



SPRINGFIELD ART GUILD (SAG)

A place for a creative experience

November 2022 Newsletter

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Meeting Schedule

Nov. 9, 2022 at Grace Presbyterian Church auditorium

7434 Bath St. Springfield, VA 22150
(there is a side door on the church to the auditorium at the parking lot)

6:30 – 7:00pm Networking, set up

7:00 – 7:20pm Business meeting

7:30 – 9:00pm Visiting Artist Presentation

(times are approximate)

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Bob Biedrzycki's First and Strongest Love is Drawing



Bob Biedrzycki has always been fascinated by two things: the human figure, and building up tone, texture and movement in line. By choice, I work in the basics, black and white, pen and ink.

In my work I try to capture the essence of my subjects and put them in a designed graphic space. I also like the dynamic of working larger, most pieces being at least 20 x 30 and up.

The figures, the textures, the large black areas that define space and bring depth are all part of what drives my work...the drawing is the thing.

BOB BIEDRZYCKI · DRAWINGS



Bob Biedrzycki has worked as a Creative Director in Boston, Miami, New York and Atlanta, designing catalogs for retail stores from Bloomingdale's in New York to Marks & Spencer in London. Even while focusing on design and photography direction, his first love has always been drawing, and he has always been fascinated both by line and by the human figure. Retirement has given him the time to focus on his desire for figure drawing, line, and incorporating his design skills into his work.

His work, primarily in pen and ink, can be very graphic, with multiple figures at times superimposed over strong black and white backgrounds. Other pieces on a toned stock with both white and black ink, or with backgrounds of gouache, add a dimension of tone, color and depth to his compositions.

Bob has exhibited at the Yellow Barn Gallery in Glen Echo, Zullo gallery in Massachusetts and the The Reston Community Center Lake Anne, Jo Anne Gallery. He is available for portrait work.

To see more of his work: bbskidraws.com



Use your phones cameras to scan the code and go directly to his website.

SAG's COVID Precautions and Steps for Safety

The Board is excited to welcome back the SAG members to in-person meetings at Grace Church starting on September 14, 2022 after 2 years of alternative methods which we are grateful for as well as your patience and participation. Our first meeting is a critique which most of us are happy to receive help on a stuck, not quite finished painting.

That being said, we know that some members may be hesitant to come back to in person meetings. We have discussed at the last Board meeting what will be done to protect the Guild members as much as possible. Here are the things we are going to do and ask of you.

- 1 - Hand Sanitizer will be available to use. (You may use your own)
- 2 - Wearing masks is optional (We know not everyone can or is willing to wear one & this virus mutates frequently) Use your judgement.
- 3 - We will space the chairs further apart than pre-COVID. (feel free to move yours further apart)
- 4 - Name Tags will be handed out by Cynthia Schoepel. These will not be collected at the end of the meeting. They will then become your responsibility to take home and bring back to each monthly meeting. Paper sticky backed name tags will be provided for those who are Guests.
- 5 - There will be no Hospitality food or drink available by the Guild. (You may bring your own food and drink if you wish and the church auditorium does have a soda machine)
- 6 - We will not have Books or DVD Library for now but that may change later
- 7 - Chairs, microphone, etc. will be wiped down.

Meet SAG's 2022-2023 Board Members

Springfield Art Guild Board welcomes new Board members: *Marshall Carolus, Deidre Pistoichini, and Courtney Clark*

The SAG President schedule will rotate and the schedule will be published in the newsletter. If you have questions, please contact any SAG 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 meetings

Advisors:



Teresa Brunson
Newsletter Editor & Website
Former President



Elaine Sevy
Natural Journaling
Coordinator



Alice Merritt
Librarian
Former Board Member



Joanne Stanford
Treasurer



Deidre Pistoichini
Secretary



Danica Arehart



**Donnalynne
Lefever**
Vice President



Pat Hafkemeyer



Gladys Berly



Marshall Carolus



Courtney Clark



Lydia Jechorek
Membership

2022-2023	Acting President	Member Mtg	Board Mtg	Assistant
September	Danica	14	19	Lydia
October	Courtney	12	17	Danica
November	Pat	9	14	Marshall
December/Holiday Party	Marshall	14	19	Gladys
January	Danica	11	16	Lydia
February	Gladys	8	13	Lydia
March	Courtney	8	13	Pat
April	Marshall	12	17	Gladys
May	Pat	10	15	Courtney
June	Donnalyne	14	19	Lydia

Contact Information For Board Members and Advisors

First Name	Last Name	Email	Role	Month as Acting President
Danica	Arehart	danica.bodytalk@gmail.com	Website assistant, Asst Treasurer, JotForm, Facebook admin.	September, January; backup: Oct
Gladys	Berly	Gberly@verizon.net	Publicity	February; backup: Dec, April
Marshall	Carolus	marshallcarolus@aol.com	Grace Church Contact, gmail coordinator	December, April; backup: Nov
Courtney	Clark	swiftclark@icloud.com	Publicity	October, March; backup: May
Pat	Hafkemeyer	Pat.Hafkemeyer@cox.net	Membership, Green Spring Gardens show chair	November, May; backup: March
Lydia	Jechorek	raylyd@verizon.net	Membership, Guest Speaker/zoom coach	Backup: Sept, Jan, Feb, June
Donnalyne	Lefever	magickaldl@gmail.com	Vice President, Board Meetings	June
Deidre	Pistochini	pistofam@msn.com	Secretary, Nature Journaling	–
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Alice	Merritt	amerritt5@verizon.net	Books & thumb drives	
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SAG's Featured Speaker List for Our 2022-2023 Season

All meetings will be in-person except January and February

2020-21	Guest Speaker	Art Topic
Sep 14	Stacy Slaten	Art Professor at NVCC - Will critique members' artwork in progress
Oct 12	Elizabeth Floyd	Oil Painter
Nov 9	Bob Bierdrzycki	Ink Drawing
Dec 14	No Speaker	Holiday Party
Jan 11	Sissy Cutchen (<u>zoom</u>)	Paints on glass and frames
Feb 8	Diana Garrison (<u>zoom</u>)	Gelli Plate Art
Mar 8	Jenny Nordstrom	Photographer
Apr 12	Elizabeth Scheid	Fiber Artist
May 10	Kristopher Battles	Oil Painter – artist at National Museum of the Marine Corp
Jun 14	Stacy Slayten	Art Professor to give a art critique to artworks in progress

Big News!



**To all members,
The Springfield Art Guild has
an Instagram account now.**

Instagram

**It is live and you can check it out and follow
the Guild by finding us at [springfieldartguild](#)
on Instagram. More details to come.**



SAG's Holiday Party

Potluck Dinner and Gift Exchange Game



Wednesday Dec. 14, 6:30 - 9pm (doors will open at 5:30pm for set-up team*)
at Grace Presbyterian Church auditorium, 7434 Bath St, Springfield, VA 22150

After 2 years, a favorite SAG tradition is back! It is a perfect time to catch up with your fellow members, have a great dinner and play a holiday game!

We will play a gift exchange game (**Present Wars**) for all those who want to participate.

Present Wars!!

We love the chance to secretly steal presents, especially when it comes to good fun, bring on present wars. Every person gets a number starting with 1. Number 1 chooses a present from the present table and opens it. Number 2 can steal 1's present or choose a new present to open. This is a game where being last is awesome because the last person can keep their present or steal any of the other presents available.

A gift has a \$10 limit and it can be anything from a pretty pin to a funky mug. Try to think of a gift that someone would like to steal to make the game really fun! **Contact**

Paula if you have questions about the game at paintingwithpaula@yahoo.com

Some details:

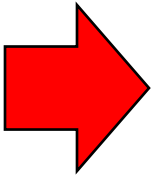
***SET UP:** Set up starts at **5:30pm for the set-up team**. As people arrive we will enlist you to help with setting up tables for food, gifts, dining, etc. Feel free to bring a few decorative end-of-year seasonal decorations in order to make the room festive for a few hours. We'll also enlist help to set-up the GIFT EXCHANGE table with Paula. **If you would like to be on the set-up team please email Marshall at marshallcarolus@aol.com**

BRING FOOD: Everyone please bring a dish: a meat dish, side dish, main entrée, salad (pasta salad, potato salad, fruit salad, tossed salad etc.), appetizer, or dessert, or if you feel generous, one of each! Ha Ha. Since there are few electrical outlets to access near the food tables...it might be better if whatever you bring does not need to be kept warm, but if you do, please bring an extension cord. Anything in a crockpot that can exist with its own residual heat is welcome though!

PRESENT WAR GAME: For anyone who would like to participate in a gift exchange you simply wrap it but don't sign the outside wrapping or tag. Your gift should be no more than \$10.00. You get the idea! Wrap the item but do not put your name on it. Game description above in rectangle area. Paula is organizing the game so if you have questions about the game contact her at paintingwithpaula@yahoo.com. If you would like to play the Present War game just bring your wrapped gift - you do not have to sign up with anyone to play. (*Thank you for volunteering to set this up for us Paula!*)

Volunteers Needed: We are asking everyone to help set-up and clean-up but we are also looking for a few volunteers to (Please EMAIL Marshall to volunteer marshallcarolus@aol.com):

1. Purchase 12 large rectangular tablecloths from Dollar Tree (you will be reimbursed by SAG – keep receipt)
2. Purchase plastic utensils, plastic cups, paper plates and napkins (enough for 50 people) (you will be reimbursed by SAG – keep receipt)
3. Purchase 2 bags of ice and bring in a cooler (you will be reimbursed by SAG – keep receipt)
4. Purchase 2 liters each of coke, diet coke, Arizona tea and Gingerale (you will be reimbursed by SAG – keep receipt)

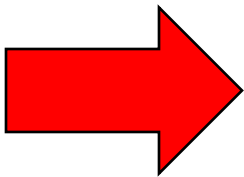


If you volunteer to purchase supplies, please remember to keep your receipts.



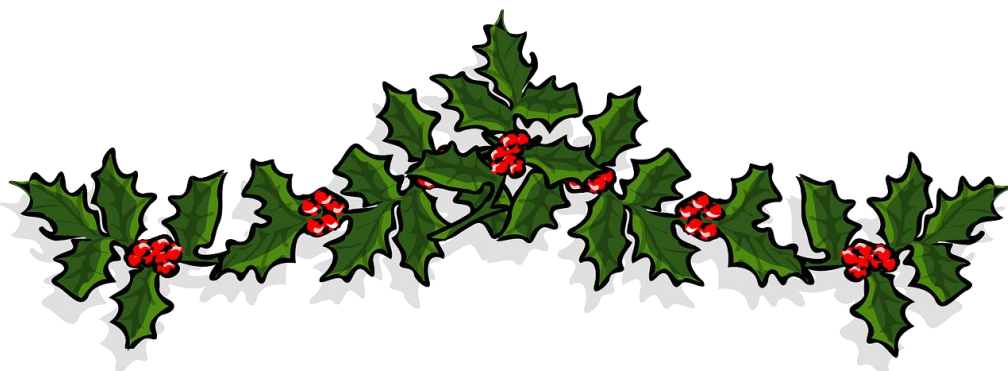
PARTY PROGRAM:

- Business Meeting and Announcements/short-and-fast
- Dinner and chatting
- Dessert
- GIFT Exchanging -Chatting and coffee
- Clean up...done as we always do



Email Marshall Carolus, SAG's Acting President for December, to volunteer to help and what you can help with.

marshallcarolus@aol.com



Garden Dreams 2022



SAG's Green Spring Gardens Annual Juried Show

"GARDEN DREAMS"

October 18 - December 11, 2022

Green Spring Gardens Park, 4603 Green Spring Rd, Alexandria, VA

A BIG thanks goes to our Chairperson, Pat Hafkemeyer, and everyone that helped make our Garden Dreams show a success. It is a beautiful show. SAG had a great turnout and fabulous reception on Sunday Oct. 23. Everyone enjoyed lots of delicious food and drink. It was a nice to visit with our fellow members, friends and family. The winners of the show were announced and the People's Choice award was held during the reception. If you haven't seen the show there is still time – it will be up until Dec. 11. Also, thanks to Danica Arehart for making the exhibition page on our website so you can see the show online at <https://www.springfieldartguild.org/green-spring-gardens-2022-art-show/> . The listing of all the winners and pictures below:

1st Place (\$200): “Kiss the Wind” by Teresa T. Brunson

2nd Place (\$150): “Thanks for Dinner” by Heather Cronin

3rd Place (\$100): “Radiance and Innocence” by Teresa T. Brunson

Judy Wengrovitz Memorial Award (\$100): “Planting Day, Green Spring”, Nina Schwartz

Honorable Mention: “Sunflower and Peppers” by Noreen Brunini

Honorable Mention: “Floating” by Courtney Clark

Honorable Mention: “Glorious Garden”, by Cari Cole

People's Choice: “Morning View”, by Gladys Berly

For more information or questions, please contact Chairperson Pat Hafkemeyer Pat.Hafkemeyer@cox.net or 571-723-2640

DECEMBER 12, MONDAY - TAKE DOWN & PICK UP 11:00-12:30PM

No art can be left after 12:30. No early pickup. Artists **MUST** pick up during this date/time or arrange pickup by a friend. SAG and Green Springs will **NOT** be held responsible for any artwork left after the pickup deadline



1st Place



2nd Place



3rd Place



Judy Wengrovitz Memorial Award



Honorable Mention



Honorable Mention



Honorable Mention



People's Choice



SAG Virtual Fall Show

November 5 2022 – January 28, 2023

Artist's Choice

This show is open to all Guild members and will be exclusively shown on the Springfield Art Guild website. This is an Artist's Choice show. It can be in any medium, style, genre, etc. you wish. Your submitted artwork can be something you just completed or something you did a long time ago. Your artwork cannot have been previously shown in any SAG Virtual show on the website before. Requirements are listed below.

There will be no virtual reception for this show this year. However, we will have a People's Choice award which will be given out at the December Holiday Meeting/Party. Details for voting will be given at a later date as well as a flyer to send to you, your friends and family with how to vote for their favorite piece. These votes will determine the winner.

SCHEDULE FOR SUBMISSIONS AND ENTRIES:

November 5, 2022 – Virtual exhibit opens on SAG's website and voting for People's Choice award begins.

December 10, 2022 – Voting for People's Choice award ends

December 14, 2022 – People's Choice award will be given at the Holiday meeting/Party.

January 28, 2023 – Virtual show closes

Selling Information:

1. 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 10% commission fee from your sale payable to SAG. These fees will be used later for awards in our Spring Juried Virtual show, which will be the 2nd of two virtual shows on the SAG website this year.
2. 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 then contact the individual artists. Commissions will be paid directly to the Springfield Art Guild no later than January 31, 2023. Send your 10% 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.



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

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/544583139673338>

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.



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 two 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!



THE WONDERFUL WATERCOLORS OF GEORGIA O'KEEFFE

BY [LOUISA MAHONEY](#) OCTOBER 21, 2022

Article found by SAG member, Carie Rothenbacher, on <https://www.messynessychic.com/2022/10/21/the-wonderful-watercolors-of-georgia-okeeffe/>

One of the twentieth century's essential artists, Georgia O'Keeffe needs little introduction. Her name immediately evokes large oil paintings depicting flowers or desert landscapes. O'Keeffe is also known for her paintings of New York City skyscrapers, her marriage to the photographer and art dealer Alfred Stieglitz, and her [love affair](#) with the American west. But today we came across something that showed us a different side of O'Keeffe. Published by Radius Books and the Georgia O'Keeffe Museum, *Georgia O'Keeffe: Watercolors 1916-1918* offers a glimpse into the painter's artistic process as she experiments with watercolors. The paintings are too delicate to be exhibited and therefore have been left out of many O'Keeffe retrospectives. What's more exciting than discovering something new about a familiar artist?



Today we don't think of O'Keeffe primarily as a watercolorist. Yet it was one of the first mediums she mastered, first in her childhood in Sun Prairie, Wisconsin and then during her training with Arthur Wesley Dow. Much of O'Keeffe's early work (from the 1910s) was in watercolor, the fluidity of the paint allowing her to experiment with light and color as well as the depiction of space.

But by the end of the decade she switched to oil, a change that allegedly was due to the influence of her soon-to-be husband, Alfred Stieglitz. According to Stieglitz, watercolors were for amateurs, and women.

We'd like to respectfully disagree. While watercolor is perhaps enjoyed and practiced by a larger audience than, say, oil painting, it takes even more skill to perfect. And if there's anything that *Georgia O'Keeffe: Watercolors 1916-1918* proves, it is the pure power O'Keeffe is able to unleash with the subtlest of brushstrokes. Another exciting part of these paintings is the subject matter. O'Keeffe rarely painted nudes, making these studies all the more precious and intriguing. She depicts the



female form as something delicate and fluid, in vivid shades of blue and red. These works are also one of O'Keeffe's first forays into abstraction. She once described her own artistic evolution by saying she "decided to start anew, to strip away what I had been taught." In her watercolors she takes a bold step towards a style that will later give her the name "the Mother of American modernism".

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

October Art News from Cynthia

Cynthia Schoepfel invites Springfield Art Guild members to the following events:

- **Saturday, Nov. 12, 10AM to 4PM**, Handmade Market at Artistic Artifacts, 4750 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA. Cynthia will have handmade tote bags, ditty bags, infinity scarves, and small canvas prints for sale for your holiday gift giving.
- **Sunday, Nov. 13, 2-4PM**, Target Gallery at The Torpedo Factory, 105 N. Union St., Alexandria, VA. Reception for current show, "Fall Salon," where Cynthia's piece, "Corruption," was chosen for inclusion in this show. All work will be on sale and priced under \$500.
- **Friday, Dec. 2, 6-9PM, Saturday, Dec. 3, 11AM-6PM, and Sunday, Dec. 4, 11AM to 6PM**, Del Ray Artisans Holiday Market, 2740 Mount Vernon Avenue, Alexandria, VA. Cynthia will have handmade tote bags, ditty bags, and infinity scarves for sale for holiday gift giving.

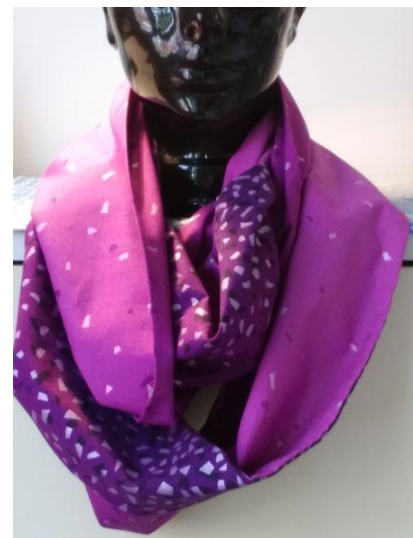


You can also contact Cynthia to see my selections at my home studio. Enjoy the art!

Cynthia cynthia-schoepfel.fineartamerica.com



Congratulations Cynthia! You are a busy lady!!



Any SAG member can be a featured artist on the home page of our website.
Please check below to find out what you need to do.



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. 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?

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.

“ART CLASSES 2022 with CAROL ZEITLIN: VIRTUAL/WOODS C CTR in BURKE”

ART LESSONS FOR YOUTH (7/8 years & up/Teen):

New, continuing students learn to draw and /or paint the world around them through still life, landscape, portraits, animals, cartooning, etc.

1. MON OCT 10 –DEC: 5:30 -6:10 pm 5/wks VIRTUAL
2. THURS OCT 13 -DEC: 5:15- 6:15 pm 5/wks WOODS C CTR

DRAWING PLUS COLOR (5-8 years):

Students are introduced to learning how to draw plus adding color with watercolor, crayons, mixed media. Students learn through still life, landscape, animals, people, favorite stuff animal, cartoon/animated characters.

1. MON OCT 10 -DEC: 6:15 -6:55 pm 5/wks VIRTUAL
2. THURS OCT 13-DEC: 6:15–7:00 pm 5/wks WOODS C CTR

ART for ADULTS

Class is for beginning and continuing students to develop drawing and/or watercolor & brush painting.

3. MON OCT 10 -DEC: 3:15– 4:30 pm 5/wks VIRTUAL
4. THURS OCT 13 -DEC: 2:30–3:45pm 5/wks WOODS C CTR

REGISTER: Call/text CAROL ZEITLIN (703)250-6930

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