West Hills Art League NEWSLETTER

2021

WHAL Virtual Show And Share Tues., Aug. 3 @ 7pm

WHAL Plein Air Painting Fun At Roselea Farm

Thank you to Nancy Mills for allowing us to paint at your beautiful property, to Douglas Wynn for your inspiring talk and instruction and to all of the artists who came out for our plein air day!















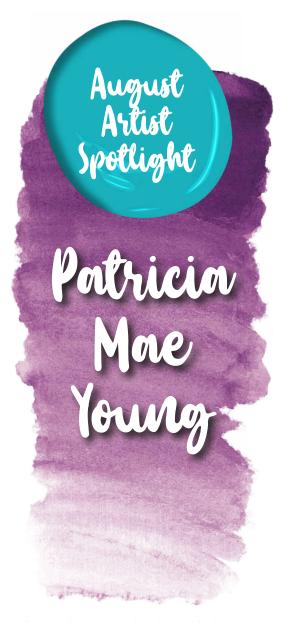






Next WHAL Plein Air Event: Debbie Turici's Garden Sunday, August 15th 9am-3pm

(Rain date: Sunday, Aug. 22) More details to follow!



"I have been painting plein-air in pastels for a long time.
I enjoy painting outdoors in warm as well as cold weather.
I have lived and traveled in various parts of the world and took my art materials along.
I just spent two weeks at Ghost Ranch, NM, painting the beautiful American southwest."

Patty Young

Patricia's can be viewed at patriciamaeyoung.wordpress.com







WHAL July Challenge: Summer Fun



Ralph Bonnar "Morning Ride" 7"×5", oil on canvas board



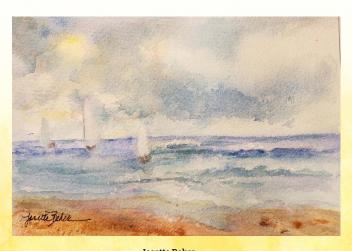
Debra Tobin



James Tobin



Lynda Kirby"New England Lighthouse" Plein Air Watercolor



"Sails on the Cheaspeake", 5" X 7", Miniature Watercolor

This little painting stirs fond memories of summer sailboat races on the bay where I served on the crew flying the sails to capture the wind, tacking our vessel to gain best advantage.

AUGUST 2021 CHALLENGE: LOW LIGHT PAINTING

- Start with collage of various photographs for reference.
- Block in the image on your canvas

 Set up your paint on the pallet according to value not color, lightest to
- Turn lights off except for one light bulb.
 Put on a Pair of Sunglasses to further lessen the light.
 Set a one hour time limit.

- Paint the image by value not color.

 Do not turn on the light and look at the painting. Cover the canvas with a cloth and leave it covered for one week. Do not look at it in the light. After one week again set up your pallet by value, turn off all lights except for one light bulb, put on a pair of sunglasses and then uncover the paint-

- ing.
 10. Continue your painting again with a one-hour time limit and again cover it with the cloth without looking at it in the light.
 11. Continue this process until the painting appears complete to you while you have only the one light bulb lit and are wearing sunglasses.
 12. Cover the painting again. Take off the sunglasses and turn on the lights and then uncover the painting to reveal your painting done by value.
 13. Do NOT touch anything up!

WHAL Member News & Art Openings

CONGRATULATIONS to our WHAL members Marian Sallade for her 3rd place award for "Happy Melody" and Helena Valentine for her honorable mention for "The Landing" in the North Hills Art Art for Animals Show. The show is on display now through August 7.



Helena Valentine "The Landing"



Marian Sallade "Happy Melody"

Welcome New WHAL Members

Christine Huska
Gena Gorder
Julie Judt
Diane Lally
Donna Lesondak
Marian Sallade
Patricia Mae Young

to **Debra Tobin** on being accepted as a member of the Pittsburgh Society of Artists!

The WHAL Summer exhibit is now up at the Pittsburgh Airport Area Chamber of Commerce and is already creating interest!

Congratulations to **Helena Valentine** for our first sale of this exhibit with her piece entitled "Construction", a 16x20 acrylic.







Ruckus Coffee Gallery & Café is hosting an Evening with **Melissa Tai** this Thursday, August 5th at 6pm!

"I have 35 artworks hung in their gallery. There will be complimentary wine and refreshments. You can also order from their menu. I'd love to see you there!"

https://www.ruckuscafe.com/artists



Ruckus Coffee Gallery & Café will feature **James & Debbie Tobin** as their Music Sunday guest on August 8th from 6-8pm



Ohio Valley Plein Air "Paint Out"

The Ohio Valley Plein Air Paint out will be hosted by Artworks Around Town on Sept 1, 2, 3, 4, 5th, 2021. The Paint Out is open to all interested artists who register and follow the guidelines described in this Prospectus regardless of ability.

Our purpose is to involve artists from beginners to professional plein air painters who have a passion for painting outdoors using many of the scenic views, historic architecture, and small-town USA venues within 20 miles of Wheeling, WV. This is a paint out only, with no workshops or demonstrations. Artworks Around Town is located in the old Centre Market building in the very historical center of Wheeling. We will have meet and greet events, exhibitions, art awards, and of course painting.

Synopsis: Five paint-outs over five days, painting a mix of scenic views, historic architecture, and small-town USA within 25 - 30 miles of Wheeling, WV. Each day, participants will visit a different venue: (Wednesday – Moundsville [Grave Creek Mound, Old Penitentiary, historical architecture, views of the Ohio River along the river bike trail], Thursday –Bethany College [small college/scenic/rural], Friday – Palace of Gold [Asian Architecture, beautiful Monet like gardens], Saturday – Oglebay Park [scenic/historical], Sunday – Downtown Wheeling, Centre Market Area [historical architecture, small town USA]

Registration Fee - \$40 \$55 after 7/15/21

For more information and registration, visit: http://artworksaroundtown.org/?page_id=1822

Collage Meet-Up by Contemporary Craft

Wed., Aug. 18, 2021, 11am-1:30pm 5645 Butler St., Pittsburgh, PA 15201

Join us on the third Wednesday of the month for Collage Meet-up day in the Mixed Media Studio. Meet-ups are a great way to get to know other artists working in a similar medium and enjoy the company of others while you craft. No formal instruction is offered during the meet-up, but everyone is encouraged to learn from each other.

Cost: Pay what you can. There is a suggested \$10 donation per session. Materials: Bring your own materials (paper, glue sticks, etc.) and feel free to use Contemporary Craft's stash of old marketing postcards, etc. to create your collages. Contemporary Craft will provide scissors, cutting mats, and a large, bright Studio space to work in!

Lunch: You are welcome to bring a bag lunch to enjoy while you are here or you can order food from any of Pittsburgh's many meal delivery services.

If you require accessibility accommodations, please let us know by calling 412.261.7003 and we are happy to assist you.



SHADES OF RED 2021

International Online Juried Visual Arts Competition Deadline: August 29, 2021



Open to all artists 18 years and older. All painting mediums allowed including pencil, charcoal, mixed media, photography, digital painting, collage and sculpture. Artwork may be any subject matter with the color red as the primary or secondary color. Please feel free to enter more than once.

For our competitions your work does not have to be for sale! We promote your work and if there are any inquiries about your work we refer the client to you, we do not take any commission.

This is a competition, only the award recipients will be in the online group exhibition. The selection of artwork will be chosen by three art industry professional who will juror and vote based on the number of entries, technical skill, quality of work, originality and the criteria for this event. The selection of artwork does take some time so please allow up to 3 weeks after the deadline for review and preparation

https://www.camelbackgallery.com/shadesofred2021competition

Fiberart International 2022

Show dates June 3 - August 20, 2022 Submissions due August 31, 2021

Application will be done online via CaFÉ

More information about applying to

Fiberart International 2022

Prospectus

"Celebrate Steubenville Today" Art Competition

Sponsored by the Steubenville Art Association

THEME: Celebration of the City of Steubenville architecture and the vistas Steubenville has to offer.

THEME SCOPE: The subject for any potential artwork to be submitted shall be any current view the artists chooses provided it can be identified as being in the City of Steubenville. Views may be of the city from across, above, or along the river, or any other vantage-point of the city the artist can locate. Full views of buildings, structures, sculptures; or details of buildings or structures, is acceptable and eligible.

MEDIUM: All two-dimensional artistic media: Oil, Acrylic, Pastel, Pencil, Colored-pencil, Charcoal, or Ink Drawing, Water Media, Mixed Media (includes collage), Cold Wax, Encaustic. Sculptures of any traditional material (clay, wood, metal, etc.) are also eligible. NO live vegetation. No jewelry, as we cannot secure it. Printmaking processes resulting in what would be considered original works of art (relief {linocut, woodcut, monoprints), intaglio (etching,engraving), serigraphy (stencil) or planographic (stone lithography}) are permitted. No photographic prints, photo-transfers, digital-imaging, videos, or installations. Sculpture should be free-standing or your own pedestal should be provided, unless able to be placed on a regular-tabletop. No loose-pieces for three-dimensional artwork...all pieces should be adhered and secured. Hanging relief/three-dimensional work that does not protrude more than six-inches from the wall and that does not exceed the weight-limit of 25 lbs., is also permitted. We reserve the right to refuse any two-dimensional work that will not securely hang on our system, or any three-dimensional work that cannot be appropriately displayed.

LOCATION: Eastern Gateway Community College, main-floor corridor, 4000 Sunset Blvd., Steubenville, OH

WHEN: DROPOFF/RECEIVING/PAYMENT will be at the show location on Thursday November 4 from 9 AM-4 PM and Friday November 5 from 12PM-6PM. EXHIBIT RUNS FROM SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13 to DECEMBER 1, 2021. Viewing hours are during Eastern Gateway Community College regular hours of operation. PICKUP Thursday DECEMBER 2 noon to 4:00 PM and Friday DECEMBER 3 4:00-6:00 PM.

OPENING RECEPTION/AWARDS PRESENTA-

TION: A reception and awards presentation open to the public will held Saturday, November 13, 2021, 2:00 PM-4:00 PM in FOUNDERS HALL (downstairs glassed-gathering area of Eastern Gateway Community College). Awards will be presented at 2:30 PM.

ELIGIBILITY/ENTRIES Any living artist of all levels of experience and from any location, 18 years of age or older may enter up to three-pieces for \$25. IN PERSON delivery and pickup only.

REQUIREMENTS: PROFESSIONAL CATEGORY ORIGINAL artwork only; this means it is the compositional design of the artist and/or the photograph used is taken BY the artist. Work can also be done 'en plein-air' (live, on location) or from the imagination. Jurors' Awards will be given from this category ONLY. Artwork must have been created October 2019 or AFTER.

OPEN CATEGORY This category is less-restrictive. Entries in this category are eligible for memorial-awards and special-awards, such as Mayor's Choice, People's Choice ONLY. Work done from internet-references, class-instruction, or vintage-photos or photos where the artist has permission of another photographer MUST be placed in this category. Artwork must have been created October 2019 or AFTER.

NOTE: If you, your business or organization would like to receive publicity in our showmaterials, contact Judy Schmidt, President, at 740-424-3835 if you would like to provide funds for an award or memorial tribute.

ARTWORK: Eye-hooks and wire and ready to hang. Gallery-wrap is permitted for panel or canvas. Water media must also be matted and under glass or plexiglass. Pastels should be under glass, with or without matting. Size limits 48" in any direction. Nothing over 25 pounds. The subject view of the city and the entry category must be identified on the bottom or back of the entry form along with the official entry tag with artist's identification.

PRIZES: OVER \$900 in PRIZE MONIES: Mr. BILL KARAFFA, an independent qualified judge from Pittsburgh, not affiliated with the SAA, will select the following winners: Best of Show \$ 275 Second Place \$150 Third Place \$100 Fourth Place \$75 and four honorable-mentions at \$50 each. There will also be special awards given (Mayor's Choice, People's Choice, Memorial-Awards, etc.) which will later be announced in show materials

COMMISSION: Art sold will be assessed a 20% commission fee retained by SAA.

INSURANCE: Insurance on all works of art is the responsibility of the artist.

AGREEMENT AND PERMISSION Submission of work guarantees an agreement to all the conditions in this prospectus, including permission for reproduction in print and electronic media and new-releases for purposes of SAA publicity.

QUESTIONS?? Any questions, please contact co-chairs Bob Watson at 678-787-5245 (or Gina Judy at 740-765-4410 if questions about the high-school student-exhibit.)

ENTRY PROCEDURE: Please fill out the attached entry form, and be sure to list the name and location of your building and/or vista, and bring with your painting(s) to receiving inside the main entrance hallway by the lecture-halls at EASTERN GATEWAY COMMUNITY COLLEGE, November 4, and 5, 2021. Cash or checks will be accepted. Please make checks payable to Steubenville Art Association.

steubenvilleartassociation@yahoo.com

Coraopolis
Fall Festival
and Art Walk

Saturday,
October 16th
from 12-4 pm

Coraopolis Fall Festival and Art Walk and will be pairing in-person regional artists/artwork with participating businesses.

In addition to the art walk, the fall festival will provide an opportunity to book vendors at the 5th Avenue lot location.

Artists interested in being added to the participant list, please email Debra Tobin at westhillsartists@gmail.com

Artists will be welcome to display original art and prints for sale and may also do plein-air to capture the day.



Cover the region in messages of love and hope!

Calling ALL FIBER ARTISTS!

Do you appliqué, crochet, embroider, knit, macrame, quilt, weave, make lace, hook rugs, or have some skills to share? Want to learn?

WHY:

Join together with others in our community to brighten and beautify spaces and neighborhoods touched by gun violence.

WHERE:

Join us at an in-person event or drop off your materials or finished projects at any of our convenient locations.

Scan the QR code below for more information, and details about drop-off locations and events









CONTACT US:

If you want to host an event, partner with us, or teach others, please let us know!

lovebindspittsburgh@gmail.com

HOW:

Create a 24"x 36" panel in whatever your medium and decorate with the word 'LOVE' or 'HOPE'!

The pieces will be hung inside or outside in places chosen by our community partners.

Please use weatherproof yarns (acrylic and wool are good choices) or materials.

Plenty of inspiration can be found at

loveacrosstheusa.org, a crochet project created by artist London Kaye.







All Abstracts 2021

International Online Juried Painting Competition Deadline: August 22, 2021

This is the 4th annual All Abstracts Competition open to all artists 18 years and older. All painting mediums allowed including mixed media and digital paintings. Artwork must be Abstract art! For our competitions your work does not have to be for sale! We promote your work and if there are any inquiries about your work we refer the client to you, we do not take any commission. Please feel free to enter more than once!

This is a competition, only the award recipients will be in the online group exhibition. The selection of artwork will be chosen by three art industry professional who will juror and vote based on the number of entries, technical skill, quality of work, originality and the criteria for this event. The selection of artwork does take some time so please allow up to 3 weeks after the deadline for review and preparation

https://www.camelbackgallery.com/al-labstracts2021competition



Saxonburg Festival of the Arts & Saxonburg Fine Art presents

A CELEBRATION OF VISUAL ART SEPTEMBER 11th & 12th, 2021

Saxonburg Memorial Presbyterian Church, Lower Level September 11th, Saturday 10:00-6:00 PM

> Main & Rebecca Street, Saxonburg, PA September 12th, Sunday 12:00-6:00 PM

ELIGIBILITY: Anyone 12 years of age and up. (Student category 12-18 years of age) Anyone 18 years of age or over will be considered non-pro unless noted professional. IF YOU HAVE SOLD YOUR ARTWORK, YOU ARE CONSIDERED PROFESSIONAL

RULES: Each artist may enter up to 5 pieces of art plus the theme entry. Original art will be oil, acrylic, watercolor & other media: no copies accepted. ALL WORK MUST BE SUITABLE FOR FAMILY VIEWING. All work must be framed & wired for hanging. Watercolors must be under glass. The size of all artworks not to exceed 60 inches in length and width. COMPUTER ART IS NOT ACCEPTABLE

ENTRY FORMS: Submission of artwork will constitute an agreement to comply with all rules, guidelines, conditions and requirements listed on this form ENTRY FORM MUST HAVE YOUR SIGNATURE.

DEADLINE: AUGUST 20, 2021 – Mail to Alice Ferraro, 115 Equine Lane, BUTLER, PA 16002. Checks payable to "SAXONBURG FINE ART"

DELIVERY: Work to be delivered to Saxonburg Memorial Presbyterian Church lower level, Thursday, September 9th 2021, between 4pm-7pm. After all artwork is delivered, the committee reserves the right to rearrange work to better utilize space.

REMOVAL: Entries must remain until 5:00 PM Sunday & be picked up Sunday, September 12th between 5:00 – 6:00 PM. The SFA Committee or the Festival will not assume responsibility for entries left after 6:00 PM. Church doors are locked at 7:00 PM.

PROTECTION: All artwork will be guarded to the best of our ability. However, Saxonburg Fine Art cannot assume responsibility for loss or damage.

SALES: Indicate if your work is "for sale". Saxonburg Fine Art will retain a 20% fee.

THEME: "Wildlife" is the theme. One entry only. (Optional) This entry will be judged separately. ALso, there will be an award for "Historic Saxonburg", one entry only.

FEES: Professional: \$7 per piece, Non-professional: \$7 per piece, Student: \$3 per piece.

Visit our website: <u>SaxonburgFineArt.com</u> for more information.



Saxonburg Festival of the Arts

PHOTOGRAPHY SHOW SEPTEMBER 11th & 12th, 2021

Saxonburg Memorial Presbyterian Church Basement Corner of Main and Rebecca Streets, Saxonburg

> Friday, September 10 4 p.m. – 6 p.m. Saturday, September 11 11 a.m. – 6 p.m. Sunday, September 12 12 p.m. – 5 p.m.

ELIGIBILITY: Anyone 18 years or over and Youth 12-18 years of age; OPEN TO NON-PROFESSIONALS ONLY

RULES:

- 1. Contestants are limited to six (6) entries. May enter in any category in your class. May enter all 6 entries in one category.
- 2. The contest is open to every non-professional photographer. (Professional: A person holding a degree in photography and/or occupation in photography.)
- 3. Photographers' name, address, phone number, email address, category and an arrow pointing to the top of the photograph MUST appear in black. NO NAMES, INIITALS OR MARKINGS OF ANY KIND may appear on the FRONT of the photography or matte.
- 4. Photographer must specify to which category the photo belongs, otherwise it may be disqualified. The festival reserves the right to the change the category if photograph does not fit the description of the category designated.
- 5. Photography may be no smaller than 5x7 inches, without matte, and can be no larger than 20x24 inches, including matte.
- 6. Prints must be mounted on mount boards or matted. Prints must be ready to be displayed.
- 7. NO FRAMES OR GLASS WILL BE ACCEPTED.
- 8. All photographs are to be suitable for family viewing.
- 9. No photos from previous Saxonburg contests will be accepted.

DELIVERY: Photos must be delivered to Saxonburg Memorial Presbyterian Church basement Thursday, September 9, between 4pm.-8pm ENTRY FORM MUST ACCOMPANY PHOTOS!

REMOVALS: Entries must remain until 5:00P.M. Sunday & picked up Sunday, September 12 between 5:00 P.M.-6:00 P.M. The photo committee will not assume responsibility for entries left after 6:00 P.M. Church doors are locked at 7:00 P.M.

PROTECTION: All work will be guarded to the best of our ability. However, the Saxonburg Festival of the Arts cannot assume responsibility for loss of damage.

PRIZES: Ribbon Awarded First/Second/Third Place, Best of Show & People's Choice Awards NO MONETARY PRIZES

FEES: FREE!

Form available at: www.saxonburgpa.com/festival

Events and Shows



Associated Artists of Butler County "The Art of the Bloom"

Artists have been enamored with nature's bloom for centuries. "The Art of the Bloom" enables the artist to continue this love affair in all arts media and in botanical arrangements. The exhibit runs from August 13- August 28. Artist reception August 14, 10am-12 & 7-9pm.

Cranberry Artists Network Martinis with Monet 2021 Art Expo

July 7 - August 19, 2021

The Exhibition Space: The Cranberry Township Municipal building, located at 2525 Rochester Road, Cranberry Township, PA 16066.

Our signature show returns for 2021! Martinis with Monet is a well-attended and publicized event that is the highlight of the summer season in Cranberry Township every year. This exhibit showcases the enormous skill and talent of a broad range of regional artists.



NORTH HILLS ART CENTER

Art for **Animals Show**

Show will run through August 6th. Gallery hours: Mon-Fri, 10am-3pm & Tues. 7pm-9pm

https://northhillsartcenter.org



Life Drawing at Gilberti Fine Art Studio & Gallery

Sharpen your skills by drawing the human form in the company of fellow artists. We alternate both nude and costumed models. A voluntary critique follows each drawing session. Easels are provided. Bring your preferred drawing/painting materials.

Tuesdays 10:00am - 1pm Fee: \$20

* Email gilbertifineart@gmail.com to reserve your spot. Class size is limited.





http://gilbertifineart.com

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Pam Wenger Weekend Watercolor Portrait Workshop Saturday, Oct. 2 and Sunday Oct. 3 from 9am to 4pm

Pittsburgh Watercolor Society is delighted to present a Weekend *Watercolor Portrait Workshop* with Pam Wenger. Pam is a retired teacher who has won numerous awards from the American Watercolor Society (AWS), National Watercolor Society (NWS), Pennsylvania Watercolor Society, Pennsylvania's "Art of the State", and Baltimore Watercolor Society's Mid Atlantic shows. Pam's work has been featured in Splash Magazine, in Artist's Magazine, and she has worked with Charles Reid and Ted Nuttal. Pam's art can be viewed on her website at www.pamwenger.com and on Facebook at facebook.com/pamwengerwatercolor.



Pam Wenger "connects with people through their expressions, their poses, their placement in a composition."

At the workshop, participants will learn to paint watercolor portraits in a spontaneous style that involves minimal layering and the use of transparent colors. Students should be comfortable with painting in watercolor, but do not need to have experience with portrait drawing or painting. Experienced artists may work freehand, but drawings printed on watercolor paper will be provided for all participants so that those who want to focus on the painting process without spending too much time drawing can do so.



As the workshop is cumulative and sequential, participants must attend both Saturday and Sunday of the workshop. (Friday evening attendance is optional.) CDC and state health guidelines will be followed during this in-person workshop. Also, Pam is an experienced Zoom workshop presenter who will mail all references and watercolor papers to participants in the event the workshop goes online.

Location:

Andrew Carnegie Free Library & Music Hall 300 Beechwood Ave., Carnegie, PA 15106 (Free parking on site at venue. Easily accessible from I-79, I-376, U.S. 22-30, PA routes 19, 50, 65, & 51)



FRIDAY, OCT. 1, 2021, 6:00 -9:00 P.M.

Meet the Artist / Wine & Cheese Presentation

Free for workshop participants,
All others: Suggested donation: \$10-\$15
COST FOR TWO DAY in-person WORKSHOP:
PWS Members: \$200, Non-Members: \$240

REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT IN FULL DUE: Online: September 1, 2021, 11:59 P.M. Mailed: Postmarked by August 25, 2021

To obtain the supplies list, workshop description, cancellation policy, accommodations, and/or to register and pay securely online:

https://www.pittsburghwatercolorsociety.com

QUESTIONS? E-mail:

Pwsworkshops75@gmail.com

To ensure your spot, you must register online.

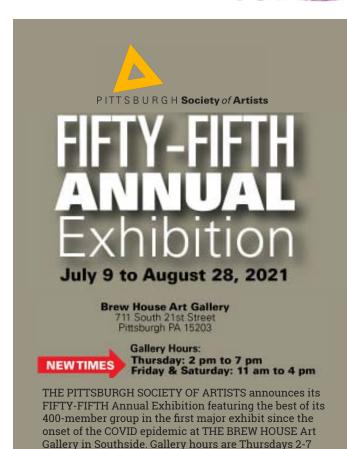
PWS prefers online payment, but to pay by mail:

Complete and detach the form below. Mail with a check payable to Pittsburgh Watercolor Society. Address:

PWS Wenger Workshop c/o Wilkins School Community Center 7604 Charleston Ave. Wilkinsburg, PA 15218

PWS PAM WENGER Watercolor Portrait WORKSHOP		
Name:		
Address:		
Phone:		
Email:		
Check one:	PWS member \$200 Non-Member \$240	

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PM, Fridays and Saturdays 11 AM-4 PM.

August 28 & 29

24th Annual Shadyside... The Art Festival on Walnut Street

Saturday, 10am-7pm; Sunday, 10am-5pm

150 exhibitors. For more info: www.artfestival.com

September 10-12

A Fair in the Park Mellon Park

Adjacent to the Pgh. Center for the Arts Fri, 1pm-7pm; Sat, 10am-7pm; Sun, 10am-5pm

110 Exhibitors. In addition to the vast array of fine craft and art demonstrations, A Fair in the Park also features a children's activity area, regional and national entertainment, and a variety of Pittsburgh's fabulous foods.

craftsmensquild.org

Stay tuned for more info about the start of our 2021-2022 Meetings!

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