



RockvilleArtLeague.org Vol. XX No. 5 January 2011

Next meeting Thursday, February 3rd at 7:30pm

Critique Training Session

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear fellow artists and art lovers,

I am guessing many of you are hunkering down at home to avoid the arctic winds which are sweeping down on us. I hope this gives you the opportunity not only to enjoy the company of loved ones, but some time to work on your art.

I hope you all have had a chance to take in the outstanding show hanging at Glenview; once again a big thank you to Marian Mackerer, who got this wonderful show up for us.

Thanks to our webmaster Noble and RAL member Daria Giraldo – we have a fabulous virtual tour of the winter show, which you can share with friends and family and use as a promotional tool on your website.

You can see it at our website: <http://rockvilleartleague.org/>, at our Facebook page, or go directly to it at: <http://www.panoramastreet.com/live/Demos/glenviewmansion/>.

Some of you have taken advantage of the opportunity offered by Daria to have a close up of your image and a link to your website featured on the virtual tour, I hope more of you will take advantage of this, as the tour will be up on our website, if and until a new one is posted.

Just supply Daria with your web address, the name of the piece and a jpg of your work and she will make it clickable, you can already see examples of this on the tour. Send the info to:

daria@panoramastreet.com.

There will be no January meeting as attendance at the January meetings has been low in recent years. Our next meeting will be on February 3rd and will be a critique training session, we will have a presenter give us a talk on correct critique techniques and then we will use our newly acquired knowledge to critique each other's work in a small group setting.

I hope some of you will make it to the opening of my show at the Glenview Mansion on January 9th from 1:00 to 3:00; I am excited to be showing with Chica Brunswold, a wonderfully exiting watercolor artist, who gave us a demo last fall, as you might remember.

I also wanted to let you know that I have been nominated for a position on the City of Rockville's Cultural Art Commission, and am hoping the mayor and council will appoint me to the post next month.

Don't forget to post your upcoming events/ pictures/suggestions on our RAL Facebook page.

And if you would like your website listed on our website please send your name and link to Noble at: webmaster@rockvilleartleague.org.

It has come to my attention that one of RAL's founders Eileen Madder, and our historian Patria Baransky have been unwell, and I want to send them a special greeting, and my hopes for a speedy recovery.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Liliane Blom – President RAL

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"Let's get adventurous. Too much caution can put us to sleep."-Harley Brown.

RAL Juried Member Art Show

Best in Show, Robert LeMar, Garage

Oils and Acrylics:

1st, Chris Luckman, Skyscape- Bahamas

2nd, Natalya B. Parris, Running in Circle

3rd, Steve Moen, Around the Bend

HM, Carole Celler, Pitcher with Pears

HM, Marilyn Witkowski, Christmas Morning

Watercolors:

1st, Susan Buckley, Fantasy Garden

2nd, Karen Norman, Watering

3rd, Geri Olson, Blue Lagoon

HM, Mimi Hegler, Hosta Bloomin

HM, Lieta Gerson, Blue & Mauve

Pastels, Drawings, and Hand Pulled Prints:

1st, Gale Bell, Three Sisters

2nd, Marcia Davies, Country

3rd, Ann Graham, Consecration

HM, Michele Morgan, The Silence Between

HM, Shirley Tabler, Peek-a-boo

Mixed Media, Collage, Experimental, and Original Computer Generated Art:

1st, Pat Zannie, November Landscape

2nd, Carroll Saussy, Autumn Delight

3rd, Liliane Blom, Hagia Sophia (Holy Wisdom)

HM, Susan Buckley, Ebb and Flow

HM, Alice Timmins, Crystal Radio: 1965

Sculpture and Ceramics:

1st, Jeffrey Cooper, Red Stripe

2nd, Anne Nicholson, Original Sin

3rd, Ingrid Barnes, Woman I

HM, Frances Lederer, Baron, the Beagle

HM, Alvaro Sanchez, Escaping Despair

Congratulations to all the members! Our judge, John James Anderson, selected a wonderful show. A total of 236 pieces were registered and 124 were accepted. Thank you to the all the volunteers who made this show a success. Please remember to pick up your artworks at Glenview Mansion on Tuesday, January 4, 2011, from 10:00 am to Noon AND 5:00 to 7:00 pm.

NOTE: I need one more volunteer at the night time shift, 5 to 7. If anyone can help out please email me.

In January I will be requesting volunteers for the Student Art Show that is held in March. I will have a sign up sheet at the monthly meeting. Please consider giving a few hours of your time.

I have run the members show for four years and it's time for a new show coordinator. If you are organized and interested in learning the process I would be happy to teach and/or you can follow me around at the May show. It's a great way to meet RAL members and get gallery experience. If you have any questions, please call 301-590-9437 or email at mackerer@comcast.net.

Thank you,

Marian MacKerer

MEMBER NEWS

Telephone Committee: Irene Glaser needs another member of the Telephone Committee!

New members include: Anavadya, after some years of designing gardens & teaching yoga in the Hudson valley, and then a couple years of extended travel to faraway places, I've returned for the most important work of all, supporting a parent on their final journey in life. It is in this tender space that I seek the balance to create, picking up a paintbrush for the first time in 20 years, in hopes to reveal a fraction of the sacred that is ever present.

Martha Seigel & Robert LeMar invite you to an exhibit of their work along with ten other artists at the first Orchard Gallery Salon Show. The show started on December 9th 2010 and runs through Jan 4th 2011. The Orchard Gallery is located in Bethesda at 7917 Norfolk Ave. Phone: 240.497.1911 web: www.orchardartgallery.com. Gallery hours: Mon. Sat. 10:30am to 8:30pm. Sunday by appointment.

Patricia Zannie will be teaching two fine art classes this Spring:

1. ADS205: Exploring Creativity--Every artist needs a creative refresher to expand their process of artistic expression. New artists may need a creative jumpstart to learn new skills, techniques, and materials for their journey as an artist. Utilizing collage, you will take a 10-week journey into your creative spirit, opening your eyes and mind to see, touch, sense, and enjoy the creative process. Learn how to slay those creative monsters that keep you from expressing yourself! Recommended for all levels of artists. Bring scissors, rubber cement,

and a small box of oil pastels to the first class. Some materials are provided. Tuition waiver applies; seniors pay fee only. Classes are on Wednesdays, 9:30 -- 12. starting February 16th thru April 27th, 2011

2. **ADS125: Zen of Design** --Using the Zen principle of complimentary opposites (yin and yang) as applied to the elements of design, you will review artwork from the masters and contemporary artists to develop a meaningful understanding of the elements of two-dimensional design. Using techniques of collage, you will explore and develop personal artwork relating to both presentation and abstract settings. This is an excellent class for both new and practicing artists. Bring rubber cement, scissors, and a small box of oil pastels to the first class. Tuition waiver applies; seniors pay fee only. Classes are on Mondays, 9:30 -- 12. starting February 14th thru April 25th, 2011. (no class 3/14). Classes are at the School of Art + Design (SA+D) at Montgomery College located in the Morris and Gwendolyn Cafritz Foundation Arts Center on the West Campus of the Takoma Park/Silver Spring campus. For more information, please contact Belva Hill at 240-567-5821.

Pat Zannie has 4 collages in the: Maryland Federation of Art, ALL-MEDIA MEMBER ONLINE EXHIBITION. November 1 - December 31, 2010. This is the MFA's first online exhibition! Go to: mdfedart.org to view over 130 pieces of art by MFA members! Artwork is presented by artist, click on artist to view more selected pieces. All artwork is for sale. Please contact the gallery if you have any questions. 410-268-4566 or email info@mdfedart.org

Tom LaFleur, our newsletter editor will be in Arizona until March 2011, however, he will continue to prepare the newsletter in January and February from there.

OTHER HAPPENINGS AND ITEMS OF INTEREST

Hidden Rockville, a program run by the city to discover local artists, has its annual deadline December 31st. The information and application form is located at: <http://www.rockvillemd.gov/arts/HiddenRockville2010.pdf>. The brochure is also available at City hall and Glenview Mansion.

JCC call for artist entitled “A lifetime of perspective: Art by older artist”. Open to non-professional artists over 65 in all media and crafts. Call Kandy Hutman at 301-348-3864 for information and an appointment to show your work.

Giclee' Printing by Debra Grayer Halprin: Giclee' prints are a wonderful tool for artists. It allows us to duplicate an image, which we created, that is as beautiful as the original and sell it over and over again at a greatly reduced price. Giclee' (pronounced zhee-clay) is a word derived from the French meaning “to squirt or spray”. The term describes how the ink jet printer sprays color onto the substrate (watercolor paper or canvas in my case) to create a high resolution image which is difficult to decipher from the original artwork.

Giclee' Printers do not use ordinary printer ink. Special light fast inks are used which will hold their color for up to 200 years. The prints are also waterproof. You can put the print into a tub of water and scrub. The paper may tear but the color will not run.

In order to produce a giclee' print, the original artwork is either scanned or digitally photographed and downloaded to the computer. Once the image is in the computer, a software program is used to make any needed corrections to replicate or improve upon the original artwork. Once printed, I enhance my giclee' prints with watercolor, acrylic or guache, in order to bring in a higher selling price. That's the benefit of printing on canvas or watercolor paper. You can enhance your print or totally paint over the giclee' making it a unique piece of art in its own right. Many times my enhanced giclee's have sold for more than the original. For 8 years I have been making my own giclee' prints on an Epson 2200. However, it only prints up to 13"X19". Recently, I purchased a slightly used Epson 9880 wide body printer. Now I am running my own full sheet giclee' prints.

For answers to your questions about giclee' printing, or if you would like to have giclee' prints made from your original artwork, contact Debra Halprin at halprinart@aol.com or call her at 301-260-9701. Prices are .09 cents per square inch with a \$25 set up fee if photography is required

Frames for Sale! If anyone needs 16x20 or 18x24 frames, Nancy Heindl has accumulated too many and has a space problem. They are wood with antique gold finish. Most but not all have liners. She would be glad to sell some of them, at prices much lower than I originally paid for them. If interested, come and look over what I have. Nancy Heindl 301-299-6176 nlheindl@gmail.com.

Printer services: If you are ever looking for a great printer for your postcards, Nancy Bullough highly recommends www.USpress.com. (Her sales rep is fantastic -- Paul Briggs -- paul@uspress.com -- 1-800-631-8503 -- 1628 James P. Rodgers Dr., Valdosta, GA 31601). They are currently having a summer sale with free shipping and sale prices. For example: - Postcards: 4" x 6" postcards with printing on both sides in full color are currently just \$69 for 100 postcards or \$89 for 500. These are very high quality, glossy, very professional looking postcards. Business Card prices are also fabulous! \$34 for 250 full color business cards or \$44 for 500 cards. Nancy has used them several times for printing postcards for art shows plus she has used them at the architecture firm where she works. Check out their website. You can get an instant quote on any printing job right on their home page.

Do you have a show upcoming? Do you know of an event that RAL members might enjoy? Please send an email to Tom! tomsharonlafleur@gmail.com

Newsletter Deadline: 15th of each month, August through May.

GLENVIEW MANSION CONFERENCE ROOM SHOWS

The receptions at Glenview mansion are now 1:30-3:30 pm, **not** 1-4 pm on the Sunday after hanging! Preferred drop-off and pick-up times for Glenview Shows are from 9 am to 12 noon. Note: please contact the mansion management ahead of time if you wish to modify the drop-off or pick-up times.

RAL 30-day Glenview Mansion Member Shows in Conference Rooms 5 & 6 (Rm 6 has the fireplace) are open to members who have received awards in previous juried member-only shows. If you have received a 1st, 2nd or 3rd place award and would like to sign up for a 30-day show in the conference rooms, please contact: **Diane Jeang** at 301-871-1589 or swinedoc@yahoo.com

2010	Member(s)	Wednesday Deliver and hang 9 am-12 pm	Sunday Gallery Opening 1:30– 3:30 pm	Wednesday Pick up 9 am–12 pm
DEC	RAL Winter Show			
2011	Member(s)	Wednesday Deliver and hang 9 am-12 pm	Sunday Gallery Opening 1:30– 3:30 pm	Wednesday Pick up 9 am–12 pm
JAN	Liliane Bloom (2)			
FEB				
MAR	Rockville Student Show			
APR	Ranita Lahiri+Anna Shuman			
MAY	RAL Spring Show			
JUN	Board Members' Show			
JUL	Diane Jeang (2)			
AUG	Leita Gerson (2)			
SEP	Joanie Grosfeld + Donna Baron			
OCT	Regina Price (2)			

NOV	Pat Kagan (2)			
DEC	RAL Winter Show			
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JAN				
FEB				
MAR	Rockville Student Show			
APR				
MAY	RAL Spring Show			
JUN	Board Member’s Show			
JUL				
AUG				
SEP				
OCT	Carol Saussey (2)			
NOV				
DEC	RAL Winter Show			

RAL Ongoing Show List

NOV. 29, 2010

Bank of America - 3200 Sandy Spring Road, Olney, Maryland

10-12 paintings, Contact: (301) 232-1370

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Leita Gerson (240) 654-4736	Oct. 15, 2010	Dec. 15, 2010
Alice Lee Timmins (303) 547-4785	Dec. 15, 2010	Feb. 15, 2011
Chris Luckman (301) 589-2564	Feb. 15, 2011	Apr. 15, 2011
Valthea McGee Fry (301) 926-7084	Apr. 15, 2011	Jun. 15, 2011
Jorge Bernal (301) 523-4141	Jun. 15, 2011	Aug. 15, 2011
open	Aug. 15, 2011	Oct. 15, 2011

Twinbrook Library - 202 Meadow Hall Drive, Rockville, Maryland

5 medium to large paintings, Contact person: Chris Lindy (240)-777-0249

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Alice Lee Timmins (303) 547-4785	Oct. 15, 2010	Dec. 15, 2010
Paul Broadstone (301) 610-0009	Dec. 15, 2010	Jan. 15, 2011
Chris Luckman (301) 589-2564	Jan. 15, 2010	Feb. 15, 2011
Hava Seltzer (202) 236-4725	Feb. 15, 2011	Mar. 15, 2011
Jorge Bernal (301) 523-4141	Mar. 15, 2011	Apr. 15, 2011
open	Apr. 15, 2011	Jun. 15, 2011
open	Jun. 15, 2011	Aug. 15, 2011
open	Aug. 15, 2011	Oct. 15, 2011

Rockville Community Services Office - 30 Courthouse Square Rockville, Maryland

10-12 medium to large paintings, Contact person: Mary Lou Jacobs (240) 314-830

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Alice Lee Timmins (303) 547-4785	Dec. 15, 2010	Feb. 15, 2011
Valthea McGee Fry (301) 926-7084	Feb. 15, 2011	Apr. 15, 2011
Elizabeth Vismans (410) 905-5569	Apr. 15, 2011	Jun. 15, 2011
Jorge Bernal (301) 523-4141	Jun. 15, 2011	Aug. 15, 2011
Open	Aug. 15, 2011	Oct. 15, 2011

Thomas Farm Community Center – 700 Falls Grove Drive, Rockville, Maryland

12-16 medium to large paintings, Contact person: Martha Coester (240) 314-8842

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Lois Levenson (301) 424-7199	Oct. 15, 2010	Dec. 15, 2010
Leita Gerson (240) 654-4736	Dec. 15, 2010	Feb. 15, 2011

Valthea McGee Fry (301) 926-7084	Feb. 15, 2011	Apr. 15, 2011
Muriel Ebitz (301) 519-6998	Apr. 15, 2011	Jun. 15, 2011
Marian Mackerer (301) 590-9437	Jun. 15, 2011	Aug. 15, 2011
open	Aug. 15, 2011	Oct. 15, 2011

The Rockville Innovation Center, Floors 4 and 5 of 155 Gibbs Street, Rockville MD 20850, directly above VisArts

Fourth Floor: 25 medium to large painting space available, some hooks already in wall

Contact Person: Nancy Finkle at 301-279-2222; FAX: 301-279-2112

The 4th floor has space for over 25 large to medium paintings, and there are many empty hooks for hanging. Hooks and hanging devices can be moved, and you can bring more in hooks. Several artists can show together. You do not fill space, you can show only a few paintings if you would like.

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open	Dec. 15, 2010	Feb. 15, 2011
open	Feb. 15, 2011	Apr. 15, 2011
open	Apr. 15, 2011	Jun. 15, 2011
open	Jun. 15, 2011	Aug. 15, 2011
open	Aug. 15, 2011	Oct. 15, 2011

Fifth Floor: 20 medium to large painting space available but must provide hanging devices for initial exhibit

Contact Person: Nancy Finkle at 301-279-2222; FAX: 301-279-2112

The 5th floor has 3 permanent paintings, but has space for at least 20 more paintings. Same as with fourth floor, several artists can show together, you do not need to fill space, if you want to just hang a few, that is fine too.

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