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NEXT MEETING - THURSDAY, September 1st at 7:30pm
"Art Material Swap"

Message from the President Liliane Blom

Dear fellow artists and art lovers,

Hope you all have wonderful summer activities planned. I want to remind you that there will not be a June meeting. The board decided to save on rental costs as there had not been much of a turnout at the last few June meetings. I am however interested in knowing how you all feel about this. Also this is the last newsletter until the September newsletter, which you should receive at the end of August.

Our September meeting should be a lot of fun. We are planning an art material swap and social get together, so please bring your unused, old, not what you thought they would be; don't like them any more watercolors/acrylics/oils to the meeting. Why clog up your closet, basement or garage, bring your unused paper, frames, charcoal, pastels, pallet knives and brushes with you and swap them for something else. It should be fun. Bring your business cards as well and make some new friends, we will have food and wine for you to enjoy.

Our May show looked great. I heard a lot of different things from our membership regarding the show. Someone opined that it was the best show RAL had ever put on, while others lamented the judges lack of interest in technical quality. I just want to remind everyone that they should never take rejection from a show personally. Judges opinions are always very subjective and a piece that is rejected by one judge, because of an ornate frame, might win a prize at the next show. A great way to get a sense for the judging process is to volunteer during the judge's selection process. It's very educational, and I would recommend it to all our members.

The VisArts show is on track. The June to July show is full, but there a few slots left in the July to August show. If you would like to participate, sent an e-mail to our wonderful volunteer coordinator Sandi Atkinson at: visartshow@Rockvilleartleague.org.

Here are the details for the hanging of the shows, thanks so much to Belinda Russell for organizing this. The info below is from Belinda:

Those of you who are submitting artwork to the June show at Visarts can leave it with me in the gallery 10am-3pm on Tuesday, May 31, or 10am-12pm on Wednesday June 1.

If you wish to make arrangements with one of the gallery guards to bring your work in after hours (e.g. 6-8pm on May 31) you may, but I will only be at the gallery at the above times.

Work will be hung on Thursday June 2, and any work that is not hung will be put aside in the storage room of the gallery for collection 1-3 pm.

I will ask that the gallery guards (RAL) have access to the storage room so that people can collect any of their unhung paintings during the evening or weekend gallery hours. I will be in the gallery on Saturday, June 18 and 25 from 3-5pm if you want to wait until then to collect unhung work.

We will change over from the June to the July show on June 29. July artwork needs to be at the gallery by then so please bring your work in Monday, June 27, or Tuesday June 28 between 10am-3 pm. June Artwork can also be collected at this time. Again, if you can't drop off during the day, you may arrange to drop it off in the evening with whoever is in the gallery, but final hanging of work will be Wednesday morning and afternoon.

After the July show, you may collect your work from me Thursday, August 4, 11am-2pm or in the evening 6-8 pm.

If you have any questions or concerns, I can be contacted at 301-404-8341.

Hope to see you all at the art swap in September.

LILIANE BLOM – PRESIDENT RAL

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"I can't recall a great artist making an excuse"

Harley Brown

MAY MEMBER ART SHOW

May 1, 2011 – May 30, 2011

Best in Show:

Jorge Bernal Cross Section

Oils and Acrylics:

1st Marilyn Witkowski Doc's Delray Beach, Florida

2nd Craig Whitt Sunset Harbor

3rd Jackie Hoysted Variations V

HM Anne Cherubium In the Cave

HM Noble After the Show

Watercolors:

1st Susan Shand Weiss Ewe

2nd Trisha Coghlan Fiorita Fabbioli Cellars, Leesburg

3rd Marjan Henkin Got Treats?

HM Elise Chang Here Comes the Spring

HM Jim McMahan Mies I

Pastels, Drawings, and Hand Pulled Prints:

1st Gale Bell Alice

2nd Noble Figure Study

3rd Linda Greigg Fading Light, Winter Night

HM Carol Clatterbuck Moonlit Woods

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

1st Belinda Russell Entangled

2nd Anne Cherubin Sunset in the Dell

3rd Fred Ruckdeschel Pink Tennis Balls

HM Carroll Saussy Hilly the Cat

HM Norma Wangel Construction

Sculpture and Ceramics:

1st Jeffery Cooper Sentry

2nd Ingrid Barnes Shino Basket

3rd Barbara Hughes Meima Cosmic Crystals

Congratulations to all! A total of 171 pieces were registered and 109 were accepted. Thank you to the 27 volunteers who made this show a success. We couldn't do this without the member support and hard work! **Don't forget FINAL PICK-UP is Tuesday, May 31, from 10:00 to Noon and 5:00 to 7:00 PM.** Please make arrangements to have your work picked up if you are out of town. If you have any questions or concerns, please call 301-590-9437 or email at mackerer@comcast.net.

Marian MacKerer

1st VP and Show Coordinator

PROGRAMMING FOR MEETINGS

Urgent: a new director of programming needed! We need a replacement for Jackie Hoysted as programming director (i.e. arrange artists talks, critiques, demos etc.). It is a very enjoyable position and a great opportunity to make the RAL meetings more enjoyable and interesting for everyone. Jackie can help with names, contacts etc but can't continue with the position this fall - please if you can help out please contact Jackie at jackiehoysted@aol.com or call: 240-506-6910 if you are interested in taking over the Program Coordinator position or in helping out.

MEMBER NEWS

LOIS LEVITAN'S SCULPTURE SELECTED!

Lois Levitan has had the good fortune to have one of her sculptures selected to be exhibited in IMAGES 2011, a juried Mid-Atlantic regional exhibition for fine art and fine craft sponsored by The Central Pennsylvania Festival of the Arts. The competition was open to artists residing in PA, New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland, Ohio and DC. Of the 300 entries, 64 were selected by the judge, Ron Rumford, Director of Philadelphia's Dolan / Maxwell Gallery. The exhibit will take place at the Robeson Gallery in the HUB-Robeson Center on University Park campus of the Penn State University from June 8 through July 17, 2011.



Evolving Love by Lois Levitan



Blossoms & Butterflies by Mary Lou Shields

WATERCOLOR ARTIST MARY LOU SHIELDS

Watercolor Artist Mary Lou Shields invites you to visit and view her current show of florals and landscapes "Blossoms and Butterflies". Her work is in both public and private collections and has received awards in numerous juried shows. The Exhibit runs from July 1 to July 31 at the River Road Universalist Congregation, 6301 River Road, Bethesda, MD. There will be a reception on Sunday July 10 from 3:00 to 5:00 pm.

NADIA AZUMI SILK PAINTER

Nadia Azumi invites you to her silk painting show starting the 8th of May with my silk painting students at the PLUM CENTER in Falls Church. The show will run through July 7th 2011.

ELISABETH VISMANS LIFE COACHING BUSINESS

Elisabeth has started a life coaching business helping artists to get their art into galleries. Check her website: www.qualitywithin.com. Also checkout her oil paintings: www.evismans.com.

SUE MOSES IS IN THE FOLLOWING SHOW:

Rockville Mayor's Office Show & Sale - 'A Point of View' Solo Show. 111 Maryland Ave, Rockville, MD 20850. Exhibition Dates - April 15-June 15, 2011 Open – Monday –

Friday – 8-5. <http://www.wmartists.com/moses/moses.html>
<http://www.tidewatergallery.com>

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Barbara Hughes Meima is currently enrolled in Professor Poliszczuk's sculpture class at Montgomery College; she has also studied stone carving at the Corcoran, Torpedo Factory and Snow Farm Art Center in Massachusetts. She is a near-native Washingtonian, has lived a Foreign Service life in France and Germany, and spent ten years as a Training Specialist at the Foreign Service Institute.

OTHER HAPPENINGS AND ITEMS OF INTEREST

David Daniels is giving a great two day workshop "Mr. Watercolor", June 11 and 12 (10 am - 4 pm), at the BlackRock Center for the Arts. Information about the workshop is listed below and on the gallery page of the BlackRock website www.blackrockcenter.org

Students are introduced to methods of using multiple glazes over wet into wet passages to achieve an unsurpassed brilliance as well as the use of masking agents to achieve a jewel-like batik effect. David will show how to carefully construct a watercolor using sketches, tracing paper, photographs, and other materials. This workshop is for all who want to learn more about watercolor and the artist who wants to improve on their skills! David Daniels is the instructor for the Smithsonian Institution of Washington DC. He also teaches design and painting at Montgomery College in Rockville MD, as well as workshops around the world. His interactive approach and humor are often recognized as his strongest teaching tools. The heart of the artist and spirit of the medium are the two most important components of his teaching. You can learn more about David Daniels on his website at: www.mrwatercolor.com **Registration Due:** June 3, 2011 **Cost:** \$225. If you are interested in hearing more on this workshop, please contact kmarshall@blackrockcenter.org. Click here for Registration form: http://www.blackrockcenter.org/files/files/mr.watercolor_registration_form.pdf

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: August 15th for the September newsletter.

Penny Kritt 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

GLENVIEW MANSION CONFERENCE ROOM SHOWS

The receptions at Glenview mansion are 1:30-3:30 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

CONFERENCE ROOM SHOW TABLE

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
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– 12pm
JAN				
FEB	Natalya Parris (2)			
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			

ON-GOING SHOWS

Chair person: Diane Jeang (301) 871-1589 E-mail: swinedoc@yahoo.com

PLEASE NOTE: I will keep updating this list through the summer; just email me if you need a current list. Twinbrook Library now has 1 month shows and please contact Twinbrook to sign up, they have a lot of openings.

I am continuing with the On-Going shows for next year, but I'm looking for new venues for the shows. There has been interest lately in getting some more shows, so if you know of a place interested in hanging artwork on a rotating basis, please let me know. I have forms for signing up new establishments. I would need to know the name of the place, contact person, what type of artwork, how many, and any restrictions. Doctors, dentists, law offices and other businesses are good places, as well as restaurants and banks. Bookstores are also excellent. We may be considering some places that would require jurying (but we would continue the tradition of the "open" shows of course).

Thank you,
Diane Jeang

RAL ONGOING SHOW LIST

May 16, 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>
Valthea McGee Fry (301) 926-7084	Apr. 15, 2011	Jun. 15, 2011
Elizabeth Vismans (443) 520-2033	Jun. 15, 2011	Aug. 15, 2011
Jorge Bernal (301) 523-4141	Aug. 15, 2011	Oct. 15, 2011
open	Oct. 15, 2011	Dec. 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>
Maria Kleyner (240) 731-3950	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
open	Oct. 15, 2011	Nov. 15, 2011
open	Nov. 15, 2011	Dec. 15, 2011

Rockville Community Services Office - 30 Courthouse Square Rockville, Maryland

10-12 medium to large paintings, Contact person: Carlos Aparicio (240) 314-8303

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Elizabeth Vismans (443) 520-2033	Apr. 15, 2011	Jun. 15, 2011
Jorge Bernal (301) 523-4141	Jun. 15, 2011	Aug. 15, 2011
Nadia Azumi (301) 738-0062	Aug. 15, 2011	Oct. 15, 2011
open	Oct. 15, 2011	Dec. 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>
Regina Price (301) 279-5505	Apr. 15, 2011	Jun. 15, 2011
Marian Mackerer (301) 590-9437	Jun. 15, 2011	Aug. 15, 2011
Valthea McGee Fry (301) 926-7084	Aug. 15, 2011	Oct. 15, 2011
open	Oct. 15, 2011	Dec. 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	Apr. 15, 2011	Jun. 15, 2011
open	Jun. 15, 2011	Aug. 15, 2011
open	Aug. 15, 2011	Oct. 15, 2011
open	Oct. 15, 2011	Dec. 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	Apr. 15, 2011	Jun. 15, 2011
open	Jun. 15, 2011	Aug. 15, 2011
open	Aug. 15, 2011	Oct. 15, 2011
open	Oct. 15, 2011	Dec. 15, 2011

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