



West Hills Art League

NEWSLETTER

DEC 2023

**WHAL Virtual
Show And Share
on Tuesday,
Dec. 5 @ 7pm**

**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 league-sponsored 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.



Peace on Earth

**There will not be a meeting in December.
Our next meeting will be on Thurs., Jan. 18th at 7pm.**

JANUARY POT LUCK MEETING!

Please join us in person or via Zoom on Thursday, January 18th at 7:00 pm at Robin Hill for an evening of art, conversation and light refreshments. Please bring some recent pieces of art to show and a snack to share as we celebrate the new year!



2023/2024 CALENDAR

December 1	\$55 Holiday Art Cash and Carry Show Set up 10:00am - 3:00pm Robin Hill Carriage House
December 2	\$55 Holiday Art Cash and Carry Show 9:00am-3:00pm during Garden Club Greens Sale. Tear Down 3:00 -4:00pm
December 5	WHAL Virtual Show and Share 7:00pm
January 2	WHAL Virtual Show and Share 7:00pm
January 18	WHAL Members Meeting - Show and Share Potluck 7:00pm at Robin Hill
January	Mother's Day Show Prospectus to Membership
February	Pittsburgh Airport Area Chamber of Commerce Art pickup/drop off Date - TBA
February 6	WHAL Virtual Show and Share 7:00pm
February 15	WHAL Members Meeting - Robin Hill Speaker 6:30pm Informal chat 7:00pm Business Meeting
March 7	WHAL Virtual Show and Share 7:00pm
March 21	WHAL Members Meeting - Robin Hill Speaker 6:30pm Informal chat 7:00pm Business Meeting
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 Commerce 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
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*Details subject to changes as needed - look for updates in the newsletter throughout the year.

WHAL Member News & Art Openings

Mary-Jane Maness has 3 pieces that are going to be shown at the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh Employee art show through December at Carnegie Library Main in Oakland

Lisa Shaughnessy painted a banner that will be hanging along Main Street in Sharpsburg through February as part of a project with Artspirations & Ketchup City Creative.

James Tobin and Debra Tobin will have artwork on display for sale during the McMurray Art League ARC Juried Show 6 "Winter Wonderland" At ARC Human Services, 111 W. Pike St., Canonsburg, PA 15317. The show runs November 22, 2023 through Mid-Winter, Hours 7:30-2:30.

They will also be among the artists participating in the McMurray Art League's Gifts Abound exhibition at the Peters Township Public Library from November 15 through January 17.



Leah Shuck, Debra Tobin, James Tobin & Lynda Kirby are among the artists that have pieces in the Don't Feed The Art exhibition hosted by Laurel Arts Dressler Center in Somerset. It will be on display through December 14.



Donna Lesondak, Colleen Tittiger, James Tobin, Debra Tobin, Lynda Kirby are showing art at the Cranberry Artists Network 2023 Holiday Show, held at the Bottlebrush Gallery in Harmony, PA. **Lynda Kirby** was awarded an Honorable Mention for her pastel drawing, "Disattired".



OFF THE EASEL! Recently sold work from WHAL members:

SOLD!

Leah Shuck

I got the charms at Pittsburgh Center for Creative Reuse and the chain at Plato's Closet. So it's all upcycled!



SOLD!

Steph Moraca

"Summer Prestige at Oakmont"
Oil on canvas
24x30"



SOLD!

James Tobin

Artwork that sold during the AAP 113x113 show.



WHAL November Challenge: Atmospheric Perspective



Lance Maloney
Flathead River as seen from
the National Bison Range MT.



Lance Maloney
Antelope in the Bison Range



Lance Maloney
Grecian Ruins - Oil



Lance Maloney
Acropolis Athens Greece - Oil



Helena Valentine
AI generated - Atmospheric Perspective: Cityscape,
Garden Scape, Mountain Scape, Ocean Scape.



Lance Maloney
Looking towards Mission
Mountain Range MT



Lance Maloney
Ominous Cloud



James Tobin



Lynda Kirby
Appalachian Hills -
Block Print



Lance Maloney
Flathead Lake Sunset - Acrylic



Josette Baker
"Big Sky Country", watercolor



Debra Tobin

DECEMBER 2023 ART CHALLENGE: HUMOR!

Email your submission by Dec. 27th at kirbycreativeservices@yahoo.com

Call for Artists



MINI MASTERPIECE COMPETITION

Entry Deadline:
January 12, 2024

Exhibition:
March 26 – May 16, 2024



Choose a famous painting to replicate,
gather your paints and get to work!
Visit hoartcenter.org for more details



Call for Artists

ENTER NOW - DEADLINE MARCH 8, 2024

WESTMORELAND ART NATIONALS

JURIED ART & PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITION



CALL FOR ARTISTS

2024 Three Rivers Arts Festival Juried Visual Art Show

The Juried Visual Art Exhibition welcomes thousands of visitors over the course of ten days and SPACE gallery sees hundreds of visi-

tors weekly. Often reviewed by esteemed art critics, artworks may be featured in Festival press coverage, as well as purchased by attendees for personal and corporate collections. Select JVAE Artists have also been recruited to exhibit in solo and group shows as part of the Pittsburgh Cultural Trust's gallery system, as well as other gallery opportunities citywide. All accepted artists will be invited to the private preview of the exhibition on May 30th, 2024. Admission to the exhibition is free and open to the public. Please review eligibility, rules, and procedures before applying.

This year's theme welcomes submissions that explore the profound and

complex connections between humans and animals, be they companions, pets, wildlife, or creatures of myth or imagination. This exhibition will celebrate the diverse ways in which animals enrich our lives, challenge our perspectives, and inspire our creativity as they have done throughout history.

Entry Deadline: 1/16/24

Contact Email:
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Contact Phone: 412-973-5199

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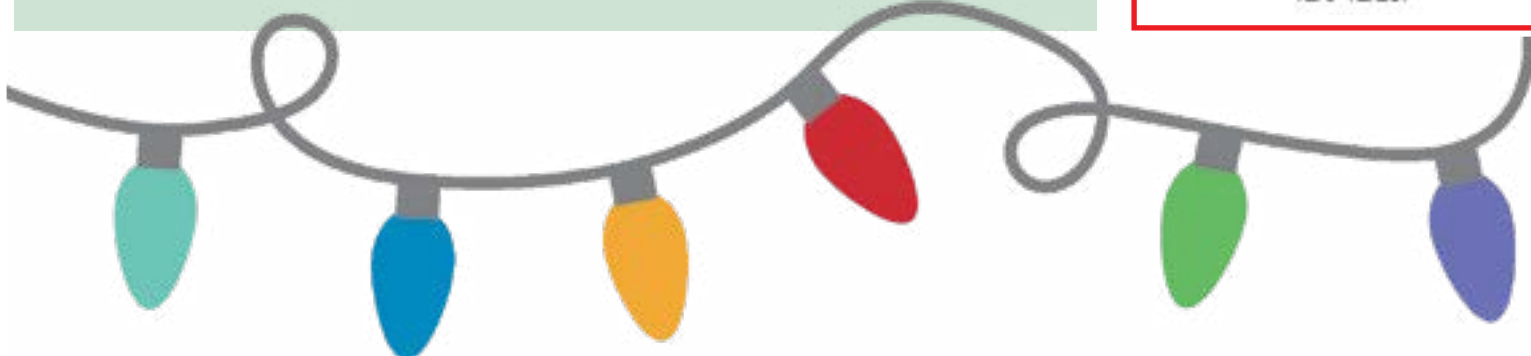
The Butler Art Center & Gallery

Associated Artists of Butler County



Holiday Show & Sale 12/6-12/23

Plan to join our Holiday Show and Sale and sell your one-of-a-kind gifts for the holiday season! This show is the perfect opportunity to not only exhibit your work, but to make some extra money for the holidays! The holiday show and sale drop off 11/28-12/2 from noon till 5p. The show runs from 12/6-12/23.



Events & Shows



\$55 Holiday Art Cash and Carry Show

Saturday, December 2, 9AM-3PM

Robin Hill Park Carriage House

during the Moon Township Garden Club Greens & Things Sale
949 Thorn Run Road, Moon Township, PA 15108

*Don't miss this opportunity to purchase unique gifts
made by local artists from the West Hills Art League.*

In celebration of our 55th Anniversary, prices will be \$55 or less!

SUPPORT
local
ARTISTS
this
HOLIDAY
SEASON

Paintings
Art Cards
Tote bags
Ornaments
Jewelry
Photography
Books

westhillsartleague.com



Events & Shows

the North Hills Art Center *presents our annual*

Holiday ARTISAN MARKET



FREE Preview Party!

Be one of the first the to shop the Market!

Friday, November 17th

6pm-9pm

Holiday Goodies
& Sips!



*Do good while you shop:
A portion of proceeds benefit HEARTH!*



Market Dates & Hours:

November 18-December 9, 2023

Mondays thru Saturdays: 10am-3pm

Tuesday Evenings: 7pm-9pm

3432 Babcock Blvd. | Pittsburgh, PA 15237

*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!

Shop early for the Best Selection!

Free Parking & Free Entry!



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Events & Shows



**CRANBERRY ARTISTS
NETWORK**

Holiday Show

**BOTTLEBRUSH GALLERY
SHOW DATES:**

Friday, Nov. 17, 2023 - Thursday, December 21, 2023

539 Main St, Harmony, PA 16037

Gallery Hours: Friday 11-5 Saturday 10-5 and Sunday 12-4.

OPENING RECEPTION:

Friday, Nov. 17, 2023, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

*Original Art On Sale
Great for Holiday Gift-Giving!*



For additional show information, please email:
CranberryArtistsNetwork@gmail.com

Events & Shows

Expressive Watercolor With Cindy Gilberti

Tuesdays, 10am - 1pm Watercolor class continues on Tuesday mornings from 10-1 throughout December.

Oil Painting with Wendy Mackin

Wendy's Oil painting class will resume after the first of the year: Mondays, 10am - 1pm



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FINE ART STUDIO & GALLERY

**Art Classes at
Gilberti Fine Art Studio**

To register, email:
gilbertifineart@gmail.com



Phipps Conservatory: Holiday Magic! Winter Flower Show and Light Garden

Now through Sunday, Jan. 7

www.phipps.conservatory.org

The Philip Dressler Center for the Arts

Presents:

don't feed the



November 14 – December 14, 2023

Opening Reception:

Friday, November 17th
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

113 X 113
winter anniversary
exhibition

Gallery: November 10–December 22, 2023

Online: November 11, 2023–January 5, 2024



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