# MARCH 2013



#### Making the World Go 'Round By Gloria Benedetto

It comes as no surprise, but perhaps a needed reminder, that we are all involved in a wonderful organization, Springfield Art Guild, which thrives because of the dedicated members who volunteer to make all things happen. It's been that way for over 44 years and was evidenced once again Saturday, February 23, 2013.

That date was the drop off and hanging for our latest large event, The Ernst at NoVa Community

College, Annandale campus. Because of the work of the people below, we were able to take advantage of this invitation to exhibit. That is correct, we, of all the societies and guilds in this area were invited to show there. This is quite an honor, but more importantly, it speaks to the quality of the members, now and in the past years, to the level of artistic achievement in the group, and to the dedication and volunteerism of our people to our community.

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#### Our next meeting will be on

#### Wednesday March 13th - 7 PM

at the Richard Byrd Library, 7250 Commerce St., Springfield, VA 22150 The recently renovated library is located near the intersection of Old Keene Mill and Commerce St

Our newsletter is published monthly and archived issues can be found on our website at: http://www.springfieldartguild.com

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# The Ernst at NoVa Community College Show

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Our Volunteers for The Ernst Marni Maree Don Allen Susan Johnson Stephanie Bianco Lydia Jechorek Marvel Adams Shirley Edwards

Teresa Brunson Ruth Ensley-Gross Charlotte Landis Thea Rossi-Baron Barbara Bass

Saying thank you simply doesn't convey our gratitude to the 43 artists who contributed, for those who volunteered on a variety of tasks and for making the world go 'round for us all in SAG.

This isn't the only time that we all can be part of this strong team. There are many opportunities for you to share your skills, time, knowledge and enthusiasm for keeping us a vibrant and important group in the art community and in all of Northern Virginia. Take a moment, write down your talents, you have more than you have ever given yourself credit for and see where you can make a difference, make our world go 'round and keep spinning long into this decade.

Here are some of the opportunities coming in the next year that will need you. Following that are some of the skills that really make a difference to our guild and of which we are truly in need. Check the list and see how many you have. You may be pleasantly surprised!







# **Opportunities coming up within the Springfield Art Guild:**

#### **Board membership**

Contributors to the newsletter (articles and photographs, announcements of awards, etc) GreenSpring Exhibit and sale (contributors and volunteers) Goodwin House (contributors and volunteers)

#### **Skills/experiences:**

YOU DON'T NEED THEM ALL; ANY WILL BE A HUGE HELP TO SAG!

\*\* herding cats (always a helpful skill in any organization!)

\*\* writing: articles, summaries, announcements, congratulations for achievements, etc, reminders

computer skills: such as creating announcements, lists, labels,AdobePhotoshop or something like it to make postcards, posters, etc

# recording skills: for example: checking artists in and out of shows

\*\* hanging artwork: climb a ladder (or not!), tie monofilament, level paintings, stabilize paintings

₩ take down work

\*\* use hand tools: know which end of the screwdriver to use? that's a skill not known to all!

⋇ place labels on work

⋇ count votes

⋇ place ribbons

⋇ speak in front of a group

# take notes in a meeting/type up (keyboard) and send out if necessary

# People skills/negotiating/

greeting & guiding newcomers and visitors at meetings

# finding and scheduling guest
speakers

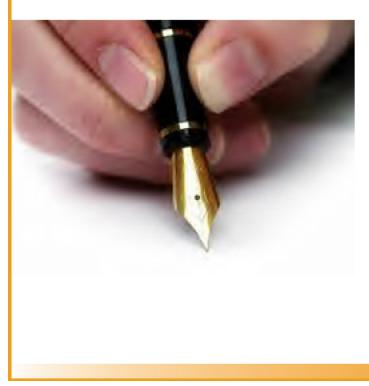
\*\* publicity: do you enjoy researching? create a new list contacts for publications (like The Post: Going Out Guide or online like The Patch or other societies and guilds, etc) where we can send PR announcements

What can you bring that I haven't even thought about listing??

Thought of something you'd like to do? Contact Stephanie Bianco at sbianco@hotmail.com

In the coming months, we will be looking for people to do all those things off and on...this isn't a full time job!

# **WRITER / COLUMNIST WANTED**



Do you enjoy writing?

Do you consider the written word a form of artistic expression?

**Would you enjoy expressing your opinions** about art shows and events relating to the arts?

#### If so then this opportunity is for you.

The Springfield Art Guild is looking for a volunteer contributing writer to round out our commitment to the artistic experience. Short articles expressing your observations and opinions would be required. A commitment to produce a short article at least once every 3 months is all that is required. If you are interested please contact the SAG newsletter Designer/Editor Reggie Garrett and let's get started.

reggiedrew@aol.com

## SAG welcomes a few new members

## Johnson, Susan

E-mail: toleart@earthlink.com Web Page: http://www.AppleTreelinc.net Medium(s): Oil, Acrylics, colored pencil



## Kollins, Tom

E-mail: thomaskkollins@gmail.com Medium(s): charcoal, watercolor, acrylic



### Cruz, Leslie

E-mail: mekamalaphoto@gmail.com Web Page: http://www.leslie-cruz.artistwebites.com Medium(s): Photography, Digital Art



Kauppinen, Monna

E-mail: mkpastel@hotmail.com Medium(s): pastel ,watercolor, graphite, tros crayon silverpoint

# Looking for Peggy Crawford

I have been trying to locate Peggy Crawford with no success. I have not seen her since shortly after her husband passed away in 2010. I knew she was selling her house but did not know where she went. Just wanted to say hi to her. If anyone has any ideas, please advise.

> Thanks, Thea Rossi Barron

# About Darlene Kaplan

#### Darlene's art is featured in the January/ February issue of Art & Beyond magazine.

She was asked to write an essay about publishing her art book (Nature's Journey) for Elan magazine which is published in the February issue along with 3 pages of her Chinese brush painting images; along with an announcement of the February group show that she is in at the Ratner Museum in Bethesda, MD.

> Congradulations Darlene

Owner of Soft Brush Studio/Original Chinese Brush Paintings & Lessons http://www.darlenekaplan.com Book #1. Nature's Journey http://www.blurb.com/books/2438693 Book #2. Tranquility in Motion http://www.blurb.com/books/2471548 Follow me on Facebook http:/facebook.com/darlene.kaplan

#### SAG NEWSLETTER: ART CLASSES in BURKE

Registration is now open for "Spring Art Classes" in Drawing and Watercolor Painting for 5-8 years, 8 years & up, Teens, and Adults held at the Woods Community Centre, 10100 Wards Grove Circle, Burke Centre. Art Lessons start Saturday April 6 or Tuesday April 9, 2013. Art Workshop/Chinese Brush Painting for Teens/ Adults is on Saturday from 10:30-12:30 p.m. The instructor is a SAG member. Summer Art Camp registration opens mid-April. Call the instructor, Carol Zeitlin at (703) 250-6930 for details and registration. Check on line: Art Class Brochure/Registration:www. czartlessons.com

Carol Zeitlin (703) 250-6930 E-Mail:czeitlinschneier@yahoo.com

# The SAG DVD library Available to Members only

#### Dear Members,

Below is a copy of the library lending policy. You should be able to find this policy and a list of DVD's available for your use on the website. Contact information is included.

Library Lending Policy for Springfield Art Guild Librarian: Charlotte Landis landiscf@comcast.net 703.549.2950 433 North Patrick, Alexandria, VA

For a list of titles for lending from the SAG library and a copy of this policy, go to www. springfieldartguild.com and follow the links. Options for check out and return:

- 1. Members may request items by: Email telephone at the meeting
- 2. Members may receive and/or return items:
- A. at the meeting (contact the librarian prior to the meeting to make sure she is attending)
- B. have it mailed to them
- C. mail it back to the librarian, at member's expense (contact librarian to make sure she is in town)
- D. make arrangements with the librarian to

pick up or return at her home address (contact the librarian to make sure she is in town DO NOT drop off items without her knowledge)

E. make arrangements with the librarian to meet at a mutually agreed upon place and time.

#### **Check out:**

Check out is for 1 (one) month. If not returned, a reminder will be sent on the 31st day or soon thereafter, according to librarian's availability. The reminder will include the replacement cost of the materials, any shipping/handling and applicable taxes. The member may choose to return items immediately, pay in full (all above expenses for replacement within 10 days), or replace the items personally within 2 weeks. No other items may be checked out; Member will be in suspension for SAG sponsored exhibiting and any other member opportunities (beyond attending general/board meetings) until return or restitution is made. Each member using the library will, one time, be given a copy of the library policy which will be signed by the member and placed on file by the board designee. This will constitute an understanding and acceptance of the lending policy of the Springfield Art Guild.

#### Figure Painting, Fast & Fun DVD with Skip Lawrence.

If you are hesitant, fearful or just unpracticed at putting figures in your paintings, this is the video for you. Skip Lawrence demonstrates a simple, sure-fire, never fail

and international exhibitions.

method of painting expressive figures that add excitement to your landscapes, meaning to your greeting cards or life to a sketchbook. 45 minute art instruction video. As a nationally recognized painter, author, and teacher, Skip Lawrence is reknowned for his extraordinary work as a colorist. He regularly has his work included in books, magazines and national publications, while he also juries national



# theartleague

Up Comming Class at The Art League School



Know Your Watercolor Palette Rachel Collins

The "color" part of "watercolor" offers a unique set of challenges. In this workshop, a series of painthandling exercises enables the watercolorist to use the colors on his or her palette with more confidence and understanding. The focus is on acquiring knowledge that may be applied to every future painting, rather than on producing a finished painting in class.

#### \$175

April 2 & 3, 2013 (Tues-Wed) 10:00am-4:00pm

#### **Jumpstart in Wet Felting**

#### **Renate Maile-Moskowitz**

Participants discover the endless creative possibilities of wool felt in this hands-on introductory course. This is a great opportunity for novices to learn the basics of this fiber medium. All materials are included in the tuition.

#### **\$90**

April 8 & 15, 2013 (Monday) 7:00pm-10:00pm

105 North Union Street Alexandria, VA 22314 www.theartleague.org 703-683-2323





#### **The Annual Youth Art Show**

MAR 21 - APR 6 Reception March 21 All Galleries: Middle and High School

Student works from McLean area middle and high schools. Organized in conjunction with Fairfax County art teachers.

Sponsored by the Woman's Club of McLean.

McLean Community Center 1234 Ingleside AvenueMcLean, Virginia 22101

# **SAG Board of Directors**

President: Stephanie Bianco Vice President: Deane Allen Secretary: Shirley Edwards Treasurer: Sy Wengrovitz At large: Reggie Garrett, Jackie Allen, Gloria Benedetto, Lydia Jechorek, Bonnie Ferguson Butler

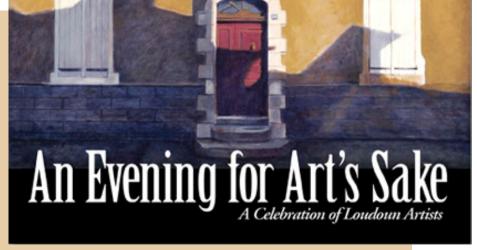
## **SAG Volunteers**

Advisor: Judy Wengrovitz Franconia Gov. Center Show Chair: Reggie Garrett Webmaster: Reggie Garrett Gmail account: Gloria Benedetto Hospitality: Jackie Allen Librarian: Charlotte Landis Membership: Lydia Jechorek Newsletter: Reggie Garrett Contributing Editor: Stephanie Bianco Contributing Photographer: Jon Strother

# Save the Date - Saturday, April 6, 2013



Join us for a very special event An Evening for Art's Sake Saturday, April 6, 2013



**Wine & Beer • Dinner • Silent & Live Auction** Featuring original fine art by many of Loudoun's favorite artists and unique gifts for the artist and non-artist alike to benefit ArtSquare.

A sneak preview of some of the items include: Original paintings by Loudoun's leading artists, including: Sherry Sanabria, Maggie Siner, Mary Champion, Dana Thompson, Linda Hendrickson, Libby Stevens, Bethany Widom, Ann Noel, and more; designer jewelry; sculpture by John Raymond; weekend getaways; a portrait sitting with Sarah Huntington; gift baskets; golf and recreation packages and so much more!

#### Saturday, April 6, 2013 6:30 - 9:30 pm

at

**River Creek Club** 43800 Olympic Blvd. Leesburg, Virginia 20176

Tickets are \$95 per person until March 15 \$105 per person after March 15 Order your tickets today!

To order your tickets by mail... Call: 703-777-5498 or 703-777-8043

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