## August 2013

# SPRINGFIELD ART GUILD

## And the new President of SAG is... **Teresa Brunson!**

It has been a positive learning experience and pleasure to serve as your now just past President! Thank you for your awesome responses to my efforts to shape our Guild as your supportive, informative and fun art organization. Having my idea, Springfield Art Guild Entrepreneurs, greeted with such enthusiasm really was rewarding. Come by 6:40 pm, on September 11th to hear former SAG president Skeeter Scheid tell the SAGE group "how art saves lives."

Other officers are Sy Wengovitz continuing as your Treasurer and Shirley Edwards continuing as your Secretary. I will now serve as your Vice President, and have planned some entertaining speakers for the coming year. We are extremely fortunate to have Dana Verkouteren, who has been featured on CNN, Fox and ABC as our September 11th speaker! Look for an article about her topic, Caricatures and Court Art, by Lydia Jehorchek, and check out her website: http://www.danaverkouteren.com/courtroomsketches-and-portraits-drawn-from-life-or-frompictures.html

#### SAG Call for Entries Deadline Aug. 16



Washington Area artists and photogaphers are invited to enter up to three (3) 2-D works of art for "Art in the Garden" the 2013 Fall show and sale sponsored by the

Springfield Art Guild (SAG) in cooperation with the Friends of Green Spring Gardens. The show will be juried by Washington Area artist Susan Herron (www.susanherron.com) who has been exhibiting and teaching for more than 25 years. Entries should focus on horticulture, natural history, or local history. \$1,000 in cash prizes will be awarded during the reception on Sept. 8. The show & sale will run from Aug. 27 to Oct. 27, 2013. Complete prospectus and registration form can be downloaded from

#### http://www.springfieldartguild.com



by Stephanie Bianco

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Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, August 14th -6 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 can be found on our website at:

http://www.springfieldartguild.com



## **Parles-vous francais?**

by Stephanie Bianco

Just this July, I adventured with former SAG speaker Bonnie Fitzgerald of Maverick Mosaics to several places in France (my first time!), and today I urge you to include the Chateau d'Amboise in your travel plans if at all possible. This magnificent (both in size and quality!) castle in Amboise (eloquently

pronounced "ahm-bwah") includes a separate small building, The St. Hubert Chapel, (photo) where Leonardo da Vinci was buried in 1519, when Francois I was the reigning king of France. Yes! This amazing castle estate with moat dates from the middle ages!

Patron of the Arts Francois I also presented Leonardo the Manoir du Clous, now known as Clos Luce in 1516—along with an annual pension of 700 crownsand called him "first painter, engineer and king's architect." Clos Luce was connected by an underground passageway to the Chateau d'Amboise! More about that fabulous experience in the next SAG newsletter. If you'd like to see a collection of my France photos including many from Chateau d'Amboise and a humorous one of Mona Lisa set to music, look for Eclectic France on YouTube.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SU5QqEHjGj4

## **SAG Board of Directors**

President:	Teresa Brunson	
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	Gloria Benedetto, Lydia Jechorek,	
	Bonnie Ferguson Butler	

## **SAG Volunteers**

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## The Springfield Art Guild Welcomes a New Member

## **Donnie Seale**

E-mail: Sealeme@aol.com

Web site : donniesealestudio.com Mediums: Oil

#### We're delighted that you've decided to join us.



Floyd, Virginia's Jacksonville Center for the Arts seeks full time Executive Director.

The Center was incorporated in 1995 as a networking and education facility designed to enhance Floyd County's strongest asset: its artisan community. Its mission is to facilitate and showcase artistic endeavors and creativity and to provide education in the arts throughout the rural community and region. To meet the goals of this mission, the Center opens its doors to a variety of its own and the community's activities and uses, including concerts, arts and crafts festivals, guest speakers, educational workshops, visual and performance art, and gallery exhibits. With numerous buildings situated on 5.2 acres just outside the Town of Floyd (5 miles from the Blue Ridge Parkway) it serves as a community resource and partner, with rental space for office use, seminars, parties, and workshops; with both permanent and temporary studio space for working artisans; and as a visitor information center.

The organization's current ED is retiring, and the Board of Directors is looking for an Executive with the capabilities to take "The Jax" to the next level, into its second full decade of community service.

Responsibilities Include:

- Report to Board of Directors; share responsibility with BoD for Center's achievement of its mission, strategic goals, and financial objectives
- Oversee the coordination, marketing, promotion, delivery, evaluation, and quality of programs, products, and services.
- Provide leadership in developing programmatic, organizational, and financial plans with the Board of Directors and staff, which assure the organization has a long range strategy that achieves its mission.
- Oversee the management of employees and volunteers while maintaining a climate of trust, cooperation, and community.
- Develop and oversee sound financial, tax, risk management, and fundraising policies appropriate for the current and future economy.

Required qualifications:

- · Bachelor's degree in a related field. Facility with Microsoft Office suite.
- Experience in: non-profit arts administration; fundraising; developing and executing long-range/strategic plans; working with a diverse community.
- Demonstrated excellent interpersonal and communication skills with a positive, inclusive, and energetic attitude.
- Effective leadership and team-building abilities.
- · Interest in a rural community and its thriving creative economy.
- Clear understanding of balance sheets/nonprofit accounting standards.

Preferred qualifications:

- Facility with technical infrastructures.
- · Experience with facility management including maintenance.
- Knowledge of Adobe CS5.
- · Experience with event planning and/or obtaining corporate sponsorship event underwriting.
- Donor development experience.

Application Procedure:

Applicants are to electronically send a cover letter, resume, salary requirements, and the names and contact information for three professional references (no hardcopy/snailmail applications will be considered) to

#### fallonle@yahoo.com

For additional information about The Jax, potential applicants are strongly encouraged to http://jacksonvillecenter.org

# **Oriental Brush Painting Workshop - 2013**

6 Day workshop instructed by Darlene Kaplan.

Create your own masterpiece in the Ling Nan style of Oriental Brush Painting.

DATES: September 9<sup>th</sup> thru 14<sup>th</sup>, 2013
TIMES: 10:00 am to 3:00 pm.
WHERE: Soft Brush Studio, 4609 Franconia Rd, Alexandria, VA 22310



#### Subjects to be taught.

Monday:CranesTuesday:FishWednesday:Roses & InsectsThursday:PeonyFriday:LandscapesSaturday:Birds followed by Mounting Instructions

Lunch & drink will be provided. If you have any special dietary needs, please bring your own lunch.

**PRICE: \$400.** Please make tuition check payable to Darlene Kaplan. Payment due no later than *AUGUST 31*, 2013. You may register now to reserve your space. Please print, fill out registration form & mail along with payment to:

	Darlene Kaplan 4609 Franconia Rd, Alexandria, VA 22310 703-922-4175 <u>Space is limited. First come basics.</u>	
	Registration Form:	
Name:		
Address		
State	Zip	
Email		
Phone (H)	cell	
	ent of any kind allowed in the workshop. No phones, no electors, but; you are encouraged to bring a pad and pencil to take notes.	

www.darlenekaplan.com e-mail- <u>chineseart@darlenekaplan.com</u>

Please park on Craft Road, follow the sidewalk to the back entrance to Soft Brush Studio.



**SAG** Membership Application Sept 2013- Sept

#### 2014

Renewal	<u>NEW</u> Membership		Date
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City		State	Zip
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E-Mail Address			
Web Address:			

Medium(s) \_\_\_\_\_

**Membership Options:** Please fill in options you want & total amount of your check (last column)

Single:	Full privileges, shows, selling, monthly newsletter, email notices	\$25.00	
Family:	Family: Full privileges for two adults in same family & children in household		
Student Member         High school – all privileges except voting rights		\$15.00	
Past President:	What year(s):	\$5.00	
	Members can also add any of the following options:		
On-line Gallery plus Link	Allows you to post up to 8 photographs of your work on the SAG website (must be renewed yearly) & if you have one link to your personal website	+ \$10.00	
Link only:	Allows you to link your personal website with the SAG website	+ \$5.00	
<u>Newsletter</u> if	Printing & mailing fee	+ 10.00	
mailed to home	Newsletters will continue to be emailed monthly at no cost		
		Total	

> Please **include web address** if you would like it included in the **directory** even if you don't want a link.

For the <u>On-line Gallery</u>- Email up to 8 quality photos (full size) of your artwork with your bio & any info you would like to appear on your page to Reggie Garrett at <u>ReggieDrew@aol.com</u> Be sure to label each photo: title, size, & medium; price is optional. If you **do not** have email send photographs to SAG; PO Box 221 Springfield VA 22150. Include a self-addressed stamped envelope if you want your photos returned.

> If renewing, what Year did you join the Springfield Art Guild?

P please make checks payable to SAG, then mail checks & this form to: Lydia Jechorek Attn: SAG 5608 Doolittle St. Burke, VA 22015

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## Nation Military Spouse Network Art show opportunity

The National Military Spouse Network is the pre-eminent networking, mentoring and professional development organization committed to the education, empowerment and advancement of military spouses. We are proud to spotlight our military spouse artists in the first annual small works art exhibition held in conjunction with the 3rd Annual NMSN Military Spouse Career Summit. This juried show gives military spouses the opportunity to showcase their artistic talents and sell their works. Military Spouses, and spouses of retired service members and veterans are eligible to enter.

#### Deadline for Entry-August 31, 2013





PROUDLY PRESENTS

### "TOGETHER WE SERVE"

JOIN US FOR OUR FIRST NMSN MILITARY SPOUSE ART EXHIBIT

October 19, 2013 Mary M Gates Learning Center 701 North Fairfax Street Alexandria, VA

EXHIBIT AND RECEPTION 4:30 - 7:30 P.M. AWARDS 6:00 P.M.

OUR TALENTED MILITARY SPOUSES ARE EXHIBITING AND SELLING THEIR ORIGINAL ART WORKS IN:

> PAINTING PHOTOGRAPHY WORKS ON PAPER

THE EXHIBIT IS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE NMSN MILITARY SPOUSE CAREER SUMMIT. FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT: WWW.MILSPOUSESUMMIT.COM

## Seeing the Inside of a Courtroom Through the Eyes of Artist DANA VERKOUTEREN

SAG's September guest speaker is Dana Verkouteren, an internationally known courtroom artist whose work has appeared in the Washington Post and other national newspapers as well as on several television networks including CNN, ABC and FOX. She specializes in courtroom art depicting realistic images from various courtrooms, including the US Supreme Court.

This artist's rendering was done during the trial of Zacarias Moussaoui



Dana is also renowned for her Maryland caricature sketches and portrait work. A distinguishing pen stroke and knack for capturing an individual's personal vitality, make her one of the most sought after portrait artists.





Dana will also do a caricature of a lucky attendee at the September SAG meeting.

## PRINCIPLE GALLERY



#### Dear Friends,

We're keeping it hot with exciting events and exhibitions that are sure get you fired up!

First up is Face Off II, a live painting demonstration by four of our talented gallery artists, followed by Women Painting Women: (*R*)evolution, with the work of thirty-two female artists depicting the female form.

Gary Myers will also be in the gallery in September to speak about his artistic process and work. Lastly, don't forget to check out our amazing new inventory or revisit a favorite that you can't get out of your mind!

#### Face Off II

Friday August 16th 6 - 9pm

This is what you have been waiting for! In this second annual event, gallery artists Rachel Constantine, Cindy Procious, Terry Strickland, and Mia Bergeron return to face off in a live portrait painting demonstration.



Get a fun glimpse into each professional artists' artistic process and unique set of techniques. There will be an opportunity for questions during breaks so bring your most burning questions!

As with all of our events, the Face Off is free to enjoy and open to all art lovers! No RSVP required. All four paintings completed that evening will be available for purchase as well as a few new pieces from each artist.

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