



Hanover Area Arts Guild

Celebrating 50 Years: 1968 - 2018

March 2018 Newsletter

March Feature: 37th School Student Show

Ten area middle and high school art programs will once again dazzle visitors with a sampling of some of the best work of their students during March. This annual exhibit fills the galleries with both hanging and 3-D art. The **reception**, hosted by members of the National Art Honor Society from some of the participating schools, is scheduled for Sunday, March 11, from 1-3pm.

Come see the show, and you'll understand why it's a perennial hit with the community, and why these school-age artists give us hope about the next 50 years of the Arts Guild in Hanover!

Thanks for Sharing the Love

February's *For the Love of Artists* exhibit of work of late members from our 50-year history was a wonderful, nostalgic visit with the past. We sincerely thank all of those lenders of the artwork who were willing to part with their treasures for the month of the show.

3rd Open Exhibit in April

Registration for the 3rd Open Exhibit is due no later than March 17. This allows gallery staff time to print special tags and exhibit lists for this event. Please be sure to have your registration form and entry fee to the Gallery on time, to avoid the disappointment of being excluded! Registration forms are available on our website, or you can pick one up at the front desk. Please be sure to fill out the registration form completely and legibly before submitting it along with the entry fee.

Although the Gallery will be closed for regular business the last week of March for annual spring cleaning and repairs, *entries for the Open Exhibit will be accepted only March 29, 30 and 31* during the times the Gallery would normally be open. All work for the exhibit must be delivered during this time, and not before, so that the exhibit can be hung/set up in time for judging. Be sure to carefully note all of the rules on the registration forms to be certain your entries comply.

As noted last month, judge Rob Evans will select the winners of this year's Open Exhibit. You can find more information about him and his work at the gallery, or on his website at www.robevansart.org.

Artists of the Month

The Arts Guild's **Plein Air Painting Group** is featured in the Artist of the Month showcase in March. When the weather permits, the group meets and creates art at an outdoor location on Thursday mornings. Locations vary, and have included farms, parks, backyards, the Gettysburg battlefield, and the Arts Guild's own courtyard. Throughout the cold and wet winter, the group has been meeting in the classroom, working from photos. The artists support each other with encouragement and suggestions, sharing ideas and techniques.

The works created *en plein air* often form the preliminary images for larger pieces, or can become final paintings in their own right. The pieces on display in March are the plein air works, unframed and possibly unfinished. A larger show of the group's work is scheduled for the Gallery in October.

Members who have frequently or infrequently joined the group, and whose work may be included in the Artist of the Month showcase include **Sharon Benner, Jerry Gadd, Sue Greenfield, Joanne Hunter, Gail Wine Mancha, Mary Moores, Becky Shorb, Felicity Sidwell, and Justin Wantz**. All members are welcome to be a part of this group.



Guild People

We're happy to announce that new active member **Deborah Krombolz**, and youth members **Nora Hughes** and **Ashley Logsdon** have joined the Arts Guild. Welcome!

Do you have work in the Gallery? Please pick up work on March 1-3 to clear the Gallery for the School Student Show, spring cleaning, and the Open Exhibit.

Gallery Hours: Tues, Wed & Thurs: 10 - 5 ♦ Fri: 10 - 7 ♦ Sat: 10 - 3 ♦ Sun & Mon – Closed

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Gallery Spring Cleaning and Repairs

During the last week of March, the Gallery will be closed for cleaning, refreshment, and repairs in advance of the 3rd Open Exhibit in April. Key work efforts will include repairing cracks and some deteriorated spots in the gallery walls, then repainting both galleries. Some additional repairs in the “kitchen” area, as well as deep cleaning throughout will also be on the agenda.

A schedule for all of the work efforts needed that week is being developed. We expect to begin as soon as the School Student Show is down, which will be Saturday, March 24, to be sure to have the walls repaired and painted before the Open Exhibit work begins to come in on Thursday, March 29.

Interested in helping? All hands are welcome. If you can volunteer some time, we will need to know when you are available, to be sure we have enough work for all hands, and enough hands for all of the work. Please contact the front desk with your availability. Depending on when volunteers are available, we will schedule work hours beginning Saturday, March 24 through Saturday, March 31. Some evenings may also be scheduled for volunteers who can't help through the day. After you let us know when you are available, we'll confirm with you that tasks and materials will be available for you at those times.

Speaking of Cleaning...

Members often have a desire to volunteer at the Arts Guild, but don't want the responsibility of working the front desk or serving on a committee. A great alternative is to help with housekeeping – cleaning floors, dusting, washing windows, etc. – on a periodic and flexible basis to keep the Gallery looking good. And remember, volunteering 35 hours a year drops the commission on sales to just 15%. Sound right for you? Contact Teresa at the front desk to sign up.

50th Anniversary Members' Dinner

Invitations to the Arts Guild's 50th Anniversary members' dinner will be mailed this month. The dinner will be held at Bay City restaurant on Thursday, April 19, and will feature a social time with cash bar, a selection of entrées, dessert, and a program celebrating our history as an Arts Guild.



For the program, planners have been combing the archives, assembling photos, and developing a narrative and visual trip down memory lane. The story of how we have grown over a half-century, and how we're poised for the next 50 years, is both nostalgic and encouraging for our future.

We hope all members will bring a guest and join us for this pleasant evening of celebration and belonging.

Classes and Workshops

The spring schedule of classes and workshops is now available, online and in hard copy at the front desk.

These fun and instructional sessions are a great way to get out of the house and exercise those creative muscles. Bring a friend and make it a social as well as artistic experience!

Out and About

Suspended Spaces is the title of an exhibit of a group of artists including **Kirby Heltebridle** at the Art Association of Harrisburg's gallery, 21 North Front Street, Harrisburg. The show runs through March 29.

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Dates to Note...

- Mar 1-3:** Owners pick up **For the Love of Artists** work during regular Gallery hours; members remove work to clear gallery
- Mar 6:** Gallery Committee meets 9am
- Mar 11:** **Reception** for 37th School Student Show, 1-3pm
- Mar 12:** Board meeting, 7pm
- Mar 17:** 3rd **Open Exhibit Registrations due**
- Mar 25-31:** **Gallery Closed** for cleaning and repairs
- Mar 29-31:** Deliver **Open Exhibit** work, during normal gallery hours



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