

# West Hills Art League

## NEWSLETTER

**DEC  
2021**



**There will not be a meeting in December.  
Our next meeting will be on Thurs., Jan. 20th at 7pm.  
We will kick off 2022 with an in-person Show & Share!**

 Wishing you  
and yours  
**Peace**  
and a world of good wishes

All WHAL members are invited! This is simply an informal chat session where members can show recent completed pieces or works-in-progress. There will be opportunities for you to ask questions about someone's process and materials, or you could ask for input on something you are working on, or even just log in to get inspired. It's a great opportunity to connect, collaborate or mentor.

### **ZOOM Instructions:**

**Step 1:** To get started with Zoom, head to their website [ZOOM.com](https://zoom.us) and click on the "SIGN UP" button that is at the top-right corner of the screen.

**Step 2:** You have two options when it comes to creating a Zoom account. You can either:

- Create a new account using your email address.
- Sign in using your Google or Facebook account.

**Step 3:** Zoom will now send you an email with a confirmation link.

**Step 4:** Download the desktop app/ Zoom client from the Zoom website for easy access.

Enter the zoom meeting address or click the link that will be sent to you in your email.

**WHAL Virtual  
Show And Share  
Tuesday, Dec. 7th  
@ 7pm**

## December Artist Spotlight

# Doris Dumrauf



"We became interested in photography while living in Germany. After moving to Pennsylvania, we discovered our love of nature, especially birds, while roaming our state and local parks. We have turned our yard into a haven for birds and insects, which in turn provide us with willing photo objects."

Doris is a graduate of the New York Institute of Photography. She divides her time between writing, nature photography, and public speaking. She is a regular contributor to Pennsylvania Magazine. Her books "Oktober Heat" and "Create Your Own Backyard Wildlife Habitat" are available on Amazon.

Doris has won several awards for her photography, most notably a first place in Wildbird Magazine's photo contest 2005 for her photo of an airborne Tufted Titmouse. Following this award, she was featured on KDKA-TV. She also won the Feathered Friends category in Birds & Blooms magazine's backyard photo contest 2009-10.

Doris is an award-winning public speaker and offers the following presentations:

Common Birds of Western Pennsylvania

Create Your Own Backyard Wildlife Habitat

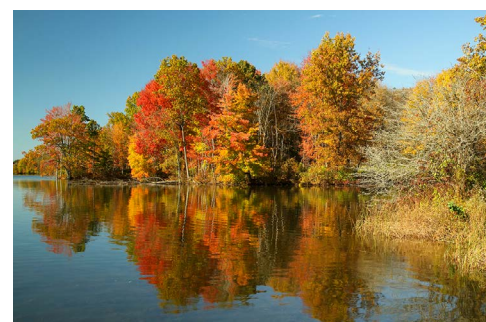
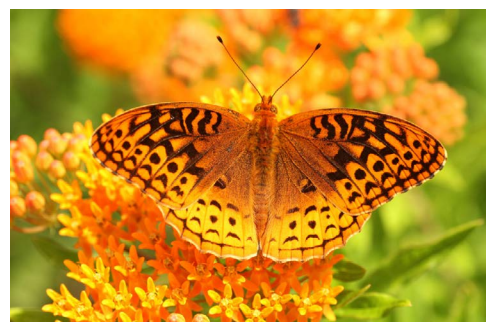
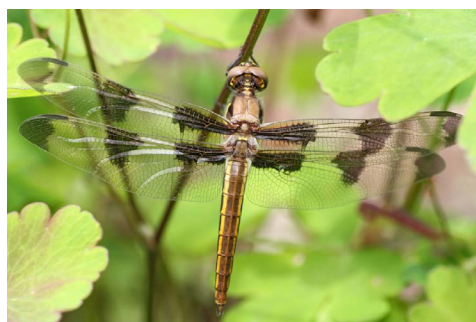
Attracting Birds to Your Yard

Attracting Pollinators to Your Yard

Nature Photography

Her resume includes speeches at Phipps Conservatory, REI, Carnegie Library, and numerous garden clubs and civic groups in the greater Pittsburgh area. Please contact her via contact form about fees and availability.

<https://dorisdumrauf.com/>





# WHAL November Challenge: Huevember



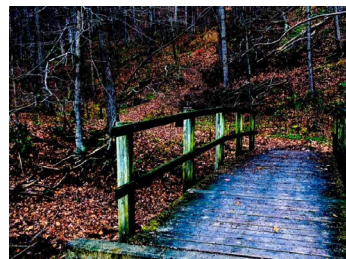
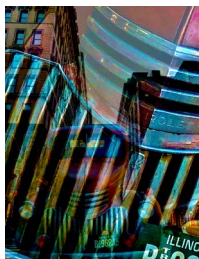
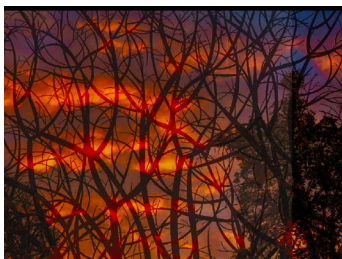
**Marian Sallade**

Watercolors with ink.

1. Purple mauve,
2. Orange grass from the wetlands in Ligonier.
3. Brown barn Lewis Farms.
4. Old building Eichner farm market.
5. Red covered bridge at McConnell Mills.

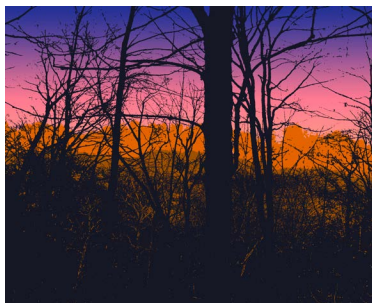


**Debra Tobin**

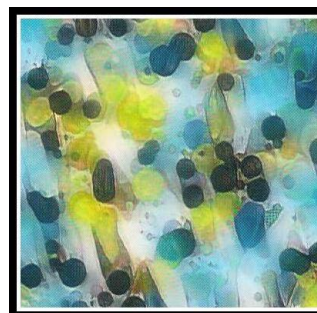


**James Tobin**

Day 6, Orange - Title: Fire Sky, Day 11, Rose - Title: Time Machine,  
Day 13, Purple - Title: Late Autumn Blooms, Day 23, Blue/Green - Title: Bridge Between Seasons

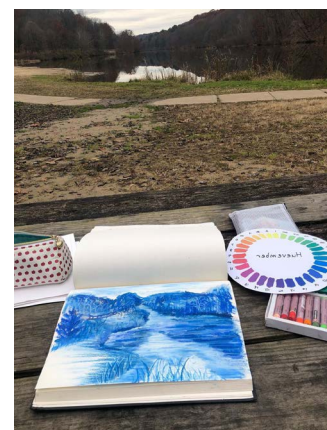


**Lynda Kirby**



**Helena Valentine**

'Sea Salt' - Green/blue hue, digital



**Leah Shuck**

November 21st Huevember creation during our WHAL Plein Air Day at Raccoon Creek State Park.

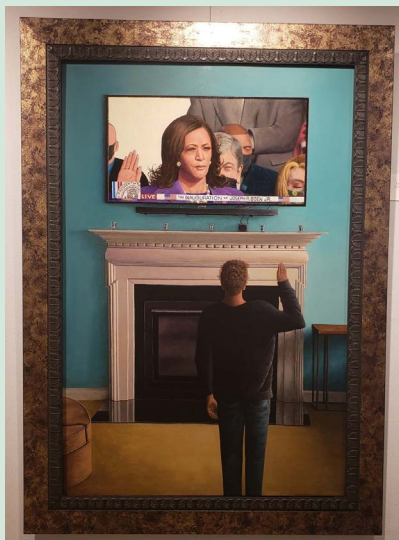
## DECEMBER 2021 CHALLENGE: WINTER OR HOLIDAY ART

Create a winter or holiday themed artwork. Possibly a memory of years past or a captured moment from today. No color limitations.

Email your submission to kirbycreativeservices@yahoo.com by December 31



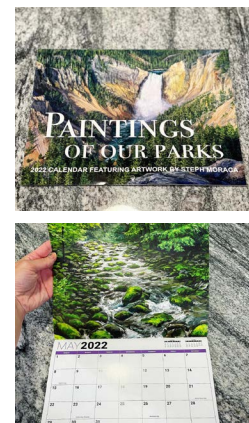
# WHAL Member News & Art Openings



**Lance Maloney** closed the deal on his commission for a large work he did recently, "I can, I do, We will" It now lives with the family who requested it.

**Steph Moraca's** 2022 National Park painting calendars are now available!! To order, visit [www.stephmoracafineart.com](http://www.stephmoracafineart.com) and scroll to the bottom of the home page. You are welcome to message her to place an order as well.

This is a 13-month wall calendar featuring one of her National Park landscape paintings each month. Calendars are \$20 and make a great gift for fans of nature, National Parks, or landscape paintings!

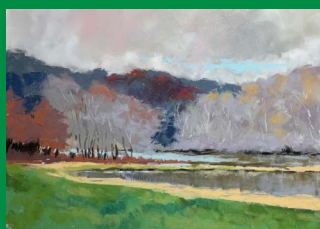
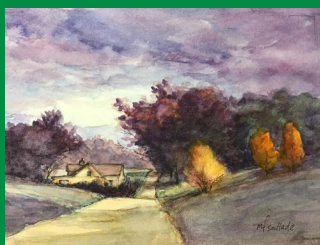


Congratulations to **James Tobin** for earning a Bronze Award for 'Autumn Barn', featured in Camelback Gallery's Autumn 2021 International Visual Arts Exhibition.

Congratulations to our First **Doug Wynn** Scholarship Membership for 2021-22 - **Olivia Baer!**

THANK YOU returning members for renewing your memberships and welcome our newest members Bernice Bishop, mily Glass, Georgette Griglia, and Lynne Preisser!

Congratulations to **Lynne Preisser**, winner of WHAL membership drawing for 2022-23!



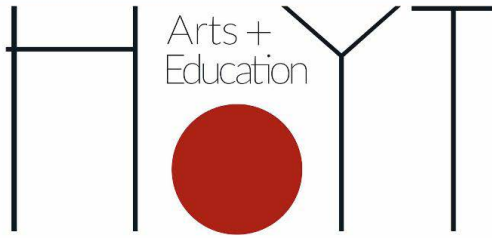
**Leah Shuck, Patricia Young, Marian Salade, James and Debra Tobin** doing some Plein air at Raccoon Creek State Park.





# Call for Artists

## 49<sup>th</sup> annual



## REGIONAL

### Juried Competition

124 East Leasure Ave., New Castle, PA 16101

<https://hoartcenter.org>

### CALL FOR ARTISTS!

Emerging & professional artists within 250 miles of New Castle are invited to apply for the 2022 Juried Show. to compete for cash prizes, First Place \$600., Second \$400., Third \$200., & up to 6 Merit awards!

Deadline for Entries is February 22, 2022.

This year's Juror is Laura Domencic, Executive Director of the Erie Art Museum

#### DATES TO REMEMBER:

Deadline for Entries: Postmark- Feb. 21, 2022

Notification of Acceptance: March 28th

Delivery of accepted works: By April 15th

Pick up works: July 2nd

Public Reception: May 14th, 1-3pm

Exhibition Dates: April 26 – June 30, 2022

#### Prospectus:

<https://hoartcenter.org/hoart-regional-juried-exhibition/>



## WOMEN IN ART 2022: VISUAL VOICES



April 23 through June 4, 2022

Entries due midnight March 19, 2022

Open to artists identifying as female in southwest Pa and the Morgantown, WV area

This exhibition challenges women artists to make art that speaks to the power the visual arts can wield in our current cultural climate. *Visual Voices* aspires to expand the canon of art by being a platform to showcase a symphony of women's voices that sing loudly and passionately about the changes and challenges of our time.

Sexuality      Race      Sexual identity  
Environment      Pandemic      Education  
Economic justice  
Equality      Reproductive Rights      Political

You Are Here, with partner Maureen Kochanek, challenges artists to complete this sentence:

*My visual voice speaks to \_\_\_\_\_*

Above statement must accompany digital images and entry fee when submitting work.

For application and details visit [yah406clay.org](http://yah406clay.org)

# Call for Artists

## The North Hills Art Center Winter Art Show

opens Feb 5th and runs  
through March 4th.

The title/theme is  
Pittsburgh Perspective.

It will be open to all.  
Drop off is Jan 24-28.



<https://www.northhillsartcenter.org>

## Collage Meet-Up by Contemporary Craft

Wed., Dec. 15, 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.



PURPLE ROOM FINE ART IN COLLABORATION WITH  
KETCHUP CITY CREATIVE IS PROUD TO PRESENT

## TRUST THE SUN A FUNDRAISER FOR JARED QUINTEROS

December 18th, 2021, 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm at Ketchup City Creative  
612 Main Street, Sharpsburg PA 15215 • [www.ketchupcity.com](http://www.ketchupcity.com)  
Contact: Purple Room Fine Art @ 412 477 4540



**If you are interested in donating artwork and/or supplies, read about it and register here!**

Please take a moment to support! Deadline for work is **December 5th.**

<https://www.purplepierotti.com/news.html>

Be sure to check out the event and let us know you are coming!

<https://www.facebook.com/events/640036073683805>

## West Hills Art League Annual Mother's Day Show May 2022

The 2022 annual art exhibit will be held at the Robin Hill Park Main Building.

We will announce the winners on Sunday, May 8 during our Mother's Day Opening Reception.

Our judge will offer insights into their selections during our May meeting.

Entry fee is \$10.00 per piece.

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 mediums are accepted. Original artwork only. No giclees. No diptychs or triptychs.

Deadline for in-person art drop off at Robin Hill is 11:59am, Fri., April 29, 2022.

Please fill out the online entry form(s) and also email images of submissions to [westhillsartists@gmail.com](mailto:westhillsartists@gmail.com) by 11:59am, Friday, April 29, 2022.

Digital requirements for emailed images are a jpeg format. \*Image file size is limited to 2.0 MB or less. Each image should be labeled as: Artist's last name, title of piece, year created, and medium: (LastName.Title.Year.Medium.jpeg)  
Example: Smith.Flowers in a Vase.2022.oils.jpeg

Note: Artwork that does not meet the above criteria will be disqualified.

Information on this year's judge, TBA

<http://westhillsartleague.com>



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**ENTER NOW - DEADLINE MARCH 4, 2022**

**WESTMORELAND ART NATIONALS**  
**JURIED FINE ART & PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITIONS**

## **Westmoreland Art Nationals** **Juried Fine Art & Photography Exhibit** **DEADLINE: MARCH 4, 2022**

Every year, the Westmoreland Arts & Heritage Festival holds the Westmoreland Art Nationals, a juried fine art and photography competition, featuring art from all around the country. Artists are permitted to enter as many pieces as they'd like to be considered in both of our exhibits.

The first exhibit will be held in Commissioners Hall at Westmoreland County Community College. The exhibit will run from Saturday, May 21 through Wednesday, June 8, with the Opening Reception on May 21 from 6-8 PM. Awards will be Announced at 7:00 PM on May 21 and posted on our Facebook page.

The second exhibit will be held at the Westmoreland Arts & Heritage Festival on Thursday, June 30 through Sunday, July 3 with the Opening Reception set for Saturday, June 25 from 6-8 PM. Awards will be Announced at 7:00 PM on June 25 and posted on our Facebook page. Both shows are free and open to the public to attend.

Digital exhibitions will have artwork that is accepted into both exhibits and will also be displayed on our Facebook page and website. The first Exhibit will run from May 21 – June 18, 2022 and the second Exhibit will run from June 25 – July 23, 2022.

The People's Choice Award will be decided by the number of votes received on-site through paper ballots as well as votes taken from our Facebook Page using the number of "Likes" on an image. Any accepted piece of artwork may be voted on to win the People's Choice Award. Voters are permitted to cast one ballot per artist per day.

A total of \$4,800 in prize money will be awarded in the following categories:

Best of Show  
Painting  
Graphics  
Craft  
Sculpture

Photography  
Mixed Media  
Digital Media/Digital Art  
New Entrant  
People's Choice

Winners are selected for each exhibit and are not announced until the night of the Opening Receptions. Both shows provide excellent exposure and serve as wonderful networking opportunities to meet other distinguished artists.



# Events & Shows

the North Hills Art Center *presents our annual*

# Holiday ARTISAN MARKET



**Market Dates: November 20-December 11, 2021**

**Market Hours: Mondays thru Saturdays: 10:00am-3:00pm**

**Tuesday Evenings: 7:00pm-9:00pm**

**3432 Babcock Blvd. \* Pittsburgh, PA 15237 \* 412-364-3622**

A Great Place to  
Find Unique Holiday Gifts  
from local artists:  
Holiday & Home Décor, Jewelry,  
Pottery, Paper & Fiber Arts,  
Soaps & Lotions, Fashion Items,  
Woodworks, Framed Art  
& so much more!

## **FREE Preview Party!**

*Be one of the first the to shop the Market!*

**Friday, November 19<sup>th</sup>  
6pm-9pm**

Holiday Goodies, Chocolates & Sips!  
Holiday Quilt Raffle!  
(1 free ticket!)

Gifted Artists  
with hand-  
crafted items!  
Shop early for  
the Best  
Selection!  
Free Parking &  
Free Entry!



more info

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# Events & Shows



## 4th Annual *Lawrence County Art Show*

Exhibition Dates: November 12, 2021 to February 28, 2022



**Sweetwater Center for the Arts**  
Community. Classes. Culture.

## **Holiday Mart - Annual Sale of Artist Made Gifts In-person & Online Now through Dec 12, 2021**

We are excited to offer our annual Holiday Mart in-person again this December! But are also excited about our new online audience and sales! So in 2021, we will be offering both!!

<https://sweetwaterartcenter.org>



## **Tuscarawas County Art Guild 2021 Fall Art Exhibit**

Tuscarawas County  
Center for the Arts  
461 Robinson Dr.  
S.E. New Philadelphia 44663



**Oglebay Institute**  
*Inspiring the Imagination*

## **Stifel Fine Arts Center Holiday Art Show & Sale**

Now through Dec 23, 2021  
Stifel Fine Arts Center, Wheeling  
Schrader Center, Oglebay Park

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



[www.WestHillsArtLeague.com](http://www.WestHillsArtLeague.com)



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