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Next meeting Thursday, April 7th at 7:30pm

Laurel Lukaszewski - Sculptor

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Spring is here and the daffodils are blooming, and we should be surrounded by cherry blossoms by the time our next meeting rolls around.

Great opportunity 1: I need a member to step forward and take on the coordination of the RAL show in the street level gallery of Visarts in Rockville's town center. This is a great opportunity for exposure for our members, but only the members willing to take on some evening or weekend shifts as gallery "guards" will be able to show their work. We only need to provide guards for 8 hours a week, so it's a very doable project. Please contact me if you are interested in coordinating this effort. It should be a lot of fun, and will look good on your resume! The gallery will be at our disposition for June and July.

We will have a meeting at **Visarts on April 7th at 6:00 PM** for those interested in seeing the space and talking to Brett Johnson. The address is: 155 Gibbs Street Rockville MD 20850. Please join us.

Great opportunity 2: Looking for a volunteer to head up a **pop-up drawing project**. This is the basic idea: We set up ten easels with drawing pads and pencils in a circle pose a model in the middle and invite anyone who happens by to sit down and draw. The "instructor" gives encouragement and everyone has a great time. The cost for model and supplies might be covered by the City of Rockville's Cultural Art Commission, we might be able to get the instructor paid as well – let me know if you are interested, so we can get the ball rolling!

Great opportunity 3: Our current and wonderful secretary Carole Celler is stepping down from her board position in June and will be replaced by Fred Ruckdeshel our current PR head. So I am looking for a new member to head up the marketing and PR for RAL, this is your chance to become more involved in RAL, let me know if you are interested.

Fred Ruckdeshel and I have finished and turned in a grant proposal to Creative Moco. We will find out in June/July if we were awarded the grant and can continue to have the virtual tours of our shows made. I am crossing my fingers!

I hope you were able to catch the student art show, or that you will see it before it closes. Thanks to all our volunteers who made it possible, and thanks to Whole Foods for their amazing spread. We want to thank our last guest speaker, Michael Janis for his great talk about glass art, and the Washington Glass School, which will be celebrating its 10 year anniversary this spring.

Hope to see many of you at our March meeting.

Liliane Blom – President RAL

MAY MEMBER ART SHOW

May 1, 2011 – May 30, 2011

Glenview Mansion Art Gallery, Rockville Civic Center

Judge: Jose Dominquez will be our judge for the May Member Art Show. He is the Executive Director of Pyramid Atlantic Art Center. Mr. Dominquez received his BA from Southern Methodist University and his MFA from the Tisch School of the Arts, New York University.

Eligibility and Rules: Each member in good standing (that means you have paid your dues!) may enter two works. The maximum length of any framed side is 60 inches. Only original works securely framed with hanging wire are acceptable. No photographs, no reproductions, no giclées and no wet canvases are allowed. The entries must have been completed within the last two years and may not have been exhibited previously in a RAL Member Show.

Categories:

- Oils and Acrylics
- Watercolors
- Pastels, drawings, and hand pulled prints
- Mixed media, collage, experimental, and original computer-generated art

- Sculpture and ceramics.

Awards:

- Best in Show (cash and ribbon)
- First, Second, and Third in all categories (cash and ribbon)
- Honorable Mention at the judge's discretion (ribbon)

Dates: Delivery of your two artworks is Wednesday, April 27 from Noon to 2:00 or 5:00 to 7:00 pm in the upstairs of Glenview Mansion.

Judging will take place on Thursday, April 28. Please call the hotline for the unaccepted works at 240-314-8682 after 2:00pm. Pick up of unaccepted works is Thursday, April 28, 3:00 to 6:00PM and Friday, April 29, 10:00 to Noon.

The opening Sunday reception, May 1, 1:30 – 3:30 PM, honors the winners with an award presentation at 2:00 PM with refreshments following.

The judges' gallery walk through is at our regular meeting, Thursday, May 5, at 7:30 PM. Final pick up is Tuesday, May 31 from 10:00 to Noon and 5:00 to 7:00 PM.

Entry Fees: We will continue to charge a \$5.00 entry fee but it will be waived if you have been a volunteer for RAL in any capacity, for example the 2011 student art show or the December 2010 member show. If you have not paid your dues and wish to enter the member show the dues will be \$35.00.

Sales: The Glenview Mansion staff will manage sales and MD sales tax. The artist commits to donate 20% of sale price to the City of Rockville for works sold during or as a result of the show.

Show agreement: Can be downloaded from the RAL website, www.rockvilleartleague.org.

Click on newsletter, and then click on Printable May 2011 Show Agreement at top of page. The show agreement will not print properly from the email newsletter. Please go to the website to print.

We will need volunteers to help with registering, hanging and pickup of artwork; Wednesday, April 27, noon to 2PM and 5 to 7 PM, Thursday, April 28, 9 to noon, 1 to 4 PM and 5 to 7 PM, and Friday, April 29, 10 to noon. Please volunteer through email or sign up at the next general meeting. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call at 301-590-9437 or email mackerer@comcast.net.

Marian MacKerer

1st VP and Show Coordinator

PROGRAMS

Don't miss our next meeting and invite your friends to come listen to Laurel Lukaszewski. Laurel is a Washington, DC area based artist who creates installations and sculptures primarily from clay—usually porcelain or stoneware. Many of Laurel's works are composed of extruded forms resembling three-dimensional line drawings or calligraphic brushstrokes. Others are installations of hand-formed objects reflecting imagery from nature focusing on the idea of a moment captured in time, a nod to the Japanese concept *ichi-go, ichi-e*. Her work is based on rhythm, line and form, playing with positive and negative space. The interrelation of works has roots in Laurel's study of Japanese art and culture in graduate school and a habit of incessant doodling.



Laurel has exhibited in venues across the country including the DC metropolitan area, New York, Miami, Palm Beach, St. Louis, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Santa Fe, Seattle, Tulsa and Bainbridge Island. Recent solo exhibitions include ONCE at Project 4 Gallery, Washington, DC, and ARTworks 2009 featuring Laurel Lukaszewski at the Walter Arts Center, Tulsa, OK. Her next solo show will open in March 2011 at ArtGallery in Norfolk, VA.

Laurel is a founding member of Flux Studios, in Mt. Rainier, MD. In the summer of 2008 she was a guest artist at Seattle's Pottery Northwest. In 2009 she was the ARTworks artist-in-residence at the Holland Hall School in Tulsa, OK. Laurel has served on a number of nonprofit boards including the Washington Sculptors Group, the National Cherry Blossom Festival and the

Washington Project for the Arts Artist Council. She holds a B.A. in International Affairs and an M.A. in Asian Studies from Florida State University in Tallahassee, FL.

You won't want to miss this talk and feel free to invite your friends!

Best, Jackie Hoysted

MEMBER NEWS

Jackie Hoysted will be exhibiting at the Popcorn Gallery, Glen Echo Park with Jordan Bruns, Walt Bartman, Lisa Rosenstein and Lisa Stifel during April with an opening reception on April 16th. The exhibition is a fund raiser for National Institute of Health Children's Inn and a precursor to "An evening with the Arts" where the Washington Conservatory of Music will perform the evening of the benefit, and the 5 artists will paint to music. Tickets for the event may be purchased at NIHARTS.org. Event date May 20th 6:30-9:00pm.

RAL member Chris Luckman will have a solo exhibit entitled "Paintings from Here and Abroad" at the River Road Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 6301 River Road, Bethesda, Maryland, 20817, from May 1-30, 2011. There will be an artist's reception on Sunday, May 1 from 2:30 to 4:30. She has also had her work included in three national juried exhibits during the past year: the 14th annual Exhibit at Gallery West in Alexandria, "Reflections" at the Fredericksburg Center for the Creative Arts, and the 20th annual Mid Atlantic Exhibit at d'Art Center in Norfolk.

Jackie Hoysted currently has a solo show of her body of work "Send Me Your Last Cigarette" at the Red Mountain Gallery, Truckee Meadows, Reno, Nevada. The show runs through the end of March.

Elizabeth Steel has her works in Metal Magic at the Ratner Museum through March 31st.

OTHER HAPPENINGS AND ITEMS OF INTEREST

Enroll for an encaustic class at Plaza Art Materials: Jackie Hoysted will be teaching an encaustic class at Plaza in Rockville, Sat & Sun April 30- May 1, 12-5pm each day. All supplies provided and only \$100! That's a bargain. Expect to have fun, let go and learn a lot!

Black Rock Center is kicking off its new Arts for Life and Learning Program with a special open house on Wednesday, April 13th, from 10 am to 2 pm. This is an exciting preview of the new adult programming Black Rock will be offering during the day. At 10 am there will be a Clancy Works dance performance. At 11 am and again at 1 pm, participants can take workshops in cabaret, creative movement and storytelling, acting and watercolors. At noon a catered lunch is offered along with a gallery talk given by three photographers featured in the April gallery

show. This whole event is being offered for \$10 if you register by April 10 and \$15 at the door. If there are further questions, you may contact the Director of Education, Rene Schecker at 240-912-1053, rschecker@blackrockcenter.org or www.blackrockcenter.org for a registration form.

The Kramer Gallery in downtown Silver Spring is accepting entries now for the Gallery's May show titled "The Art of Motherhood." The deadline for entries is March 18. Instructions and the entry form are available at www.creativemoco.com/kramer-gallery. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Fran Abrams at kramer-gallery@creativemoco.com

Treat yourself to an art workshop! Penny Krittr will be teaching two of them in May through the Montgomery County Recreation Department. **Creating Color with Krittr** (No. 301502) will be held on Saturday, May 7th from 10 am until 3 pm. Learn how to create almost any color. Then see how to use color strategically within your picture space. Find out how to use color to create a center of interest and then how to do those pesky backgrounds. **Composition with Krittr** (No. 304664) will be held on Saturday, May 21st from 10 am until 3 pm. Learn to define a focal point and make the rest of the composition complement it. Stop doing boring landscapes or still life compositions that will never win a prize in an art show! You can register for these workshops through the Recreation Department, at your local library or community center. Each workshop is \$65 and will be held in Penny's studio in Burtonsville. For more information, call Penny at 301/989-1799.



Penny Krittr 301-989-1799
Beginners - a calm, supportive place
Intermediate & Advanced - move your art
to a higher level
Painting Drawing Color Theory
Design & Composition
Classes and private lessons in a working art studio

Giclee' Printing by Debra Grayer Halprin: 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

Printer services: If you are ever looking for a great printer for your postcards, Contact www.USpress.com. (or sales rep -- Paul Briggs -- paul@uspress.com -- 1-800-631-8503 -- 1628 James P. Rodgers Dr., Valdosta, GA 31601). 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

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
MAR	Rockville Student Show			
APR	Ranita Lahiri+Anna Shuman	Mar. 30	Apr. 3	Apr. 27
MAY	RAL Spring Show	Apr. 27	May 1	June 1
JUN	Board Members' Show	June 1	June 5	July 6
JUL	Diane Jeang (2)	July 6	July 10	Aug. 3
AUG	Leita Gerson (2)	Aug. 3	Aug. 7	Aug. 31
SEP	Joanie Grosfeld + Donna Baron	Aug. 31	Sept. 9 (6:30-8:30 pm)	Sept. 29
OCT	Regina Price (2)	Sept. 29	Oct. 2	Nov. 2
NOV	Pat Kagan (2)	Nov. 2	Nov. 6	Nov. 30
DEC	RAL Winter Show	Nov. 30	Dec. 4	Jan. 4
2012	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				

FEB				
MAR	Rockville Student Show			
APR	Chris Luckman (2)			
MAY	RAL Spring Show			
JUN	Board Member's Show			
JUL				
AUG				
SEP	Patricia Zannie (2)			
OCT	Carol Saussey (2)			
NOV	Philip Bennett (2)			
DEC	RAL Winter Show			

RAL ONGOING SHOW LIST

Feb. 14, 2011

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>
Chris Luckman (301) 589-2564	Feb. 15, 2011	Apr. 15, 2011
Valthea McGee Fry (301) 926-7084	Apr. 15, 2011	Jun. 15, 2011
Open	Jun. 15, 2011	Aug. 15, 2011
Jorge Bernal (301) 523-4141	Aug. 15, 2011	Oct. 15, 2011

Twinbrook Library - 202 Meadow Hall Drive, Rockville, Maryland

Shows are now 1 month in length. 5 medium to large paintings, Contact person:

Chris Lindy (240)-777-0240, christinelundy@montgomerycountymd.gov

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Open	Mar. 15, 2011	Apr. 15, 2011
Jorge Bernal (301) 523-4141	Apr. 15, 2011	May 15, 2011
Open	May 15, 2011	Jun. 15, 2011
Open	Jun. 15, 2011	Jul. 15, 2011
Open	Jul. 15, 2011	Aug. 15, 2011

Open Aug. 15, 2011 Sept. 15, 2011
Open Sept. 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

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Alice Lee Timmins (303) 547-4785	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>
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

On 4th floor, there is 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.

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Leita Gerson (240) 654-4736	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

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

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.

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Leita Gerson (240) 654-4736	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

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