

BVA Meeting: Thursday Nov. 13th, 7 PM at the Merrick Art Gallery, 5th Ave and 11th Street, New Brighton, PA. Refreshments. The public is welcome to attend.

Thursday's November 13th Program: Watercolor demonstration by Ron Thurston. Ron is a signature member of the American Watercolor Society and past president of the Pittsburgh Watercolor Society. He is a founding member of Pittsburgh Underwater and served on the board of the Pittsburgh Center for the Arts. Ron teaches workshops at Sweetwater and Touchstone and is President of Watercolors, an artists' owned gallery located in the heart of Pittsburgh's downtown cultural district.

Upcoming BVA Program: Thursday February 12th -- BVA Member's Critique. Bring your own paintings, finished or unfinished, for a friendly peer review. We will also be designing ACEO cards to be sold as a BVA fundraiser. More information on BVA's ACEO card project at our November meeting.

BVA Refreshments for November -- courtesy of Jocelyn Guidry, Bruce Shakely and Lorraine Shipp. A special thanks to Norma Nicely for filling in on the refreshments for the October meeting.

BVA Dues Are Due -- Avoid the additional \$5 late fee that goes into effect after November, 2008. Individual membership is \$20. Family membership is \$25. Make check payable to: Beaver Valley Artists. Mail to: Jane Cerilli, 1127 Indiana Ave, Monaca. PA 15061

New Art Gallery in Harmony, PA -- The Bottlebrush Gallery is seeking talented Western PA. artists. The gallery and shops are located in a 200 year old building at 539 Main Street, Harmony, PA 16037. Contact gallery owner, Miranda Berner, via email: bottlebrushgallery@yahoo.com, phone: 724-452-0539. Or visit www.bottlebrushgallery.com.

BVA's Christmas Party -- Wednesday, Dec. 3rd at 6 pm at the Merrick Gallery, in the orientation room. It will be a covered dish. Cost is \$3 per person with a \$5 to \$6 grab bag gift (optional) Guests are welcome. Please bring your own silverware. Volunteers are welcome to help decorate and set up tables. For more information contact, Marge Gardner at 724-869-5351 or Jeanne Sirko at 724-728-0839.

Call For Artists -- The Annual Holiday Show and Sale, at the Art Center, 344 South Main Street, Butler. PA. Opening reception Friday Dec. 5th, 7 to 9 pm. Registration form and fee deadline is November 14th. \$40 for non-AABC Members. Artists may enter up to 20 pieces of original art. All media accepted. Paintings must be mounted/ framed and ready to hang. The AABC will take a 40% commission on sales of non-AABC members' artwork. Delivery dates: Friday Nov. 21. Saturday Nov. 22. Pick up date: Saturday, Jan. 3rd. For information call 724-283-6922, email: exhibit@nauticom.net. Or visit www.theartcenterbutlerpa.org.

Pittsburgh Society of Artist Progressive Annual Exhibition -- Oct. 24th thru Nov. 15th at the Fein Art Gallery, 519 East Ohio Street, Pittsburgh 15212.

Congratulations! -- Susan Ireton, Elizabeth Asche Douglas and Ray Zielinski received honorable mentions at the 11th Annual Art Show at the Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church. A second place award went to David Bentley for his photography. Also, Dona Boots won best of show for her painting in the recent Art of Horror show at the Butler Art Center, Butler PA. She also won honorable mention for a college in the same show.

BVA 2008 - 2009 Officers: President: Jeanne Sirko 724-728-0839, Vice President: Sue Masley, Secretary: Kathy Bischak, Treasurer: David Bentley, Membership: Jane Cerilli 724-775-3234, Show Committee: Marge Seamon and Stephanie Csonka. Program: Maya Peel and Joan Bobchak, Newsletter: Bruce Shakely and Irene Ackerman, Refreshments: Marge Gardner, Website: Linda Headland. The BVA wishes to thank these volunteers!

Please send BVA newsletter submissions to: Bruce Shakely, email: blshake@hotmail.com or phone 724-495-7117, or to Irene Ackerman, email: irenegene@access995.com or phone 724-869-0324. Website submissions to: Linda Headland, email: lheadland@beavervalleyartists.org or phone 724-775-1787

Please Note! Although, the BVA will have no meetings nor newsletters for the months of December and January, you may find BVA new updates posted at the BVA website. Visit www.beavervalleyartists.org.

Attention All BVA Board Members! There will be a brief BVA board meeting at 6 pm, on Nov. 13th, at the Merrick Gallery, before our regular BVA meeting.