

Meeting Schedule

March 13, 2024 @ 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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SPRINGFIELD ART GUILD

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MARCH 2024 Newsletter

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Karen Durishin ACRYLIC POURS

Karen Durishin of Waterfall Acrylics, LLC is a northern Virginia-based mixed-media entrepreneur and artist who works with fluid acrylic paint and epoxy resin. Karen is self-taught and has been dabbling with mixed mediums, in one form or another, since 2014, and became a full-time artist in 2019.

Karen's work has been shown in multiple art galleries in the Washington DC area, and she is the recipient of several awards from juried shows. She is a member of the League of Reston Artists, and her work is displayed throughout the Washington DC metropolitan area as part of the Art In Public Places initiative. In December 2021, she was the substantive expert judge for the TV show "Meet Your Maker" airing on Discovery+. Karen is well known for her use of color and has a keen eye for composition.



She is also a founder of the Fluid Art Boutique; a consortium of artists who provide art workshops throughout the US and internationally. Karen teaches fluid art regularly from her art studio in Herndon; and has a robust social media presence with 100K YouTube subscribers and 43k Instagram followers. She provides consultations to other artists on social media growth, outreach, affiliate programs and passive income. She is married with a teenage daughter.







Karen Durishin March 2024 Featured Speaker https://www.waterfallacrylics.com/



SAG members:

Do you want some additional publicity for your upcoming show? If you are showing work in a non-SAG venue, let us know the details and send us an image. We'll post them to our Instagram account. Send the image, location, dates and any other relevent information to: sagartinstagram@gmail.com







NOVA Nature Journal Club

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.

The NOVA Nature Journal Club is managed by SAG Member Elaine Sevy. 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.

March Nature Journaling Opportunities



Nature Journaling and Sketch Hike classes are popping up like Spring wildflowers throughout many Fairfax County parks. It was exciting to meet Artist Naturalist **Amanda Sharette-Kay**, who led the fun Winter Bird Walk on 2/9/2024 at Lake Accotink, and learn she is teaching these upcoming classes:

Sketching Along the Lakeside on Sunday, 4/14/24, 9:00-11:00am, at Burke Lake Park. Click the link and scroll down to register. <u>https://fairfax.usedirect.com/.../ACTIVI-TIES/Search.aspx...</u>

Learning to Sketch in Nature, **3/16/24 and 5/4/24, 2:00-3:30pm** at Lake Accotink Park. Click the link and scroll down to register.

https://fairfax.usedirect.com/.../ACTIVITIES/Search.aspx...

Other delightful opportunities include:

Margaret Wohler at Huntley Meadows Park is teaching a **Water Sketch Hike (3/9/24)** and **Spring Ephemerals Sketch Hike (4/6/24)**. Click on the Link and scroll down to each class to register: https://fairfax.usedirect.com/FairfaxFCPAWeb/ACTIVITIES/

Search.aspx?place_id=7891

Avery Gunther at Hidden Oaks Nature Center is teaching Drawing & Learning About Spring Signs (2 sessions beginning 4/13/24), Drawing Animal Eyes (3/23/24), Drawing Butterflies, Moths & Caterpillars (2 sessions beginning 5/11/24), and Drawing Feathers (3/9/24). Click on the Link and scroll down to each class to register: <u>https://</u>fairfax.usedirect.com/FairfaxFCPAWeb/ACTIVITIES/Search. aspx?place_id=7881



Hidden Pond Nature Center is offering Cultivate a Sense of Wonder—Nature Journaling (5/19/24). This class will

be a family-focused event taught by **Kristin Bauersfield**. Click on the Link and scroll down to the classes to register: <u>https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/hiddenpond</u>

Riverbend Park is offering two **Nature Sketch Hikes (3/30/24 and 4/13/24).** Click on the Link and scroll down to the classes section to register: <u>https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/riverbend-park</u>

SAG Membership



It's easy to become a SAG Member!! It's a great what to get to know local artists, enjoy Guests Artists presentations, participate in art shows and more! Just fill out a membership form and send it in! <u>Click here</u> to get a copy.



NEW BENEFIT FOR OUR MEMBERSHIP

SAG has some great news for our SAG members! You can now access the SAG directory online, anytime and anywhere!

Besides the printed directory, we have created a digital version of the SAG directory on our website. It is a secure and convenient way to find other members and their contact information.

The online directory is located under the "Members" tab on the SAG website. It is only accessible to current members who have the password. To get the password, please contact **Teresa Brunson** at <u>teresatindlebrunson@gmail.com</u> or

Danica Arehart at danica.bodytalk@gmail.com and they will assist you.

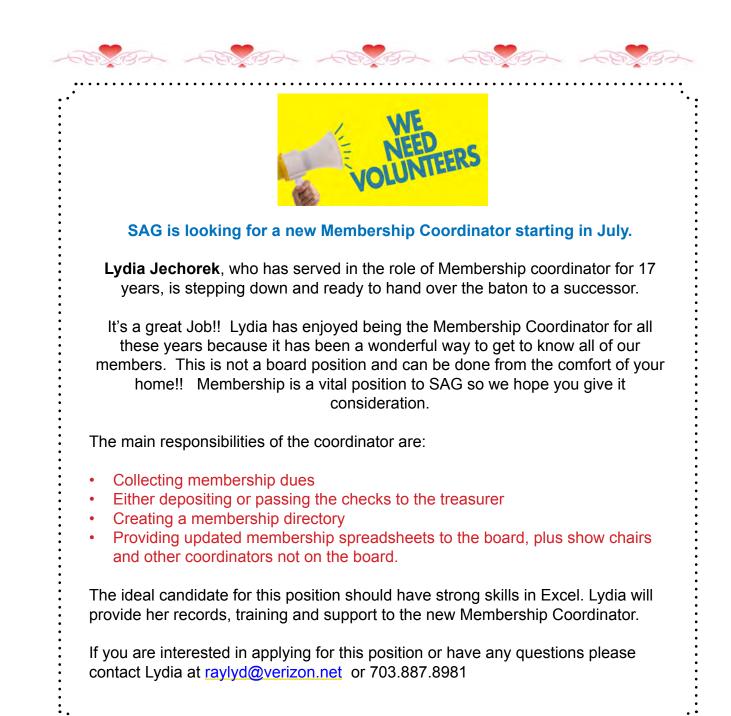


ANNOUNCEMENT



SAG Board Member Update

SAG would like to express our gratitude to **Courtney Clark** for her time as a board member. Her commitment and behind the scenes contributions have been greatly appreciated. As the board bids Courtney farewell, we warmly welcome **Nancy Patrick** as a new board member.

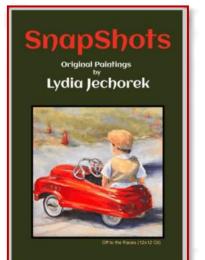


EXCITING MEMBER NEWS!

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 Ying at <u>happyingartstudio@gmail.com</u>

Snapshots

Tuesday, March 5 - Sunday, March 31, 2024



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Off to the Races, 12x12" oil

SAG member Lydia Jechorek is the March Artist of the Month at the Loft Gallery of Occoquan.

Lydia's show "Snapshots," catches fleeting moments in time. Whether it's a leisurely stroll in a park or a trip to a museum, Lydia strived to capture the natural beauty of her surroundings. Through her paintings, she invites you to step into her world and enjoy life's simple pleasures.

Lydia's reception is Saturday, March 9th from 1-4PM.

313 Mill Street (upstairs), Occoquan, VA. Tue-Fri 11am-4pm, Sat 11 am-5pm, Sun Noon-5pm



Sunrise on the Occoquan. 18x24" oil



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Congratulations! Tiara!



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SAG member Tiara Safic-Martin 's Painting "Brugmansia Dreaming"

has been accepted into the Spring Issue of **Humana Obscura Magazine**! The print issue should be ready by March 1st.



Tiara's Art Piece "Sunflower Splashes"

received People's Choice Award for the Visible Touch Exhibit at Del Ray Artisans

and more news for Tiara Her Scupture won 1st Place for the Sculpture category for the Power of 2 Exhibit also at the Del Ray Artisans Gallery!

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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 happyingartstudio@gmail.com ; teresatindlebrunson@gmail.com by the 20th of each month.

SAG Spring Juried Virtual Show April 20 – June 29, 2024 A "Wonder"ful World

This show is open to all Guild members and will be shown exclusively on the Springfield Art Guild website.

This show will be juried. Artwork will be selected by the Juror and cash prizes awarded. In addition to 1 st, 2 nd and 3 rd place awards, other non cash awards may be granted by the juror. **Cash prizes to be awarded.**

The theme for this show is **A "Wonder" ful World**. This is a chance to find or create A "Wonder" ful World. What makes a "wonder" ful world? There is wonder in many things from the small to the large and the realistic to the fantastical. A medium "boo-boo" or painting accident can create the most wonderful world inan abstract.

A plant that has an unusual or beautiful bloom, interesting symmetry in petals or leaves, coloring, etc. can be a wonderful world.

What makes you wonder what, how and why?

The wonder of a new baby or relationship.

The wonder of the clouds and their formations, patterns and moods.

Your imagination is a powerful tool which may make you create a whole new

wonderful world which you captured with your paint brush, your camera or other medium. There is wonder in nature, mechanics and buildings too.

Insects and animals have fascinating worlds be it their bodies or their homes.

If you look carefully, there is an abundance of wonderful worlds in this world and your mind's world too.

What world do you see wonder in?

All mediums and styles can be submitted. 3-D artists can submit more than one image for each entry. All artists submitting the maximum of 3 pieces will be guaranteed at least one is entered into the show. The Entry fee is \$10 each or 3 for \$25.

Our juror for this show is **Bryan Jernigan**. Below is a little bit about our juror. He will be jurying our show online, so make sure your photos are of good quality, well cropped and in jpeg format. Our juror will pick all the artwork for this show and give out awards.

SAG Spring Juired Virtual Show continued...

Bryan Jernigan

I grew up in Southwest Oklahoma and attended a public school that was so small we didn't have high school-level art classes. It wasn't until I attended undergraduate school at Oklahoma State University that I had formal art training. I graduated from graduate school at Drake University in Des Moines, IA, and while I mastered in communications, all my elective courses were in studio art.

I was very positively impacted by the Washington Color School well before I moved to Washington, D.C. in 1990, and I was privileged to meet and befriend Sam Gilliam, a second-generation Washington Color School painter early on in my artistic career.

I was commissioned by the City of Alexandria to create 50 unique pastel landscapes for an artistic promotion program pre-pandemic and recently, I was commissioned through the Art League to create five oversized paintings for a new-construction condominium community overlooking the Potomac River.

Color is the root of all my paintings. Invented color schemes, interlocking organic forms, and decisive brushwork characterize my work. It comes from a place deep inside.

While a bit unconventional, my process has always been to work in one medium (say, pastel landscapes) and then cycle into another (say, acrylic abstraction). I find that one mediumtakes a certain amount of concentration and then the other allows me to be freer and expressive.

When I am not creating work, I like to foster creation in others by doing demonstrations, teaching workshops and classes. I've taught abstract painting classes and workshops for the Art League of Alexandria, Arlington Artists Alliance, Falls Church Arts, Vienna Arts Society, Capitol Hill Art League, PaintSpace NOLA in New Orleans and Hudson River Valley Art Workshops, among others. At the Arlington Artists Alliance, I've also served on the board of directors for seven years and for four years as the president of the organization. I've taught pastel landscape and still life workshops for many arts organizations regionally, nationally and internationally, taking groups of students to France, Scotland and Mexico, for immersive pastel painting experiences.

Schedule for submissions and entries:

February 24 to March 27, 2024 – Art submission dates All digital jpeg images & amp; entry info must be received by March 27, 2024 Payment must be postmarked by March 27, 2024 April 15, 2024 – Members will be notified of art work acceptance by email by this date. April 20 – June 29, 2024 - Virtual exhibit on SAG's website May 5, 2024 - Zoom Reception/talk and Award Announcements starting at 3PM.

Submission Criteria:



JotForm Link for the Spring Virtual show:

https://form.jotform.com/233363726499165

1. Artwork must fit the theme A "Wonder" ful World. Any style or medium is welcome. Artwork previously shown in a SAG Virtual show before will not be accepted.

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.

SAG Spring Juired Virtual Show continued...

3. We encourage all artwork submitted be for sale. You may include a single "Not for Sale" piece in order to help you submit the 3 art piece max to guarantee you get at least one in the show.

4. If selected, your artwork will appear in the exhibition from April 20 to June 29, 2024.

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, pay VA sales tax and pay a 10% commission fee to SAG

6. SAG members may submit up to 3 pieces of artwork. Only good quality photos of unframed art will be accepted. Any photos that do not meet these criteria will not be accepted. Submitting 3 pieces will guarantee that you get at least one in.

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 July 31, 2024. Send your 10% commission check to the treasurer: Marshall Carolus, at 4476 Raleigh Ave. Apt.102 Alexandria, VA 22304.

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 will be submitting your entries on JotForm. Please follow this link:

https://form.jotform.com/233363726499165. The JotForm for the Spring Virtual Show will direct you to enter your contact details and information about each submission, including title, size, medium, and image. Each image must be renamed before you upload it to the JotForm ("YourLastName_FirstName_Title_Entry1. jpg"). The jpeg needs to be no smaller than 250KB and no larger than 1MB. Many of you may need to resize your photos. Please email sagcurating@gmail.com with any questions about the JotForm submission process.

11. Make sure your membership is up to date.

12. In submitting to this show, you are agreeing that you are an active SAG member and you

are submitting your own artwork. Artwork photos and form for submission must be received by March 27,2024

Registration Payment Form

Registration and payment must be postmarked by March 27, 2024. Make checks payable to **SAG** and send payment with this registration form (page 12) to

Christine Jenkins, 5215 Pumphrey Drive Fairfax, VA 22032

This show is open to **SAG MEMBERS ONLY**. Members may enter up to 3 pieces. Entering 3 pieces, will guarantee that you get at least one piece in the show. Most to all of the Submission fees will go into cash prizes. Entry Fee: \$10 each or 3 for \$25.

SAG Spring Juired Virtual Show continued...

SAG Spring Juried Virtual Show Entry form

Please print clearly. This information is used to keep track of all the art submitted. Total of art pieces submitted electronically ______ 1 entry is \$10.00 2 entries are \$20.00 3 entries are \$25.00 Total payment_____

Make checks to the Springfield Art Guild Send to Christine Jenkins to the address on the prospectus

I have read the Prospectus and agree to the terms of entering the show.

Signature

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Date



A "Wonder" ful World

ART Opportunities continued...

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APRIL WORKSHOP – Oil or Acrylic Painting

EXPLORE TEXTURE TOOLS AT THE LOFT GALLERY With Guest Instructor Kim Richards

"Take chances, make mistakes, get messy!" - Ms Frizzle from the Magic School Bus



Play and experiment are crucial to your development as an artist. By experimenting with new ideas, tools or mediums, you can breathe new life into your work. In this 3 hour workshop, we are going to do exactly that. I'll introduce you to all my favorite tools for adding texture to my paintings, with a focus on my favorite texture tool the palette knife. I will bring my box of tools, and you will bring some scrap canvases and your oil or acrylic paints. Together we will make a beautiful mess as we put these tools to the test and see what they can bring to your work.

Where: Loft Gallery, 313B Mill St. (Upstairs) Occoquan, VA

When: April 8th, from 10 AM - 1 PM

Price \$75

Registration is via Kim Richards' website: https://www.kimtrichards.com

ART Opportunities continued...

Debra Keirce Painting Worshops

PAINTING AND DRAWING REALISM IN TUSCAN

https://www.debkart.com/workshop/34623/painting-and-drawing-realism-in-tuscany

Date 9/18/2024 - 9/25/2024

Cost \$3,990.00

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Location Italy Cortona, (Not Specified) Tuscany United States



Contact Info Patrick at Toscana Americana Workshops InfoTuscany@aol.com

This workshop is an all inclusive art retreat to the beautiful Tuscan countryside. Lodging in an upscale hotel with private rooms and baths, food, wine, excursions, transportation to and from Florence airport are all included. And of course, the workshop instruction will include fun painting experiences that emphasize how accurate drawings result in more realistic paintings.

If you are interested in joining me, <u>http://www.toscanaamericana.com/debrakeircehome.html</u>

This oil painting workshop is for all skill levels. It's for anyone who wants to learn how to add more realism to their work. Experience this modern approach to the techniques and concepts master artists in Tuscany have used since the Renaissance. Immerse yourself in Italy's medieval beauty, while you learn how to paint in oils using chiaroscuro, sfumato, sprezzatura, and impasto.

Are you surprised to learn that these oil painting techniques work on any subject? Whether you love to paint landscapes, portraits, still life, fantasy, or all of the above, creating in a way that makes images look three dimensional is the same. Join Debra Keirce, an experienced instructor, for a memorable week of fun, learning and camaraderie in Cortona, Italy this spring.



<u>Join us on Wednesdays!</u>

AN UPDATE ABOUT THE ONGOING WEDNESDAY OPEN ART STUDIO

Since there has been low demand and attendance for this event and that the number of people who are hosting it are now two, we have decided that this event will only be held on the 1st and the 3rd

Wednesdays of every month. A Zoom link will still be sent out a few days before the day of each of those events. Look for them or save an old link to use since we use the same link each time. Just click on the link, join the meeting, add your video and sound and you are good to go.

For those of you who do not know or have never joined the Open Art Studio, this is a meeting via Zoom where you can paint in your own studio (or anywhere for that matter), talk with and get to know your fellow SAG members, get help from those members (if needed), have a designated time to paint (draw or create) each week and see what others are working on. It is only 1 1/2 hours the 1st and the 3rd Wednesdays of the month starting at 1PM. You can stay for the whole time or just pop in for a quick critique.

Look forward to seeing you!

Come join us you'll be glad you did!

This is a great way to get to know your fellow Springfield Art Guild members:

- You can paint, draw, create or watch what others are working on during this time.
- You can get feedback from the other artists on your current work or something you have been stuck on. Another view point is always helpful.
- You have the luxury of painting in your studio with all your supplies handy and not have to lug them to class or another location. Also blocking out the time, guarantees that you will at least be creative once a week.

When: 1st and 3rd Wednesdays from 1-2:30pm

Where: On Zoom - SAG members meet on Weds to work on <u>any</u> 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.



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.



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:
- 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?





Board Meetings are open to everyone! Hope you can join!



Acting President and Alternate Schedule Chart

2023-24	Acting President	Member Mtg	Board Mtg	Alternate
September	Marshall Carolus	13	18	Pat Hafkemeyer
October	Courtney Clark	11	16	Donnalynne LeFever
November	Pat Hafkemeyer	8	13	Susan Fay
December/Holiday Party	Ying Zhang	13	18	Courtney Clark
January (Zoom)	Gladys Berly	10	15	Ying Zhang
February (Zoom)	Gladys Berly	14	19	Susan Fay
March	Susan Fay	13	18	Pat Hafkemeyer
April	Ying Zhang	10	15	Nancy Patrick
May	John Nicholsom	8	13	Pat Hafkemeyer
June	Donnalynne LeFever	12	17	Gladys Berly

Contact Information for Board Members and Advisors

First Name	Last Name	Email	Role	Month as Acting President
Gladys	Berly	Gberly@verizon.net	Publicity	Jannuary; February; backup: June
Marshall	Carolus	marshallcarolus@aol.com	Treasure, Grace Church Contact, guest speaker coordinator.	September
Nancy	Patrick	nmccarthyart@gmail.com		April; backup: December
Pat	Hafkemeyer	Pat.Hafkemeyer@cox.net	Membership, Green Spring Gardens show chair	November; backup: March
Donnalynne	Lefever	magickaldl@gmail.com	Vice President, Board Meetings	June; backup: October
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Ying	Zhang	happyingartstudio@gmail.com	Newsletter	December; backup; January and April
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SAG's Featured Speaker List for Our 2023-2024 Season All meetings will be in-person except January and February

2023-24	Guest Speaker	Art Topic
Sep 13	Rachel Collins	Watercolor and Abstraction in Nature
Oct 11	Lory Ivey Alexander	Multilayered, Vibrantly Colored Paintings
Nov 8	Veronica Barker-Barzel	Printmaking
Dec 13	No Speaker	Holiday Party
Jan 10	Mallery Quetawki <u>(zoom)</u>	Contemporary/traditional Zuni Pueblo Artist
Feb 14	Serena Supplee (zoom)	Oil and Watercolor Artist from Moab, Utah
Mar 13	Karen Durishin	Acrylic Pours Artist
Apr 10	Susan O'Neill	Figure Artist
May 8	Sermin Ciddi	Traditional Ottoman Art
Jun 12	Pete Van Riper	Critique