



McLean Art Society

Palette

April 2024

From the president

Dear Artists,

As we are marveling at the blooms and blossoms, we can think about the elections! The officers' nominations are in; members will be voting this Friday. In addition to the Board, there are many positions that make our society function. Some have been filled, but others have been not. Please note that members are required to actively participate in MAS by serving on a committee or contributing in a meaningful way. Not everyone can be a committee chair, but everyone can participate! Curate and hang shows, coordinate volunteers, coordinate shows, etc. We would love to hear from you!

Show news: four artists exhibited at the Capital One Hall Atrium on April 14. Our big annual spring show is taking place on the Mother's Day weekend — sign up by Saturday, April 27! Finally, a group of artists will be exhibiting at the National Botanical Gardens Nature Festival on the Memorial Day. Come to these lovely Springtime art events and support your fellow member artists, even if you are not exhibiting!

See you on Friday,

Anna

Anna Katalina
President of MAS
www.annakatalina.com



MAS News & Notes

MAS Program Presenters:

Gwen Bragg for April 26th

Spring Hill Recreation Center

May 21, 2024 Please contact Carol
Take down for summer Higgs if you have any
questions

Oakmont Recreation Center (formerly Oak Marr)

May 28, 2024 Please contact Larry
Take down for summer Danforth if you have
any questions

"A Spring Thing" MAS Show

May 10-12, 2024, the Church of the Covenant

Sign up to participate by 4/27

MAS members in Art in Nature Festival

May 25-27, 2024, Chantilly

Sign up closed

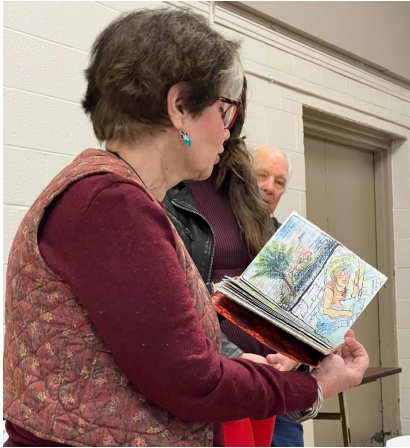
Vote for MAS Board

April 26th, MAS Member Meeting,

McLean Community Center

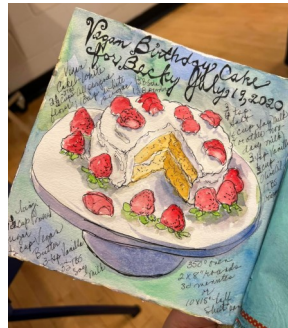


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March Demo by Denise Phalan

In March, Denise shared her hand-made and painted&drawn art books at the MAS March meeting. These books are wonderful to keep while out or traveling! Relaxing, no pressure, easily transportable, personal, and fun. Two volunteers made their own books under Denise's guidance.



Upcoming Demo by Gwen Bragg

Gwen Bragg, a nationally acclaimed watercolorist, with her works exhibited in numerous international, national and regional shows and included in the collections of National Institutes of Health, Philip Morris, American Bank, Petersburg Area Art League and the Carrier Library at James Madison University, will demo her wet-on-wet technique.

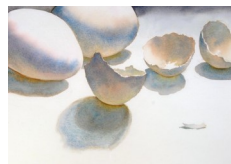
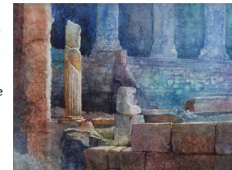
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Free Public Demo by Gwen Bragg

Gwen Bragg is a nationally acclaimed watercolorist. Her works were exhibited in numerous international, national, and regional shows. Gwen taught many workshops regionally, as well as in Europe and South America. She also served as a president of the Virginia Watercolor Society.

In this demo, Gwen will demo her wet-on-wet technique. She will show how she creates backgrounds for her Stone on Stone series with colors that blend and flow. This event is free and open to the public.

Friday, April 26th, 11:00 am
McLean Community Center.



In the Area

Green Spring Gardens is a great place to visit at this time of year not only for the spring flowers, but also for the art shows in the horticultural center. There is still time to see the show by the Vienna arts Society, which will be up through Sunday, April 28. The VAS show will be followed by Potomac Valley Watercolorist artists. Their show will be up during May and most of June, and closes June 23. The show by MAS member Camille Kouyoumdjian will be on display at Green Spring Gardens from April 30 to June 25. 4603 Green Spring Rd, Alexandria, VA





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"A Spring Thing" Show and Sale, May 10-12

The registration is still open for MAS' next show,

"A Spring Thing."

To register, submit an entry check of \$30 made out to MAS to Lori Lisiecki **by 4/27**. No paintings are to be priced under \$100.

MAS will take a 10% commission on all sales.

Artists may submit up to 4 hanging paintings to fit on 32" wide screens.

Artists may also bring 2 small (approximately 10"x12" including frame) table pieces with your own easels and up to 15 shrink-wrapped bin pieces.

Participating artists are asked to donate one art item to be given away to guests who will win prizes during sale hours. This may be a small painting, shrink wrap, cards, or similar handmade items with a minimum value of \$25.



For questions about the show, contact Lori Lisiecki and Judith Landry.

All MAS members are asked to publicize our Spring Show by sending the show flyer to their family, friends, colleagues, and patrons. Thank you!



Art in Nature Festival at the National Botanic Garden, Chantilly May 25-27

Several MAS artists will participate in the 3rd Annual Art in Nature Festival in Chantilly, VA. Sign up for that event is currently closed.

MAS Election Year!

In accordance with the MAS bylaws, an election will be held at the April membership meeting. Board positions to be selected are President, 1st and 2nd Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.

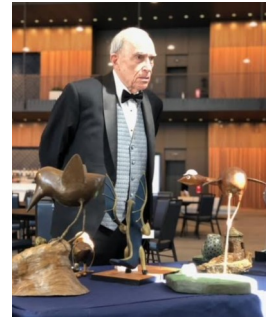


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MAS and Virginia Chamber Orchestra



On Sunday, April 14, Ken Beerbohm, Gabriela Natiello, Anna Katalina, and Camille Kouyoumdjan exhibited their work at the Capital One Hall Atrium in Tysons. The show was made possible through the partnership between the McLean Art Society and the Virginia Chamber Orchestra. Artists could enjoy attending the concert.



VCO President Douglas Lovejoy with Ken Beerbohm's sculptures



From Anna Katalina

You can visit Anna's display at Artomatic, DC's biggest and most vibrant arts event, through April 28th at 2100 M St, NW until April 28. Anna's room #5087 is on the 5th floor. Anna sold two oil paintings as well as many small works.



From Ken Beerbohm

Ken's piece, "Light at the Top," is on display till April 30 at the Pentagon mall as part of the Arlington Artist Alliance show. Other participating MAS artists include Yvonne Leung, Sandra Hill, Tony Neville, Jane Coonce, and Steve Newman.





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From Carol Waite

Carol is showing her work in a two-person show in Crystal Framing Gallery. Join her for an Open House on May 4, from 2 to 4 pm!

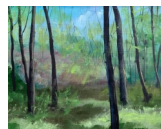


From Camille Kouyoumdjian

Camille is having a solo art exhibit in the Historic House at Green Spring Gardens. The exhibit will be on display from April 30- June 25. Exhibit hours are Wed-Sun from 12pm-3pm. 4603 Green Spring Rd, Alexandria, VA 22312. Contact Camille with any questions or comments: Camille@wildhorizonfineart.com

From Nancy McCarthy Patrick

The Alexandria Arts Alliance has accepted two of Nancy's paintings to the Juried portion of the visual arts exhibition being held at Canal Center Plaza for the Alliance's Party for the Arts 2024, Celebrating Alexandria's 275 Anniversary. Join Nancy and other artists on April 27th!



You can also find Nancy's painting 'Tea in Red Container, Flowering Tea Plant, Tea Plant With Flowers' at the Del Ray Artisans exhibit The Art of Tea, and her painting Bon-sai at the Art League's May Exhibit.

From Alex Tolstoy

Alex had a painting selected for the April Art League show (Bindweed and Crackle). On March 16th, Alex gave a webinar (second out of three) with ShopKeepArty on Washi and on Black Watercolor Paper.





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Our Board

MAS Executive Board

2023-2024

President – Anna Katalina

First Vice President – Sandra Hill

Second Vice President – Judith Landry

Secretary – Carol Waite

Treasurer – Hanna Emrich

Chairs

Directory – Hanna Emrich and Lori Lisiecki

Email distribution – Lori Lisiecki

Facebook – Anna Katalina

Hospitality – Charlotte Potashnik and Kathi Beerbohm

Instagram – Julia Bezgacheva

Membership – Lori Lisiecki

Name Tags – Diane Moran

Newsletter – Julia Bezgacheva

Parliamentarian – Mary Jeanne Martz

Patron's List – Yvonne Leung

Program Coordinator – Ginnie Luster

Publicity – Kathi Beerbohm

State Agent – Ginger Sanaie

Venues

Oakmont – Larry Danforth

Spring Hill – Carol Higgs and Carol Milton

Dolley Madison Library and Pimmit Regional Library – Olga Martin

Volunteer Coordinator – Jane Coonce

Webmaster – Larry Danforth

At Large Members – Ginnie Luster and Vicky Wilken

INSTAGRAM PAGE:

<https://www.instagram.com/mcleanartsociety/>

You should be able to view it from any browser, but to see our page fully, you may need to have an Instagram account. Go to www.instagram.com to sign up. Please tag @mcleanartsociety, when you share your news on Instagram! Contact Julia Bezgacheva, if you have questions.

FACEBOOK PAGE:

The page is called McLean Art Society.

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To sign up with a new account, go to facebook.com and click on **Create New Account**. Enter your name, email or mobile phone number, password, date of birth and gender. Then click on **Sign Up**. To finish creating your account, you need to confirm your email or mobile phone number.

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