

# SAG NEWSLETTER

SPRINGFIELD ART GUILD

## Welcome Back!

We'd like to extend a warm welcome to our new Board of Directors members, Stephanie Bianco, Bonnie Ferguson Butler and Judy Isaacs. As you may know, Stephanie has volunteered to become Co-President this year so you will be hearing from her in the future as well. Lydia Jechorek has taken on the responsibilities of Treasurer for the next year. Lydia also has the huge task of gathering membership dues and creating the entire phone directory. Let's all help her out by sending in your membership dues right away. Don't miss out on being in the directory! Vice President, Mary Exline, has been lining up our speakers for the coming year which will appear in the newsletters along with a description of the shows coming up so our members can plan ahead, especially for our themed show in April.

We've been working along all summer and have some terrific plans



Presidents: Gloria Benedetto for this year. Our first order of business is to improve the lighting in the mall space! Through the efforts of Deane Allen, we are also adding racks for your business cards--see accompanying article.

We're starting off our 2011-2012 year at Springfield Art Guild with a wonderful pastels show. The Pastel Society of Virginia was founded by our very own, Bonnie Ferguson Butler, and includes SAG members as well as several long distance participants from the Winchester area. The society meets twice a month, day and evening times. These are free, open studio events, not classes, although experiences and

tips are shared freely! Bring your own materials. All are welcome. Contact Bonnie for more information at, [skyvine@aol.com](mailto:skyvine@aol.com).

Following that show is the long awaited Dying To Get In, multi-media show in conjunction with the Cemetery Preservation Society and Ms. Sharon Bulova. A reception is planned for October 28. For more information contact Skeeter Scheid, [Skeeter.Scheid@cox.net](mailto:Skeeter.Scheid@cox.net). For the reception, Skeeter requests members and guests wear costumes! Watch your email from SAG for further updates from Skeeter.

Other outreach shows this year include Marni Maree's Watercolor Art and Feast group which will be showing mid-November through December. Marni holds these monthly classes, with all materials, provided and teaches a different technique each session. Contact Marni, [mmari@cox.net](mailto:mmari@cox.net), for the small fee and bring a dish of your choice to share!

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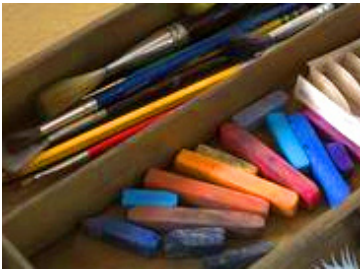
**Wednesday September 14th -7 PM**

in the Springfield Mall Community Room

6500 Springfield, VA 22150

on the lower level close to JC Penney's

<http://www.springfieldartguild.com>



## Pastel artists getting together

Bringing a pastel society to Virginia has been the pipe dream of many. For reference, there are 56 pastel societies nationally, to include three in nearby North Carolina and one in Maryland. There has never been one in Virginia. In order to serve both Virginia and area pastelists better, the Pastel Society of Virginia was founded by Springfield Art Guild member, Bonnie Ferguson Butler, a committed pastelist who also dreamed of this goal for a long time.

This group of artists began meeting earlier this year and is excited to have their first show together during the month of September in the Community Room, where they also meet each third Thursday at 7pm and each fourth Tuesday at 10am. Meetings are an opportunity for pastelists to paint together and to share their mutual love of this underutilized medium; in the future, the group will grow toward non-profit status and International Association of Pastel Societies (IAPS) membership.

This exhibition, which is the first group show devoted only to pastels in Virginia, brings together the talents of eight local pastelists and you are invited to their rescheduled installation, Paint In, and impromptu Opening on Labor Day beginning at noon. The show boasts of the Terry Ludwig People's Choice Award and all viewers are encouraged to vote for their favorite artist. The winner will receive a very generous \$150 gift certificate from Terry Ludwig Pastels as well as a pad of Wallis sanded paper, plus all artists in the show receive pastels donated by Terry Ludwig.

If you are an interested pastelists, please visit a meeting and get dusty. Contact Bonnie at [skyvine@yahoo.com](mailto:skyvine@yahoo.com).

## Bring in those business cards!

We hope to have the new business card racks up for our September 14th meeting. It is estimated that each slot will hold 20 cards comfortably. The horizontal slots will accommodate vertical cards nicely in a horizontal position. The cards will be arranged alphabetically for the convenience of patrons looking for your card. Please keep in mind that this is a public space so artists may wish to create an 'art specific' email account to display on these cards rather than using a personal email address or telephone number.



### SAG MEETS THE CUBE

Deane Allen has put together a plan for the display cube in the hallway. Reggie Garrett will assist by providing the informational graphics Deane plans to use. We are on the rotation list for using this space to acquaint the public with Springfield Art Guild's mission and art works. Deane will be addressing how artists will be chosen for display in this location at the September meeting. The display cube has a lock to afford added security especially for smaller pieces.

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Our annual school children's show, in support of Fairfax County schools 'Student Art Month', is in March.

Please see the list posted in this newsletter for further information on our show plans.

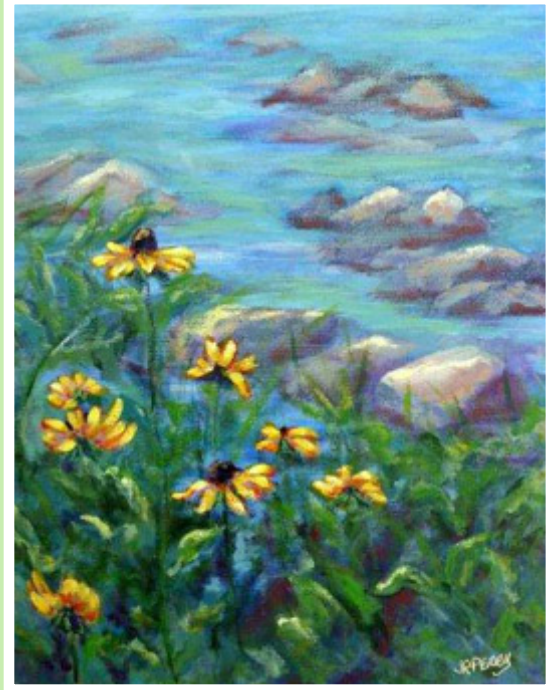
Once again this year, our group requests the generosity of your time. Please plan to volunteer again this year. We will always need demonstrators for receptions, refreshments for meetings, gallery attendants, and many other positions or tasks. Be a part of the team that

keeps Springfield Art Guild the thriving entity created over 30 years ago by our own Judy Wengrovitz!

We look forward to seeing you on September 14 at 7PM at the Community Room for an exciting launch of our new year!

# "A Day in the Park"

Original Paintings by Jackie Perry



Sept 6 - Oct 2, 2011

Meet-The-Artist Reception

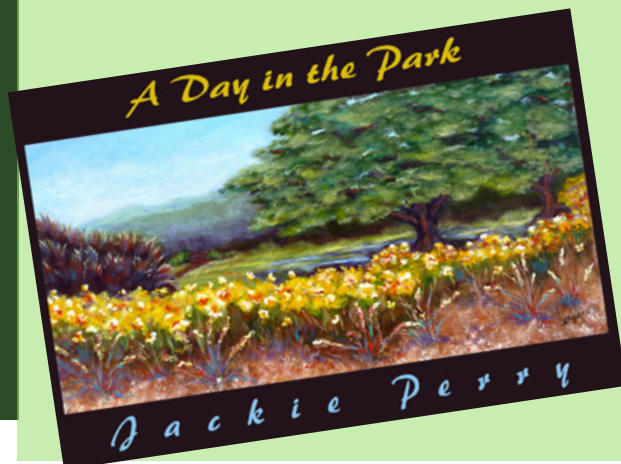
Saturday, September 10, 1-4 p.m.

"A Day in the Park," Jackie Perry's featured show at The Loft Gallery, was inspired by daily walks in local area parks. Her works on paper and canvas invite viewers into scenes of animals, wildflowers, playgrounds, carousels and water craft.

In addition to the Loft, Perry shows at Kelly's Art and Frames in Alexandria, VA, and the Sea and Sound Gallery in Manteo, NC, as well as online at:

[www.springfieldartguild.com](http://www.springfieldartguild.com) and [www.loftgallery.org](http://www.loftgallery.org).

Permission granted for reprinting of images. For further information or an interview call The Loft Gallery, 703-490-1117, and/or email the artist directly at [jrperry18@verizon.net](mailto:jrperry18@verizon.net).



The Loft Gallery

313 Mill Street  
Occoquan VA 22125  
[www.loftgallery.org](http://www.loftgallery.org)  
703-490-1117

Hours: Tuesday-Friday 11 am-4 pm;  
Saturday 11 am-5 pm,  
Sunday noon-5pm

# ART TIPS

## Acrylic Painting

I like using acrylics on paper, usually Bristol, and I love to create interesting backgrounds with rubber cement. The rubber cement works as a resist allowing layers to be painted down on top of each other. But, being able to keep certain areas white, or in my case, apply some rubber cement(let it dry), paint a color(let it dry), apply rubber cement in an interesting pattern(let it dry), & apply another color(let it dry). And then, using a rubber cement pickup, rub across the entire piece seeing what is revealed underneath. The end results look very much like a multiple color print. - Donna, Hilliard, Ohio



**JERRY'S ARTARAMA**

<http://www.jerrysartarama.com/community/art-tips.html>

## An Easy Job

In the last year we have had an enormous number of people stop by and ask for information on our Guild or about class information. Bonnie Butler has developed an email list of those who left their contact information. It is our plan to send out emails to share information about our shows, meetings and classes. We are looking for a volunteer to be our person of contact to send out the information. Assistance with orientation will be provided. If you'd like a volunteer job that can be done from home, please contact [glbene1123@yahoo.com](mailto:glbene1123@yahoo.com).

## SAG Board of Directors

Co Presidents: Gloria Benedetto / Stephanie Bianco  
Vice President: Mary Exline  
Secretary: Open  
Treasurer: Lydia Jechorek  
At large: Deane Allen, Jefferson Evans,  
Judy Isaacs, Bonnie Ferguson Butler  
Reggie Garrett

## SAG Volunteers

Advisor: Judy Wengrovitz  
Franconia Gov. Center Show Chair: Reggie Garrett  
Gmail account: Carolyn Walters  
Hospitality: Andrea Steele and Carol Zeitlin  
Librarian: Barbara Aigen  
Membership: Lydia Jechorek  
Newsletter: Reggie Garrett  
Publicity: Mary Exline  
Programing: Mary Exline  
Webmaster: Reggie Garrett

## ART CLASSES in BURKE



### Registration is now open for "Fall Art Classes"

in Drawing and Watercolor Painting for  
5-8 years, 8 years & up, Teens, and Adults in Burke  
Centre on Tuesdays or Saturdays.

Chinese Brush Painting  
for Teens/Adults is on Saturday.

Call the instructor, Carol Zeitlin at (703) 250-6930  
for details and registration.

Check on line: Art Class Brochure/Registration:  
[www.czartlessons.com](http://www.czartlessons.com)

The Manassas Art Guild presents

# Watercolor Workshop

## Watercolors on Canvas!



with Marni Maree

For adults, all skill levels. View Marni's work at [www.marnimaree.com](http://www.marnimaree.com).

More info at [www.manassasartguild.org/](http://www.manassasartguild.org/) ♦ Partial funding by the Prince William County Park Authority

Saturday, September 10 ♦ 10 to 4

at Manassas Baptist, 8742 Sudley Road, Manassas

\$95 members & seniors ♦ \$105 non-members

plus a minimal supply fee, TBA, to be paid to the instructor

Send form to: Watercolor Workshop, c/o MAG, PO Box 3565, Manassas, VA 20108

For more information, contact Laura Lavarney, 703-369-1081, [laura.lavarney@ngc.com](mailto:laura.lavarney@ngc.com)

**MARNI MAREE WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP REGISTRATION FORM • MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO MAG.**

Deadline to register: August 31, 2011. 15 seats; first come, first served.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

MAG member? \_\_\_ Senior? \_\_\_ Non-member? \_\_\_ Registration fee of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed.

# Art Show and Sale!

Featuring Works by



**the Kingstowne Area  
Artists Association**

**Saturday October 1, 11-6 pm**

**Sunday October 2, 12-5 pm**



**Location,**

**The Snyder Center  
6450 South Van Dorn St.  
Kingstowne, VA 22315**

**Great Prices on Original Art  
by Local Artists!**

**Raffle and Silent Auction  
Free and open to the public  
Refreshments / Entertainment**

**Oils, Water color, Acrylics, Pastels, Photography,  
Silk Painting, Mixed Media, Greeting Cards,  
Jewelry, Ceramics, Fine Crafts And More.**

For more information on KAAA go to:  
[www.kingstowneartists.com](http://www.kingstowneartists.com)



#1-18"x24" photo



#2-16"x20" acrylic



#3-16"x20" Photo



#4-18"x24" Photo

**The Kingstowne Area Artists Association is raffling off four exquisite, original works of art by our members.**

The drawings will be held at our October show and sale at  
the Snyder Center: 6450 South Van Dorn St, Kingstowne, VA 22315  
Saturday October 1, 11 - 6 pm, and Sunday October 2, 12 - 5 pm

Print your raffle ticket here, make your selection from any one of the four works and bring your ticket to the show. You could be the winner of a valuable work of art for the cost of a \$5.00 ticket investment per-selection. Good luck!

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Your E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**\$5.00** each work of art: #1 \_\_\_ #2 \_\_\_ #3 \_\_\_ **#4** \_\_\_ **Total:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Intro to Photoshop Parts I and 2

**Back by Popular Demand!**  
**Falls Church Arts Presents**



### Introduction to Photoshop with Arthur W. Pierson

Learn enough Photoshop to be dangerous!

This two-part seminar is intended for anyone interested in learning the basics of Photoshop. It is also recommended for people who know a little about the software and wish to understand it better. (The seminar consists of Part I and Part II, 6 hours of instruction. Cost includes both Part I and Part II.)

Start: September 17, 2011 1:00 pm

Venue: ArtSpace

End: September 17, 2011 4:30 pm

Address: 410 S. Maple Avenue, Falls Church, 22042

Cost: \$50 members/\$70 non-members

For more information go to: <http://fallschurcharts.org/?p=2375>

## Someone Special

We would like to extend a very special thank you to Yasuko Riggs who has put in so much time taking pictures of our shows and receptions. She has also made CDs for us to keep in our archives. Thank you, Yasuko, for going the extra mile!



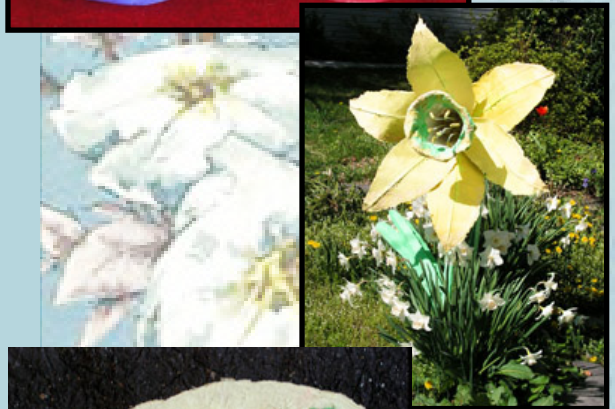
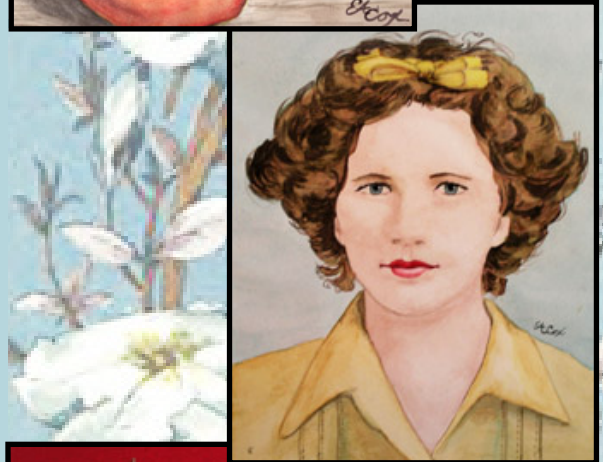
## OUR SPRINGFIELD ART GUILD ARTIST OF THE MONTH IS

Elizabeth  
Anne  
Cox  
September 2011

I have always considered myself an art teacher. I find my greatest joy in sharing my knowledge with eager students. At the present time I am teaching watercolor at the Lorton Senior Center and at the Kingstowne Senior Center. Many of my students there have discovered that they have truly exceptional talents that they had been unaware of before. I have just been contacted by the Groveton Senior Center and may also be offering an art course there by the time this article is published. In addition, I offer classes for adults and children through the Parktakes, at the Workhouse Art Center in Lorton and occasionally at the SAG room in the Springfield Mall. I created the children's educational area called Poppets' Glade at the Virginia Renaissance Fair located at Lake Anna Winery Weekends in May and June. I appear there as Grandma Shepherd to teach many renaissance crafts to children and adults through hands on activities.

Besides watercolor, I enjoy teaching drawing, papermaking, weaving, leather craft, Japanese paper crafts such as oshie, printmaking, and a doll making course that I call "Little Dolls for Busy Hands." In the doll class the students explore many different mediums creating a different doll every week or two. My teaching philosophy is to provide my students with the essential knowledge of techniques and composition for the medium, then encourage them to use that knowledge to realize their own vision, and create their own treasures. I believe that with proper preparation and a little help, every student who wants to can succeed. I also believe that students should be encouraged to create at every opportunity so that they can find their own special medium of expression. Because artistic creation can transcend all kinds of barriers, and counteract so many destructive forces.

Elizabeth Anne Cox  
eacox@nraonline.com/

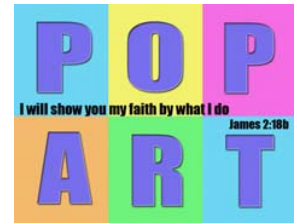


# POP ART Group presents: *Heavenly Peace*

*"Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men."* Luke 2:14

November 19 – December 4, 2011

Hosted by: Peace Lutheran Church, 6362 Lincolnia Rd, Alexandria VA 22312



## Our Mission

The POP Art Group's vision is to become a network of Christian artists bringing the visual arts back into the church. Our aim is to use the arts as a vehicle for evangelism, worship and a source of encouragement and healing.

## Eligibility, Media, and Size

Open to artists working in all media and living in Virginia, D.C., and Maryland area. Entries must be original artwork, no reproductions. Photography, printmaking, and digital art must be limited numbered editions. Artwork must be consistent to the show theme. Each applicant may submit up to three works. Artwork must be able to fit through our doors. Art exceeding 80 lbs requires the artist's installation. The P.O.P. Art Group or Juror reserves the right to reject work that is deemed inappropriate or which differs from the submitted image.

## Juror

Betsey Mulloy, a native Texan, now lives in Reston VA with her husband Michael. In the midst of mothering two daughters and developing a career in writing, teaching, and leading spiritual retreats, she has studied art at Stephens College, the University of Missouri, Washington DC's Corcoran School of Art, and the Art League of Alexandria. She has attended workshops given by many of the Washington area's finest teachers and has pursued special studies in both portraiture and iconography. Betsey enjoys exploring a variety of media, including oil, acrylic (paint and inks), pastel, watercolor and collage.

## Awards

Up to \$300.00 will be awarded at the discretion of the juror.

## Delivery and Return of Accepted Work

Work must be hand delivered Monday, Nov 14, 7:00- 9:00 pm or Tuesday, Nov 15th 12:00 – 2:00 pm

Artwork must be clearly labeled with the title of the work, artist's name and price

Work must be picked up on Dec. 5th, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm or 7:00 – 9:00 pm

All work must remain in the gallery for the duration of the show, if work is sold, we will label it as such.

## Important Dates:

Submission of CD, fee, and entry form postmarked	17 October
Notification of Judging results	7 November
Accepted works delivered	14 November 7:00- 9:00 pm & 15 November 12:00–2:00pm
Raffle Items delivered on or before (arrange with Marni)	14 November 7:00- 9:00 pm & 15 November 12:00–2:00pm
Reception	19 November 2:30–5:30pm with Juror's talk from 3:30–4:00pm
Pick up /return artwork	5 December 10:00 am - 12:00pm or 7:00–9:00pm

## Exhibit Location

Peace Lutheran Church

6362 Lincolnia Road

Alexandria, VA 22312

[www.sharingpeace.org](http://www.sharingpeace.org)



## Contacts:

Marni Maree 703-569-5731

Kathleen Gillmann 703-644-6512

Melinda Reidy 703-599-6216

[mmaree@cox.net](mailto:mmaree@cox.net)

Visit: <http://www.popartgallery.webs.com/> Or email [POPArtGroup@poplc.org](mailto:POPArtGroup@poplc.org)

## Entry Procedure and Fee

There is a \$25 nonrefundable entry fee. Each artist may submit up to 3 works.

3D works are allowed up to two images per entry (no more than 6 images total).

All images must be accompanied with a completed application form.

**Submitting Digital Images for Jurying: Due Oct 17**

# McLean Project for the Arts' Community Art Festival



Mark your calendar for  
Sunday October 2, 2011  
10 am - 5 pm  
in McLean Central Park

Admission is free, but a \$5 donation to MPA would be greatly appreciated.

Your donation will help support MPAartfest, and MPA's exhibitions and education programs.

For more information contact:

Amy Swaak  
MPAartfest Director  
aswaak@mpaart.org

On October 2nd, 2011 MPAartfest will transform McLean Central Park into a lively landscape of mini art galleries showcasing and offering for sale the work of a diverse group of 46 juried artists.

MPAartfest includes activities to captivate art-lovers of all ages. Stroll through the Children's ArtWalk, sponsored by McLean Community Foundation and coordinated by New Dominion Women's Club, to experience the work of young artists from McLean area schools. Budding artists may create their own works of art at Innovation Station sponsored by TTR/Sotheby's International Realty.

Live model drawing, courtesy of MPA's Open Studio, will give all ages a chance to draw and an "en plein air" demonstration will help round out the festival.

The Gazebo Stage will feature a variety of live performances throughout the day.

Our food vendors will offer a wonderful selection of food and beverages for your discerning palate.

McLean Central Park is located at the intersection of Dolley Madison Boulevard (Rte. 123) and Old Dominion Drive.



Box 221  
Springfield, VA 22150



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