

APR 2024

Thursday, April 18th, 7pm-9pm Meeting & Artist Presentation

Lynda Kirby Kitchen Printmaking

Creating **low-budget monotypes** with stuff you probably already have

If you are curious about mark-making, interesting textures and surprising outcomes, this may be the demo for you!















Pittsburgh area artist, Lynda Kirby, is a professional graphic designer who runs her own design studio, Kirby Creative, founded in 2006. As a multi-disciplinary artist, digital art is a natural fit due to her career skill set, however, in direct contrast, she also enjoys the more tactile, physical art disciplines of drawing, painting and monotype printmaking. Her work has been shown at many regional galleries and she has received several art awards in juried group exhibitions.

Art affiliations include:
Beaver Valley Artists, Cranberry
Artists Network (Board Member:
Print Media Chair), Pittsburgh
Pastel Artists League (Board
Member: Newsletter), Pittsburgh
Print Group, Pittsburgh Society
of Artists, The North Hills Art
Center, and the West Hills Art
League (Board Member:
Publicity/Communications).

West Hills Art League membership year begins September 1st and extends through August 31st.

Membership is open to all art enthusiasts who share our mission.

West Hills Art League is a volunteer organization. Members volunteer their time and skills for the better of the organization.

Cost for new and returning members is \$25 single and \$35.00 family (2 adults residing at the same address). Members who pay their dues by the November meeting will have their names put in a drawing for a free 2024 membership!

Some membership benefits include:

- Guest speakers
- Eligibility for entry into the WHAL annual art show and other leaguesponsored events
- Seasonal activities
- Opportunity to meet & share with other artists
- *Membership is not pro-rated. So join early in the season!

**By joining our league you automatically give us permission to use photos of yourself or your art in our publicity materials including brochures, website, social media, etc. If you prefer to opt out of this please notify us in writing.

Meetings are held during the months of September through May, on the 3rd Thursday of the month from 7:00 - 9:00 pm. A guest demonstrator/speaker is invited to present at each meeting. Demonstrations encompass a variety of media and style, as well as informative speaker presentations on the business side of being an artist.

WHAL Virtual Show And Share on Tuesday, April 2 @ 7pm

2024 PLEIN AIR SCHEDULE

Wednesday, June 5 **Pittsburgh Botanic Garden**

Coraopolis, Pa. 10:00 am. https://www.pittsburghbotanicgarden.org Cultivated gardens and woodlands.

Wednesday, July 10 **Simmons Farm**

McMurray, Pa. 10:00 am. https://www.simmonsfarm.com Panoramic views of the orchards and farm.

Saturday, August 24 The Frick Pittsburgh

Pittsburgh, Pa. 10:00 am. https://www.thefrickpittsburgh.org

The museum and historical buildings are located on five acres of beautifully landscaped lawns and gardens.

Friday, September 6 The Walled Garden Mellon Park

Pittsburgh, Pa. 10:00 am.

https://pittsburghparks.org/mellon-park-walled-garden

Beautiful garden grounds with views of the city streets and neighborhood.





April 2	WHAL Virtual Show and Share 7:00pm
April 14	Spring Plein Aire Picnic at Robin Hill 9:00am-5:00pm
April 18	WHAL Members Meeting - Robin Hill Speaker 6:30pm Informal chat 7:00pm Business Meeting
April 21	Mother's Day Show Online Registration Deadline 9:00pm
April 26	Artwork Drop Off for Mother's Day Show - Robin Hill 9:00am -12:00pm
May	Pittsburgh Airport Area Chamber of Comme\ Art pickup/drop off Date - TBA
May 7	WHAL Virtual Show and Share 7:00pm
May 12	WHAL Mothers Day Show Reception - Robin Hill 12:00pm Setup 1:00-4:00pm Reception
May 16	WHAL Members Meeting - Robin Hill Speaker 6:30pm Informal chat 7:00pm Business Meeting / Show Art Pick up.
June	Plein Air
June 4	WHAL Virtual Show and Share 7:00pm
July	Plein Air
July 2	WHAL Virtual Show and Share 7:00pm
August	Pittsburgh Airport Area Chamber of Commerce Art pickup/drop off Date - TBA
August	Plein Air
August 6	WHAL Virtual Show and Share 7:00pm

September	Plein Air
September 3	WHAL Virtual Show and Share 7:00pm
September 19	WHAL Members Meeting - Robin Hill Speaker 6:30pm Informal chat 7:00pm Business Meeting
October	Plein Air
October	WHAL Fall Show TBD
October 1	WHAL Virtual Show and Share 7:00pm
October 17	WHAL Members Meeting - Robin Hill Speaker 6:30pm Informal chat 7:00pm Business Meeting
November	Pittsburgh Airport Area Chamber of Commerce Art pickup/drop off - Date TBA
November 5	WHAL Virtual Show and Share 7:00pm
November 21	WHAL Members Meeting - Robin Hill Speaker 6:30pm Informal chat 7:00pm Business Meeting 7:30pm Speaker Demo
December 3	WHAL Virtual Show and Share 7:00pm
December 6	\$55 Holiday Art Cash and Carry Show Set up 10:00am - 3:00pm Robin Hill Carriage House
December 7	\$55 Holiday Art Cash and Carry Show 9:00am-3:00pm during Garden Club Greens Sale. Tear Down 3:00 -4:00pm





APRIL 14, 2024 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Plein Air Picnic with Pot Luck Lunch

ROBIN HILL PARK - 949 Thorn Run Rd, Coraopolis, PA 15108

Please RSVP at our Sign Up Genius Page to let us know you are coming and what you will be bringing for the pot luck lunch!

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084DADA92BA5F9C70-48450088-west

WHAL Member News & Art Openings

Gina Judy currently has work in Spokane National Show, and will soon have work in Illinois Watercolor National Exhibit and the International Online Louisiana Watercolor Society exhibit, into which recently accepted. Gina took her fellow GFWC Jefferson County Women's Club officers to Historic Ft. Steuben for the Steubenville Art Association "Show Your Stuff"

show, where she had five on exhibit. Also, she won first-place at the Kentucky Watercolor Society's Regional AquaVenture, and is in front of her "Veterans Memorial Bridge, Steubenville, OH "shown in Lexington with the second-place winner, and KWS President who won



the honorable mention for the painting behind her. (Third-place and other Honorable Mention award winners not present for the photo).





Gina's artwork,
"Waiting At Woodlawn" has been
juried into the
Illinois Watercolor
Society 40th National Exhibition!
The "SULLY DOG"
did it again! **Emily Glass** is showing ten works of art in the exhibit, "Shadows Distributed" at the Manos Gallery, April 6th-27th.



Emily Glass is showing three pieces in the Greenery Gallery at Castle Consortia April 12th thru 19th.



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Leah Shuck will have art on display at the Cooper-Siegel Community Library in April. Come see her at the artist meet and greet from 11am-1pm on 4/6/24, located at 403 Fox Chapel Rd, Pittsburgh, PA 15238.

Duane Cacali, Marian Sallade, Colleen Tittiger, Patricia Young, Susan Walker, James Tobin, Debra Tobin and Lynda Kirby

participated in the Cranberry Artist Network's spring show, "Emergence", held at the Bottlebrush Gallery in Harmony. **Lynda** was awarded 1st place for her monotype, "Soggy Spring Path". **Susan** was awarded 2nd place for her artwork, "Joyful Bliss".





Congratulations, **Emily Glass**, for her nomination as a finalist for Pittsburgh Magazine's "Best of the Burgh" in the Personalities/Artist category.

To vote online, visit: www.pittsburghmagazine.com

OFF THE EASEL!

Recently sold work from WHAL members:



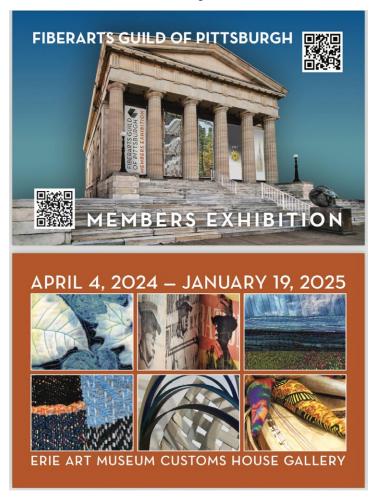
Emily Glass

Sand & Sea (mixed media on canvas)

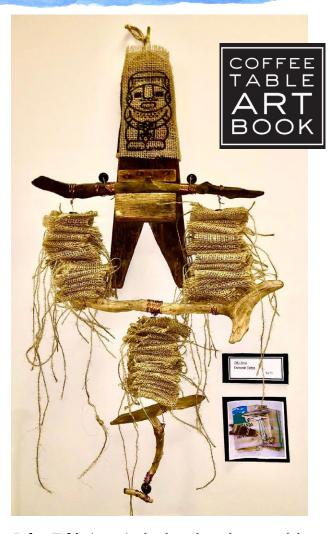


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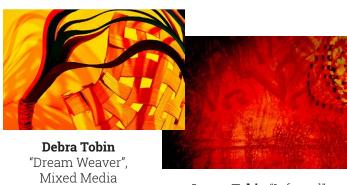
Debra Tobin will be participating in the Fiberarts Guild of Pittsburgh Members Exhibition.







Debra Tobin is excited to be selected as one of the 72 artists to be featured in the Coffee Table Art Book. The book will be published and available for purchase in fall 2024.



James Tobin "Infrared", Digital

James and Debra Tobin are both finalists in the Camelback Gallery Abstracts with Red 2024 International Competition.

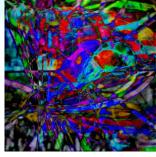
WHAL March Challenge: Art in Full Bloom



Josette Baker "Hollyhocks", watercolor



Leah Shuck Watercolor



James Tobin"Beetles in The Garden"



Suzan Vandertie Watercolor



Suzan VandertieDigitally Edited Photo



Suzan VandertieDigitally Edited Photo



Lynda Kirby Snap Dragon - Photo



Helena Valentine Title: Frida With Flowers In Full Bloom Medium: AI



Lance Maloney "Art in Bloom - Field 1"



Lance Maloney "Art in Bloom - Field 2"



Debra Tobin



Lance Maloney"Art in Bloom - Field 3"



Lance Maloney "Art in Bloom - Field 4"



Lance Maloney Art - N - Bloom

APRIL 2024 ART CHALLENGE: EARTH DAY



The 2024 annual art exhibit will again be held at the Robin Hill Park Main Building.

We will announce the winners and present ribbons and certificates on Sunday, May 12 during our Mother's Day Opening Reception.

PROSPECTUS

Entry fee is \$10.00 per piece. Entry fees will go toward the yearly support of the West Hills Art League in addition to the costs of the reception and running the show.

All submissions must have been completed within the past two years, not exhibited in a prior WHAL Art Show and not completed in a workshop or under instruction.

The show is open to all active members whose membership dues are paid in full. Each member is limited to three pieces of artwork. All 2D mediums are accepted. Photography and Digital Art are welcome. Original artwork only. No giclee prints of original paintings or drawings will be accepted.

Deadline for in-person art drop off, entry form and emailed images is 11:59am on Friday, April 26, 2024.

Please please fill out the entry form online at **westhillsartleague.com** (found in the "Meetings: "Exhibits/ Events" tab) and email images of your submissions to:

westhillsartists@gmail.com

Digital requirements for emailed images are a jpeg format. *Image file size is limited to 2.0 MB or less.

Each image file should be labeled as: LastName.Title.Year.Medium.jpeg (Example: Smith.Flowers in a Vase.2023.oils.jpeg)

No commission will be taken for art sales. All sales will be directed toward the artist

Artists may submit up to three (3) 2-D pieces.

All artwork must be delivered ready to hang and include any accessories, electronics and appropriately attached hanging wires. Sawtooth hangers will not be accepted because it is not compatible with the hanging system. This is for the

security of the artwork and safety of the staff and guests. QUALITY FRAMING OR MOUNTING REQUIRED FOR ALL ARTWORKS SUBMITTED! UNDER 36" IN ANY DIRECTION MUST BE FRAMED, UNLESS 2' GALLERY WRAPPED! LARGE ARTWORK ABOVE 36" IN ANY DIRECTION CAN BE SUBMITTED UNFRAMED WITH CLEAN PAINTED SIDES

Artwork must stay up until the end of the show pickup at May 16 member meeting! No exceptions!

Artwork that does not meet the above criteria will be disqualified

Please secure (2) 3" x 5" cards, with the following information on the back of each entry:

- Name of artist
- Title of artwork
- Medium
- Dimensions (including frame length x width x height)
- Price (or NFS)

2024 Juror:

Rachel Saul Rearick
Executive Director at Contemporary Craft

Call for Artists

DRGP OFF: 4/8 - 4 PICK UP: 5/20 - 5 M-F: 10 AM - 3 PM TUES NIGHT: 7-9 I SHOW RUNS 4/20 OPENING

OPENING RECEPTION:

SAT 4/20 6-8 PM

Come meet our animal friends!





JUDGED BY PHOTOGRAPHER DYLAN VITONE

Entry fee per piece: \$10 for members \$15 for non-members Accepting recent original 2D and 3D work that has not been in a previous juried show at the NHAC.

All work must include a non-human animal as a primary subject matter.

Bring up to 3 pieces to the drop-off hours to be submitted.

For more information, visit our website.

www.northhillsartcenter.org









Call for Artists



THE STATE MUSEUM OF PENNSYLVANIA PRESENTS

ART OF THE STATE

Presented by The State Museum of Pennsylvania in cooperation with the Pennsylvania Heritage Foundation, the 57th Art of the State exhibition will offer cash awards for selected entries in the categories of Painting, Work on Paper, Photography & Digital Media, Sculpture and Craft.

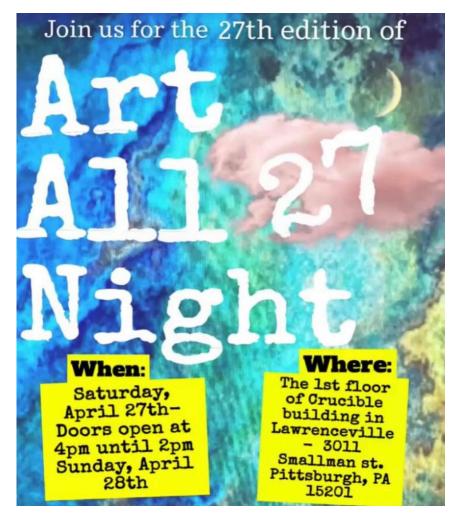
2024 Exhibition Timeline Overview

Deadline for submissions: May 3, 2024 E-mail notifications sent: Week of June 17 Art delivery: July 13 - 21 Exhibition on view: September 8, 2024 -January 5, 2025

Questions? Contact
Amy Hammond, Curator & Art of the State
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www.butlerart.com



Call for Artists











Paint the Town With Us!

A COLLABORATIVE ART EXPERIENCE
CELEBRATING THE AMBRIDGE BICENTENNIAL

Share your Ambridge memories or capture a current moment in time!

Pick up a canvas, while supplies last, beginning April 1, and create a family friendly artwork related to Ambridge or our community. Return it no later than June 1.

Pick up/Drop off locations: Old Economy Village Visitor Center Ambridge Borough Building Laughlin Memorial Library

June 8 & 9, 2024 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

View the completed works at the Old Economy Village Visitor Center during the Bicentennial Celebration Weekend and place your bid on canvases through silent auction. All proceeds benefit Old Economy Village.







For more info contact ambridgebicentennial@gmail.com







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REGIONAL

Juried Art Competition

May 21-July 25, 2024

STEUBENVILLE ART
ASSOCIATION AND
TOP OF WEST VIRGINIA
ARTS COUNCIL
WORKSHOP

The collaboration between two local art groups will feature artists at the 3539 Main Street Weirton Summit-Gallery location, and at the Historic Ft. Steuben, 120 S. Third Street,

A watercolor or acrylic workshop will be held by Gina Judy at Historic Ft. Steuben on Weds., April 17 from 9:30-3:30, using Stan Miller techniques of the three-color painting method to obtain values.

Students will complete a simple portrait, which can be traced if desired) to complete the techniques. Call Gina for the supplies needed for the workshop. \$40 for the day. All proceeds benefit the Steubenville Art Association.









Susan Walker Watercolor Workshop

Thursday, April 18th, 6 - 7:30 pm,

CURIO Art Gallery 113 North Main St. Zelienople, PA 16037 (724-473-0223)

\$25, Save your seat HERE





Discover the art of watercolors in this Introductory level workshop with Susan Walker! Susan is a local artist and educator who has a passion for helping others discover their creative side. During this workshop, you will learn about the artistic medium of watercolors and leave with new tips, tricks, and techniques to start you on your artistic journey. Watercolor painting is easy to do and always turns out beautiful! No need to be nervous, we welcome all levels...yes, even beginners! Grab your friends and family members and head to the studio to start a new hobby or to do that thing you always wanted to try. At CURIO we specialize in making fine art and art making approachable and exciting for all. All supplies are included in the cost of the class, however, if you have supplies you would like to bring and use please feel free to do so.

Fundamentals of Painting: Color & Value

April 26th 6 - 7:30 pm

CURIO Art Gallery 113 North Main St. Zelienople, PA 16037 (724-473-0223)

\$25., Save your seat HERE

Discover the fundamentals of painting in this Intro level color & value-specific workshop with Susan Walker! Susan is a local artist and educator who has a passion for helping others discover their creative side. During this workshop, you will learn about the artistic properties of color mixing and creating value with acrylic paint. Leave with new tips, tricks, and techniques to start you on your artistic journey. Beginning a painting can be overwhelming but breaking it down into smaller steps and practicing good fundamentals is a fantastic way to get started! No need to be nervous, we welcome all levels...yes, even beginners! Grab your friends and family members and head to the studio to start a new hobby or to do that thing you always wanted to try! At CURIO we specialize in making fine art and art making approachable and exciting for all. All supplies are included in the cost of the class. Artists will not leave with a finished piece of art. Students will be exploring color mixing and creating value with acrylic paint and will create value scales and color wheels during class to help in their future art-making endeavors.

SEASON 2024















Art Socials for each show are from 5-8pm and are free and open to everyone!







Oil Painting with Wendy Mackin

Oil painting classes are held on Thursdays from 10am-1pm at Gilberti Fine Art. Expand your skills with this informative and friendly group of artists. All skill levels are welcome. \$150/6 weeks

Email gilbertifineart@gmail.com to register.





West Hills Art League P.O. Box 633, Moon Township, PA 15108



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