

Our Mission: To promote individual growth of our members and public appreciation of the arts.

West Hills Art League, c/o Robin Hill
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**Thursday, September 15
Meeting - WHAL Welcomes Natiq Jalil**

Natiq's work is mixed media with a strong focus on watercolor, ink, and acrylic paint. Generally, each piece features a strong female figure (though he paints men, also) as the focus while incorporating various organic shapes, vivid color washes, and beautiful gestural line work.

To learn more about Natiq and to view more of his beautiful artwork visit: artofnatiq.com

New Website: westhillsartleague.weebly.com



You'll soon discover there has been a lot of activity going on over the summer break. We are pleased to announce the creation of an entirely new website for WHAL. Thanks to the efforts of Amy Short and in cooperation with Kim Stewart, we are able to provide a secure, fresh new look showcasing our organization and members online. Please visit westhillsartleague.weebly.com to view upcoming speakers and events, enjoy our member's gallery and to see images from previous events including our summer workshops at Robert Morris University and open studio at Robin Hill.

With the new site, members can pay their membership dues online, view newsletters (past and present), visit our Artists Blog, enroll in classes, participate in surveys and more. Check back often for the latest news and events planned for the upcoming season.

If you haven't already done so, please send two new images in .jpg format of your artwork you would like shared in our Members Gallery using westhillsartists@gmail.com.

Also, check out our Facebook page for information about our artists and shared events promoting the arts in our region.

Membership Dues

Annual membership dues are due in September. West Hills Art League's membership year begins September 1st and extends through August 31st. Membership is open to all art enthusiasts who share our mission. If possible, please enroll online. Cost for new and returning members is \$25 for individual or \$35 for family.

If you intend to pay your dues Thursday night using check or cash (exact amount, please), a **completed** paper form is required for auditing purposes. A printed form is included with this newsletter.

50th Anniversary Celebration

Our 50th Anniversary Committee met in August to discuss plans for our 50th Anniversary Celebration. We have received approval to reserve Robin Hill on Saturday, May 13th, 2017 for our celebration event. *This is the day before our annual art exhibit at Robin Hill.

We are grateful to Debbie and Jim Tobin who have agreed to serve as program chairpersons for this event. More information will be forthcoming at the September meeting.

New Logo Contest. As part of our celebration, we are searching for a new logo for WHAL. Members are invited to submit suggested graphic images to westhillsartists@gmail.com. Deadline for submission has been extended until midnight, September 31st, 2016.

All submissions will be posted on our website and members will be asked to vote for their choice. The winner receives one year free membership dues.

Art Events Around Town

Mt. Lebanon Plein Air Paint Out Saturday, September 24 2016

Lebanon is excited to present an Adult Paint Out on Saturday, September 24, 2016 at the Mt. Lebanon Municipal Offices, 710 Washington Rd, Pittsburgh, Pa, 15228 (412) 343-3412. For additional information, visit <http://mtlebopartnership.org/plein-air-schedule/>

Beaver Valley Special Anniversary Art Exhibition

Kathy Bishak is looking for former members of BVA and Association of Valley Artists and Craftsman to participate in their Special Anniversary Exhibit. Please contact Kathy at kbischak@comcast.net for additional information.