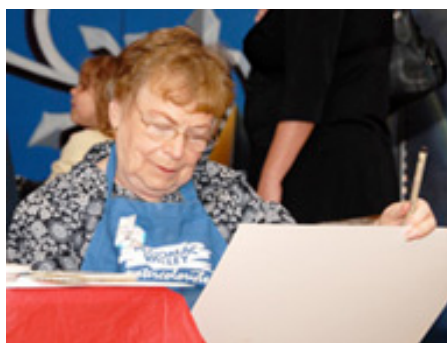
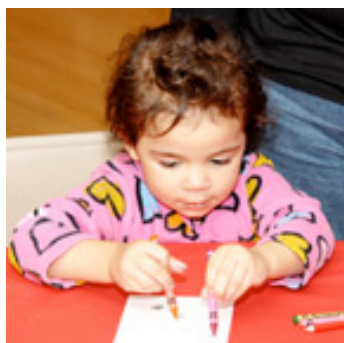


SAG NEWSLETTER

SPRINGFIELD ART GUILD

THIS MONTH WE HOLD OUR ANNUAL JUNE ART SHOW, JUDGED BY DIANE FRYKMAN

This month the Springfield Art Guild opens its doors to former SAG member and current artist and judge Diane Frykman. The walls of our community room are covered with art work from our members and Diane will be our judge to pick the first, second and third place winners for best works in all mediums. Join us at this month's meeting to hear what Diane has to say, and which of our resident artist's walk away with prizes.



Photos by: Jon Strother

Our Art Show Receptions are Catching On

Our May art reception brought out many generations of art lovers. These receptions provide a platform for SAG to express our commitment to community outreach. We are exposing the public to the creative process, and giving a voice to our artists. Please stop by the first Sunday of each month and see the new work on display and for sale. Refreshments will be served; the whole family is welcome.

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This month only our art reception will be held on Saturday June 4th to coincide with Springfield Mall Day activities.

Our next meeting will be on

Wednesday June 8th -7 PM

in the Springfield Mall Community Room
6500 Springfield, VA 22150
on the lower level close to JC Penney's
<http://www.springfieldartguild.com>

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED NOW MORE THAN EVER



Photos by: *Jon Strother*

The Springfield Art Guild has taken on new and ever widening roles in our community. We have expanded our services and opportunities to our members as well and our neighbors. None of this would be possible without a Grade "A" Board of Directors lead by our champion and President, Gloria Benidetto. But we need your help. This month lists will be passed-out at our general meeting for you to choose an area of interest and serve as a volunteer. If you are happy with the good works that SAG is doing and want us to continue, then please give of your time and talent to keep us going.

Reggie Garrett



In our effort to work with other local art groups this July the Fairfax Art League will present an art show in our community room. The Fairfax Art League (FAL) is planning two receptions in our space to promote their work. In addition a representative from the FAL will be in attendance each Wednesday during the month of July to meet the public and answer any questions regarding the League's work. We hope all our members and friends will stop by and make our guests feel welcome!

Reggie Garrett

SUMMER BREAK

The Springfield Art Guild will not produce a newsletter next month. We will resume our publication in August 2011. We look forward to hearing from you all, at that time. Let us know what you have been doing over this summer break and share all the work you have created over that time.

Have a great summer,
Reggie Garrett



Springfield Art Guild Calendar

June

8th - Annual Meeting and Art Competition
7:30PM

13th - Board Meeting 7:30PM

**Look for our new calendar
listings in August 2011**



BIRDS OF A FEATHER

WATERCOLORS
FEATURING THE WORK OF OUR OWN
RUTH ENSLEY

The exhibit will consist of 25
paintings of Parrots, Macaws,
Toucans and Toucanets

AT THE VIENNA ART CENTER

ON JULY 24-AUGUST 28

RECEPTION TO MEET THE ARTIST
SUNDAY, JULY 31, 2011
1PM-4PM

the Vienna Art Center is located at:
115 Pleasant Street, Vienna, Virginia 22180.

Ruth Ensley: rensleyart@yahoo.com

SAG WELCOMES
NEW MEMBER
DON ALLEN



I am a photographer. My background as an Industrial Engineer focuses on process and end product. In my work I attempt to capture the crispness of the items I see in the real world or the scenes that could be. I tweak colors and image content to achieve what should be.

You can see more of Don's work at:
<http://don-allen.artistwebsites.com>

THE RATNER MUSEUM

Linda Porten

Will be showing her art at the
THE DENNIS & PHILLIP
RATNER MUSEUM

Show dates - June 2 - 27, 2011
Reception - June 5, 1:30 - 3:30pm

RATNER MUSEUM
10001 Old Georgetown Road
Bethesda, MD 20814
301-897-1518
<http://www.ratnermuseum.com>

Coming Soon!
Registration
for Summer Art Classes
If you are interested in receiving
information on summer art
classes for children or adults,
please send an email to
glbene1123@yahoo.com

To view a copy of the current SAG Board Meeting Minutes go to our website on the Newsletter page and click on the button under the navigation bars to the left of the screen.

ART TIPS



QUICK WATERCOLOR TIPS

Equipment:

Make friends with your brushes, find out every mark they will make - tip, side, pulled, pushed, dragged, dry, damp, wet.

Get to know your colours: which stain, which are truly transparent and what characteristics they have, such as granulation or staining.

It is generally better to work with fewer colours and mix others rather than having a wide range of ready mixed colours. Most landscape paintings can be achieved using no more than 6 colours.

Use facial tissue or kitchen roll rather than toilet tissue for dabbing off colour and cleaning palettes. The latter is designed to be soluble in water and you end up with unwanted paper particles in your paint, palette and on your painting.

Have your paper fastened to a board while painting. It's usual to work with the board at an angle of about 15 degrees but you may need to alter this to make the paint run where you want it to go.

<http://website.lineone.net/~peter.saw/tips.html#contents>

SAG Board of Directors

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Art Camp at Burke Center Conservancy

Burke Center Conservancy is sponsoring "Summer Art Camp 2011" in Burke for 5-8 year olds and 8 years & up at the Woods Community Centre. Camp is also at another Burke location.

**Four weekly
Camp sessions:**
June 27-July, 1,
July 18-22,
August 1-5 &
August 8-12



Register through the instructor at:
(703) 250-6930.

Visit www.czartlessons.com for brochures/registration



The Springfield Art Guild & Friends of Green
Spring Garden's Park Announce

THE FALL 2011 ART SHOW AND SALE

August 29th thru
October 31st 2011

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Sunday Aug. 21st

Mail Registration/Payment Deadline
(Members \$8 per piece - non members \$10 per piece)

Monday Aug. 29th

Receiving 10:30 am - 11:30 am

Jurying 11:30 am - 1:00 pm

Pick up, unselected work 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

-Phone notification-

September 11th

Reception from 1:00 - 3:00 pm

October 31st

Take Down 10:30 am - Noon



RECEPTION
SUN. SEPT. 11TH
1:00 - 3:00 PM

Show Juror

JEAN K. GILL

Jean Gill is an artist and educator with a love of both science and art. Twenty eleven marks her twentieth year as a watercolor instructor for the Fairfax County Public Schools Adult and Community Education program, where she developed courses in color, landscape and painting techniques for beginning, intermediate and advanced adult learners.

Jean has served on the Board of the Virginia Watercolor Society and as an officer of Potomac Valley Watercolorists. She was chapter president and coordinating council chair of the Delta Kappa Gamma International Honor Society of Professional Women Educators and is a signature member of the American National, Western Colorado, Missouri, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Philadelphia and Baltimore Watercolor Societies.

More at www.jeankgill.com

\$500 IN CASH AND PRIZES!

CONDITIONS FOR ENTRY

Artwork submitted must be based on horticultural, natural or local history themes with a limit of 3 pieces of art per person and **MUST BE FOR SALE**. Work may be no larger than 30x40 inches including frame. Only hand-painted, hand drawn or other "original" art will be accepted. Traditional photographs and digitally enhanced photographs are also acceptable. Drafts, photocopies, offset prints, lithographs or copies of already published art will not be allowed. Saw tooth hangers, wet canvases, soiled or poorly matted works will not be accepted. Entries must be ready to hang with hooks and wire and be protected by glass or plexi-glass when necessary. The artist shall submit a 15% commission for sales to Green Spring Gardens with the check payable to FCPA (Fairfax County Park Authority) at the end of the show. The artist is responsible for paying the sales tax to the county that has been collected by Green Spring Gardens.




REGISTRATION FORM

Artist's Name _____ Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____
(Cell) _____ Email _____
Title 1 _____ Medium _____ Price _____
Title 2 _____ Medium _____ Price _____
Title 3 _____ Medium _____ Price _____

Members \$8 per piece - Non-Members \$10 per piece

Certificate & Agreement - I hereby certify that I have read and agree to the rules of the show as presented in the conditions for entry that this is my original work and I will not hold SAG, the Park Authority or Green Spring Gardens responsible for any loss or damage to my entries.
I WILL NOT REMOVE MY ARTWORK BEFORE OCTOBER 31ST.


Artist's Signature _____



Mail Registration to:
Springfield Art Guild
PO Box 221
Springfield VA 22150
Attn., John Fratta

DIRECTIONS

From the Beltway I495 take Exit 54B
(Braddock Road E)
Ahead 3 miles - cross Little River Turnpike
(Pass Pinecrest Shopping Center)
100 Yards turn right to end Witch Hazel Rd.
Horticultural Center is on the right



Green Spring Gardens Park
4603 Green Spring Road
Alexandria VA 22312





3rd SILENT AUCTION ART BENEFIT

Hosted by Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna
in collaboration with the Vienna Arts Society



Meet the Artists Reception
Sunday, June 5, 2011
1pm—4pm



Enjoy refreshments while chatting with local artists and viewing their donated art work. Be the first to bid!

- Auction items include paintings, photography, jewelry and ceramics.
- Items will be on display at Vienna Art Center and open for bidding from Tuesday, May 31st — Saturday, June 25th.



Join us on the closing day!
Saturday, June 25, 2011
2pm—4pm

Bidding ends at 4pm
Don't let your favorite item slip away!

Vienna Art Center
115 Pleasant Street NW
Vienna, VA 22180
Tues—Sat, 10am—4pm
(703) 319-3971



100% of the money raised will benefit the Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna, providing services, personal enrichment and volunteer opportunities for adults 50 and over in the local community.

ONE WOMAN RENAISSANCE

By *Stephanie Bianco*

Delightfully accompanied by Asian Plum tea and homemade cookies in her light filled kitchen, I chatted with the admirably energetic Thea Rossi Baron two weeks before her May 17th birthday.

Though Thea's working life centered around law (from which she retired a year ago) and homelife around her family, creating pastels and occasional oils always occupied a special place in her heart since eighth grade lessons at her Catholic girls' school. She's studied with a number of artists along the way, and eventually with English painter Victoria Littna, who introduced to watercolor. "I love the magic it does!" Thea exclaimed.

Her first solo show came in 1997; many have followed. "A good display should have a unified theme," coached Thea. The Grand Canyon was Thea's theme as our April artist of the month.

Ever want to go all alone to a small town where no one speaks English to concentrate on plein air painting? Neither have I, but Thea did it many times. "How would you arrange this?" I inquired, in case you want to? "Oh, just go online and Google apartments in Spain [or whatever country you choose.] Be sure to learn a bit of the language before you go. Then, immersed in it, you will quickly learn a great deal more."

Currently she's enjoying a class at Northern Virginia Community College: Drawing III with Julio Porta. She depicted Porta as "a character from the Lake Cuomo area of Italy" who will be addressing SAG this fall about his grand scale wood sculpture adventures.

Ms. Renaissance also taught herself tunes on the banjo during her law school days (and used it for one of her art receptions,) still plays her piano, excitedly guided me through a beautifully appointed art display in her home, and dreams in color—"Always!"

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July 2nd - Mike Durham

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2704 Mount Vernon Avenue
Alexandria, VA 22301
www.TheDelRayArtisans.org
703.838.4827

Questions about how to apply for an artspace, how to become a food vendor
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Kimberley Bush at DRALexandriaArtMarket@gmail.com or call 703-627-7656.

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TO A VERY SPECIAL EVENT**

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JOIN US!

CELEBRATING
HERITAGE THROUGH THE ARTS

Date: June 3, 2011

Time: 5-9 pm

Location:

Fairfax Old Town Hall
3999 University Dr
Fairfax, VA 22030

Dear Springfield Artists,

We're having our biggest celebration of the year and you're invited! Please join us on June 3, 2011 at Fairfax Old Town Hall as our guest at Celebrating Heritage Through the Arts! This event will showcase our cultural heritage through music, dance, singing and art. Many of our members are creating art works that specifically showcase their heritage. In addition, we will serve wine, cheese, and hors d'oeuvres from different countries and cultures. We would be honored if you would join us for this end of season event.

Ruth Bailey and Nancy Whitfill

Co-Presidents, Fairfax Art League

Find out more at: www.fairfaxartleague.net/



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