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**HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!**

**Board Meetings**

Usually held First Thursday of the month at 10:30 am at the Art Center. President **Doré Skidmore**, will email Board members if there is a change in time or location.

**Membership Meetings**

Usually second Thursday of the month at the VAS Art Center. 7:30pm except 10:30am in winter. Check website and Email News for details.

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*Celebrating the Season at the VAS Holiday Party in December are VAS Vice President Charlotte Potashnik, with 2017 Artist of the Year, Ken Frye (right) and newly appointed 2018 Artist of the Year, Dick Neff (left)*

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*Keep checking the VAS website for up to date info on events as well as time & date changes*



## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

*"And now let us welcome the New Year.....full of things that never were."*

*-- Rainer Marie Rilke*

The year began with another new opportunity to exhibit members' artworks with the opening of our show at the North County Government Center in Reston. Meanwhile, we're always on the lookout for an exciting art demonstration, class or workshop to hold in our Art Center, and encourage you to share ideas with us. As you know, most events at the Art Center are free and open to the public; and the Art Center also provides a welcoming rental space for special occasions.

As we anticipate the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the founding of the Vienna Arts Society in 2019, many of you are generously volunteering your time and talents to fulfill some long-term goals:

1 – The move into our new space "just around the corner" at 243 Church Street, NW.

2 – Preparation to resume the annual Treasury of Art Juried Show and Sale.

3 – A plan to work with the Town of Vienna on an exciting Town-Wide Art Event.

I want to especially thank you for supporting our creative outreach activities: working with troops on the Mend at the Fort Belvoir Community Hospital; judging students' county-wide art exhibitions; volunteering your time at the annual Children's Printmaking Workshop at Patrick Henry Library, and more.

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*Doré Skidmore* – VAS President

## ON THE HORIZON

See weekly Email Members News, the VAS website or call the Art Center for more information

### ART CENTER SHOWS CHANGE DATES

*Mon, Jan 8 - 10am-11:30am "Jazz it Up" will hang through February*

*Mon, Mar 5 - 10am-11:20am "Bon Appetit" will hang through April.*

*Note: Participating members will sign up to sit each month their work is in any show.*

### UPCOMING EVENTS - see weekly Email News for up to date information

*Sun. Jan. 7, 1-3pm, Green Spring Gardens Reception*

*Thu. Jan 11, 10am-Noon, Meeting and Jackie Saunders demonstration*

*Wed. Jan 17, 10am-4pm, Jackie Saunders Workshop*

*Sat. Jan 27, 4-6pm, Reception for "Jazz it Up"*

*Thu Feb 8, 10am-Noon, Meeting with Robert Dowler*

*Bookbinding demonstration*

*Wed. Feb 21, Scholastic Art Awards (see Eblast for time)*

*Thu. Mar 8, 10:30am-Noon, meeting TBA*

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**Information on this page is brief - visit the VAS website frequently for updates and additions of shows, events, and occasional time or date changes.**

**OPEN STUDIO** is organized by David Delano on Monday evenings 6-9pm - for more information and to get on Dave's email list for future schedules, model information, etc. [davidrdelano@me.com](mailto:davidrdelano@me.com)

# OCTOBER 2017

## “OUT OF THE ORDINARY” CONTINUES ....



“Hiding Tree”  
Photograph  
by Deborah Kennedy

“Swiss Village”  
Acrylic  
by Bob Kaminski



Below left: Dr. Joe Pace adds a touch to the masterpiece.  
Below right: sharing a palette;



## ROTARY CLUB VISITS



# NOVEMBER

## “TEXTURES” MEMBER SHOW AT THE ART CENTER Continues through December

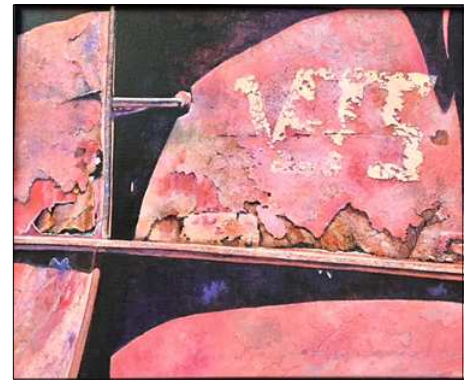


*Oil Painting by Dale McGrath*



*Above: Mixed Media  
by Joyce Myers*

*Right: Acrylic  
Painting by Debi  
Elliott*



### ***BIG SALE/small works***

Members and art collectors owe a HUGE THANK YOU to Sandra Hill and her many volunteers who made the weekend a fun and successful event. Visitors clearly enjoyed meeting the artists and selecting treasures for their homes, offices and for gift-giving.



The 50/50 raffle was won by our own Charlotte Potashnik, who very generously donated her winnings to VAS

*Left: Sandra Hill and her  
husband enjoying the show*

**DECEMBER**  
**“UP CLOSE TO MOTHER NATURE”**  
**GREEN SPRING BOTANICAL GARDENS**

1st Place: Betty Ganley / La Plumage / Watercolor  
2nd Place: Grace Rooney / Turtle Swirl / Watercolor on Yupo  
3rd Place: Shari MacFarlane / Ancient Garden II / Mixed Media  
Honorable Mentions:  
Michael Colby / Friendly Napoleon Wrasse / Photograph on Canvas  
Ruth Ensley / Tropical Delights / Watercolor  
Ray Goodrow / An Awkward Dance / Watercolor  
Jeff Gorrell / The Black Rock / Watercolor  
Carolyn Jackson Sahnii / Hummingbird III / Pencil and Ink  
Ardythe Jolliff / Redheads / Watercolor  
Ginger Sanaie / Sunset / Water Media  
Florence Setzer / Snowy Banks / Watercolor  
Terry Svat / Burning Grass State II / Viscosity Etching  
Joyce Turk / Cherry Blossom Flock / Pastel



**Chair Ruth Ensley**, along with co-chairs **Jodi Condes** and **Mike Colby**, pulled together a fabulous exhibition, and juror Leigh Culver had a hard time selecting winners! Congratulations to all whose art was accepted in the exhibition. Above right 1st Place, “La Plumage” Watercolor by Betty Ganley. Show hangs until February 25. More painting images will be included in the Spring Newsletter.

**AT THE VAS GALLERY**

**513 Maple Avenue W. 703-319-3971 Tues- Sat 10am-4pm**

**Featured Artist October -December**

**CAROL MILTON “Lasting Impressions” Watercolors**

It is fitting that our October featured artist is **Carol Milton**, as she has had a long history with the VAS Gallery. She was the VAS President when the first gallery opened twenty years ago. She later served three times as gallery director. These watercolor paintings are from her photos and sketches of recent trips to the Pacific northwest, Washington, Oregon, and Maine, where the land and seascapes are both dramatic and starkly different in nature. In each watercolor painting the artist has attempted to incorporate the visual experience along with a sense of being there and how it felt at that moment.



*Evening at the pool*



*Hung out to Dry*

# MONTHLY MEMBERS MEETINGS

## OCTOBER MEETING

*Yoshiko Doherty demonstrated the exquisite art of ORIGAMI. She helped visitors create their own pieces, to include a crane, which symbolizes long life in Japanese culture.*

*Yoshiko shared the story of a little girl who had survived the nuclear bombs that brought World War II to an end. Diagnosed with cancer, she was determined to make 1,000 cranes as she sought healing. When she died before reaching her goal, her classmates completed the mission in her honor.*



## NOVEMBER MEETING

*Jona Blocker of the Workhouse Arts Center presented a hands-on demonstration showing how she has adapted the ancient craft of metal-leafing with modern methods and techniques.*

*Members expressed interest in a two-day workshop, which VAS hopes to offer early next year.*

## DECEMBER - HOLIDAY PARTY

*As always, there is no VAS meeting in December. Instead everyone enjoys the Holiday Party, and honors our outgoing Artist of the Year 2017 Ken Frye, and welcomes Dick Neff voted Artist of the Year for 2018.*



**VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE:** Remember to sign up to sit to keep the Art Center open. If you have work at the Art Center, or in one of the continuing shows, you are required to sit for one 3 hour period per month. With work in two or more locations, or in a two month show , you are required to sit for two 3 hour periods per month.

**ART CENTER SIGN UPS** are now done online, at [www.viennaartsociety.org/membership/vas-calendar](http://www.viennaartsociety.org/membership/vas-calendar)  
**For assistance contact our Volunteer Sign Up Coordinator, Emilse Wolff at:**  
[alfredwolff@comcast.net](mailto:alfredwolff@comcast.net) or **703-860-0922.**

For the **VAS Gallery** check with Loy McGaughy at [mccaughy2@verizon.net](mailto:mccaughy2@verizon.net) to schedule a time.

DAY	PLACE	DATE	TIME	CONTACT TO PREREGISTER	EMAIL
Monday	VAS Art Center 115 Pleasant St.	8 Jan 5 Mar	10am- 11:30am	Lu Cousins	<a href="mailto:artcenter@viennaartsociety.org">artcenter@viennaartsociety.org</a>
Sunday	VAS Gallery 513 Maple Ave. W	4 Feb 8 Apr	1:00pm	Ruth Ensley Loy McGaughy Janice Burns	<a href="mailto:rensleyart@verizon.net">rensleyart@verizon.net</a> <a href="mailto:mccaughy2@verizon.net">mccaughy2@verizon.net</a> <a href="mailto:janhburns@cal.berkeley.edu">janhburns@cal.berkeley.edu</a>
Monday	L'Image Salon Pan Am Shopping Center, Vienna	22 Jan 12 Mar	1:00pm <b>NOTE TIME CHANGE</b>	Grace Rooney	<a href="mailto:gracemrooney@gmail.com">gracemrooney@gmail.com</a>
Wednesday	Channel 10, 2929 Eskridge Road, Fairfax	24 Jan 23 Mar	11:00am	Ginger Sanaie	<a href="mailto:vbsanaie@gmail.com">vbsanaie@gmail.com</a>
Monday	Patrick Henry Library Vienna	5 Feb Re- Opening	10-11am	Anita Epstein Terry Svat	<a href="mailto:akepstein3555@gmail.com">akepstein3555@gmail.com</a> <a href="mailto:terrysvat@gmail.com">terrysvat@gmail.com</a>
Friday	Ameriprise Financial 1950 Old Gallows Rd. Vienna	19 Jan 20 Apr	10:30am	Grace Rooney Lu Cousins	<a href="mailto:gracemrooney@gmail.com">gracemrooney@gmail.com</a> <a href="mailto:artcenter@viennaartsociety.org">artcenter@viennaartsociety.org</a>
Thursday	Art Speaks Unitarian Church Oakton	1 Feb 8 Mar, tentative	check weekly Eblast		<a href="mailto:artspeaks@uucf.org">artspeaks@uucf.org</a>

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**Donna Grone** is the web editor  
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### VAS Gallery:

Village Green Shopping Ctr,  
 513 Maple Avenue, West  
 Vienna, VA 22180 (703) 319-3971

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**Information for the next newsletter should be sent  
 to [susanwebster@verizon.net](mailto:susanwebster@verizon.net)  
 Deadline for Spring is March 20**