



NEWSLETTER

October/November
2023

Dates To Note:

Oct 3-28: *Plein Air Painters Group* exhibit in west gallery
Oct 8: **Reception**, 2-4pm
Oct 15: Reservations due for anniversary dinner
Oct 16: Board meeting, 7pm
Oct 27-28: Drop off work for *Annual Fall Show*, remove *Plein Air* and other older art.
Oct 31: Gallery committee, 9am
Oct 31-Dec 30: *55th Annual Fall Show & Sale*.
Nov 5: Fall Show **reception**, 2-4pm (NOTE DATE CHANGE!)
Nov 15: **Member Anniversary Dinner** at Bay City
Nov 17-18: Deliver items for holiday gift display
Nov 20: Board meeting, 7pm
Nov 21: Gallery committee, 9am
Nov 23: *Thanksgiving*
Nov 21-Dec 30: Holiday shopping at the Guild

Guild Information

Hanover Area Arts Guild
32 Carlisle Street
Hanover, PA 17331

Gallery Hours

Tuesday thru Saturday:
noon to 5pm

Sunday & Monday: Closed

Website:

www.hanoverareaarts.com

Contact Us:

Phone: 717-632-2521 or Email:
info@hanoverareaarts.com

The Hanover Area Arts Guild is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. Donations are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law.

Enjoy Paintings Done *en Plein Air* in October

Members in the Plein Air Painters Group have been painting all summer on location at various sites around the area. Painting in the fresh air as the lighting changes and clouds impact the scene offers these artists a new challenge each week. You will be able to see the results of their labors in the west gallery through October 28. A reception for the show will be held Sunday, October 8, from 2-4pm.

It's Fall Show Time!

For the 55th time since the Guild's inception, the Fall Show and Sale will fill the gallery in November and on through December.

Members will receive by US Mail the complete information and registration form needed to enter the show. Pre-registration is NOT necessary – just bring up to three pieces of new art (not shown at the Guild previously), the completed registration form, and your check for the registration fee to the Guild on Friday or Saturday, October 27 or 28 from noon to 4pm.

Remember, your dues must be current to enter. If you haven't renewed your membership, you will be able to do so at the time you register for the show. As in the past few years, all entered work will be judged for cash awards. There are no categories; all work is simply judged on its artistic merits. Awards will be presented at the reception on Sunday, Nov. 5 (NOT Nov 11 as previously published), from 2-4pm.

This year's judge will be **Bonnie Kern**, the current director of the Hodson & Whittaker Galleries at Hood College in Maryland. She is also an adjunct professor at both Hood and Gettysburg College, and previously at York College. In her own professional work, she has been a contributing photographer & videographer to various educational and business entities.

Get Ready for the Gallery of Gifts

November 17 or 18 are the days you should plan to deliver your art and craft work for the holiday shopping display. Let's work together to fill the gallery with tempting giftable items to entice shoppers – and buyers – into the Guild. Holiday themed and smaller items are especially desirable.

Our Town – Hanover Award Winners

September's Our Town Hanover show featured the judging and award of prizes by Main Street Hanover's Justine Trucksess and Noël Soisson, as well as visitor voting for the popular choice.

Congratulations to the winners:

Mike Jordan – Award of Excellence

Joanne Bast and **Kirby Heltebride** – Awards of Merit

Sue Greenfield and **Mary Moores** – Honorable Mentions

A tie for Popular Choice went to **Kirby Heltebride** and **Mary Moores**

2023-2024 Board of Directors

Officers:

Julie Miller – President
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John Jurasic – Treasurer
Justin Wantz – Secretary

Members:

Stanley Gilmore
Jennifer Longo
Gail Wine Mancha
Robert Marchio
Eric Miller
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Doug West

The Board meets on the third Monday of each month, now beginning at 7:00pm in the gallery. Any member can ask to have an issue brought to the Board for consideration. Contact any officer to raise such an issue, or send an email to the Guild.

Celebrating 55 Years of Art in Hanover!

Members are invited to join the celebration of the Guild's 55th anniversary on Wednesday, November 15. If you're an email user, you should have already received an invitation by email (with a follow-up containing the reservation form) to the buffet dinner at Bay City Restaurant. If you haven't received the email, please do consider yourself invited! Reserve space for yourself and a guest or family members by October 15 by sending or bringing a check to the gallery. Here are the details:

Bay City Restaurant, Eisenhower Drive, Hanover

November 15, 2023

\$42 per person, inclusive of meal, tax, tip

Cash bar available

Happy hour starting 5pm

Dinner begins 6:15pm

No business meeting! Just a chance to socialize with fellow Guild artists and friends.

Reservations and payment due by Oct 15

Fire update

There are times that the recovery from the third floor fire in June seems to move very slowly, but rest assured work is progressing as quickly as it can. The third floor apartment has been blast cleaned and sealed, and framing for the rebuild has started. Once permits have been issued, activity will accelerate. Some water damage at the entrance to the building will result in the ceiling and carpet being replaced in that area; minimum disruption to the gallery is expected.

In Memoriam – Nancy Bittinger

Longtime members of the Guild will remember **Nancy Bittinger** as an artist, a member, a volunteer, and a leader of the Guild. She, together with husband Barry, had a significant impact on the Guild through their dedication and hard work on behalf of the organization. Although she wasn't able to be as involved in recent years, she stayed in contact and was delighted when she was able to visit. Nancy passed away on September 1.



Walmart Community Grant



Left to right: Gary Laird, President, Chamber of Commerce; Senator Kristin Phillips-Hill; Jason Klipa, Walmart Government Affairs Director; and Julie Miller, Jane West and John Jurasic of the Guild.

On Tuesday, September 26, Walmart Government Affairs Director Jason Klipa came to the gallery with **Senator Kristin Phillips-Hill**, her chief of staff **Jon Hopcraft**, and Hanover Chamber representatives **Gary Laird** and **Sarah Messer** to present the Guild with a symbolic check. The eventual actual check will provide funds to be used to install and upgrade lighting at the front of the building. Anyone who has come into the gallery after sundown will remember how dark the front of the building is. The improved lighting will increase both the gallery's curb appeal and the safety and security on the sidewalk in front. The grant

was made possible through the efforts of Senator Phillips-Hill's office following a visit to the gallery earlier this year during a walking tour of the downtown arranged by the Chamber of Commerce.

Diversity Festival Offered Fun for All



The Guild booth at the Hanover Diversity Festival on September 30 was a hit with all who stopped by. Kids had the opportunity to be creative with tempera paint in a very spontaneous way. As you can see from the smiles, art is always fun for the kids. Many thanks go to the marketing committee who planned the booth, and to the volunteers who made it happen: **Bob Marchio, Fran Drisgill, Barb Geesey, Gail Mancha, Eric Miller, and Ed Wargo.**



New Members

We welcome new members:
Timothy Gasper
Jamie Myers
and student member:
David Sharp

Books, Frames

As the Guild works to dismantle the library in the back of the gallery, members and friends are asked please not to attempt to donate more books to the Guild. We simply can't use them!

Please note that the same goes for old frames. Quite a pile has accumulated in the warehouse, which is at capacity.

Contacting the Guild

Use these addresses when emailing the Guild:

info@hanoverareaarts.com
for general questions and info.

president@hanoverareaarts.com
for email directed to Guild leadership and the board.

newsletter@hanoverareaarts.com
for questions or information for the newsletter

treasurer@hanoverareaarts.com
for email about finance-related business.

Members Out & About

- ❖ **Jerry Gadd** and **Eric Miller** have had work juried into the Baltimore Watercolor Society's 2023 Mid-Atlantic Regional Exhibition.
- ❖ **Jim Mackey's** successful run continues, with work juried into shows at the Maryland Federation of Art (online and physical shows), the Chambersburg Council for the Arts, the SHAPE Gallery in Shippensburg, and the Philadelphia Tristate Artists Equity Fall Show. He also had work included in shows in Pittsburgh and Saugerties, NY. His work has received awards at both the Art Association of Harrisburg and the Washington County Arts Council in Hagerstown., MD.
- ❖ A number of Guild members will have work on display at the Old Post Office on Broadway in the Scapes show from November 4 to December 15.

Do you have work that will be included in a show or exhibit outside the Guild? Let us know so we can share the news in an upcoming issue. Just send an email to newsletter@hanoverareaarts.com with the details.

Open studio

Following a summer hiatus, the Friday afternoon open studios are resuming. If you enjoy painting with fellow artists, join the Friday group at the Guild! Trained or self-taught, new or experienced artists, any and all media – everyone is welcome. Participating members share feedback and give inspiration. Attend as often as you like – free with your membership! Contact the front desk at 717-632-2521 for more information.

Silent Auction a Success, Thanks to Many!

A sincere thank you to all of the members and supporters who either donated art to the Hanover Against Hunger silent auction or put a bid on the artwork. It was a very successful auction, raising over \$3,240 – the best result yet! That amount translates to more than 8,500 meals that will be packed in November and shipped to help feed hungry children and their families.

Is your membership current? To show work in the gallery, including in the Fall Show, your annual dues must be paid! The membership year ended August 31. If you haven't renewed since then, you're past due!

Classes/Classroom Upgrade

Classes are back on the schedule for fall! Look online, on Facebook, or at the gallery for the complete descriptions of these classes. Register now to be assured of getting a space. Payment for the class is due at the time of registration. With the classroom upgrade completed, the experience of taking a class or workshop at the Guild will be much



improved. The before (at right) and after (above) photos of the classroom show the improvements made through the Rice Family Foundation grant for flooring and storage. The reduction in clutter, installation of cabinets at what is now the front of the room, and upgrade to the flooring, will make classes more comfortable, roomy, and safe for all our students. Seating in the classroom can now be rearranged more easily to give the instructor flexibility in how best to interact with students and teach.

Classes for Adults – 18+

Intro to Stained Glass

Instructor: Wayne Butler
Date: Oct 28;
Time: 12:30-4:30
Cost: \$25 members;
\$45 non-members

Basic Acrylic Painting

Instructor: Sue Greenfield
Dates: Thurs. Oct 12, 19, 26
Time: 1-3pm
Cost: \$50 members;
\$65 non-members

Drawing & Sketching Workshop

Instructor: Eric Miller
Dates: Wed. Oct 18, 25, Nov 1, 8
Time: 1-2:30
Cost: \$15 members;
\$30 non-members

Multicultural Dolls (based on Gullah Dolls)

Instructor: Barbara Geesey
Dates: Sat. Dec 2
Time: 1-4pm
Cost: \$15 members;
\$30 non-members

Classes for Kids

Draw Your World

Age Level: 8 and up
Instructor: Justin Wantz
Dates: Wed. Oct 25, Nov 1, 8, 15
Time: 6-7pm
Cost: \$25 members;
\$40 non-members

Charcoal Drawing

Age Level: 11 and up
Instructor: Justin Wantz
Dates: Thurs. Oct 26, Nov 2, 9, 16
Time: 6-7:30pm
Cost: \$45 members;
\$60 non-members

Gourd Painting

Age Level: 12 through adult
Instructor: Justin Wantz
Date: Sat. Nov 11
Time: 2-4pm
Cost: \$20 members;
\$35 non-members

Gnarly Tree Painting

Age Level: 12 thru adult
Instructor: Justin Wantz
Date: Sat. Nov 11
Time: 5-7pm
Cost: \$20 members;
\$35 non-members



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Our Mission Statement

The Hanover Area Arts Guild provides an open and welcoming venue for artists and artisans who want to display their work and offer it for sale, and also extends opportunities and encouragement for everyone to explore art, learn about art, and develop one's creativity.

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