

Join us for a Zoom presentation on Thursday, February 17th from 7pm-9pm

This Month's Guest Presenter:

Garrett Bower

Assistant Manager from Artist & Craftsman Supply.

Artist & Craftsman Supply is an employee-owned art supply store that caters to artists and creatives of all ages and skill sets, with a broad spectrum of materials catering to a variety of mediums, from fiber craft and sculpture to painting supplies and fine papers. Serving the greater Pittsburgh arts community for over 20 years, Artist & Craftsman is a company of artists who aim to share their knowledge and experience to empower our community to create freely.

Gary will be joining us to do a Zoom presentation and Q&A on A&C and their new products as well as some of their favorites.

Email your art product questions to Debra Tobin at debratobin@ymail.com by February 10th.

Artist & Craftsman Supply 5603 Hobart Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15217. www.artistcraftsman.com





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ZOOM Instructions:

Step 1: To get started with Zoom, head to their website ZOOM.com 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, Feb. 1st
@ 7pm

February Artist Spotlight





I am honored to be able to join the West Hills Art League, with the help of my amazing art teacher, Ms. Shuck! I hope this will present an opportunity to grow as an artist and immerse myself into the art community.

Art has been a big part of my life ever since an early age; I was raised by my grandmother who was an incredibly talented artist, however she was never able to pursue a career. She influenced my creativity and drove me to embrace my artistic side. I am lucky to come from such a supportive family who encourages me to chase my dreams.

I am a senior in high school, and with only around five months left there are a lot of pressures on all of those in my grade to begin pursuing their goals. With that, I have been focusing on my artwork. I have been working a lot with oils, acrylics, watercolor, as well as colored pencils and graphite. I have experience with digital artwork as well.

I love capturing life's beauty through realism; I want to invoke feeling within my viewers. Currently, I am chasing to build my skills with human and animal portraits, as well as nature paintings/drawings. I hope being a part of this community I will be able to become a step further to my goal.







WHAL January Challenge: Winter Color Polette



Sandra Beitsinger - "Backbone Road"



Sandra Beitsinger - "Vermont Winter"



Lynne Preisser



Suzan Vandertie - "Flowers 'n Ice"



Marian Sallade - "North Park" Watercolor of the house on the hill across from the boat house.



Marian Sallade - "Winter colors" 5x7 oil



Ralph Bonnar - "The Rancher" 22.5"x16.5" pastel image on 24"x18" blue 80lb pastel paper.



Debra Tobin - "Maryland Winter Walk" Pastel



Helena Valentine Frosted Window Pane - Original Photo



Helena Valentine Frosted Window Pane - Watercolor



Josette Baker "Snow of 2022" (pine branch)



Josette Baker "Winter at Cades Cove" (pinks and blues)



Josette Baker "Winter Landscape" (forest edge)



James Tobin "Cold Sun Beam"



Kelley Bush



Lynda Kirby Etna Riverfront - Acrylic



Lance Maloney

FEBRUARY 2022 CHALLENGE:

FIND INSPIRATION FROM OTHER FORMS OF ARTISTIC EXPRESSION.

Try painting to music like Josh Groban's February Song or Jon Scmidt's Pachelbel meets U2 or find visual meaning to a poem like Cynthia Adams' Winter Garden.

Email your submission to kirbycreativeservices@yahoo.com by February 28.

"In winter's cold and sparkling snow, The garden in my mind does grow. I look outside to blinding white, And see my tulips blooming bright. And over there a sweet carnation, Softly scents my imagination.

On this cold and freezing day, The Russian sage does gently sway, And miniature roses perfume the air, I can see them blooming there. Though days are short, my vision's clear. And through the snow, the buds appear.

In my mind, clematis climbs, And morning glories do entwine. Woodland phlox and scarlet pinks, Replace the frost, if I just blink. My inner eye sees past the snow. And in my mind, my garden grows."

Cynthia Adams Winter Garden First published in Birds and Blooms magazine, Dec/Jan 2003

WHAL Member News & Art Openings

WHAL member Emily Glass was featured in the Manos Gallery "New Beginnings" show in Tarentum, PA.

























Marian Sallade entered the North Hills Art Center exhibit in February;
"A Pittsburgh Perspective" Art Show. The barn is on Lewis Farms from a
Cranberry Artist Paint out. Title: "Days End". Another painting for the show
is titled "Cranberry Park", done on a Cranberry Artist plein air paint out.



Winter 2022 Workshops and Events

Zelienople & Portersville *Check each class for specific location

Stay in touch with my eNEWs for events, classes, and collecting by visiting: www.susanwalker.art

Monthly Bible Art Journaling Classes 2nd Friday each month

Or find my work at the following locations:

- · Curio Cool, Main St. Zelienople, PA (artwork & classes)
- Zelienople-Harmony Farmers Market Most Mondays
- · The Saw Mill Center for the Arts, Cook Forest, PA
- The Shop@Pittsburgh Center for the Arts

"He who works with his hands is a laborer. He who works with his hands and his head is a craftsman. He who works with his hands, his head and his heart is an artist." Francis of Assisi

WHAL Member News & Art Openings

January meeting figure drawing session with Kim Freithaler!

























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James Tobin





Lynda Kirby



Dollar Bank Three Rivers Arts Festival

a production of the Pittsburgh Cultural Trust

Applications are now being accepted for the 2022 Festival, scheduled for June 3-12. The application deadline is Tues, January 18 at 10 pm EST.

Visit https://traf.trustarts.org/digital-arts-festival/artists and tap or click through the navigation to learn more about the application categories: Artist Market, Emerging Artist Scholarship Program, Juried Visual Art Exhibition, Performing Arts, Special Projects / Collaborations, and Anthropology of Motherhood.

Vestige CONCEPT GALLERY



Following the success of last year's "Post-Rustbelt: Living Between America", "Rustbelt: REDUX" seeks to continue the exploration of the theme in 2022. We are looking for the American experience of life during the decades following the decline of industry (mid 1970's) to beyond the turn of the millennium. Only this year... we are looking for more grit, more apocalyptic, more "street", more deconstruction, depression, more political, visionary, and yes- more rust!

Deadline 3/10 vestigegallery.com

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 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



The Hoyt Mini Masterpiece Competition 2022

Mini Masterpiece is a competition and exhibit open to artists of all ages – from preschoolers to professionals! Enter online and you will receive your mini canvas by mail. That's when the challenge begins! Choose a famous painting to replicate, gather your paints and get to work!

Entry Guidelines

Choose: Choose a painting by a famous artist that inspires you.

Create: Replicate the work in miniature on the canvas provided. You will receive your 3×3 canvas by mail.

Enter: Affix the identification tag provided to the back of your work and deliver it to the Hoyt no later than February 1, 4 pm

Win: Three entries in both adult and youth categories will receive \$150 purchase awards. Awards will be announced on February 11.

Exhibit: All entries will be exhibited at the Hoyt, March 1 – April 21, 2022. Your entry fee covers return of your work to you via mail when the exhibition is over. (Purchase awards will not be returned.)

Share: Entries will be featured daily on social media throughout the exhibition period. Share posts to educate your friends and family about famous art and artists!

Collect: Winning entries will be reproduced into magnets that will be available in the Hoyt Gift Shop. Buy one or collect them all to build your own refrigerator gallery!

https://hoytartcenter.org/minimasterpiece2022/?fbclid=IwAR0w8VlddsnmJrB8WZtIR29RJR39G-azGl5j5GkjFsOZPmA0jMLDlzkhqYY



Plein Air Artists Needed!

Event: Moon Township Garden Club Dinner

Date June 19, 2022

Time: 5-8pm

Location: Robin Hill - limited to 150 attendees

Cost: No charge for Plein Air Artists

The Moon Township Garden Club is holding a plant-based food event at Robin Hill June 19 from 5 to 8pm and are looking for 2-3 artists to paint plein air during the event. There will be a silent auction and donated plein air paintings from the day would be greatly appreciated. As compensation, artists will be invited to partake in the food and beverages (alcohol).



If interested, email Debra Tobin by March 1: debratobin@ymail.com



Spring Nicole & Harry MARTIN SHOW

Mark your calendars and submit your work for the 99th annual Nicole & Harry Martin Spring Show!

We welcome submissions from any and all artists living, working or studying within 250 miles of the city of Erie, Pennsylvania.

The call for online submissions will be open from January 1st-February 11th 2022.

More details can be found at: ErieArtmuseum.org/springshow





Oglebay Institute has a unique challenge for you! The Stifel Fine Arts Center is getting a new roof and we've saved some of the ceramic roof tiles from the old roof for you to use in an original piece of artwork!

We will be auctioning these original pieces to raise funds and defray the cost of the new roof. You and Oglebay Institute will split the proceeds 50-50.

The auction will be held on Saturday, May 7. **The deadline for entry is April 20.**

You can find the prospectus here.

We hope you will consider participating in this unique project.

Please note that roof tiles must be picked up from the Stifel Fine Arts Center. We will be unable to ship roof tiles or finished artwork.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me via email or call 304-242-7700 (Tuesday, Thursday or Friday).

We're looking forward to seeing what you create.

Lisa Rasmussen Curator of Exhibitions Stifel Fine Arts Center | Oglebay Institute 1330 National Road, Wheeling, WV 26003 304-242-7700 lrasmussen@oionline.com





THIS COMMUNITY IS OUR HOME ART SHOW WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9TH-30TH, 2022

The show, This Community Is Our Home, is meant to express the fundamentals of the word "community." This means that submissions chosen for this show are welcome to showcase their own communities, and how they make them feel. For example, there are our given communities, such as our hometown or our race. But there are also our chosen communities, such as our love of animals, our gender identity, or even our love of a certain Pittsburgh-based football team. "Community" is more than a geographic marker. It is the people we connect with, the things we love, and the ways we choose to identify ourselves. This Community Is Our Home is meant to showcase the different communities out there, while simultaneously exhibiting how connected we all actually are.

Artists of any age are eligible to participate; however, they must be a resident of Butler, Allegheny, Armstrong, Beaver, Fayette, Greene, Indiana, Lawrence, Somerset, Washington or Westmoreland county in Pennsylvania. The entry fee is \$35 for up to 5 pieces of work per artist.

Visit www.butlerartcenter.org



Children's Museum: Tough Art is Back!

We are pleased to reinstate the summer in-person Tough Art Residency Program for its 14th installment after a two-year hiatus due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

RESIDENCY GOALS

- Produce artwork that is tough enough to withstand public interaction, especially that of children
- Work collaboratively with Children's Museum of Pittsburgh staff to create and develop an engaging work of art to be exhibited in the museum
- Give artists a platform to display their work and reach a potentially new audience, which in turn, provides new avenues of art exploration for the museum

See past Tough Art projects https://pittsburghkids.org/exhibit/ tough-art-call-for-artists/

Applications must be received by 11:59 pm on March 13, 2022.

Selected artists will be announced on April 1, 2022. Send any questions about the Tough Art residency to submissions@pittsburghkids.org.

49th annual



REGIONAL

Juried Competition

124 East Leasure Ave., New Castle, PA 16101 https://hoytartcenter.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://hoytartcenter.org/hoyt-regional-juried-exhibition/



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

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.

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

















Call for Artists

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 Sat., May 21 through Wed., June 8, with the Opening Reception on May 21 from 6-8 PM. Awards will be Announced at 7PM 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 Photography
Painting Mixed Media

Graphics Digital Media/Digital Art

Craft New Entrant Sculpture 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.

The 2022 Westmoreland Art Nationals entry form is available at https://artsandheritage.com/art-nationals/ as a PDF form.

We welcome and encourage you to invite others to apply.

Events & Shows



COLOR MY WORLD WATERCOLOR SHOW FEBRUARY 11-25, 2022

A show dedicated to the watercolor artist. Visit www.butlerartcenter.org





PPAL Member Show "Pure Color"

March 12-April 8, 2022 **North Hills Art Center**

> 3432 Babcock Blvd. Pittsburgh, PA 15237 Monday - Friday, 10-3



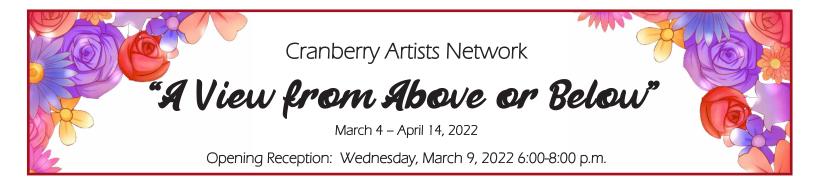


The North Hills Art Center Winter Art Show

> **PITTSBURGH PERSPECTIVE**

Opens Feb 5th and runs through March 4th.

https://www.northhillsartcenter.org



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