; who spends himself in a worthy cause; who at the best knows in the end the triumph of high achievement, and who at the worst, if he fails, at least fails while daring greatly.

- Teddy Roosevelt

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AAG LEADERSHIP TEAM

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AAG Sculptors Group



Monday, May 6, 2019 | 7-9pm Eliza Weber

Discussion and demonstration of her work and artistic process followed by a tour of the Grant Street Studios, located at 605 E. Grant Street, Phoenix, AZ 85004

Join Eliza for a demonstation of her work followed by a tour of the Grant Street Studios, home of the Arizona State University Grad Students. State of the Art equipment in large open spaces promote creativity and originality of work produced by the next generation of emerging artists. It is always fun and exciting to see what our talented youth are doing. If you have never been there, be sure to seize this opportunity!

Weber is a past AAG scholarship recipient.

AAG welcomes the following new members:

Dave Elliott | Anita Ries Gloria Alexander | Ilona Halderman Tom Shadowens | Lauri Schintzler Mavis Keepin | Chauncie Kucera Karen Lemelson

Congratulations to the new Juried Members:

Bela Fidel Jim Holbert Shannon O'Donnell

Membership cards are available for pick-up at Monthly meetings. There's still time to renew for 2019-2020 membership.

The AAG Membership Directory is available to members. Request your updated AAG 2019: membership@arizonaartistsguild.net.

Write Membership Directory in the subject line and include your name in the email.

Golden AAG Memberships

If you are 90+ years old and have been a member of AAG for at least 5 years.

How to become a juried member?

An Associate member becomes a Juried Member after acceptance into three (3) AAG juried shows. It is the responsibility of each Associate to maintain a complete record of the title of the art and the exhibition it was in. The form may be downloaded from the website or picked up at AAG. Submit this record to the Membership Chairperson. Dues must be current to maintain 'Juried Member' status, Visit the website for more details.

Scheduling your event at AAG

If you wish to contact AAG for scheduling meetings, etc. at AAG please email us. The email address is: admin@arizonaartistsguild.net.

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1st Place A Year's Journey Joyce Baldwin



2nd Place Knight Roger Lundskow

Artist of the Month

Each month, members select by vote from a selection of work exhibited at the monthly meeting. The winning art is displayed for the month at AAG. Each Artist of the Month winner receives a ribbon, a cash prize of \$25, and the opportunity to compete for Artist of the Year. All the winning works return for the May meeting, where members vote for artist of the year. All artists are celebrated at a show and reception for their work at the September meeting.



Betty Braig



Judy Pate

AAG Community Outreach Fine Art Exhibitions

The Arizona Artists Guild in partnership with the Beatitudes Foundation present on-going fine art exhibitions for their residents and guests. AAG juried members show for three months at this venue. The Beatitudes is located at 1610 W. Glendale Ave, Phoenix.

Beatitudes: Vision of Possibilities Exhibition
Judy Pate and Betty Braig
March 6 - June 5 2019

AAG Critique Groups

The AAG Critique groups are small groups of members who meet monthly for a group critique. Open to AAG members, each group consists of about 10 people. Once the maximum is reached, the group is closed and a list of interested members is started for forming a new group. If you are interested in participating in a critique group, email: info@arizonaartistsguild.net.

ART SUPPLY EXCHANGE SALE

Frames, paint, paper, brushes, easels and more!
Art Supply is open 9 am to noon Mondays and
5PM - 9PM AAG Meeting nights

Art Supplies Needed

Art Supply Exchange is one of AAG's most popular programs. Donated gently used art supplies are available at very reasonable prices. If you are interested in donating or purchasing supplies e-mail: ArtSupply@ ArizonaArtistsGuild.net or call 602-944-9713. Hours: Monday 9am-12pm, at AAG meetings 5-9pm, or by appointment

AAG - LIFE DRAWING

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Bring supplies | coffee is provided

9:30 AM - 12:30PM
ALL TUESDAYS - LONG POSE
ALL THURSDAYS -SHORT TO LONG POSES

(except holidays)
Walt Wieder - wweider@uuma.org

AAG - OPEN STUDIO

MEMBERS FREE | NON MEMBERS \$10.00
Easels and tables provided or you may bring your own.
Bring supplies | coffee is provided

Mondays 9 AM - 12PM

Alicia Plogman aplogman@icloud.com

Wednesday Evening 5-7PM

John Erwin salesxisw@aol.com

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AAG's Community Outreach Art Programs

Since its inception in 1928, Arizona Artists Guild has promoted the arts through education, exhibition and outreach.

Community outreach is the cornerstone of the Arizona Artists Guild's activities and is the main focus of our organization. We recognize the impact that art has on people's lives and it's potential for facilitating healing which is immeasurable. AAG recognizes the value of the arts in how it enriches lives. Guild members and Outreach Program participants alike relate stories about how their lives were changed through their own exposure to Fine Art, be it at an early age or later in life when they could pursue a life long urge that had been repressed due to family and career obligations.

AAG provides free monthly art classes to underserved segments of our community who find an improved quality of life through making art.

Veterans Art Classes: AAG provides free art instruction for Veterans of US military service. This class meets on the fourth Saturday of the month from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. This project is supported in part by the Arizona Art Alliance which receives support from the Arizona Department of Veteran Services. Contact David Bradley daylbradly@gmail.com to register or volunteer.





Survivors of Suicide Art Class:

This program is designed specifically for friends and families who have lost a loved one to suicide as well as those who have attempted suicide and survived. This project is supported in partnership and funding from Your Art Your Story. Pictured at left: Bruce Sink demonstrating watercolor techniques

AAG-PVCC Ceramic Art Classes for Veterans: AAG has partnered with Paradise Valley Community College to offer a ceramics program

to Veterans and their family members. The classes are offered on the first and third Saturday of each month from 1:00-4:00 pm. Partial funding provided by the Phoenix Office of Arts and Culture through appropriations from the Phoenix City Council. Contact David Bradley davlbradly@gmail.com to register or volunteer.





The Mosaics: AAG offers monthly art classes to non-English speaking adult immigrants who are isolated due to age and language. They face the challenges associated with creating new friends and building community. Art becomes the common language and is often the only language spoken. Contact Karen Weingartner for additional information and to volunteer: kareninsun@gmail.com. This project is supported in part by an award from the Arizona Commission on the Arts, an agency of the State of Arizona.

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EXHIBITIONS AND WORKSHOPS



2019 AAG Statewide Exhibition | May 10 – June 20, 2019.

West Valley Art HQ | 16126 N Civic Center Plaza, Surprise, AZ 85374 This exhibit is open to all residents of Arizona. Membership in AAG is not required for this exhibition.

Awards: Best of Show \$1000 cash Award of Excellence \$500 cash Award of Merit \$250 cash

Important Dates:

Drop off to WVAHQ: Friday, May 3 and Saturday May 4, 2019 | 10 AM to 12 Noon **Reception:** Friday, May 10, 2019 | 6 to 8 PM

Pick up: Saturday, June 22, 2019 | 10 to 1 PM



Monthly Digital Media Lab with Tess Mosko Scherer | 10:00 AM -1:00 PM March 15, April 12, May 10, July 12, August 9

Participants are invited to bring their laptop, tablet, or smart-phone. Bring digital images and information to edit, post on social media, or update your website. Topics covered: posting, creating events, sharing, boosting and other aspects of Instagram and FaceBook, along with business tips and marketing strategies. Photo editing, management and other aspects of social media and

marketing will be covered. Word Press website and Blogging. Each session is driven by the needs of the attendees. members: \$35/members | \$45 non-members.



A League of Their Own exhibition at the Holland Gallery.

Arizona Art Alliance is hosting the annual A League of Their Own exhibition featuring the artwork of member leagues. Arizona Artists Guild is honored to be a part of this exhibit. We take this opportunity as a way to say thank you to our volunteers who work tirelessly, often behind the scenes for AAG. Each volunteer is invited to participate in this inviational exhibition. Please join us in celebrating their committment and artistic

achievements at the Opening Reception on July 13, 4:30-6:30. The Holland Gallery | 34250 N 60th St, Scottsdale, AZ 85266.

The key dates are as shown:

Drop off at AAG Thursday June 27th from 1pm to 4pm Jury to ensure fit of space June 27th 4pm to 5pm Deliver and Hang art June 28th 9am to 2pm Opening Reception July 13th 4:30pm to 6:30pm Remove and return art to AAG July 26th 8:30am to 10am Artwork pickup at AAG July 27th 10am to 1pm

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MEMBER NEWS





Rosemary Holusha Arizona Photography Alliance Members' Exhibition Founder:RE Hotel Central Avenue & Portland Street, Phoenix March -01-2019 to May-30-2019 | dily 7AM to 10PM



Joan McGue West Valley Art Museum Celebration of Artists 2019 City Hall Art Gallery 8401 W. Monroe Peoria, AZ 85345 March 11 – April 25, 2019 | MTW 10-4; Thursday 12-6



Frances O. Murphy Sacred Threads: Quilts Exploring Life's Journeys Floris United Methodist Church Herndon, VA July 11 – July 28, 2019



BENJYE TROOB
Salt and Sand
Jackson Junge Gallery 1389 N. Milwaukee Ave Chicago, Il
Solo Show of her Cape Cod and Arizona Acrylic Landscapes
April 12 – May 5, 2019 | open daily 11 am – 7 pm.
Reception April 12, 2019 | 6:00-9:00 pm



Ann Osgood Desert City Vault Gallery ASU Downtown Center 411 N. Central Aveue Phoenix | January 1 – May 4, 2019



Bela Fidel Artist Inspirations Herberger Theater | March 1 – April 28, 2019

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AAG General Meetings Schedule

Join us on the third Tuesday of each month from September through May, except for December, for an evening of socializing with artists of all media, informative and entertaining presentations by experts in their fields, critiques of member artworks, and competition for Artist of the Month.

Overview of Meeting Time line

5:30 pm Member critique

Members bring a piece of art they want feedback about, or suggestions for improvement.

6:15 Enjoy a snack, view the exhibit, vote for artist of the month, buy a raffle ticket.

6:30 Business meeting

7:00 Program presentation

8:00 pm Meeting adjourned



THANK YOU



Thank you Arizona Art Supply for your continued support and generosity to AAG. Monthly donations support the raffle which inturn supports Outreach and Scholarship Programs.

Be sue to visit Arizona Art Supply when you need art supplies. Ask about AAG membership discounts.



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