



# SPRINGFIELD ART GUILD (SAG)

*A place for a creative experience*

September-October 2020 Newsletter

Schedule:

Zoom meeting  
Wednesday Oct. 14  
at 7 pm

[www.springfieldartguild.org](http://www.springfieldartguild.org)  
[www.facebook.com/springfieldartguild/](https://www.facebook.com/springfieldartguild/)

SAG Board Members 2020-2021:

All Members Rotate for President  
Joanna Stafford – Vice President  
Sy Wengrovitz – Treasurer  
Kathy Udell – Secretary  
Elaine Sevy  
Heather Cronin  
Mary Rose Janya  
Donnalynne Lefever  
Danica Holoviak

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SAG'S Next Zoom Meeting will be on Wednesday Oct. 14th at 7pm with a presentation from award-winning local artist Kathleen Best Gillman.

## Kathleen Best Gillman - Oil, Acrylic and Pastel Artist



*"Small Wonders" pastel painting*

Originally from New England, award-winning artist **Kathleen Best Gillmann** has been a Workhouse artist since 2010. While growing up in Maine, she developed a profound respect for nature. Today, she celebrates her love of the outdoors through her contemporary waterscapes and atmospheric landscapes filled with subtle and rich colors. Ms. Gillmann's work is held in private and corporate collections from Maine to Colorado. Find her work locally at Arches Gallery (Workhouse Arts Center) and the Art League Gallery in Old Town Alexandria.



"Hidden in the Layers" just juried into the Art League's Sept Show and sold!

Kathleen is looking forward to sharing about her professional activities and some of her artwork and techniques at SAG's October Meeting.

Look Kathleen up on Facebook and check out her website.

FaceBook page: "Kathleen Best Gillmann - Very Best Fine Art" and also Arches Gallery Artists (on FB)

[www.VeryBestFineArt.com](http://www.VeryBestFineArt.com)



"The Summer Place" pastel painting

**What's happening with SAG in 2021?** *The board is busy coming up with new ideas and activities for our members!!!*

*SAG does not know when Grace Church will be reopening or we will be able to have in-person meetings or events. The board is working on ideas and events to inspire all of our members to continue their art and enjoy their membership through online meetings, our newsletter, our new website, Facebook and online events as we explore ways to inspire you & help you with your art.*



**Virtual Monthly Meetings:** *SAG will be bringing our meetings to our members via Zoom. SAG's board is lining up great Guest Speakers who will bring their art into your homes until we can meet in person again. Meetings will still be **the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed of the month.***

**Zoom:** *If you haven't participated in a Zoom meeting its really easy on your computers or IPads. If you haven't been 'Zooming' yet and need instruction we can help get you started.*

*SAG will also continue to explore new art related adventures for you.*

*We encourage members to send us your **ideas**. If we work together we're sure to have another great year.*



**Springfield**  
Civic Association  
Where we all come together

SAG appreciates the Springfield Civic Association’s continued support and coverage of our activities through its newsletter and Facebook group. For news and important information about businesses, school activities and important issues relative to the Springfield community, visit SCA’s website at: [springfieldcivic.org](http://springfieldcivic.org).

## SAG’s Featured Speaker List for Our 2020-2021 Season

2020-21	Guest Speaker	medium
Sep 9	Julia Malakoff	Collage
Oct 14	Kathleen Gillmann	Oil, acrylic and pastel
Nov 11	Marnie Maree	Watercolor and oil
Dec 9	Marisela Rumberg	Zentangle & fiber artist
Jan 13	Liz Walker	Marbled acrylic paintings
Feb 10	Lynn Goldstein	Pastel and Oil
Mar 10	Rick Reda	Photographer
Apr 14	Sarah Suplina	Collages and Snippets
May 12	TBD	
Jun 9	TBD	



## 2020-21 Membership Dues & Application Form



SAG’s yearly dues are still only \$35.00 a year (Sept– Sept) & families \$55.00 a year. Plus, everyone can add the option of SAG’s online gallery (\$10) and/or link (\$5). Great ways to get your work online.

[Find out more about the options on the membership application.](#)

**REMEMBER:** Anyone can join SAG at any time during the year, but to be in the directory, Lydia Jechorek must receive your dues by Sept 30th.



# SAG Membership form (membership is Sept-Sept)

Renewal  No change  Yes Changes  NEW Membership Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Please print or use a mailing label**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (cell) \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Web Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

<b>Single:</b>	Full privileges ( <i>shows, selling, emailed newsletter, email notices, etc.</i> )	<b>\$35.00</b>	
<b>Family:</b>	Full privileges for two adults in same family & children in household	<b>\$55.00</b>	
<b>Student Member</b>	High school – all privileges except voting rights	<b>\$15.00</b>	
<b>Past President:</b>	What year(s): _____	<b>\$5.00</b>	



**Members can also add any of the following options:**

<b>On-line Gallery + Link</b>	Allows you to post up to 10 photographs of your work on the SAG website (must be renewed yearly). INCLUDES <b>one</b> link to a personal website if you have one listed above. You can add a 2 <sup>nd</sup> link below	<b>+ \$10.00</b>	
<b>Link ONLY:</b>	Allows you to link a personal website with the SAG website	<b>+ \$5.00</b>	
<i>Check Total</i>			

➤ **Include your web address above** if you would like it included in the **directory** even if you don't want a link.

➤ For the **On-line Gallery:** a) Email up to ten (10) quality photos and your **bio to Teresa Brunson** [teresatindlebrunson@gmail.com](mailto:teresatindlebrunson@gmail.com) .

b) **SUBJECT line of email:** "**SAG Online Gallery Photos** + your name".

c) **Save** each photo by its **title and your name** before attaching to email

d) In the body of your email please **include:** title, size, & medium; \*price is optional.

**Note:** Due to size of photographs, you may need to send multiple emails

➤ Renewing? What Year did you join the Springfield Art Guild? \_\_\_\_\_ (It should be in last year's directory)

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

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

Check # _____	Check Date _____	Amount \$ _____	Confirmation email sent _____
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## THE SAG MONTHLY ART SHOW

As we all muddle through the coronavirus pandemic, SAG has created a project that will allow all members to share their art with the rest of the guild. It's a great way to enjoy one another's artwork until we meet again and can share our artwork at the monthly meetings as we've done in the past.

**Who?** Open to all SAG members

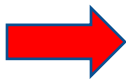
**What?** Show us your artwork!!

There are **no rules. Any medium..... Done at any time in your life.....** Includes sculptures and jewelry and anything else. Can be a quick sketch, or a fully developed artwork. Any subject matter.....As I said.....NO RULES (but it must be your work).

**When?** Our next monthly show will be on October 15<sup>th</sup>  
Send your artwork files in by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month.

**Where?** Your work will be posted on SAG's Facebook page

**How?** Members can send a photo of their art by email, **by the 15<sup>th</sup> of every month**, to Tom Kollins ([thomaskollins@gmail.com](mailto:thomaskollins@gmail.com)) and/or Lydia Jechorek ([raylyd@verizon.net](mailto:raylyd@verizon.net)).



**Subject-line of email:** *SAG Monthly Art Show, from (your name).*

**Why?** So you can enjoying the opportunity to share your art with fellow 'SAGers' and also find this a great way to check out the wonderful art our members create.

## Meet SAG's 2020-2021 Board Members

Springfield Art Guild Board welcomes new Board Member Danica Arehart

The SAG President schedule will rotate so each board member will be Acting President for at least one month. If you have questions you can contact any board member.

SAG is looking forward to another great year with our Guest Speaker's Series, members' shows and other activities throughout the year.

Everyone is encouraged to invite friends to join us for our Guest Speakers series (on Zoom until further notice)



**Teresa Brunson**  
Newsletter Editor & Website  
Former board member



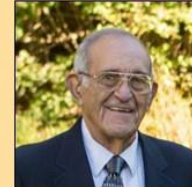
**Lydia Jechorek**  
Membership  
Former board member



**Alice Merritt**  
Librarian  
Former Board Member



**Joanne Stanford**  
V. Pres. & Membership



**Sy Wengrovitz**  
Treasurer



**Kathy Udell**  
Secretary



**Danica Arehart**



**Elaine Sevy &**  
Journaling coordinator



**Heather Cronin**



**Mary Rose Janya**



**Donnalynne  
Lefever**



**Chris Jenkins**

## SAG's 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. Below are some ideas. Email [teresatindlebrunson@gmail.com](mailto: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 Classes you recommend  
Review of a gallery show or art museum  
Studio Openings

# Peak Monarch Butterfly Migration Nature Journaling Sketch Hikes

By Elaine Sevy



**Sunday, September 27, 1-3 pm and Mon, September 28, 1-3 pm)**

Mid to late September is the peak time to see migrating Monarch butterflies and their caterpillars in our area. During this time, large numbers of these butterflies pass through the mid-Atlantic region on their way to Mexico, where they overwinter. They sip nectar from Goldenrods and Asters among other late Fall wildflowers, and they lay their eggs on Milkweed, the Monarch's only host plant.

Join me to experience the migration while looking for and sketching the butterflies and their caterpillars, and learn about this centuries old phenomenon. If we're lucky, we might find a chrysalis too.

We are limited to 8 people so please email me if you plan to attend: [yorkiemum.sevy95@gmail.com](mailto:yorkiemum.sevy95@gmail.com). Safety protocols are mandated and include social distancing and face masks.

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. A chair is nice, but even a comfy towel will do.

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 100 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. I will have some tools on hand that you can try.

Also bring your cell phone and/or a camera for photo references, and binoculars.

**Please NOTE:** We will meet at the park's Marina. Parking is available in the Marina parking lot. It can fill up fast though, so you can also park in the large parking lot on the left as you drive into the park on Accotink Park Road and walk over to the Marina.



**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](mailto: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 Marina parking lot at the end of the road. The large parking lot is on the left, before you reach the dam. This lot is below the railroad trestle.

**LIKE** “The NOVA Nature Journal Club,” managed by SAG Member Elaine Sevy, on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups544583139673338/>. Our group is a diverse community of artists and naturalists, of all levels, who meet together to connect to nature through art. Though centered in Northern Virginia, it is open to anyone with a passion for exploring nature with a journal.



*Great Opportunity for SAG Members!*

## Be a Featured Artist on the SAG Website

Our updated website now has a **Featured Artist** page. We would like to have a different member each month on our featured artist page. This is a great opportunity to share your art and your art journey with your fellow members. We are looking for any SAG member who would like to be our website Featured Artist to contact Teresa Brunson [teresatindlebrunson@gmail.com](mailto:teresatindlebrunson@gmail.com) right away. You will only have to provide answers to the following questions, photos of you and your artwork. Easy!

### Questions for Featured Artist

1. What is your personal artistic motto or mission in a sentence or two?
2. What are three words that describe your style?
3. Where are you coming from and how did you start your artistic journey?
4. What inspires you to create? What holds you back?
5. What is your favorite piece you have created or favorite art experience, and why?
6. Tell us something positive that has happened to you in the last month?
7. Do you have a website and if so please give the address
8. Do you have pictures of your art in the SAG website gallery?
9. Do you have a Facebook page and if so what is your address?

## Exciting Member News!

*Be sure to let me know if you have anything you would like to share about your art endeavors. We would like to hear from you. Contact Teresa at [teresatindlebrunson@gmail.com](mailto:teresatindlebrunson@gmail.com)*