



SPRINGFIELD ART GUILD (SAG)

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December 2021 Newsletter

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Meeting Schedule

Zoom Meeting Dec. 8, 2021 – all are welcome!

Schedule

7 pm – Business Meeting

7:10 pm – Speaker

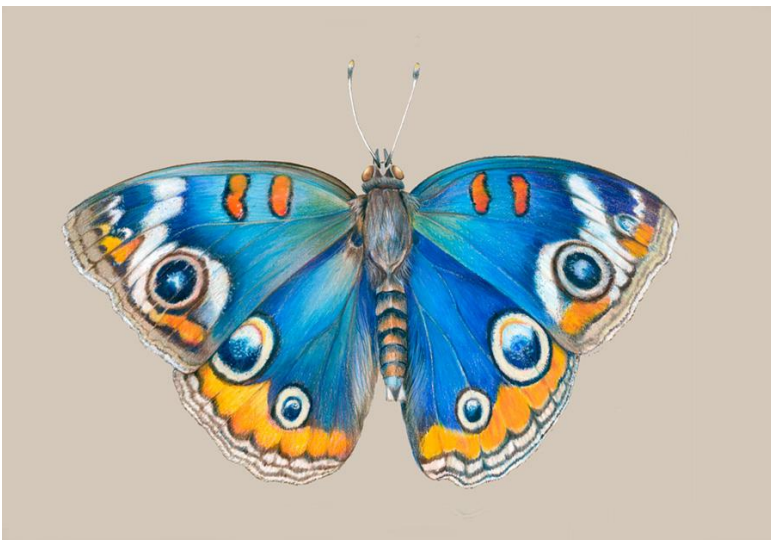
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Drawing and Painting the Beauty of Nature

Article about SAG’s December Speaker – Mindy Lighthipe



Artist, Mindy Lighthipe is passionate about getting out into the natural world and discovering the beauty in every rock, stream and forest. With this passion she carefully studies her subjects in their environment. Her paintings evolve by collecting sketches, taking color notes and using her digital photo references as materials to create her works of art. Mindy uses a variety of techniques to create her bold imagery. She carefully and accurately draws her compositions



often creating full detailed drawings in pencil before going onto color. Mindy is not shy when it comes to color application. She paints in watercolor, gouache, colored pencil, and Pan Pastels. It is not uncommon for her to break traditional and classic rules combining techniques to create her unique and breath taking style.



Mindy graduated from Kean University with a BFA in Studio Arts and a MA in Art Education- Magna cum laude. She received her 210 hour certification from the New York Botanical Gardens in Botanical Illustration. After graduating she went on to teach over 20 different classes in their Botanical Art Program and developed a 250

hour certificate in Natural Science Illustration.

Mindy has been exhibiting her art since 1998 in juried and solo exhibitions. In 2009 she received a Silver Medal from the Royal Horticultural Society in London. In 2010 she had a solo exhibition at the Florida Museum of Natural History. She currently is teaching Scientific Illustration at the University of Florida.

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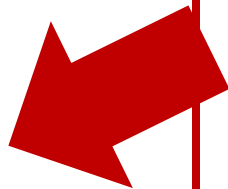


To All SAG Members,

Time is coming to a close for the Fall Virtual Online Art Show which will end on December the 18th. Please take one more look and spread the word that if anyone is interested in buying anything for the Holidays, they must hurry.

<http://www.springfieldartguild.org/fall-2021-virtual-show/>

SAG will be having an online Winter show, "Warm Thoughts in Winter Time" that will be up in a couple of months. More information in the article below.



Meet SAG's 2021-2022 Board Members

Springfield Art Guild Board welcomes new Board Members Pat Hafkmeyer and Gladys Berly

The SAG President schedule will rotate among some of the board members. The Acting President schedule will be listed in the newsletter. 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)



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Teresa T. Brunson
Newsletter & Website
Former Board Member



Lydia Jechorek
Membership
Former Board Member



Alice Merritt
Librarian
Former Board Member

Acting President schedule- 2021-2022

2021-2022	Acting President	Members mtg	Board Mtg	Assistant
September	Danica	8	13	Lydia
October	Chris	13	18	Mary Rose
Nov	Pat	10	15	Elaine
Dec	Elaine	8	13	Chris
Jan	Mary Rose	12	17	Pat
Feb	Danica	9	14	Elaine
Mar	Elaine	9	14	Mary Rose
Apr	Gladys	13	18	Chris
May	Pat	11	16	Danica
June	Donnalynne	8	13	Pat

SAG's Featured Speaker List for Our 2020-2021 Season

2020-21	Guest Speaker	Art Topic
Sep 8	Lewis Williams	Painted His Way Across USA by Bike (watercolor, pastel, acrylic)
Oct 13	Rosa Leff	Hand Cut Paper Art
Nov 11	Celeste Amparo Pfau	Fabric Prints
Dec 9	Mindy Lighthipe	Painting nature in gouache, colored pencil, watercolor & pan pastels
Jan 13	Dave Coverly	Cartoonist – Creator of "Speed Bump"
Feb 10	Remington Robinson	Oil paints in Altoid mint tins and does murals
Mar 10	TBD	
Apr 14	Deborah Kennedy	How to Title Your Artwork & Add Stories to Your Art
May 12	TBD	
Jun 9	TBD	



Springfield Art Guild "Bright and Cheerful" November 6, 2021– December 30, 2021

Go to our website at <http://www.springfieldartguild.org/goodwin-house-show-2021/> to see SAG's beautiful artwork in the "Bright and Cheerful" show at the Goodwin House.

The Art Show Take-down Date: **December 30, 2018 at 10AM (Thursday)**



Franconia Government Center ART SHOW

We are excited to announce that SAG will once again be having our annual art show at the Franconia Government Center in January 2022! This is a great art opportunity for all SAG Members to show off your work. This is not a juried show, so no images of your work are needed. We are waiting to hear from Lee District Supervisor Lusk's office if they will be having an Open House/reception....we'll keep you posted. Here are some details and more information will follow at a later date.

Who: Open to all SAG members (1-4 artworks each)

What: The 2022 Franconia Government Center Art Show

When: Saturday, January 15 to Saturday, March 5

Where: 6121 Franconia Road, Alexandria, VA 22310

Why: Service to community and exposure of our artwork

Deadline for submissions: 1/06/22 (Thurs.)

Drop off: 1/15/22 (Sat) 10-10:30AM

How to Enter: The following information must be submitted for each piece of artwork via email to Pat Hafkemeyer, no later than **January 6th**.

Email Address: Pat.Hafkemeyer@cox.net

- Subject Line- "SAG Franconia Show Entries and your name.
- Your Name: (first and last)
- Artwork Title:
- Medium:
- Dimensions: No larger than 30x30" (overall width and height in inches, including frame)
- Telephone: (this is for the contact list only; it will not go on the art label).
- Your Email
- Do you want your email address on your art label- Yes or No
- Price: (if for sale, otherwise indicate NFS)

All accepted artwork must be delivered and ready to be hung (framed and wired/no sawtooth hangers), to the Franconia Gov. Center on Saturday, Jan.15th between 10:00 and 10:30 am.

**** All Entrants are expected to assist with hanging the artwork.**



Be a Featured Artist on Our Website

This is a great opportunity for SAG members to show your artwork and tell a little about yourself and your art journey. Go to our website (<http://www.springfieldartguild.org/>) and scroll down a little and you will see the section for SAG's monthly "Featured Artist". Any member can be a featured artist. Right now our featured artist is Nina Schwartz so you can check out her beautiful artwork and find out about her art journey. We would like to have a different SAG artist each month. If you are interested please contact Teresa Brunson at teresatindlebrunson@gmail.com . Below are the questions we would like each featured artist to answer so we can put the text along with pictures of your artwork.

Featured Artist Questions - Springfield Art Guild

We are excited to have you as our next Springfield Art Guild Featured Artist! As part of your feature, we post a write-up about you and your work on our website. We would like you to use the following questions as prompts. Have fun with it!

Please submit an image of yourself, and 6-10 images of your favorite pieces that you would like included in your feature.

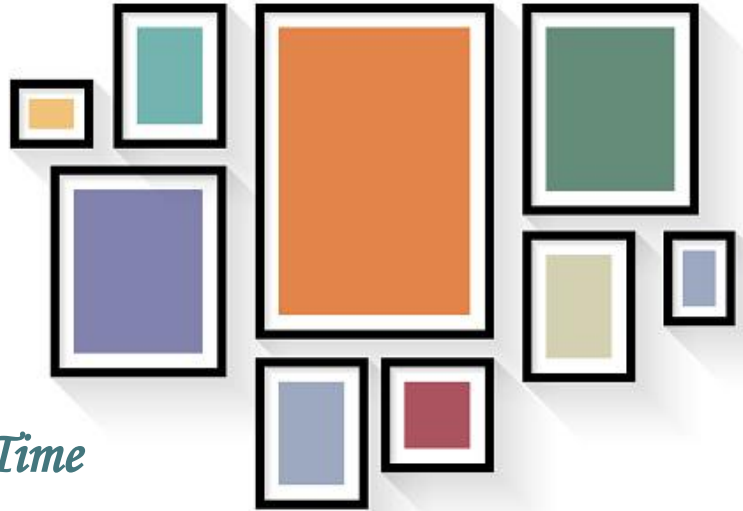
Featured Artist Questions to Answer and Provide to Teresa Brunson (*email listed in above paragraph*):

1. Your Name:
 2. Business/Studio Name:
 3. Website:
 4. Facebook:
 5. Instagram:
 6. Preferred Medium:
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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?

SAG WINTER VIRTUAL SHOW

February 1 – April 2, 2022

Warm Thoughts in Winter Time



Springfield Art Guild 2022 Spring Virtual Art Show

This show is open to all Guild members and will exclusively show on the Springfield Art Guild website. The theme of this show is “Warm Thoughts in Winter Time”. What gives you warm thoughts in the winter? What makes you feel warm, fuzzy, comfortable or happy? Could it be a fire in the fireplace, a cup of hot chocolate or maybe thoughts of getting away to that warm beach destination? What makes you feel good at this time of year? Could it be your favorite hobby, thoughts of blossoms to come or just bare tree branches? Think outside your box and create something that makes you feel warm and cozy. It can be any medium, style or genre you wish that fits this theme. Additional requirements are listed below.

There will be a virtual reception in a Zoom meeting in which the SAG membership will vote on a non-monetary People’s Choice Awards. Details for voting will be given at a later date.

Schedule for submissions and entries:

January 3 – 27, 2022– Art submission dates. All digital jpeg images and entry info must be received by January 27

January 29, 2022 – Members will be notified of art work acceptance by email by this date.

February 1- April 2 2022 – Virtual exhibit on SAG’s website

March 6, 2022 1:00PM – **Zoom** Reception and Award Announcements starting at 1PM for about an hour. Details to come..

Submission Criteria:

1. Artwork may be something you painted recently, but can also be artwork that was created a while ago. Artwork must fit the theme of this show which is “Warm Thoughts in Winter Time”. Any style or medium is welcome. Artwork submitted must not repeat being shown for at least one calendar year on any SAG virtual show.

2. Only original 2-D and 3-D art, will be considered. Traditional photographs and digitally enhanced photographs are welcome. **Drafts, photocopies, offset prints, lithographs, or copies of already published art will not be permitted.**
3. All artwork must be for sale.
4. If selected, your artwork will appear in the exhibition from February 1 to April 2, 2022.
5. If your artwork sells, it will be marked on the website as sold and you may proceed with making arrangements to deliver your artwork to the buyer and pay VA sales tax. You will also need to pay a 20% commission fee from your sale payable to SAG which will be used later for awards in our Spring Juried Virtual show, which will be the 3rd of three virtual shows on the SAG website.
6. SAG members may submit up to 3 pieces of artwork. Only good quality photos taken without the frame will be accepted. **Any photos that do not meet criteria will not be accepted.**
7. If you submit a diptych or triptych, it will count as one piece of artwork.
8. Artists selling their art will be responsible for collecting the money, collecting and paying the Virginia sales tax, and all shipping aspects of purchased artwork. SAG's website does not have e-commerce capability. People interested in purchasing art will be directed to a single SAG point of contact who will contact the individual artists. Commissions will be paid directly to the Springfield Art Guild no later than April 30, 2022. Send your 20% commission check to Joanna Stafford at 6182 Howells Rd. Alexandria VA 22310. Please put Attn: SAG on the envelope and on the check please make a note that this commission is from your Virtual art show sale.
9. **Photographs of art must portray a clear and accurate view of what the piece looks like.** Artwork previously shown at a SAG sponsored show may be submitted.
10. You must send a jpeg for each piece of art you submit that is named with a 1, 2 or 3, your last name and the title of your art. The jpeg needs to be no smaller than 250KB and no larger than 1MB. Many of you may have to resize your photos. Submissions of your jpeg photos are to be sent by email to Danica Arehart at danica.bodytalk@gmail.com.
11. In the email in which you send your photos, please include your name, number each entry as 1, 2, or 3, the title, the medium, the size unframed (and framed if it has one) and the price. Also send this information to Chris Jenkins at chris9900@hotmail.com. Both email addresses can be put on the send line.
12. Make sure your membership is up to date

Welcome New Member!

Be sure to let me know if you are a new member. Tell a little about yourself and your artwork so I can put it in the newsletter. It is a good way to introduce yourself to the members. Contact Teresa at teresatindlebrunson@gmail.com

The Springfield Art Guild welcomes Emily Caven



As a multimedia artist with a passion for watercolors and acrylics, Emily's aim is to evoke happiness, fun, and vibrancy in my work. With an educational background rooted in science, she thinks of herself as sort of Scientist-Artist hybrid. The scientist in her is always exploring and learning, applying new techniques and materials in my artistic pursuits. Emily considers herself an eternal student and love traveling down the creative path in a range of art disciplines and mediums.

Emily's art is a mixture of realistic and abstract interpretations, and she is fond of lively, dynamic color schemes. Her paintings are fun and vibrant

celebrations of the subject matter, appealing to nature lovers, travelers, pet owners, classic car lovers (especially air-cooled VWs), happiness seekers, and gift givers of many stripes.



Emily's painting subjects include landscapes, birds, maps, classic cars, and sometimes evolve into non-representational abstracts. She creates works large and small, on paper, canvas, and wood. Although Emily loves exploring different subjects and media, her current focus is to build a cohesive body of work. She hopes is that her artwork brings happiness to those who hang it on their walls, reminding them of fun places, meaningful times, and loved ones near and far.

You can find more information about Emily's art and design projects at www.emilycaven.com





Join us on Wednesdays!

We heard SAG members say they were having trouble getting motivated to paint at home and the idea of having a virtual open studio was born. Most of us are also looking for ways to increase our social activities safely these days, this is a two for one! This is a zoom session where we can get together, chat, do our art, and ask for input on our work! Those who have participated have enjoyed the companionship and added incentive to get back to their art. There is no size limit to this group, if we get too big for one chat, we can just add another "room" and have too smaller groups!



When: Wednesdays from 1- 2:30pm

Where: On Zoom - SAG members meet on Weds to work on any art project of their choosing. The zoom link is always the same and is sent weekly to all members by email

What's is all about??

It's a virtual get-together giving everyone a chance to work on their personal art in a group setting for inspiration, encouragement and to just have fun chatting, and painting or drawing again.

Come join us you'll be glad you did!



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.

Nature Journaling in the Winter

Try it Out with the NOVA Nature Journal Club!

The NOVA Nature Journal Club, a Facebook group administered by SAG Member Elaine Sevy, offers a steady flow of lovely illustrations and journal pages, as well as links to register for a variety of online and in-person classes.

Start building a “nature based” sketchbook habit through exploration! Be inspired by more ideas for painting subject matter than you can imagine!

Winter may not seem like the best time of year for nature journaling, but it can be a fascinating to dress warm and head outside. Wild birds are much more visible in the Winter and fun to watch as they form mixed flocks to feed, and demonstrate how to do Valentine’s Day right. We will offer two outdoor treks at Lake Accotink that are becoming Winter traditions for quite a few of us — hikes to the Bald Eagles Nest to see baby eaglets, and to enjoy mixed flocks, Hooded Mergansers who mate here, and hear or see owls who mate in Winter (Dates/Times TBD).



“Art Created by Deirdre Hall Pistochini”

A mix of Indoor and Outdoor Winter programs will be posted to our Facebook group page where links are provided for easy access to registration. Some include “Drawing and Learning About Animal Tracks,” Winter Trees and Landscapes Sketch Hike,” and “Poetry Sketch Hike,” just to name a few.

In the case of inclement weather, outdoor events are rescheduled or canceled to make sure everyone stays safe. Indoor classes will require masks and possibly social distancing.

“Art Created by Deirdre Hall Pistochini”



LIKE “The NOVA Nature Journal Club,” on Facebook!

<https://www.facebook.com/groups544583139673338/>

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

There was no member news provided this month for this section.

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.

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