



ARIZONA ARTISTS GUILD

Newsletter

May AAG Meeting



Tuesday, May 19, 2015, 7:30-8:30 PM at the AAG building, we will have our yearly scholarship program.

One of the Arizona Artists Guilds greatest outreach programs is the AAG Scholarship

Awards Program. AAG helps aspiring young artist through its scholarship program. Each year the young artist who receive the AAG Scholarship Award present a program showing the work they have done. The program is always exciting and very informative. The artwork presented is cutting edge and truly unique. Don't miss this program!

A Quote by Sophia Loren

There is a fountain of youth: it is your mind, your talents, the creativity you bring to your life and the lives of people you love. When you learn to tap this source, you will truly have defeated age.

A Quote by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

When I am Completely myself, entirely alone... or during the night when I cannot sleep, it is on such occasions that my ideas flow best and most abundantly. Whence and how these ideas come I know not nor can I force them."

A Quote by Albert Einstein

The true sign of intelligence is not knowledge but imagination.

AAG is open meeting nights at 5 PM for members and friends to socialize.

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AAG Membership News

AAG welcomes the following new members:

New Members:

Gwen Jones
 Peter Jones
 John Kaskela
 Judi Max
 Melanie Mead
 Samantha Schwann
 Jessica Sissel

New Juried Members

Tristyn Bustamante
 Lynne Davis
 Susan Denison
 Melanie Harman
 Joan McGue

Spring Interns

Alexa Heiser Jessica Winen Jennifer Todd

Its time to Renew Your AAG Membership, Dues Remain the Same. Reminder: Please renew your membership for 2015-16 by June 30, 2015. Fiscal year for membership runs from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016. You may renew online or by downloading the membership form for 2015-16. Renewal forms will also be available at the AAG building. Thank you.

How to become a juried member?

A guild member shall become a 'Juried Member' when the member's artwork has been accepted in three (3) Guild juried membership shows. It is the responsibility of Associates to maintain a complete record of their acceptance in Guild Shows. The form may be downloaded from the back of the by-laws or available at the building. Submit this record to the Membership Chairperson. Title of Artwork, to be considered for 'juried member' status, must be different for each show location. To maintain 'Juried Member' status, dues must be kept current.

ART SUPPLY EXCHANGE SALE

Ceramic Glazes, Frames, Paint, Paper and more!

Art Supply is open 9 am to noon Mondays and
 5 pm to 9 pm AAG Meeting nights

Presidents Message

This is my last time to write as AAG President. Writing this message has been both a privilege and a pain, mostly a privilege because its not often someone has the opportunity to speak on whatever subject they want, so I have taken it very seriously.

As I have said before, being President of AAG means being able to apply my own vision to the organization, and being able to try out ways of improving what and how things are done. Thankfully, the things I have gotten to work with are good things that don't need much changing, so my vision has been to focus on the human aspect of our organization instead of the structural aspect.

Arizona Artists Guild is an organization of people first, and artists second, therefore I have looked, with the help of a tremendous board of directors and vice presidents, at ways of connecting one person with another, such as the Mentorship program, and the Veteran's Art Outreach Program, and the Internship program. These efforts, some just starting, others blossoming into fruition, provide opportunities for AAG members to share their love for art and creativity with others who they might not connect with otherwise.

It is my hope that these types of programs continue to be a major part of AAG, and that others are added so we become more of a group of people looking outwards towards our community and asking how we can share our strengths with those who need help. In my experience this is where the greatest satisfaction is found, more than ribbons or cash awards can sustain.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your President.

Sincerely,
David L. Bradley

THANK YOU DAVID!

I am sure I speak for all the AAG members in saying thank you David for your 2 years of service as AAG President.

A lot of things have happened at AAG the last several years. David has been instrumental in many of these improvements. We have started several new programs like the Veteran's program, the mentor program, and Thursday night open studio.

We have three energetic young interns who will bring new energy insight and knowledge of new technology

AAG LEADERSHIP TEAM 2014

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Arizona Art Alliance News

The Arizona Art Alliance has secured a show setting for this fall at the Holland Gallery located at 34250 N. 60th St, Scottsdale, right off of Carefree Highway. Show dates are Sept.27- Oct. 29th. This is a prime opportunity to show where the gallery gets 20% commission and AAA takes 0, there will be minimal volunteer requirements, entry is online or by CD, it is open to juried and non-juried, and the entry deadline is June 1st. Please go to www.azartalliance.com>Events>Exhibits.

The Art Alliance Online Gallery is now in development. Visit the Online Gallery page www.azartalliance.com/featured-artists/. The cost for artists will be \$50 for 6 months. This feature will offer artists yet another means of cost effective exposure to a whole new audience. Any sales generated will be entirely commission free!

AAG Sculptors' Group



The AAG Sculptor's group will not have a meeting in May.

AAG would like to introduce you to the new Sculptor's Group Chair, Douglas Hebert (shown in photo).

AAG would like to extend a big Thank you to Constance McBride for her

years of service as Sculptor's Group Chair.

Artist of the Month

AAG members are invited to bring their artwork to the monthly meeting to enter Artist of the Month.

A Quote by Hugh MacLeod

Everyone is born creative; everyone is given a box of crayons in kindergarten. Then when you hit puberty they take the crayons away and replace them with dry, uninspiring books on algebra, history, etc. Being suddenly hit years later with the 'creative bug' is just a wee voice telling you, 'I'd like my crayons back, please.'

Art Supplies needed

The AAG art supply store can always use your extra art supplies. The sale of the art supplies helps to support the Guild. Contact: Alice Pelchat at 602-992-4146 or Alicia Plogman at 602-788-4016 if you have donations. You can drop items off at the AAG building or call Alice or Alicia to schedule a pick-up.

New Evening Open Studio

The AAG Interns are managing a new evening Open Studio at the AAG building the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month from 5:30 - 9 PM. All AAG members are invited to attend.

A Quote by Marcel Duchamp

I force myself to contradict myself in order to avoid conforming to my own taste.

AAG - LIFE DRAWING

OPEN SESSIONS: MEMBERS & NON MEMBERS

\$10.00 DRAWING FEE - NO INSTRUCTION

MODEL RELEASE FORMS AVAILABLE FOR PHOTOGRAPHS -(at model's discretion)

Easels, tables provided or you may bring your own.

Bring supplies and coffee is provided

May & June

ALL TUESDAYS - 9:30 AM - 12:30

LONG POSE

ALL THURSDAYS - 9:30 AM - 12:30

SHORT TO LONG POSES

(except holidays)

Email Josie if you have any questions at

a_joyfulsunrise@yahoo.com

AAG - OPEN STUDIO

AAG OPEN STUDIO: MEMBERS FREE

NON MEMBERS \$10.00 DRAWING FEE

May & June

Mondays 9 AM - 12

Email Alicia Plogman if you have questions at

aplogman@cox.net

AAG General Meetings Streamlined

The AAG Board has decided to improve the way the General meetings are conducted by streamlining the schedule. Below is the new schedule that will be implemented at our meeting.

5:00 – 5:30 Building open for Members to socialize.

5:30 - 6:30 Pre-meeting Critique sessions for Members only, the public is invited to watch.

6:30 - 7:00 Members socialize, eat snacks, and vote for Artist of the Month

7:00 - 7:20 Business meeting

7:30 – 8:30 **Meeting Program** starts featuring Artists/ Presenters.

Please help us keep to the schedule so that our featured Artists/Presenters will have time to share their work and knowledge in a more relaxed, welcoming atmosphere. Those members wanting to participate in the Critique need to bring artwork for artistic input. AAG President David Bradley and the evening's presenter will critique the art in a timely fashion. At 6:30 the Critique ends and snacks will be available in the small studio. The business meeting starts at 7:00 with all information on a PowerPoint. Members will see and hear about the latest AAG exhibitions and activities all within a 20 minute timeframe. The featured artists/presenter will start sharply at 7:30 and run till 8:30 and beyond if there are lots of questions.

Artist of the Month



1st Place
Kokopelli's Kickin It
Lynda Burruss



2nd Place
Wet Kiss
Harold Baldwin

AAG Community Outreach Fine Art Exhibitions

The Arizona Artists Guild in partnership with the Beatitudes Foundation and the City of Phoenix Parks and Recreation present on-going fine art exhibitions for residents and guests. AAG juried members show at The Beatitudes, located at 1610 W. Glendale Ave, Phoenix every three months, while The City of Phoenix Parks and Recreation exhibit in their Devonshire Gallery at 2802 E. Devonshire Ave., Phoenix every two months. The Current Exhibits include:

Beatitudes – March 4, through June 3, 2015



Lupe Cavanaugh
Superstition Mountain in Bloom



Gerry Carroll
Prickly Pear

AAG Calendar Highlights

Mondays: Open Studio

Tuesdays & Thursdays: Life Drawing

Associates Body of Work Exhibition 2015
Artwork pick-up Saturday, May 2, 9 AM - 12 Noon.

Sculptors Group Meeting: No meeting this month.

Veteran's Art Reception:
Sunday, May 10, 1 - 4 PM

AAG Monthly Meeting: May 19, 2015

AAG Veteran's Program: April 25, 2015. 10 AM - 2 PM

For details please see the AAG Calendar at (click):
<http://arizonaartistsguild.net/calendar/month.php?date=20140201>

Devonshire May 1, 2015 through July 31, 2015



Gayla Bonnell



Connecting with Patterns

+ AAG Artist Highlight Feature +

Recently at AAG.....

AAG Has Universal Appeal

I hope you made it to the last AAG meeting because as testimony to AAG's ability to draw in guest's long range, we were visited by Star Wars characters. Well at least people dressed as Star Wars characters. Our intern and some friends showed up at our last meeting in full Star Wars regalia and explained what different art disciplines it took for each of them to make their Star Wars character outfits from metal, plastic, wood and other materials.



AAG President, David Bradley Creates Ceramic Child



At the last AAG meeting, AAG President, David Bradley did a ceramic demonstration. David showed his remarkable pottery wheel building skills and created a near full size child.

Most people think of the wheel building for making pottery but David uses the wheel to build all kinds of sculpture. David took the audience through all the steps it took to build the figure. Everyone enjoyed the program and the child David built was well behaved during the whole meeting.

AAG, A Long History of giving to the Community

AAG's history goes all the way back to 1928. AAG has a long history of giving to the community.

AAG's Scholarship Awards Program has helped many young Arizona Artists achieve their dream of a college art degree.

AAG's Veteran's Art Program has helped many Arizona Veteran's learn valuable art skills and helped them express themselves through their artwork.

The Arizona Artists Guild in partnership with the Beatitudes Foundation and the City of Phoenix Parks and Recreation present on-going fine art exhibitions for residents and guests of the Beatitudes. AAG juried members also show artwork at The Devonshire Gallery through AAG and The City of Phoenix Parks and Recreation.

If your an AAG member be proud of AAG's outreach programs. If your reading this and not a member, join AAG and be part of this unique organization.

AAG Veteran's Art Program News

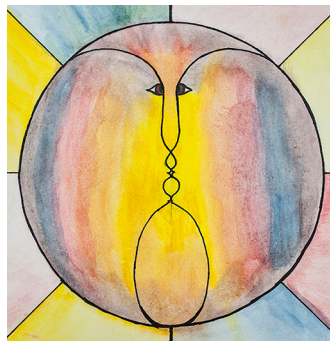
The AAG Veteran's program is one of AAG's crowning achievements. The program is a college level art program taught by AAG members who have taught in various schools and colleges throughout the USA.



Every effort has been made to cover as many different styles, processes and types of artwork possible. The Veteran's have responded very well and all of them have said how much they enjoyed the programs and how much they have learned. They also told us how much fun they have had expressing themselves through their artwork. Their work speaks volumes as to the skills they have learned and what it means to be able to express yourself through your artwork.



On May 10th at 1 PM AAG will have a reception for the Veterans Artwork Show. I hope all AAG members will make an effort to attend to support our Veteran's. You will be happy you attended and you will see some great artwork. See a few images of their artwork below.



***Please Help Support The AAG's Veteran Art Program!
The Veteran's appreciate what we do for them.***

-AmazonSmile. This is a relatively new concept created by Amazon. It works exactly like Amazon. If you already purchase through Amazon, please log in through AmazonSmile. Be sure to select Arizona Artists Guild as your charity. A percentage of each purchase will go to AAG. This is a passive way of contributing to the guild. Spread the word, tell your friends.



AAG Calendar

Check out the AAG calendar on the AAG web site for all upcoming events.

The AAG calendar Web URL is:

<http://arizonaartistsguild.net/calendar/month.php>

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ARTISTS INFORMATION


AAG Artists Exhibiting

The following AAG members were juried into the Herberger exhibit, *Eyes of the Beholder*, **Don Bierman, Ruth Ann LeFebvre, Chris OConnor, Pam Root, & Mark Woehrle**. The exhibit runs from March 6 – June 29, 2015, and can be viewed at The University Club, 39 E. Monte Vista, Phoenix, AZ.

Dyanne Fiorucci painting entitled "*Giovanni*" was accepted into an exhibit presented by the Udinotti Museum of Figurative Art. The exhibit runs from March 15 thru August 15th at the Udinotti Museum in Paradise Valley.

Juror Awards for Celebration of Artists 2015, at Peoria City Hall Gallery, from 3/23-5/14/15.

Alice Pelchat, Elliott Everson, Tess Mosko Scherer, Shirley Cunningham and Joyce Hergert .

AAG Scholarship Award Recipients, 2015

This years scholarship award recipients are...

- Arizona Artist Guild Award – **Jonah Amadeus Skurky-Thomas**, MFA ASU Ceramics – \$2,500
- Marigold Linton Award – **Travis Rice**, MFA ASU Painting/Drawing – \$1,500
- Erin O'Dell Award – **Zachary Valent**, MFA ASU Sculpture- \$1,000
- Ruth S Magadini Award – **Courtney Richter**, MFA ASU Fibers – \$1,000
- Diane Maxey Award – **Danielle Godreau**, MFA ASU Painting/Drawing- \$1,000

Make sure you come to the May 19th AAG meeting to see a presentation by the scholarship award recipients. This is one of the most exciting AAG programs of the year. The award recipients will do a PowerPoint presentation of their work and explain their working process. From the above list you can see the diversity of types artworks they do.

AAG 2015 Associates Body of Work Exhibit

If you missed viewing the, *Associates Body of Work Exhibit*, at the AAG building during the opening of the exhibit, at our last meeting, or when you came by the building this month, you missed a great exhibit. The Diversity of work and the quality of the work was exceptional!

Douglas Hebert won Best of Show for his acrylic on paper clay artwork. Anne Howey-Falvey won Award of Merit for her graphite on gessoed paper artwork. Lynne Davis won Award of Merit for her alcohol ink/color pencil artwork. Honorable Mention went to John Kaskela for his ceramic, Susan Denison for her oil, Gwen Jones for her fabric collage, and Benjye Troob for a pastel.

The Scholarship Program and Fund:

April Raffle Winners:

- Iloona - David Bradley Vase
- Melina - Az Art Supply \$25 gift certificate
- Jan Girodano - Candle
- Ruth Ann LeFebvre - Sketchbook by Tess Mosko Scherer
- Jessica - Book on Painting
- Laura Cohen Hogan - Wine
- Lynne Davis - Wine
- Jana - Water color paper
- Gayla Bonnell -Hall of Frames coupons
- Joyce - Hall of Frames coupons
- Joyce - \$12 wildflower gift card
- Nancy Bierman - 80/20 cash prize

Please note that money raised through the AAG raffles goes toward the Scholarship fund. Make sure to take advantage of the AAG raffles at the next AAG meeting. Great prizes like a one year free membership and other items will be offered!

Please Support The AAG Scholarship Fund!

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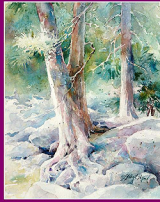
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THANK YOU

Thank you [Arizona Art Supply](#) for your donations to AAG. I'd like to encourage our members to support the people who support AAG. Think about [Arizona Art Supply](#) when you need art supplies

Scheduling the AAG Building

If you wish to contact AAG for scheduling meetings, etc. at the AAG Building please email us. The email address is:

info@arizonaartistsguild.net

A quote by Ernest Hemingway

The thing is to become a master and in your old age to acquire the courage to do what children did when they knew nothing.

**What is AAG's Greatest Resource..... YOU ARE!
Please help AAG grow, become an AAG Volunteer.**



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