



Beaver Valley Artists

Official Newsletter of the Beaver Valley Artists

May 2016

Next Meeting

Thursday May 12

Karen Larson – Multi-Media and Mono-Printing techniques

Complementary snacks will be provided by Irene Ackerman, Mary DeSanzo and Marge Gardner

Meetings will resume in September!

Karen Larson has won many awards for her Multi-Media work. She is demonstrating for us her Multi-Media and Mono-Printing techniques. She studied at the Ivy School of Art; She has a BA in art/Education and an M.A. in Art/Aesthetics Education. She also studied in Lucca Italy with John Del Monte. She has taught at St. Edmund's Academy, The Carnegie Museum of Art, the Pittsburgh Center for the Arts.

Her Artist Statement :

Using a variety of materials and methods, my artworks range from portraits to images of the natural world. Even though I enjoy making scenic paintings and detailed studies from Nature, I am compelled to create works about the consequences of human interference with nature as well. It is satisfying to create artworks that show the fragile beauty of our world, as well as inform, inspire and help people to see the connectedness with all things.

I work in the media that suits the subject at hand, from watercolors to acrylics on canvas or wood panels. I was fortunate to study with professional artists who taught me how to use the materials of art making. It has allowed me to have the confidence to express myself with the knowledge that I know how to use the media and get the point across.



April Newsletter news from BVA President Kathy Bischak:

Our juror Gail Beem gave a very beneficial critique of our work on April 21. Our meeting was on the Thursday, a week following the usual, in order to give the show longer to hang.

Our May meeting will be a demonstration of mono printing and multi - media art by artist, Karen Larson. This meeting will count as the first meeting for our next season.

We are starting our Plein Air painting schedule on May 5. If you are new to the BVA or have recently gotten interested in Plein Air painting, make sure you give your email to me to add to my Plein Air list. I send out a reminder and directions each week as to where we are going to paint.

Next year will be the 40th year of Beaver Valley Artists. Please, if you , or someone you know has any old photos or programs from shows, we would like to have a real celebration when we have our Juried Show next year. Please email me or call if you have any historical information like that.

Also, if anyone is interested in being president of BVA please let me know. I have been doing this for 3 years.

Art shows that are coming up are the :

Midland Arts Council Summer Gallery Exhibition: Drop off – Sunday June 12th and or Digital entry May 26
Opening reception – Friday June 24th. Visit <http://midland-arts-council-pa.com/> for more information.

The **Martini's with Monet** at the Cranberry Township Municipal Center Registration on line by May 16. Drop off for jury May 21. www.cranberryartistsnetwork.com

The Merrick Masters 2016 Art Exhibition opening reception will be held at the Merrick Art Gallery on Sunday May 22nd from 1 – 4 pm.

Keep busy, there are lots of shows to enter.

The Merrick is sponsoring a trip to Fallingwater on Saturday June 25. Contact the Merrick by May 25. No refunds after that date. They also have the following Summer Activities Planned:

July 14 - French Fashion and the Merrick Collection, August 7 - South Pacific: Lunch and Theater Trip and August 27th and 28th - Chautauqua: An overnight visit.

Member News:

Joe Horzempa made the front page of the May edition of the Beaver County Senior News!

For BVA news visit The Beaver Valley Artists at beavervalleyartists.org or on Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Beaver-Valley-Artists/175072079247112>

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