

BVA Meeting: Thursday, September 11th, 7 PM, at the Merrick Art Gallery, 5th Ave and 11th St, New Brighton, PA. Refreshments courtesy of BVA Board Members. The public is welcome to attend.

September 11th Program: A Demonstration in Plein Air Oil Painting Techniques, by Bud Gibbons. Mr. Gibbons of Lower Burrell, PA, is an associate professor of art at the Penn State campus in New Kensington. He is a member of the Associated Artists of Pittsburgh, the Pittsburgh Society of Artists, Easton Plein Air Society, Easton Maryland, the Ohio Plein Air Society. He has art work in New York City galleries, Ligonier, and Londonderry, Vermont. He has traveled to and studied in China, France, Canada, Peru, and many U.S. States. He has numerous awards and work in many public and private art collections. He has an MFA from Penn State, and a BFA from Maryland Institute College of Art.

Upcoming BVA Programs: Wednesday October 8th -- Pastel portrait demonstration by Christine Swann. Thursday November 13th -- Watercolor demonstration by Pittsburgh artist Ron Thurston.

At Merrick: BVA Members, Ray Zielinski, Bruce Shakely and Carol Begley will be exhibiting at the Merrick Gallery, Sept. 14th thru Oct. 5th. Opening Reception: Sept. 14th, 1 to 4 pm.

BVA Member, Cynthia Weidner will be having a solo exhibition, at the Merrick Gallery, Oct. 12th thru Nov. 2nd. Opening reception: Sunday Oct. 12th, 1 to 4 pm.

BVA Member, Lillian Gordon to be Featured Artist -- at the 11th Annual Christ's Evangelical Lutheran Church Juried Art Show. Location: 409 11th St, Beaver Falls, PA. Opening reception Oct. 9th. 7 to 9 pm. The show runs thru Oct. 26th. Show hours: weekdays 9 to 1 pm, Sundays 12:30 to 3 pm For more information call 724-846-2899.

Party of Two -- Works by Thomas D. Halmi and Don Nelson, Urraro Gallery, West 12th St., Erie, PA 16501. Hours: Monday and Saturday 12 - 5 pm, Tuesday thru Friday 10 - 6 pm. For more information call 814.455.6240. The exhibit runs thru October, 4, 2008.

Sewickley Harvest Festival -- September 6th, 10 to 5 pm, along Thorn Street, Swickley, PA. BVA member, Sally Chapman will be displaying her watercolor works, along with other area artists,

West Hills Art League Group Exhibit Gallery 30 at the Gateway Newspapers Office, 533 Beaver Street, Sewickley, PA 15143. Sept. thru Oct., 2008. BVA member, Joan Bobchak will be displaying her works along with WHAL artists..

Bridge Street Perspectives - located on Bridge Street, Bridgewater, PA, Saturday. Oct. 11th. -- Artists will create a plein air painting of Bridge Street, from 8 am to noon. Paintings will then be auctioned off with all proceeds benefiting the Pittsburgh MS Foundation. Artist may occupy a 10' x 10' space, available on a first-come, first-served basis. Bring your own canopy and artwork to sell, during the day. Cash prices. Registration deadline: Oct, 6th. Contact Val Brkich by email: valbrkich@gmail.com or 724-601-0919

Inspirocity's Grand Opening -- September 6th at 8 pm., 594 Third Street, Beaver. PA. Original paintings by Lina Scarfi. For information call 1-877-784-6774 or visit www.inspirosity.com.

BVA's 2009 Annual Valley Artists Juried Show dates are set: Delivery dates for entries will be March 20 and 21. Show opening date will be March 29, at the Merrick Gallery, from 1 to 4 pm. The juror's critique is set for Tuesday, April 14, 2009.

BVA's 2008-2009 Officers: President: Jean Sirko, V-President: Sue Masley, Secretary: Kathy Bischak, Treasurer: David Bentley. Membership: Jane Cerilli, Show Committee: Margie Seamon, Stephanie Csonka, Program: Maya Peel, Joan Bobchak, Newsletter: Bruce Shakely, Irene Ackerman, Refreshments: Marge Gardener, Website: Linda Headland.

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

Reminder! BVA's October Meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 8th. at 7 pm.

Please send BVA newsletter submissions to: Bruce Shakely, email: blshake@hotmail.com or phone 724-495-7117: website submissions to: Linda Headland, email: lheadland@beavervalleyartists.org or phone 724-775-1787

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