

SAG NEWSLETTER

SPRINGFIELD ART GUILD

September Guest Speaker Dana Verkouteren Takes Us Into the World of a Courtroom Artist

Caricaturist, Courtroom Sketch and Portrait Artist

Since 1984, Dana Verkouteren has captured the most renowned cases in our courtrooms in the Washington, DC area. She creates stunning likenesses, capturing the key events in her courtroom sketches with speed, reliability, and professional attitude. Her work has appeared on all the major television networks and graces the walls of many law offices.

Dana's work in the courtroom captures the moment between individuals giving her the chance to work with the faces, the expressions, and the space around them. Her intension is to create the artistic life of the drawing that puts the viewer there and makes them a part of it.

Dana will also discuss her work as a professional caricaturist and portrait artist in the Maryland, Virginia, and Washington, DC metro areas.

See more of Dana's work at <http://www.danaverkouteren.com/index.php>



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**Our next meeting will be on
Wednesday, September 11th -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.springfielddartguild.com>

August in Antarctica

Stephanie Bianco



is the name of an event in which SAG played a role on August 10th, 2013. The community activity celebrated the 55th anniversary of Richard Byrd library (RBL)

where we meet now, and where we met when SAG began almost 44 years ago. Namesake Richard Byrd (1880-1957) was an aviator and explorer of both the north and south poles as well as earning the rank of Rear Admiral in the US Navy. Here's how the celebration came about, and what transpired:

SAG president Stephanie Bianco and the presidents of seven other community organizations were contacted by The Friends of RBL president, Chris Peterson, and all met with Chris, RBL manager Sandy Freund, and RBL Intern Carol Quinn in several planning sessions to create and coordinate the celebration's details, which was entirely funded by the Friends of Richard Byrd Library's recent book sale.

Stephanie and Shirley Edwards came up with two ideas for SAG: two large cut out boards to be painted with penguins (RBL's mascot) for the purpose of visitors putting their heads through for fun photo souvenirs, and penguin face painting. (photo) Lydia Jehorek, Shirley, Kathy and Stephanie all painted pretty penguins on about 75 arms, hands and faces the day of the event. Barb Aigen supplied numerous adorable hand crafted penguin rocks, a rock plane representing Richard Byrd's actual plane Josephine Ford, and a painted icy Antarctic turf under them.

Additionally Lydia thought of a very popular activity to add to SAG's contribution: white balloons placed on orange plate "feet" on which people could draw magic marker penguin faces or bodies. About three hundred new balloon penguins left the building! Shirley made a trifold display board to advertise

SAG to the visitors, and Teresa Brunson created and had printed our new SAG brochures. Lots of them were distributed to interested visitors to advertise our presence in the community. Elaine Sevy, Mary Rose Janya and another lady also graciously supported our presence.



Other activities included penguin egg pass, artificial snow for children to mold, a "blubber" exhibit to demonstrate how blubber keeps penguins warm, actual clothing explorers might wear that one could try on, snow cones, and creating a flag.



The new yellow nylon flag sporting lots of fingerprint animals imprinted by visitors on August 10th will actually be flown at the penguin colony in Antarctica! Jean Pennycook/Penguin Science will transport it to the penguin colony on October 27th and will eventually be seen on the Penguin Cam at PenguinScience.com. And the post cards created by visitors will be postmarked and mailed to their creators from Antarctica too.

Teresa Tindle Brunson

SAG President



Teresa received her B.A. degree in Fine Arts and soon after she began a career as a graphics designer. She currently works full time for the government designing graphics and multimedia products. To fulfill her desire to create fine art she has painted in her free time and also taken painting and drawing classes and workshops in the evenings and weekends. She joined the Springfield Art Guild (SAG) last year to continue her journey as an artist.

For the past year Teresa has been an active member of the Springfield Art Guild and is very thankful for the inspiration and knowledge she has gained from the organization. Within the last year she has entered her paintings into 5 different shows including a 30x30 show, participated in the Manassas “Battle of the Artists” sidewalk chalk painting contest, painted and placed 2nd in the Lorton Workhouse Plein Air painting event, and completed a 30 x 40 foot mural for a local high school.

“I find the Springfield Art Guild to be a wealth of talented, knowledgeable, helpful and encouraging artists. I truly believe I picked the perfect art organization to help me with my artistic endeavors and goals. In just one year, I learned so much during the monthly meetings and through the SAG members which helped me launch my fine art efforts and get to know the art community. I look forward to working with the board and the SAG members to continue our great organization being active in our community, increasing our publicity, and to have a strong online presence, and working with other local art organizations.





REFLECTIONS ON KOI WATERCOLORS BY RUTH ENSLEY

Ruth's newest series of watercolors is on exhibit at the Vienna Arts Society Gallery, August 27th-October 5th. The series show plant, water life and koi along with the light patterns that are created on the surface of water from the movement of koi in the water. These fluid patterns present endless pattern possibilities of shapes, colors in and on water.

5 Min. Spotlight

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| Sept. 2013: | Teresa Brunson, | "My Art" |
| Oct. 2013: | Mary Rose Janya | |
| Nov. 2013 | Susan R Butler, | "Framing" |
| Dec. 2013 | NO 5 MIN. SPOTLIGHT AT THE HOLIDAY PARTY | |
| Jan. 2014: | Barb Aigen | |
| Feb. 2014: | Judy Isaacs | "My Art" |
| Mar. 2014 | Shirley Edwards | |
| Apr. 2014: | Stephanie Bianco | |
| May 2014 | Darlene Kaplan | "Art" |
| June 2014 | NO 5 MIN. SPOTLIGHT, ELECTION OF OFFICERS | |

Art Exhibit: Feast for the Eyes

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| Sept. 2013: | Teresa Brunson | Pastel |
| Oct. 2013: | Lydia Jerchorek | Oil |
| Nov. 2013: | Karen Chin | Mixed Media |
| Dec. 2013 | NO ART EXHIBIT AT THE HOLIDAY PARTY | |
| Jan. 2014: | Sy Wengrovitz | Wood Sculpture |
| Feb. 2014 | Susan Butler | Plen Air Oils |
| Mar. 2014: | Darlene Kaplan | Oriental-Chinese Art |
| Apr. 2014 | Judy Wengrovitz | Watercolor |
| May 2014 | Shirley Edwards | Watercolor |
| June 2014 | NO ART EXHIBIT, ELECTION OF OFFICERS | |

Dec. 2013 Holiday Planning Committee: Judy Isaacs, Karen Chin, Mary Exline, Lydia Jechorek, Barb Aigen, Jackie Allen.

TED NUTTALL Art Class

If you are interested in taking a class from Ted Nuttall in Rehobeth Beach he will be teaching there from October 14 til October 18th. A five day class from this master watercolorist for \$510.00. If you are interested call Rehobeth Beach Art League and talk to Kim the education Director at 302-227-8408. His classes fill up quickly so I just wanted to let you all know before he fills up! Thanks, Sharon Boyle

SAG Board of Directors

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| President: | Teresa Brunson |
| Vice President: | Stephanie Bianco |
| Secretary: | Shirley Edwards |
| Treasurer: | Sy Wegrovitz |
| At large: | Reggie Garrett, Jackie Allen, Gloria Benedetto, Lydia Jechorek |

SAG Volunteers

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| 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 |



SAG Membership Application Sept 2013- Sept

2014

Renewal _____ NEW Membership _____ Date _____

Name: (Pls print or use a return mail sticker) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone (H) _____ (C) _____

E-Mail Address _____

Web Address: _____

Medium(s) _____

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

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|------------------------|---|----------------|--|
| Single: | Full privileges, shows, selling, monthly newsletter, email notices | \$25.00 | |
| Family: | Full privileges for two adults in same family & children in household | \$40.00 | |
| 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:

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| 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 | |
| Newsletter if mailed to home | Printing & mailing fee <i>Newsletters will continue to be emailed monthly at no cost</i> | + 10.00 | |
| Total | | | |

- Please include web address if you would like it included in the directory even if you don't want a link.
- For the **On-line Gallery**- 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 ReggieDrew@aol.com 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? _____

▶▶▶ **please make checks payable to SAG, then mail checks & this form to:**

Lydia Jechorek Attn: SAG
5608 Doolittle St.
Burke, VA 22015

Do not fill in.... for Office Use:

Check # _____ date _____ Amount _____

Single _____ Family _____ other _____ Gallery _____ Link _____ Newsletter _____

Art Activated

Saturday, Sept. 7th • 12-6pm • FREE Event

Visual art comes alive at the Torpedo Factory during the 2013 Alexandria King Street Art Festival!

The Sketchbook Project

(Open both Sat. & Sun. from 12-6pm)

Meet the founders of the Sketchbook Project and visit the Mobile Library — their custom-built bookmobile — along with a selection of 4,500 sketchbooks from the permanent collection. They will be featuring books from their Memoir Project and participants will be reading portions of their memoirs live on Sunday, Sept. 8th from 3-5pm.



Get-A-Head Papier Mache Activity



From Noon-4pm on Sat., join Torpedo Factory artist Lisa Schumaier in creating CAPGROSSOS! Famous in festivals across Spain and Latin America, "Capgrossos" or "Cabezudos" are iconic, oversized, papier maché heads made especially for parades and community celebrations, like Art Activated! This family friendly activity is sponsored by the Art League.

Live Classical Music

At 2pm on Sat., the U.S. Army String Quartet, a premier ensemble of the U.S. Armed Forces, will perform works by American composers including Barber, Piston, and Harris. The quartet members for this performance are SFC Marlisa Woods, SSG Hannah Eldridge, SSG Nick Hodges, and SSG Grant Parsamian.

Make
art!



Part of the Alexandria King Street Art Festival



www.torpedofactory.org/artactivated

You Are Cordially Invited To Submit Your Artwork For A City Of Fairfax Spotlight Celebration **Celebrate The Season Of Art!**

This special judged art exhibition will tentatively open on Thursday, October 31, 2013. Artists from across Fairfax and Northern Virginia will be invited to share their creative and contemporary efforts, while competing with a variety of honors that will be awarded by the City of Fairfax. The public will be invited to a free opening wine and cheese reception and concert on Friday, November 15 from 7 to 9 PM. The very respected local group, Sfor-Óg, will perform 17th and 18th century Celtic Baroque music. This event will be perfect for the entire family!

Celebrate The Season Of Art! -- Awards:

We will have two categories with 10 awards. One award category will be for all paintings, drawings, serigraphs, lithographs and multi-media. The second award category will be for fine art photography. There will be 2 Honorable Mentions awarded per category.

- **First Place -- \$100 Each** & A Celebrating The Season Of Art Certificate Of Award & Ribbon
- **Second Place -- \$50 Each** & A Celebrating The Season Of Art Certificate Of Award & Ribbon
- **Third Place -- \$25 Each** & A Celebrating The Season Of Art Certificate Of Award & Ribbon
- **Honorable Mentions** – Celebrating The Season Of Art -- A Certificate Of Award & Ribbon

Art Judging:

All potential artwork submissions must come to the attention of Larry Oskin at LOskin@MktgSols.com. You may submit up to three pieces per artist, with low resolution images and the attached application. Oskin and a team of artists will pre-judge and qualify all entries, accepting the best artwork for this show. Ms. Joanna M. Ormesher, City of Fairfax Marketing Director will be responsible make the decision on all final pieces as well as to judge this show for the awards and honors.

Schedule Of Art Show Events:

- **Art Submissions:** All potential artwork submissions must be sent by email to Larry Oskin as noted above no later than Friday, October 1, 2013.
- **Accepted Artwork:** Artists will be notified of their acceptances by Sunday October 20, 2013 via email.
- **Artwork Delivery and 'Hanging Day':** Wednesday, October 30, 2013 from 4 to 6 PM.
- **Opening Art Reception, Award Presentation & Concert:** Friday, November 15, 2013 7 to 9 PM.
- **Pickup after the November / December Celebrate The Season Of Art! Show:** Thursday, January 2 from 4 to 6 PM.

Advantages, Eligibility & Entry Guidelines:

- **Sherwood Center:** This exciting art venue will be open to the Fairfax community 7 days a week with very nice traffic.
- **There will be no registration or hanging fees.**
- **Art Theme:** We are searching for **VERY BIG, COLORFUL, BOLD & BRIGHT ARTWORK!!!**
- **Art Submission Guidelines:** We will hang about 70 pieces of original artwork in this show. You are invited to share up to 3 art submissions. Artwork must be at least 16" x 20" or larger. All artwork submissions will need to have proper hanging wires on the back. Only art that will safely hang on a wall with wires will be acceptable. We will create the Art Title & Price Cards that will need to be attached to the bottom of each artwork frame as they cannot be attached to the Sherwood Center walls.
- **Original Artwork:** As approved for the Sherwood Center, we will accept all original artwork, inclusive of all original limited edition signed and numbered artwork. Original artwork may be a single limited edition painting, drawing, lithograph, serigraph, photograph or sculpture to hang on a wall. Original limited edition fine art that is signed and numbered, will be acceptable as original art. We will not accept any unlimited edition lithography, serigraphy or photography. There is no age limit for artists.
- **Art Sales:** The sales and commissions will be handled by the City Of Fairfax. They will take a 30% sales commission. If any of your artwork is sold, you will need to be ready to quickly replace that artwork with another piece of artwork within 24 to 48 hours. "All artwork submissions must be available for sale." Artwork must be available to hang during the entire duration of this show. You will be responsible to pay any applicable taxes on art sales.
- **City Of Fairfax Agreement:** All artists will be required to sign a City Of Fairfax Art Agreement when dropping off artwork.
- **Sherwood Gallery Guidelines:** To meet the requirements of the City Manager, City Council and everyone involved, Joanna Ormesher will act as our final authority for all artwork proposed for hanging in the Sherwood Center, while she will have veto power to reject anything she does not deem appropriate.
- **Shared Responsibilities:** The City of Fairfax will use reasonable care in handling and displaying artwork. They will not be responsible for any loss, theft or damage to artwork on display for this art show.
- **Hanging Committee Needed:** We will need some volunteers, to help us hang this art show. Let us know if you can help!
- **Location:** The Sherwood Center, 3740 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax, VA 22030

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Sherwood Center Art Gallery
Celebrate The Season Of Art!

November / December 2013

Art Application Form*

You may submit up to 3 original pieces of artwork per artist for consideration.

All applications must come with low resolution images of your artwork – emailed to us at less than 1 MB.

Art files have your name and the name of the piece of artwork.

All participating artists will be required to sign a City Of Fairfax Art Agreement – on ‘Hanging Day’ -- October 30.

Artist’s Name: _____

City, State & Zip Code Address: _____

PHN: _____ CLR: _____ EML: _____

1. Title Of Artwork: _____

Description: _____ Medium: _____

Edition: _____ / _____ Size: _____ Price: _____

2. Title Of Artwork: _____

Description: _____ Medium: _____

Edition: _____ / _____ Size: _____ Price: _____

3. Title Of Artwork: _____

Description: _____ Medium: _____

Edition: _____ / _____ Size: _____ Price: _____

YES: I am willing to volunteer to help hang this art show on Wednesday, October 30th.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:

Larry H. Oskin

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