



President's Letter

Dear Members

One important note to members who visit the Guild after hours: PLEASE TURN OFF ALL LIGHTS AND LOCK ALL THE DOORS (including the one in the hallway opposite the restrooms). After some weekends, doors were left unlocked, lights on, and the kitchen had food mess on the counters.

On a more positive note, I decided to dedicate this letter to thanking the many individuals and groups who consistently volunteer to keep this wonderful Guild thriving. Of course, I don't have the space to name them all here, but they will be invited to our Thank You luncheon in the future. Special thanks go to Sally Cornelison and the Gallery Committee, Joanne Zezula and Linda McManus for the Tea Party (sold out already), and also Linda's work with membership. Thanks to all the Board members for all their dedicated work--Anne Hruza for HOURS spent as Treasurer, Vic Lido for his technical assistance, Tracy Danielak for her monthly hostessing and other chores, Elsa Herrmann for Programs, Dolores Ziegler for countless hours finding instructors and scheduling the classes and doing publicity, Leona Lavone for her organization of workshops (which provide a major source of income). I hope that the names I left out will not feel ignored, as everyone on the Board of Trustees devotes many hours to the Guild.

To feature a few regular members of the Guild, I want to thank Bill Unger for all his work with the Newsletter, Bob Coar for all his time spent on the promotional film he made for the Guild (for sale in the gift shop), and, very importantly, Diane Yesunas, our Office Manager and Bookkeeper, who keeps us organized and out of trouble with the tax people. She also volunteers her time to do things for us that are not in her job description. Let's not forget all those loyal members who sit as receptionists every month!

The Ocean County Artists' Guild also wishes to commend NJRHS Commercial Services for their generous donation of the extra hours needed to install the extra ductwork we needed with the new furnace. Thank You.

Happy Thanksgiving to everyone!

Sincerely,

*Ellen Scharfenberg
President*

Dec 2 & 3 (Wednesday & Thursday)
Pick up work from Monochromatic Show and bring in work for Members' Holiday Show, including garden and tea pictures for the Studio and small gift-size paintings for Gallery I. 1-4 PM

Dec 4 (Friday)
Poets Meeting - Open Mike - 7 PM

Dec 4 & 11 (Fridays)
Watercolor Workshop 10 AM-12:30 PM

Dec 5 (Saturday)
Methodist House Tour and Victorian Open House.
10 AM - 4 PM. No reception on Sunday

Dec 8-12 (Tuesday - Saturday)
Bring in new items for the Gift Shop 1-4 PM

Dec 11 (Friday)
Photography Club Meeting - 7 PM

Dec 13 (Sunday)
Tea in our "Winter Garden" 2-4 PM

Dec 24 - Jan 4 CLOSED

Jan 5 (Tuesday)
Board Meeting - 7 PM

Jan 6 & 7 (Wednesday & Thursday)
Pick up work from December shows and bring in work for Members' Show, "Food for Thought."
1-4 PM

Jan 8 (Friday)
Poets Meeting - Open Mike - 7 PM

Jan 10 (Sunday)
Opening reception for solo artists Tracy Danielak and Victor Lido and Members' Show, "Food for Thought." 1-4 PM

Jan 15 (Friday)
Photography Club Meeting - 7 PM

Jan 19 - 23 (Tuesday - Saturday)
Bring in new items for the Gift Shop. 1-4 PM

Jan 27 (Wednesday)
Demonstration of Hand-Colored Photographs and how to market them by Nancy Ori, 7 PM



NEW MEMBERS

Mary Z. B. Gunn

Josephine Pissott

Doris A. Lazovic

Linda Vivian

Raphaella Savino

Cynthia Lewin

Dennis Derion

Rosita Walsh-Wendt

MEMBERS' SHOWS

New Theme for December

The Board is planning to host a Victorian Tea in conjunction with our December Victorian Open House on December 13, 2009 from 2 – 4 pm.

They have requested that we decorate the Annex with florals or works that would lend themselves to an English Garden or countryside (could include florals, still life, tea pots, landscapes, etc!)

Galleries I & II will be artist's choice, but the Board has requested that we exhibit some smaller works for \$100 or less that would make nice holiday gifts. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated!

Receiving is December 2nd & 3rd. Hanging will be December 4th at 10 am to be ready for the Saturday, December 5th, open house and tour.

January Theme

“Food for Thought”

Have you had an inspiration lately that made you pause and reflect or change your plans? Or does the very thought of food send you straight to the kitchen? Food, whether for mind or body, is a “full subject”; so imagine what you can do with this theme.

Members: any time that you are exhibiting, please remember to bring in an item of food for the reception.

Song Circle at the Artists Guild

6-10 pm, 3rd Sunday of each month

Come sit around a table and share your favorite songs. Totally acoustic, with no sound system. No amplifiers or drums, please. **LOOK FOR A NEW SCHEDULE TO BE ANNOUNCED SOON.**

CONTRIBUTING EDITORS

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Monthly Free Demo

January 27, 7 pm

January 27, 2010...MARK IT ON YOUR CALENDARS! On that day, at 7PM, famed creative, fine art photographer Nancy J. Ori will be our Guest Speaker. The owner of New Jersey Media Center, LLC in Berkeley Heights, NJ, she has been respected internationally as an industrial photographer and video producer for over 35 years. She teaches photography and painting, and holds workshops each year throughout the U.S. and Europe. Nancy has been affiliated for many years with the Ansel Adams Workshop in California.

Ms. Ori has taught at the Newark Museum, Peters Valley Craftsman in Layton, NJ, and the Grounds for Sculpture in Hamilton, NJ, and the Somerset Art Association in Bedminster, NJ.

In 1990 she established The New Jersey Heritage Workshops, a series of painting and photography workshops, which she holds each year in Spring in Cape May. And in 1995 she co-founded the NJ Photography Forum, a group of professional and semi-professional photographic artists that meet regularly at the Visual Arts Center in Summit to discuss their work and to exhibit within the state.

Her presentation will feature the hand coloring of her digital photographs, which cover a wide variety of subject matter, and are extremely subtle and sensitive. She works with Polaroid manipulation, digital photography, inkjet printing, creative lighting, and much, much more.

She will discuss matting and framing, as well as marketing your work. She will bring numerous examples of her completed pieces; you will be impressed with her expertise.

Her work can be viewed at www.nancyoriphotography.com.

Don't miss this unusual presentation. Join us at 7:00 pm on January 27, 2010.

**THE VICTORIAN TEA IS SOLD OUT.
THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE
GUILD**

In the Gallery This Month

VICTOR LIDO

Passion for Portraits

People's faces, clothing and body language are an instant reflection of much of who they are and their state of mind. In this exhibition of his portraits Vic shows his progress as he has moved from novice artist to his present level ability to capture those features.

There are portraits of friends, family and models completed over about a 10 year period. Some are sketches, watercolors, acrylic and oil works, both large and small.

While studying with many instructors he has made much progress and now takes classes with Scott Nickerson. Vic shares some of the technical aspects of his methods including his pallet and method of analyzing shape and proportion in a table top display and in a blog that has traced the preparation of this show over the past few months.

<http://passionforportraits.blogspot.com>.

TRACY DANIELAK

Photography

Tracy Danielak is a resident of Ocean County, New Jersey. While a relative newcomer as a professional artist, she has been active in the arts since high school. She has worked in a variety of media, but always identifies photography as her favorite.

Tracy was 15 when she was first introduced to photography. That was when she received a Pentax K1000 as a Christmas gift. It is still her favorite camera and is used regularly right along with her Nikon digital SLR, a D70.

Her favorite subject is nature, because it's mercurial and challenging. "I have often watched a spot that was sunny and calming change to dark and brooding with a change in the wind, or within the span of 5 minutes as the sun sets. Nature makes you really need to know your tools: your artists' eye and your camera. Besides, the search for that award winner keeps me out of trouble!"

NEW WORKSHOPS—SIGN UP

Leona Lavone
 "New Techniques" Valentine Greeting Card
 February 3rd
 Wednesday 9:30am to 3:00pm
 \$30 members/\$40 non-members

Bob Sakson
 Watercolor
 February 26th
 Friday 10:00am to 3:00pm
 \$65 members/ \$85 non-members

Beverly Golembeski
 Watercolor
 March 25th & 26th
 Thursday & Friday 9:30am to 3:00pm
 \$80 members/ \$100 non-members

Call For Entries

NJEA Art of the Horse" call for entries. Open call to all artists 18 years and older for an exhibit to be held May 20-June 19, 2010 at the Somerset Art Association in Bedminster, NJ. Awards for 1st, 2nd 3rd & Honorable Mention. \$25 for up to 3 submissions. Deadline March 1, 2010. Questions? Contact Sheila Barnes@xochitlb@comcast.net or call 908-284-9751.

40th Anniversary of the Monmouth Festival of the Arts. Show is April 18-21, 2010. Application deadline is December 8, 2009. You may enter more than 1 medium, with a \$20 application fee per medium. This is not per piece, but per medium. For information and entry application call 732-747-8278 or visit their website at <http://www.monmouthfestivalofthearts.com>

Member News

Al Stietzel is exhibiting his "facades" in two display cases of the Toms River Branch of the Ocean County Library for the months of November and December 2009.

Ellen M Ricci received the Windsor Newton Art Materials Award at the Audubon Artists 67th Annual Exhibit at the Salmagundi Club NYC for her watercolor "Forlorn".

Winners of the members' Lighthouse Art Show at the Toms River Library, which ran through the month of October, were as follows: Ribbons of Excellence - Frank Bernhardt—Whiting, Beverly Golembeski—Seaside Park, Howard Koslow—Toms River and Ribbons of Merit Edith Hinderman—Whiting, Anne Hruza—Brick, Mary Walton—Bayville.

In October, Susanna Anastasia received "Best in Show" for her watercolor at the Bernardsville, NJ Library, Essex Watercolor Club. Her watercolor was accepted into the NJWCS Juried 2009 Monmouth Museum Exhibit, Lincroft, NJ and the Perkins Center for the Arts, Moorsetown, NJ, "Works on Paper 2009."



Yes! Sign Me Up! Please fill out the entire form and *put the instructor's name on your check*. Thank you.

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Questions? Call Leona at 732-914-9941, email Busby67@comcast.net

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**Please note new time and model fee for Sunday Studio
 Session on Page 4.**

It is with great sadness I have to share the news that our friend and longtime member, Rita Lane, passed away following serious and complicated heart surgery.

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NEW JERSEY
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Funding for this program has been made possible in part by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts/Department of the State through grant funds administered by the Ocean County Cultural and Heritage Commission, corporate donors and patrons.



Open Studio Workshops

For MEMBERS and GUESTS

Do Your Own Thing

Thursdays, 10:00—3:00 pm.

Come paint or sketch.

In the Studio

Life Drawing Studio

Saturdays, 10:00—12:30 pm

Model Fee \$10

In the Studio

Clothed Model Studio

Sundays, 2:30—4:30 pm

Portraits and figure

Model Fee \$7

In the Studio

NOTE NEW TIME AND MODEL FEE

Highlights of the Nov. 3rd Executive Board Meeting

1. The Gallery Committee has announced its themes for the 2010 Members' Shows. They are "Best Friends", "Food for Thought", "Pinelands", and "Picture It Twice".
2. Be sure to sign up early for classes as they might be cancelled due to lack of participation.
3. The Guild was represented by Ellen Scharfenberg, Diane Yesunas, Faga Fiorino, Linda Dunne, and Debbie Kurtz at The New Jersey Tourism Council's Store Front Location in New York City. Brochures and various fliers were distributed. A montage of Guild-related photos was also displayed.
4. Thanks go out to the Toms River Library for hosting the Guild's very successful Lighthouse Challenge Exhibit during October. It was a joy to behold.
5. Among the proposed Bus Trips for 2010 are "Behind the Scenes at the Waldorf Astoria" and "The American Water Color Society's Annual Show at the Salmagundi Club in NYC" in April.
6. In the months to come, more effort will be made to offer Guild members the opportunity to exhibit in local shows.

Free demos each month; check the Calendar of Events on page one. Bring your friends!

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