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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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Above: VAS President, Dore Skidmore introducing the Heroes Healing Wall of Art painted by recovering military at Ft. Belvior with the help of our artists. Displayed at the Vienna Art Center in July. See page three for more.

Arts Council of Fairfax County

50th ANNIVERSARY MAPPING THE FUTURE OF THE ARTS IN FAIRFAX

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Once again the glacial pace of redevelopment prevents demolition of our building for another half year, so we plan to continue enjoying our home on Pleasant Street.

Meanwhile, there's an expanding list of opportunities for members to exhibit and sell original artworks throughout the region: the Goodwin House; the reopening of our Patrick Henry Library Meeting Room Exhibition; and a new continuing show at the North County Government Center. At the Vienna Community Center's ribbon cutting we had the opportunity to explore three areas where an art hanging system will be installed to display members' artworks.

It's been a delight to welcome many new members over the past few months. Thanks to everyone for gallery sitting at the Art Center, and for volunteering in other ways, such as participating in outreach activities and planning plein air outings. Just around the corner, the annual "BIG SALE/small works" is expected to bring many art collectors to the Art Center during the weekend before Thanksgiving.

Keep your eye on our website and weekly Eblasts for updates as you continue your creative journeys. Maya Angelou: "You can't use up creativity. The more you use, the more you have."

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, Nov. 6 - 10am-11:30am "Textures" will hang through end of the year.

January/February "Jazz it Up" - date to be advised - check Email News

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

Oct 12 - Meeting at 7:30pm - Yoshiko Doherty - Origami

Nov. 9 - MORNING Meeting at 10:00am - Jona Blocker - Painting with Metal Leaf

Nov 17-19 - BIG SALE, Small Works - see Email News for details.

Nov 18 - BIG SALE reception 5-7pm

Dec. 14 - Holiday Party 7:30pm

Dec. 18-Feb. 26 - Green Spring Gardens "Up Close to Mother Nature" - see Email News for details

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

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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

JULY 2017

“TRANSITIONS” & THE HEALING WALL



*“Move to San Francisco” Oil
by Bob Magneson*

Sunday evening's reception featured this vibrant double exhibition. Special guests included Art Therapist Janna Kilkii and Recreation Therapist Jennifer Pratt from the Fort Belvoir Community Hospital, who really enjoyed seeing their patients' puzzle pieces assembled into the wall.



PLEIN AIR PAINTING WITH FRIENDS!

Deb Schneider and Dick Neff sponsored a plein air painting expedition each week during the summer, and invited anyone interested from VAS to join them. They meet at 9:00 and help each other improve skills and just enjoy the pleasure of painting outdoors with friends. Below they are painting Colvin Mill Run. Great fun was had by all! Anyone interested in continuing this for summer of 2018 should contact Deb or Dick.



AUGUST

“HUMAN CONDITION - PHOTO SHOW”



Galaxy Soho, Beijing
photo by Dale McGrath



“Xingu Indians Dancing for Amazon Eco-Services”
Photo by Michael Colby

GOODWIN HOUSE SHOW

VAS was the first art group to hang a show in the new artspace at Goodwin House, Alexandria. 21 members participated and the show hung from early August to early October. A big “thank you” to Joyce Turk who handled the arrangements and also gave a fascinating presentation on her life in travel and art.



SEPTEMBER

“OUT OF THE ORDINARY”



Above: “Coral Reef Mandala” digitized photo by Michael Colby



Right: “Red Leaf” Acrylic by Ahmed Ansari

AT THE VAS GALLERY

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

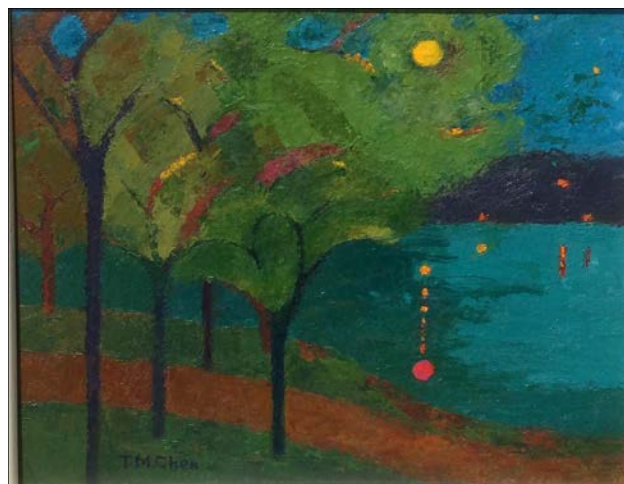
Featured Artist August-September

MADLINE CHEN

Tsoying Madeleine Chen, studied art and graduated from the National Taiwan Art University. A versatile artist, she works in oil, acrylic and collage. Ms Chen expresses herself in a semi-abstract style using nature and its surroundings, memories, and thoughts for her inspiration.



“Journey” acrylic by Madeleine Chen



“Full Moon” Oil by Madeline Chen

MONTHLY MEMBERS MEETINGS

JULY MEETING

The Art Center was filled with members and visitors eager to discover the techniques displayed by award-winning watercolor instructor Catherine Hillis. After defining her composition with a quick wash of colors, she completed a waterfront sunset scene within an hour while explaining her methods. She brought several books and magazines featuring her work for us to look through while she took questions from individual artists.

We wish Catherine well as she returns to her roots in St. Simons Island, Georgia.



THERE WAS NO MEETING IN AUGUST.



SEPTEMBER MEETING

VAS member **Vivian Attermeyer**, whose experience as the President of the Loudon County Sketch Club has taken her to private farms, vineyards, lakes and other locations in western Virginia, had lots of information to share with us at the September meeting. Everyone at the demo is now ready for a fabulous day painting outdoors.....rain or shine!

One member commented:

"I loved the way she went about her demonstration as almost performance art."

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. If you have work in two or more locations, or in a two month show at the Art Center, you are required to sit for two 3 hour periods per month.

SIGN UPS are now done online, at www.viennaartssociety.org/membership/vas-calendar

Those needing assistance are invited to contact our Volunteer Sign Up Coordinator, Emilse Wolff at: alfredwolff@comcast.net or 703-860-0922.

Artists hanging at the **VAS Gallery** are required to sit at that location, check with Loy McGaughy at mcgaughy2@verizon.net to schedule a time.

DAY	PLACE	DATE	TIME	CONTACT TO PREREGISTER	EMAIL
Monday	VAS Art Center 115 Pleasant St.	6-Nov	10am- 11:30am	Lu Cousins	artcenter@viennaartssociety.org
Sunday	VAS Gallery 513 Maple Ave. W	3-Dec	1:00pm	Ruth Ensley Loy McGaughy Janice Burns	rensleyart@verizon.net mcgaughy2@verizon.net janhburns@cal.berkeley.edu
Monday	L'Image Salon Pan Am Shopping Center, Vienna	13 Nov 8 Jan	12:00noon	Grace Rooney	gracemrooney@gmail.com
Wednesday	Channel 10, 2929 Eskridge Road, Fairfax	11 Oct 29 Nov	11:00am	Ginger Sanaie	vbsanaie@gmail.com
Monday	Patrick Henry Library Vienna	TBA check Eblast	10-11am	Anita Epstein Terry Svat	akepstein3555@gmail.com terrysvat@gmail.com
Friday	Ameriprise Financial 1950 Old Gallows Rd. Vienna	20 Oct 19 Jan	10:30am	Grace Rooney Lu Cousins	gracemrooney@gmail.com artcenter@viennaartssociety.org

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Information for the next newsletter should be sent to susanwebster@verizon.net

Deadline for Winter is December 15