

West Hills Art League

NEWSLETTER

NOV 2022



IT'S TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!

It is membership renewal time. Cost for new and returning members is \$25 single and \$35 family. (adults living at the same address)

Members who pay their dues by the November meeting will have their names put in a drawing for a free 2023 membership!

Membership can be renewed online through the membership page of westhillsartleague.com or by sending a check made payable to the West Hills Art League:

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

WHAL Virtual Show And Share on Tuesday, Nov. 1 @ 7pm

**Demo on painting our
feathered friends by
Lance Maloney**



**Join us at Robin Hill or via Zoom on
Thursday, November 17th from 7pm-9pm**

This Month's Guest Demonstration: Interactive Magazine Collage by Karen Nootbaar

"Magazine collage art is a perfect way to simultaneously create AND repurpose. It allows us to utilize artistic elements developed by others, in new ways. Magazines are the ideal source material. From color and texture to words and graphics, there is something for everyone. You may find inspiration in the most unlikely places (and magazines). Simply cut (or tear) out what appeals to you. There is no wrong way to collage and your work can be realistic, abstract, or even fantastical.

Supplies: 1" foam brushes, mod podge (matte), white cardstock, assorted magazines."

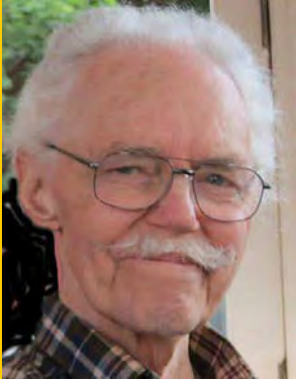
Karen is a native of the Midwest, although for the past 26 years she, her husband, and their daughter have called Pittsburgh home.

Art has been a constant passion of hers since early grade school, and she's dabbled in all sorts of media.



She used to call herself a "jack of all trades, master of none", but then she learned the word "multipotentialite" and liked the sound of that much better. She has experience teaching a variety of creative projects, including knitting, crochet, Shibori dyeing, needle felting, rubber stamping, and tapestry weaving.

WHAL Member News & Art Openings



William Campbell White previously of Longwood Ave in Chatham, died peacefully on September 19, 2022 at Masonic Village, Sewickley, PA. at the age of 94. Active in the community, he volunteered at Chatham library, taught classes to seniors, and designed sets for community theater. As a member of the Chatham Summit Quaker Meeting, he was Treasurer and an innovator of religious education programs for children. Moving to Sewickley, PA in 2003 with wife Lynn, he continued being creatively active and encouraging the creative spirit in others. Bill (Will) served in the Navy, graduated with a BA from Antioch College and spent most of his professional career in marketing and advertising. He was Creative Partner in the Interpublic Co. subsidiary Jack Tinker & Partners, President of PKL Advertising and a

partner in Auditore & White. An award-winning copywriter, he also wrote plays, short stories and novels. A celebrated watercolorist, he was a member of numerous art groups both in NJ and PA.



WHAL 2020 Mother's Day Show People's Choice Award Winner: Will White: "The Canopener Rebellion"

RENEW, REJOIN AND GIVE THE GIFT OF A WEST HILLS ART LEAGUE MEMBERSHIP!

Join us for our 2022-2023 Membership Year!

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Membership benefits include:

- 8 Monthly meetings with guest demonstrators
- Monthly Zoom Show and Shares with member presentations
- Plein Air Outings
- Eligibility for entry into the WHAL annual art show and other league-sponsored events
- Monthly Newsletter
- Website with members section
- Instagram, Facebook and YouTube Social media
- Opportunities to meet & share with other artists

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Renew! Rejoin! Give the gift of a membership this holiday season!

In honor of Will White, WHAL Members are invited to attend the Masonic Art Studio Art Festival on Tuesday, November 8

Six framed **Will White** prints will be in the Silent Auction, plus a stack of his doodles, prints, sketches, etc. on a table. All proceeds go towards the Masonic Art Studio supplies, classes and activities, plus a donation every year to our Employee Appreciation Fund.

For additional information, please call Donna Billings at 412.418.8738 (cell), or email donnabillings272@gmail.com or donna@donnabillingscoach.com.



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Congratulations to **Gina Judy** for her Best of Show Award for her artwork, "Sigma Nu's Old Ghosts" at the Ohio Valley Plein-Air Paint-Out, sponsored by ARTWORKS AROUND TOWN in Wheeling



Gina also won first and second place awards in the Watercolor-division of the Algonquin Mill Festival in Carrollton, OH, and the WB Romeling Memorial Award in the Adirondacks National Exhibition of American Watercolors.

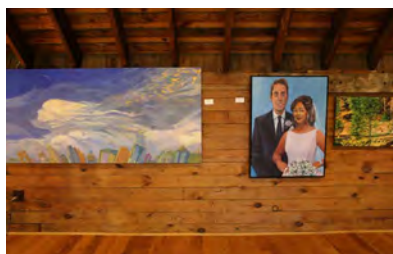
Congratulations **Gina** for being juried into the Women's Art Club of Cincinnati as a Signature Member!



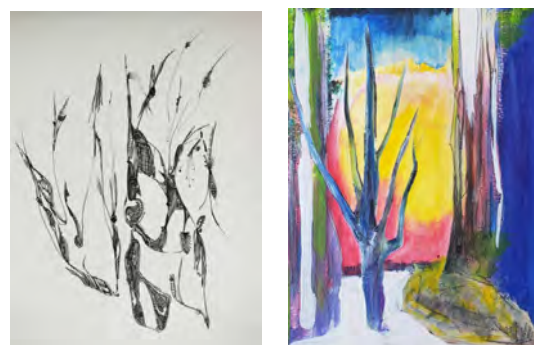
Correction from last newsletter: Gina's portrait in The Big Art Exhibit at the Barn Cultural Art Center in Cincinnati was 7 UNIFIED inches, meaning it's a 30.5" x 40.5"



Gina Judy demonstrated watercolor to the Beaver Valley Artists meeting on October 13th.

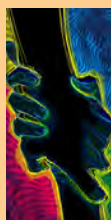


Rita Wilson's "Bowl of Strawberries" was juried into the Associated Artists 112x112 Exhibit showing in November.



Aimee Bungard's 'Elf' and 'Rising' have been accepted into the Associated Artists of Pittsburgh 112x112 show Nov 18 - Dec 22 at the AAP Ice House Studio in Lawrenceville and online. All pieces are \$112 and can be taken off the wall when you leave.

Debra Tobin, James Tobin provided music, and **Lynda Kirby** did kid caricaturing at the Sleepy Hollow Festival in Harmony, PA on Saturday, Oct. 15th



Lynda Kirby's artwork, "Hold On", was selected to be used on a banner that will be displayed in the Butler Cultural District during their grand opening event and was awarded First Place.

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OFF THE EASEL! Recently sold work from WHAL members:



SOLD!

Lance
Maloney:
"Montana
Bluebird"



SOLD!

Debra Tobin's
acrylic on canvas
"The Band" sold
at the Pittsburgh
Society of Artists
Members Show at
3rd Street Gallery.



SOLD!

Emily Glass:
"The Birth
of New
Beginnings"



SOLD!

Rita Wilson sold
her piece, "Signs off
Fall" that she painted
on location at the
Coraopolis Art Walk!
It's found a home at
Snappy's Tap House.



SOLD!

Lynda Kirby: "Dark &
Twisted" at the Atithi
Gallery during the
Sharpsburg
Spooktacular Festival



SOLD!

James Tobin's
digital on metal
"City Bridge"
sold at the North
Hills Art Center
Whispers and
Roars Show.



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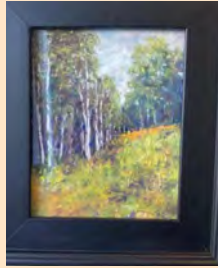
Lynda Kirby: "River
and Rolling Hills" at
the North Hills Art
Center Member Show.

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We had a beautiful day for the Coraopolis Fall Festival and Art Walk and our West Hills Art League Plein Air Show at Gilberti Fine Art Studio and Gallery! Thank you to all of our plein air and art walk participating artists!

The Coraopolis Community Development Foundation selected the awards and provided the beautiful plaques.

Best in Show:
The Watchers
Debra Tobin



First Place:
Astounding Aspens
Sandra Beitsinger

Second Place:
Autumn is Coming
James Tobin

Third Place:
Susquehanna River
Douglas Brown

Awards of Merit:
Jenning, Blazing Star Trail
Patricia Young
and
Morning Reflections
Patricia Young



People's Choice award to be announced at the closing reception on November 4th. Please join us from 6-8pm for refreshments and conversation. Artwork may be picked up after the reception.

A very special thank you to our amazing WHAL plein air coordinator **Gena Gorder** for arranging our beautiful outing locations! We hope plein air will continue and grow in the coming years!



Work-in-progress from Kelley Bush: "Chloe" - oil on canvas



TIPS & TECHNIQUES

To take your oil paints out of doors, or if you don't use all of the paint on your palette but don't want it to dry out, try substituting a watercolor palette instead! The compartments will keep your oil colors separate, the tray can serve as a palette, painting or drawing surface, and the lid will keep everything moist until your next session!

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Pittsburgh Airport Area Chamber of Commerce Art Switch-out: Friday, Nov. 11th

Drop off 9:00am to 12:00pm. This is a great opportunity to get your art in front of chamber business members! **We will need volunteers** to take in the artwork and hang pieces. Please email us at westhillsartists@gmail.com if you are available to help.

Emily Glass was one of three artists chosen to participate in Artist Talks, hosted by the Associated Artists of Pittsburgh, Martha Gault Art Gallery, and Slippery Rock University as part of the AAP New Members Exhibition. She discussed the inspiration behind her painting, "Blind Eye", and the techniques used to create it.



Her painting, "The New Color of Steel", was on display for three weeks in October for the opening of the Mindful Brewing Taphouse at Trax Farms.

Helena Valentine has been accepted into the Pittsburgh Watercolor Society. Congratulations!

Lynda Kirby, Debra Tobin and James Tobin are among the WHAL members who participated in the NHAC Whispers and Roars show benefitting Crisis Center North.



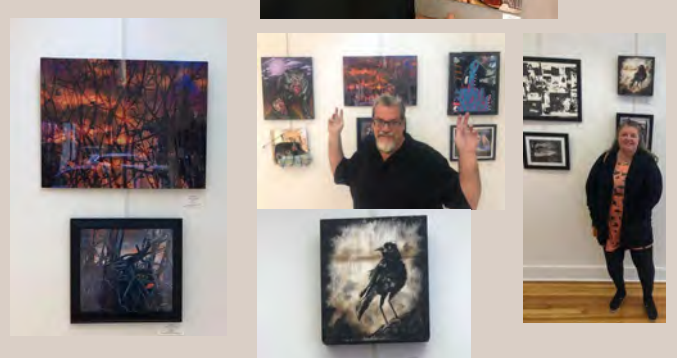
Debra and James Tobin will have artwork on display at the Mars Area Public Library through March 2023 as part of an ongoing showcase of local and original artwork.



Gina Judy, Lynda Kirby and Debra Tobin were among the 22 artists selected by juror Jeremiah William McCarthy, to participate in the Pittsburgh Society of Artists Fifty-Sixth Annual Exhibition. The show will be on display at the 3rd Street Gallery in Carnegie through November 12th.



In addition, **Debra's** artwork "The Band" was chosen by Bernie Lukacs as part of this year's Ekphrastic Reading event arranged by Pittsburgh Society of Artists member Alyssa Sineni.



Debra Tobin, James Tobin and Lynda Kirby participated in the Ketchup City Sharpsburg Spooktacular showing art at Atuthi Gallery and the Laughing Gnome on October 15.

WHA! October Challenge: Autumn Color Palette

Cindy Gilberti



Ralph Bonnar



SUNSET TRAIL
13.5"x10.5" tempera



PENNSYLVANIA FIELDS
7.5"x9.5" acrylic on 135 lb paper.



TRAIN TO TOLTEC 6.5"x8.25"
acrylic on wood panel



Maryanne Plump
Handmade paper
and fabric transfer.



Kim Freithaler



Patricia Young
Fall colors on Martha's Vineyard
Pastel 12x18



Marian Sallade: Lewis Farms, 8x10 oil

NOVEMBER 2022 CHALLENGE: PAINT SOMETHING YOU LOVE

It can be a person, place or thing. Use your imagination!

Email your submission to kirbycreativeservices@yahoo.com by November 29th

WHAL October Challenge: Autumn Color Palette



Marian Sallade Martha's Vineyard
October colors 2022 Pastel 9x12



Helena Valentine
Title: October Garden
Digital



Marian Sallade
Oil, painted from a photo, a view from the car
window driving home from Martha's Vineyard.



James Tobin



Sandra Beitsinger
Autumnal Equinox
24x36 - oil



Josette Baker
"Autumn on the
North Country
Trail" watercolor



Patricia Young Pastel 12x18
The Lewis Farm.



Patricia Young Pastel 12x18.
Plein air at Cedar Creek Park

Call for Artists

Moon Township Garden Club
Holiday Greens & Gift Shoppe
Robin Hill Center
949 Thorn Run Rd, Moon Twp.
December 3, 2022

9 am – 3 pm

*Beautiful, Elegant, Whimsical, Delightfully Fun Centerpieces,
Wreaths, Swags, Seasonal Treasures,
Delicious Baked Goods
for your Holiday Home and Gift Giving*

www.moontownshipgardenclub.com

**NOTE: We are checking on the possibility of WHAL participation.
Anyone who is interested, contact Debra @ debratobin@ymail.com**



Sweetwater Center for the Arts
Community. Classes. Culture.

Sweetwater Center for the Arts Holiday Mart

We are excited to host our annual Holiday Mart this December! Holiday Mart is a pop-up shop comprised of dozens of artists who feature a wide variety of handcrafted items. This year we will offer in-person sales as we transform our Sweetwater Community Room in a beautiful pop-up boutique!

We are currently looking for artists who craft handmade gifts in ceramics, fiber art, wood, metal, paper, glass, and fine art, as well as holiday themed gifts, gifts for children, and edibles.

Sale Dates: December 1-11
Preview Party: December 1, 7-9 p.m.

Application Fee: \$25. Sweetwater retains 30% retail sales

Minimum 10 items to participate (maximum amount varies on media)

To apply, please complete the form at https://sweetwaterartcenter.org/call_for_artists/holiday-mart-2022/



Call for Artists

ENTER NOW - DEADLINE MARCH 10, 2023

WESTMORELAND ART NATIONALS
JURIED FINE ART & PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITIONS

"Celebrate Steubenville Today" Art Competition

**Historic Fort Steuben Visitors Center,
120 South Third St., Steubenville, OH 43952.**

Saturday March 4, 2023 until Wednesday March 29, 2023

For more info, contact Bob Watson at 678-787-5245
or Gina Judy at 740-765-4410

Events & Shows

the North Hills Art Center *presents our annual*

Holiday ARTISAN MARKET



Market Dates: November 19–December 10, 2022

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 18th

6pm–9pm

Holiday Goodies,
Chocolates & Sips!

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



more info

northhillsartcenter.org * info@northhillsartcenter.org



Events & Shows

Cranberry Artists Network Holiday Show:



Give a
Gift of Art!

All Original Art
\$200 or Less!

Shop Nov. 11th - Dec. 15th, 2022

Opening Reception:
Tuesday, Nov. 15, 2022, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Cranberry Municipal Center



For information on purchasing
any artwork, please email:
CranberryArtistsNetwork@gmail.com

Events & Shows



NORTH HILLS ART CENTER FUNDRAISER

Limited edition fundraiser tiles available for display along gallery bulkhead. \$50.00 per tile. Several designs to pick from to add your dedication.

PITTSBURGH Society of Artists

FIFTY-SIXTH ANNUAL Exhibition

October 8 to November 12, 2022

3rd Street Gallery
220 3rd Street Carnegie PA 15106

Gallery Hours:
Friday : 4 to 8 pm
Saturday & Sunday : 12 to 6 pm
(by appointment during the week)

Artist Talk/Closing Reception: Saturday, November 12, 2022
5 to 8:30 pm



presents the

2022 Plein Air Show

Gilberti Fine Art Studio and Gallery
October 8 - November 4

*Exhibit Opening during the Coraopolis Fall Festival and Art Walk
11:00am-3:00pm Saturday October 8th with music by Meg Smith.*

Please stop in and cast your vote for the People's Choice Award!

The show will be on display through Saturday, November 4th at Gilberti Fine Art Studio and Gallery, 1030 5th Avenue, Coraopolis, PA 15108. Open by chance or appointment. Evenings and weekends by appointment (412) 303-4590.

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MAL (McMurray Art League) is hosting a two-day acrylic landscape painting workshop with instructor **Steph Moraca**, nationally known and award-winning landscape painter.

STEPH MORACA, ACRYLIC SERIES

DATES: Monday, November 14, 2022;
Thursday, November 17, 2022,
10:00A.M. to -4:00 P.M.

COST: Member-\$80.00 Non-Member-\$90.00

Steph will set up the class to complete an acrylic landscape painting using the layering method while covering some additional topics such as composition, general rules of creating a realistic landscape painting,

brush stroke techniques, and color / value tips. Students will work on one of two scenes provided by Steph Moraca. If students select their own image for reference material, it will be helpful if their image has some foliage in the foreground and background, possibly a mountain or feature far in the distance, and there should be some sky showing in the painting.
Steph's website: www.stephmoracafineart.com

To view the supplies list and/or to register:
<https://www.mcmurrayartleague.com>

(Click on EVENTS; choose CLASSES. Locate the class by dates. Clicking on "Register" will allow you to see the supplies list and class description BEFORE officially registering for the class, if you choose to do so.)

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