



Springfield Art Guild (SAG)

A place for a creative experience

February 2019 Newsletter

Meeting Schedule for FEB. 13

Grace Presbyterian Church
(auditorium)
7434 Bath St.
Springfield, VA 22150

All are welcome

6:30 pm – Doors Open
7:30 – 9:00pm Presentation
Times are approximate

www.springfieldartguild.org
www.facebook.com/springfieldartguild/

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Springfield Art Guild Hosts An Evening Remembering and Celebrating Judy Wengrovitz



The Springfield Art Guild, cofounded by the late Judy Wengrovitz 50 years ago, will be hosting an evening tribute to celebrate her contributions and share memories about this lovely, talented woman we all love and miss so much. The program will be held on February 13, from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. at Grace Presbyterian Church, Springfield, VA.

A variety of Judy's paintings, in watercolors, oils and other mediums, will be on display as will some of her sketchbooks. While viewing her beautiful artwork, enjoy refreshments and socializing with fellow SAG members and our guests from the Potomac Valley Watercolorists, The Art League and The National League of American Pen Women, all organizations Judy belonged to.

Heather Cronin, SAG Acting President for February, and Sy Wengrovitz, Judy's husband, will introduce some of her longtime friends who will share some memories and stories with us about her. Gail Ruf, long-time friend of Judy and Sy, and producer of "From the Painters Palette," will conclude the evening with a short video program of Judy teaching some of her special techniques. This program featured Judy and ran on public television for several years.

Many of you are new members and have said you are sorry to have not known Judy. Joining us for this event can help you become acquainted with this woman who inspired so many artists, and who loved and remained active in SAG until shortly before she passed away.

Event Committee: SAG Members Elaine Sevy, Lydia Jechorek and Mary Rose Janya



Fairfax Public Access Channel 10 TV Show "From the Painter's Palette"

Judy Wengrovitz demonstrates watercolor on her TV show "From the Painter's Palette" the second week of every month on Channel 10.

You Tube Video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HnYIAKkMhIw>



Meet SAG's 2018-2019 Board Members

2018-19 Springfield Art Guild Board welcomes new Board Member **Kathy Udell** and returning Board Member **Donnalyne Lefever**.

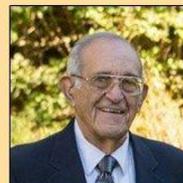
SAG is looking forward to another great year. We are excited about the great lineup for next year's Guest Speaker's Series, members' shows and other activities throughout the year.

The SAG President schedule will rotate so each board member will be Acting President for one month.

We hope you will invite guests to SAG's upcoming events and our Guest Speaker's Series.



Joanne Stanford
V. Pres. & Membership



Sy Wengrovitz
Treasurer



Kathy Udell
Secretary



Teresa Brunson
Webmaster & newsletter



Alice Merritt
Librarian



Elaine Sevy
Plein air coordinator



Mary Rose Janya



Heather Cronin



Donnalyne Lefever

Presiding President Schedule

2018-19	Acting President	Members mtg	Board Mtg	Alternate
Sept	Teresa Brunson	09/12	09/17	NA
Oct	Alice Merritt	10/10	10/15	<i>Donnalyne Lefever</i>
Nov	Jo Stafford	11/14	11/19	<i>Teresa Brunson</i>
Dec	Teresa Brunson	12/12	12/17	<i>Heather Cronin</i>
Jan	Elaine Sevy	01/09	01/14	<i>Alice Merritt</i>
Feb	Heather Cronin	02/13	02/18*	<i>Mary Rose Janya</i>
Mar	Mary Rose Janya	03/13	03/18	<i>Elaine Sevy</i>
Apr	Sy Wengrovitz	04/10	04/15	<i>Kathy Udell</i>
May	Kathy Udell	05/8	05/13	<i>Jo Stafford</i>
Jun	Donnalyne Lefever	06/12	06/17	<i>Sy Wengrovitz</i>

** Feb 18th Board Meeting is Presidents' Day so the meeting will either need to be held at a different location or the date changed. Board meetings are open to any SAG members to attend.



Guest Speakers Schedule for 2018-2019

These are the speakers we have scheduled so far for our 2018-2019 year

Sept. 12 : Darlene Kaplan – Oriental Brush Painting

Oct. 10: Leslie Nolan – Acrylic contemporary semi abstract figures

Nov. 14: Amy Shawley – Artist and Goldin Representative to demo water media

Dec. 12: No Speaker needed– Holiday Party!

Jan. 9: Critique Artist/Judge - Gonzalo Ruiz Navarro

Feb. 13: “Remembering Judy”

Mar. 13: Joyce McCarten – Contemporary paintings

Apr. 10: Mary Proenza – Art Professor at Mary Mount University and Fine Artist

May 8: TBD

Jun 12: Trudi Van Dyke – SAG Membership Art Show and Judging

Important Dates to Mark on Your Calendars:

Quick Reference of Important SAG Dates

February 2019

13th – SAG Membership Meeting

18th – SAG Board Meeting (all are welcome to attend)

March 2019

2nd – Franconia Show take down 11:00-noon

13th – SAG Membership Meeting

18th – SAG Board Meeting (all are welcome to attend)

April 2019

10th – SAG Membership Meeting

15th – SAG Board Meeting (all are welcome to attend)

May 2019

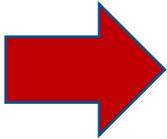
8th – SAG Membership Meeting

13th – SAG Board Meeting (all are welcome to attend)

June 2019

12th – SAG Membership Meeting

17th – SAG Board Meeting (all are welcome to attend)



Very Important NOTICE:

We are cancelling any sales of art or works at the February meeting this month do to our tribute event for Judy Wengrovitz. The board will get back to the membership if this event will be rescheduled this spring.

SAG's Annual Franconia Government Center Art Show



SAG 2019 Show at the Franconia Government Center (Lee District) – Looks Great!! Come by and See It!!

Show Chair Darlene Kaplan

This year's show, hung on December 1st, includes 24 participating members, and 53 pieces of 2-D art, plus 3-D art in the showcase!! The show looks great! Go see it if you haven't already! Media include watercolor, oil, acrylic, mixed media, ceramics, and painted rocks! Thanks to the help of the many volunteers, we were able to hang the show in just under 2 hours!! We are getting g-o-o-d at this ... in spite of a few unexpected glitches that we worked through!!

The show reception was held on January 12th, in conjunction with Supervisor McKay's annual Open House. Many of the Supervisor's staff and public attendees remarked that they enjoyed seeing the art each year, and several wanted to learn more about SAG. SAG members were helpful in facilitating the People's Choice voting, engaging both veteran and new attendees. As in the past, many attendees were excited about the potential to win original art in the raffle, and delighted with their winnings. Several asked the artist for their autographs.

People's Choice Results: Congratulations to:

1st Place– Joan Fegan – Pure Gold, *oil on canvas*

2nd Place: Darlene Kaplan – Two Fish Under Wisteria – Chinese watercolor

3rd Place Tie: Françoise Dickson – Sound Of Snow, Watercolor; and Chong Teasley-- Abundance of Fall, Acrylic

• Honorable Mention: David Hennessey- The Newly-Weds' New Home – Photography

Sales: Chong Teasley and Barb Aigen each sold art during the reception. ***If there are other sales, please let the show chair (Darlene Kaplan) know!***

Thank you!! The Show Chair (Darlene Kaplan) and SAG Board Members thank SAG members for helping with various aspects of the show – as *many hands make work light*, and made the show a success! Specific thanks to:

- Darlene Kaplan for preparing and printing the artwork labels
- All of the many SAG members who helped with the show intake and hanging, and art labeling
- Everyone who helped at the reception organizing the raffle items, name tags, facilitating the People's Choice voting and raffle, talking to visitors about SAG and the art, and those who attended
- The 17 members who generously donated art for the raffle
- Supervisor McKay and his staff for once again inviting the SAG to share our art work everyone who visits the Government Center

2020 Show: Franconia Government Center has a new Supervisor. The Show Chair is confident that the new Supervisor will continue the tradition of an Open House with the invitation for SAG to display their art during this time of year.

SHOW TAKE DOWN is March 2nd, – 2019-10-11am. Please come pick up your art, or coordinate with someone to do it for you.

For all the winner of this exhibition, please bring your winning piece of art to the March SAG meeting for all to enjoy.



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A note about the Art Show from Barb Aigen

A wonderful turnout for this year's Franconia Art Reception. I think the voting for best picture and raffle ticket combo was a brilliant strategy. I saw a lot more interest in the art this year. I sold 3 rocks during the reception. District Supervisor Jeff McKay's talk was as interesting as always, I was touched when he wished us all good luck and asked that we be nice to one another. Because he used the exact phrase, my husband and I presented him with one of my *Bee Nice Rocks*. He then showed us his office with his own collection of rocks from historical Springfield locations and told us a story about his children and their rock/painting hobby.

Barb Aigen



SAG Challenge for our March Meeting

Why participate in the challenges? First they are fun and the challenges are a great way to overcome the “white canvas/paper” syndrome and just play. Not knowing what to paint or draw is something we all face at times. Just use this photo as your starting point, a reference or an inspiration for art making ideas. The challenges make it easy to overcome “what to paint” and try different techniques you don’t normally do. Usually just paint? Maybe try collage or drawing or a different approach to painting. That’s what’s great about a challenge.

We hope to see your artwork at the March meeting

If you have any photos you think will be great for the Challenge just send them to Tom Collins thomaskollins@gmail.com.



This photograph been provided by the photographer for use in March’s photo challenge. Any SAG member may create a piece of art based on/inspired by the photograph. The artist may display or sell the work created as they would with any art they create. However the photographer retains copyright of the photograph, and while members may create a piece of art from it, they are not allowed to use the photograph in any other way. They cannot send it others, they cannot post it on-line, etc.

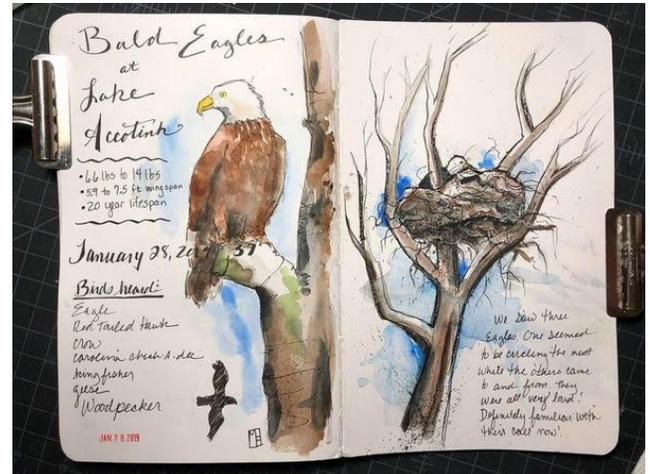
Nature Journaling Mondays, February 11 & 25

By Elaine Sevy, SAG's Outdoor Art Event Coordinator

February 11 and 25, 3:00-5:00 pm at Lake Accotink Park

Our January 28th Nature Journaling day to the Bald Eagles nest was really cold but no wind and lots of sunshine. The Bald Eagles were very active. We camped out with the nest in view, and saw what appeared to be a pair tending the nest. They would leave and come back over and over. And as Marcia Furman notes in her journal, they were loud...lots of calling. Then we all thought a third adult Eagle showed up, maybe to challenge the male (I confirmed that yes there is a 3rd adult). There's also a juvenile Bald Eagle, and a Pileated Woodpecker in the same area. A walker told us that a pair of Barred Owls are in the vicinity too.

It was so much fun!!! There were five of us. Here's Marcia's journal pages from January 28th. She nailed our experience.



Since a number of you had to miss the January visit to the Bald Eagles' nest, we are going again on Feb. 11. We may revisit the Bald Eagle's nest on Feb. 25, but also look for the various kinds of wild ducks — including those comic, cute Hooded Mergansers -- wintering over at the Lake. At some point, we will be visiting the nest to try and see the couple's babies.

In addition to art supplies, definitely bring binoculars if you have them (I will bring a couple of extra pairs) and something to sit on in case there's too many of us for the bench. A chair is nice, but even a comfy towel will do. Dress warm!!!!

- ❖ Nature Journaling improves your observation skills, helps you become comfortable sketching and painting outdoors, and doing studies that inspire future paintings.
- ❖ Nature Journaling also opens a door to a fascinating world of local natural wonders, stimulating your imagination and creativity.
- ❖ A good basic Nature Journaling kit includes: 6x8" or 5x7" sketchbook (at least 90 lb. weight paper to handle light watercolor washes), HB drawing pencil, pencil sharpener, Kneaded eraser, a waterproof ink pen such as a Pigma Micron 01 or 05, set of watercolor pencils (Derwent is a good brand), a small container for water (film canisters work great), Pentel Aquash Water Brush and Paper Towels. Or bring whatever materials you are comfortable using. Also bring your cell phone and/or a camera for photo references, and binoculars.

Please NOTE: For this outing, we will meet in the large parking on the left as you drive into the park on Accotink Park Road. It's the first parking area you will see if you are new to the park. As you enter the lot, turn to the right and park in the area closest to the railroad trestle.

Please text or call me—Elaine Sevy, 703-901-5612, if you can't find us or have questions (email address is yorkiemum.sevy95@gmail.com).

Directions to Lake Accotink Park (Don't use GPS devices):

Take Springfield/644W exit from I-95, which puts you on Old Keene Mill Road. At 3rd stoplight, turn right on Hanover Rd. Continue on Hanover (through residential section) to Highland Ave. Turn Left.

Turn right on Accotink Park Rd. The park entrance is on the left (an industrial area is on the right). Accotink Park Rd. continues here. Take it until you reach the large parking lot on the left, before you reach the dam. This lot is below the railroad trestle. dam. This lot is below the railroad trestle.

ART BOOKS and MAGAZINES for SALE at our February Meeting

By Alice Merritt

SAG has lots a huge variety of art magazines and books for sale. They are used but are in excellent condition. We price them very low so you want to grab them while you can. The money we collect from the sale of the books and magazine goes towards new art DVDs for SAG's DVD library. I am listing a brief description of just a few examples of some of our newer magazines.

LAPHAM QUARTERLY

This is a literary magazine established in 2007 by former Harper's Magazine editor Lewis H. Lapham. Each issue examines a particular theme using primary source material from history, historical figures, essays, speeches and opinions through the years.

Each issue includes an introduction by Lapham ,readings from historical contributors, and essays by contemporary writers and historians. He believes that history is the root of all education, scientific, literary, as well as political and economic .

Some of the topics the SAG library has are: Nature, Foreigners, Time, Youth, Sea, Food, Nature, Religion and 5 more topics

TREASURES Of the HERMITAGE

Painting Maritime Landscapes.....Pellet

Painting Nature's Quiet Places.....Daly

Drawing the Human Head.....Hogarth

Art of pastel Painting.....Pattman

There will also be Watercolor books and magazines for sale.

SAG Newsletter is Eager for More Stuff!

SAG is always looking for articles, notes, interesting facts, pictures, and just about anything to put in our newsletter. Help us out and send in some articles or whatever you have. It doesn't have to be a long article – it can just be a few lines about some art related topic. We would love that. Below are some ideas of what to send for the newsletter. Email teresatindlebrunson@gmail.com with your input. We would all love to hear from you!

Upcoming Art Shows

Art Shows your art is in

Art Events

Summary of a workshop you attended

Art Awards you have received

Art Exhibits

Your Art Accomplishments

Art Supplies you like

Review of a gallery show or art museum

Studio Openings

Art Challenges

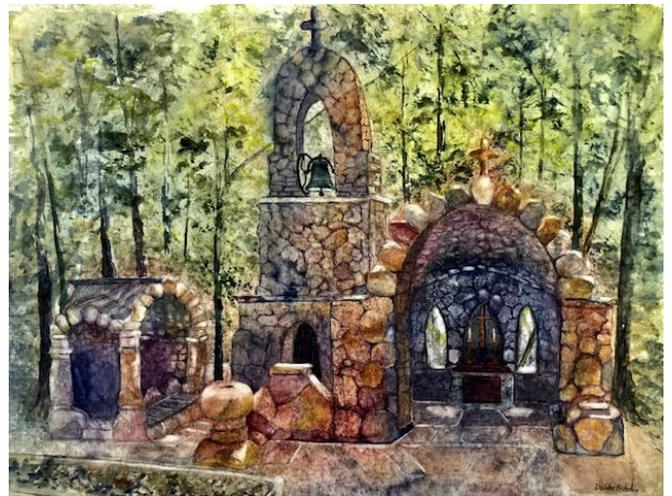
Art Classes you recommend

Welcome New Members

If you are a new SAG member we would love to introduce you to the membership through our newsletter. Please send any information about yourself plus any pictures of your artwork to Teresa Brunson at teresatindlebrunson@gmail.com and we will put it in the next issue.

Welcome to SAG Deidre!

Deidre Pistochini attended Pennsylvania State University, graduating in 1977 with a Bachelor of Science in Pre-Medicine/Biology. Accepting an officer commission upon graduation, she served 22 years in the U. S. Navy from 1977-1999, retiring as a Commander. After retiring from the military she worked in the private sector, running a friend's small business for several years between 2002-2005. The mother of five grown children and grandmother of five, Deidre has always loved to travel and was inspired to take up art following a trip to Italy with a group of artists in the summer of 2014. She subsequently started watercolor lessons at the Workhouse Arts Center in early 2015. Deidre believes that getting outside is good for the soul and through her artwork, she tries to bring the outside in. Her subject matter is nature, whether it be a traditional landscape or an animal or a flower painting.



Exciting Member News!

This section of the newsletter is for SAG members to tell us about your art endeavors. We would love to hear what exciting things are going on with your art. Your exciting news could be about an art show you won an award in, an art society you were accepted into, a new art technique you are trying out, an art fair you are in, a new art group you started, etc.. Please send any of your exciting art news to teresatindlebrunson@gmail.com by the 20th of each month.



PRESS RELEASE

The Loft Gallery Art Center
313 Mill Street, 2nd floor
Occoquan VA 22125
www.loftgallery.org

WHERE: Loft Gallery Art Center, 313 Mill Street, Occoquan, VA

WHAT: Oriental Brush Painting Classes

WHEN: Monday, March 11, 18, & 25, 2019 from 11:30 am-1:30 pm

Oriental brush painting classes are now taught at The Loft Gallery Art Center in Occoquan, VA. by International/National award winning artist Darlene Kaplan. Kaplan has well over 40 years of experience in teaching.

Kaplan has been exhibiting and winning awards for her art worldwide for many years. Her oriental brush paintings have won awards both in China and Japan for the past 3 years.

Darlene Kaplan is a gallery member at the Loft Gallery. She also has an art studio in the Loft Gallery Art Studio at 313 Mill Street, Occoquan, VA.

Kaplan will begin teaching at the Loft Gallery Art Center in March and will continue teaching each month except for the first Monday of each Month.

For additional information about the classes or art supply list you may go to www.darlenekaplan.com or e mail chineseart@darlenekaplan.com

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Images enclosed by Darlene Kaplan:

#1 Title: Cockscomb

Medium: Chinese watercolor

Size: 15"x20"

#2. Title: Gentle Butterfly

Medium: Ink and color

Size: 24:x28"



ART Opportunities

This section of the newsletter is for SAG members to let us know about art opportunities in our area. Tell us about any art classes, workshops, exhibits, upcoming art shows to enter, and any other art opportunity you can think of. Please send any art opportunities to teresatindlebrunson@gmail.com by the 20th of each month.



HILL CENTER
at the OLD NAVAL HOSPITAL

Hill Center at the Old Naval Hospital
921 Pennsylvania Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20003

HILL Center Gallery — UPCOMING EVENTS

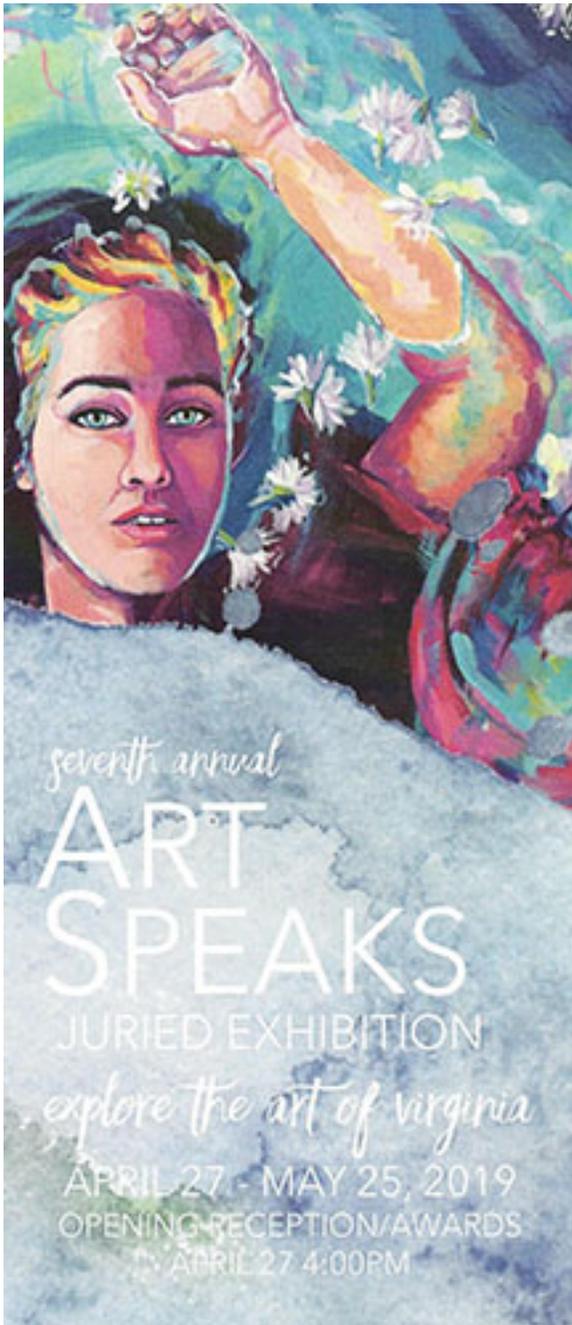
TREEmendous Call for Entries

Focusing on the beauty of all trees, this show will be held during the annual Cherry Blossom season celebration. Co-sponsored by the Capitol Hill Art League and Hill Center Galleries.

Juried by Carole Ottesen, writer, photographer and illustrator specializing in garden subjects

- **Exhibition Dates:** March 7-April 28, 2019
- **Opening Reception with Juror:** Wednesday, March 13, 2019, 6:30-8:30 pm
- **Call Deadline:** Friday, February 1, 2019

<http://www.hillcenterdc.org/call-for-entries/>



Seventh Annual Art Speaks Juried Exhibition

Show dates: April 27-May 25th 2019

Eligibility: Resident of VA, over 18, up to 3 entries allowed

Prize Money: Total prizes \$5,000

Entry deadline: 3/1/18

Entry fee: \$25 before 2/1; \$35 aft 2/1

Courier Service: Pick-up and drop off of juried-in artwork from designated locations around the state.

The Bay School Community Arts Center
279 Main Street
Mathews, VA 23109

www.bayschool-arts.com/artspeaks/

804-725-1278

On-going Monthly Art Opportunity:

Art&Lunch with Fairfax Art League

The Fairfax Art League (FAL) has invited SAG to their Art&Lunch the 2nd Thurs of each month 10:30-2:30 in their gallery in Old Town Hall in Fairfax. The address is 3999 University Dr., Fairfax, VA 22030. It is an informal "bring your lunch, art supplies and perhaps a project you are working on.



FAL says SAG members and their friends are very welcome to attend any A&L they wish to come to. They often have live models for some of their meetings. These are all free and open to the public. Information will be posted on their website. www.fairfaxartleague.net

Old Town Hall is the big white building on the corner of Main Street and University Dr. in Fairfax City. The FAL gallery is on the second floor. There is an elevator strait to the back and there is also a door on the side facing Main St. that is just opposite the elevator and there are no steps. Everyone attending Art&Lunch will be issued an all day parking pass to put on their windshield. This will keep them from getting a ticket for staying over the 2hr parking limit.

There are some easels available but if you have one bring it. Chairs are available and also tables. The room is bright and a great place to paint. Just remember, this is the 2nd Thursday of every month.

ART CLASSIFIEDS

This section of our newsletter is where members can post any art materials they would like to sale or donate. Send a description of your item(s) along with a picture of it and your contact information to teresatindlebrunson@gmail.com and it will be advertised in this section of our newsletter. Once the item is sold please notify Teresa Brunson.

No classifieds this issue