



Beaver Valley Artists

Official Newsletter of the Beaver Valley Artists

April 2012

Next Meeting
Thursday, April 12th
Merrick Art Gallery

Program

Camille Stevenson will demonstrate fruit & vegetable carving.

Upcoming Programs

Thursday, May 10th: Juror's critique

Refreshments for the March meeting compliments of Jean Frey, Colleen Tittiger, Jennie Johnstone and Sue Bowser.

**35th Annual Beaver Valley Artists
Juried Exhibition**

The Merrick Art Gallery
1100 5th Avenue
New Brighton, PA 15066
(724) 846-1130

Opening Reception: April 22nd, 1 - 4 pm
The public is invited to attend.

Drop of dates:

Thursday, April 12, 6pm – 7pm
Friday, April 13th, 10am – 2pm
Saturday April 14th, 10am – 12 noon

Juror's Critique:

Thursday, May 10th, 7pm

The April Meeting of the Beaver Valley Artists will feature Culinary Arts teacher and BVA member Camille Stevenson.

Camille Stevenson has been teaching Culinary Arts at the Beaver County Career and Technology Center for 35 years and at the Community College of Beaver County since 1993.

She started doing vegetable carving with the students as a way to teach knife safety and make the students comfortable with using the knives. She discovered that they not only enjoyed the carvings, but also that it was a great way to discover what was going on "inside" their heads. Many students incorporate a little about themselves into every carving that they do, whether turning it into a car, a cartoon character, or amazing me with their creative skills that I had no idea were locked inside their heads. It gives many students a chance to create a new identity in class as they achieve new found status for their carvings.

At the Beaver Valley Artists meeting on April 12, Camille will carve 2 different types of swans from apples and melons; a shark and a pair of shoes out of zucchinis; demonstrate a few flowers, and palm trees out of carrots and peppers. The members and guests will be able to carve along with her if they bring a couple of apples, a melon (cantalope or honeydew), and if they wish a cucumber or zucchini. They will also need to bring a paring knife, slightly larger knife and a bag in which to put scraps and the finished projects.

Member News:

The Beaver Valley Artists annual juried show will open on April 22 at the Merrick Art Gallery. This year's show will be judged by Baden artist, Christine Swann. She will also exhibit a piece in the show. The show will be on exhibit during gallery hours till May 10, 2012

Carol Volz Begley PSA had two pastels paintings accepted in the juried Northeast National Pastel Exhibition. This exhibit is being held in Old Forge, NY and is opening May 5 and runs through June 30th, 2012.

The BVA is now a member of the Beaver County Recreation and Tourism Department. With this membership, the BCR&T will publicize our meetings in the newspaper, list us in their brochures, and put signs up for us at the Ice Arena.

Please consider signing up for refreshments for the May Juror's Critique. Let Marge Gardner know if you are able to contribute.

Also, members are reminded of the 'two meetings in attendance' requirement to be eligible for a show award.

Membership Dues: Individual: \$25 Family: \$30
The Membership year will now start in April after the BVA Annual Show.

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The Beaver Valley Artists now have a Facebook page! Visit:
<http://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Beaver-Valley-Artists/175072079247112>

Unwanted Art Book Sale: Bring up to 3 art books you'd like to sell or trade to the BVA meetings.
There is no commission on sales.

Call for Help! Kathy Bischak has requested help in soliciting donations for prizes for our spring art show.
Any help is greatly appreciated!

Visit www.beavervalleyartists.org for the latest BVA news!

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