



President's Letter

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- July 28 & 29 (Wednesday & Thursday)
 Pick up work from July shows and bring in work for Members' Show, "Pinelands," 1-4PM

- July 29 (Thursday)
 Watercolor Work Shop by Eli Rosentahl
 9:30AM-3:30PM

- July 30 & 31 (Friday & Saturday)
 First time contributors bring in artwork for display at Ocean County Courthouse, 1-4PM

- July 31 (Saturday)
 Mary Lutton
 Concert at the Guild, 8PM

- August 1 (Sunday)
 Opening reception for solo artists Dolores Murasky and Edith Hewitt and Members' Show, "Pinelands," 1-4PM
 Children's Class Show and Reception in Upstairs Studio, 1-4PM

- August 3 (Tuesday)
 Exchange artwork at Toms River Courthouse, 1PM
 Board Meeting, 7PM

- August 6 (Friday)
 Poets Meeting, Open Mike, 7PM

- August 13 (Friday)
 Photography Club Meeting, 7PM

- August 17-21 (Tuesday-Saturday)
 Bring in new items for Gift Shop, 1-4PM

- August 25 (Wednesday)
 Loose as a Goose V Workshop by Leona Lavone,
 9:30AM - 3:00 PM

- August 25 (Wednesday)
 Annual Guild Dinner Party and Induction of New Officers, Savory Affair, 6PM

- September 1&2 (Wednesday & Thursday)
 Pick up work from August Shows, 1-4PM

- No Members' Show in September
- September 5 (Sunday)
 Opening reception for Ceramics Invitational Show and Sale, 1-4PM

Dear Members,

I sure hope that none of you have melted into a blob of goo in these extreme temperatures! At least the Guild is cool, so you can take a class or workshop and be comfortable.

Just in case you haven't sent in the money for the Masterpiece Artists raffle tickets, please do so now. The drawing will be at the reception for the Pottery Invitational in September. This money helps to pay the bills during the slow summer months. Remember, the Guild survives on the income from classes, workshops, dues and fundraisers. Grants have been difficult to get lately.

Election of officers will be at the general meeting (and demo) on July 27. Please sign up to come to the annual Induction Dinner on August 25 at the Downtown Restaurant. Socialize with the new officers and with your friends from the Guild. It'll be fun. The new president and vice president need your support. It is very difficult to run a volunteer organization of this size. (Artists are generally a bit disorganized. Diane has been trying to whip us into shape, but she can't do it alone.) For me it's been a wonderful, albeit sometimes harrowing, four years as president. I'm looking forward to having more time to work on the Guild grounds and to paint more.

The Courthouse exhibit needs to be changed. If you have paintings in the exhibit, please bring new ones to the Surrogate's office area on August 3, between 1:00 and 3:00. Make sure you sign in with Carol Colvin, Elsa Herrmann or me when you make the exchange. We would like more artists to participate, so bring your works (local or nautical scenes) to the Guild on July 30-31 and label them "For Courthouse". No prices are allowed on the cards. Any questions, call me: 732-330-3638.

Diane, our bookkeeper/administrative assistant, is putting out a call for help. If someone in our organization is/was a realtor or has appraisal experience, we need your help in appraising our property for insurance purposes. Call Diane at Guild to help us.

That's all for now. I hope to see many of you at the Induction Dinner. I'll be the one with the big smile on my face!

Sincerely,

Ellen Scharfenberg, President

CONTRIBUTING EDITORS

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NEW MEMBERS

- Val Cericola
- Jean Parr
- Elizabeth Belluscio
- Laura Jeanne Forrest
- Mary Ann Matrano
- Linnea Tober

IN THE GALLERY THIS MONTH

The Solo Shows in our Galleries for August 2010 run from August 1 through August 31. The opening reception is on August 1st from 1 – 4 pm . Gallery 1 will feature the Dolores Murasky Memorial Show and in Gallery 2 Edith Hewitt House Portraits.

DOLORES MURASKY MEMORIAL SHOW

Dolores Murasky was born in Edison, NJ. As a young woman, she moved to NYC where she attended Pratt Institute, majoring in Interior Design. After graduating, she enrolled at the National Academy of Fine Arts to study oil painting and worked part time at the famous textile manufacturer Scalandre Silks. She was secretary for the Society of Illustrators and was friends with the photographer Harry Hess.

The family moved to Sea Side Park in 1962 where Dolores helped her mother run a bar and restaurant called The Berkley Bar. She lived with her sister Marie de Saules in her later years.

Dolores studied painting with June Wilson at Ocean County College, Toms River, NJ from the mid 1980s till 2008. She loved going on class trips to NYC museums and galleries. She was also a member of The Guild in Island Heights, NJ.

Her sister Marie de Saules said, “Dolores painted from a passion deep within herself, never wanting to compete with others. She loved sharing her knowledge of the arts, classical music, opera, and antiques with others. Dolores was very much in a class of her own and will be very lovingly missed.”

Dolores Murasky

August 17, 1930 – April 14, 2009.

EDITH HEWITT HOUSE PORTRAITS

Edith Hewitt specializes in balsa wood paintings which involve inlaying small pieces of balsa wood on plywood and painting them with acrylic paints. She does commissions of homes and businesses and prints note cards of line drawings of buildings upon request.

In the late 1940's, Edith attended Pratt Institute in Brooklyn, NY, majoring in advertising art. She developed this style of inlaid paintings during the 1970's. While living in New Jersey, she started a note card and house portrait business for shops and private clientele. She exhibited widely in New York, New Jersey, Vermont, and Massachusetts, winning numerous awards.

In the 1980's, Edith moved to Cape Cod, MA, participating in prestigious craft and juried painting shows throughout New England. While working on the Cape, Edith was able to take commissions for paintings from private clients all over the world.

In 2005, Edith moved back to New Jersey, settling in Manchester. She continues to expand her reputation as a working artist.

She is currently a member of Ocean County Artist Guild, exhibits locally, and sells her note cards and paintings.

This showing of her paintings includes historical buildings, old stone homes, farm houses and fields, and a wide variety of places.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

By Camille Fanning

MARY-JO AUSTIN

Finally, after all these years Mary-Jo Austin has time to paint. She has been so active in the Guild in various capacities for all of 22 years that she had little time to do what she loves most. Now that she has the time to be a full-fledged artist, she is painting her signature subject - the beautiful sea with children playing at the water's edge.

Since she was greatly inspired by her mother owning and managing a bridal shop Mary-Jo developed an early interest in fashion. This led her to devote her studies and career to the arts. After teaching for almost three decades she moved to Lavallette where she now is a well-established artist. Her art is displayed in her hometown on the iconic clam shell on Grand Central Avenue as well as a 2010-2011 calendar distributed to the citizens of Lavallette. Her art occupies a portion of the Anchor & Palette Gallery now housed at The Jolly Tar on Bridge Avenue in Bay Head.

Mary-Jo has been a Board member at the Guild for 19 years as President, Vice-President, Workshop Chair, State Show Chair and many and varied volunteer positions. Her oils and acrylics classes at the Guild were very popular for the 18 years she held them. Although the Guild is the center of her life, she enjoys teaching the Senior Community at Green Briar I and often leaves brush and palette aside to attend a Broadway show in Manhattan.

REAL ESTATE APPRAISAL NEEDED

Can you help us? Are you a member with a valid Real Estate Appraiser's License? Would you be willing to donate your time to provide the Artists' Guild with an updated appraisal of our lovely Victorian house and property. We need this for our insurance records and you can consider it a donation. Please contact the office at 732-270-3111 between 1 and 4PM or email info@ocartistsguild.org.

ARTWORK @ OCEAN COUNTY COURTHOUSE

If you have artwork on display at the Courthouse, please meet there at 1:00PM on Tuesday, August 3rd, to remove the current work and hang a new work. If you do not currently have a piece on display but would like to submit one, please bring in one or two pieces to the Guild on Friday or Saturday, July 30th or 31st, between 1 and 4PM. Include your name, title of work, and price.

Sad News

Ericksons Art Store in Toms River has closed.

CHRISTMAS IN AUGUST?

No, we are not celebrating Christmas early, but we are asking for submissions for the cover of the tour booklet for the annual Victorian House Tour in Island Heights. Details are available on our website or at the Guild. Note that submissions are due at the Guild no later than Saturday, August 21st.

NEW WORKSHOPS—SIGN UP

Leona Lavone
Loose as a Goose V
August 25th
Wednesday, 9:30am to 3:30pm
\$30 members/\$40non-members

Mike Malzone
Paint the Sea- All Media
September 23rd
Thursday, 9:30am to 3:30pm
\$75 members/\$100 nonmembers

Ben De Marco
Photography
September 20th and 27th,
Mondays 7pm to 9 pm
\$75 members/\$90 nonmembers

Jean Uhl Spicer
Watercolor
October 6th, 7th, and 8th
Wednesday through Friday, 9:30am to 3:30pm
\$180 members/\$220 non-members

MEMBERS SHOW AT THE LIBRARY

Get ready for the Members Show at the Toms River Branch of the Ocean County Library. The show will be on display in the Second Floor Gallery through the month of October. Look to the September newsletter for the theme, drop off date and time.

JULY 2010 PHOTOGRAPHY SHOW RESULTS

Awards were given out July 11, 2010 at the Open reception. Ben DeMarco received Best in Show for "Arctic Wolf". Other results are as follow:

Color: 1st Place, Jill Ocone; 2nd Place, Ellen Ricci; 3rd Place, Tom Miller.

Manipulated: 1st Place, Nicole Katlowski; 2nd Place Danielle Dastis; 3rd Place, Mary Walton

Black & White: 1st Place, Michael Pillows; 2nd Place: K. Schoenlieber; 3rd Place, Scott Janks

Nature: 1st Place, Edith Hindermann; 2nd Place, Jennie A. Meares; 3rd Place, Michael Pillows.

Honorable mention awards were received by Len Massey, Jennie A. Meares, Jill Ocone, Nils Olsen, Jenifer Rutherford, Heidi Sheridan, Jennifer Sweeney, and Melissa Teja. Thanks to Wallach's Farm Market and Deli for their support.

GALLERY COMMITTEE NOTE!

The Gallery Committee urges all members to review the Exhibit Guidelines for work submitted to be exhibited. The Guidelines are available on our website or you may pick up a copy at the Guild. Work may be refused if not properly prepared for hanging. NO SAWTOOTH HANGERS!


AUGUST MEMBERS' SHOW THEME PINELANDS

Think "LIFE" in the Pinelands—the entire ecosystem. This is the NJ they don't see on the Turnpike. Historical sites, the cranberry industry, recreation on the famous rivers, and wildflowers and animals typical of the area are all a part of the "picture." Don't forget forest fires and fire prevention systems. And what about lore? Who hasn't heard of the Jersey Devil?

MIKE MALZONE WORKSHOP PAINT THE SEA

Mike Malzone has been a professional artist for over twenty five years. As a painter and illustrator, his cartoons and artwork have appeared in magazines, newspapers, greeting cards, and sportswear. Besides creating art his other passion is teaching painting, drawing, and cartooning to children and adult students weekly at his art school, the Creators Workshop located in Wayne, NJ.

His artwork has exhibited in many regional shows including the Hudson Valley Art Association, Salmagundi Club, NY, Ridgewood Art Institute, Lambert Castle Museum, Dey Mansion, and others. Memberships included the National Cartoonists Society, New Jersey Professional Artists League, American Society of Marine Artists, Audubon Artists, NY, Guild of Creative Art, Shrewsbury, and Ridgewood Art Institute. Visit Mike's art at: www.MichaelMalzone.com

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

Name _____
Address _____ City _____
State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____
Amount Enclosed _____
Instructor _____ Class _____
Start Date _____

Make checks payable to: Ocean County Artists' Guild,
P.O. Box 1156, Island Heights, NJ 08732.

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

Member News



Mona Kirk has won 3rd place in Professional Watercolor in the Monmouth County Senior Show with her painting "After the Hunt."

Susanna Anastasia was awarded one of two "Awards of Excellence" at the Millburn-Short Hills Art Association June 2010 for her watercolor painting "Catch of the Day." Susanna's watercolor painting entitled "Plein-Air" was one of 125 paintings selected for the Cooperstown Art Association 75th Annual, July through August 2010.

Ann Valletta won first place in the Annual Laurelton Art Society show for her oil painting, "Iris in the Woods," which was held in June.

Beverly Golembesky will have a solo exhibit from August 1-31 at the Upper Shores Branch of the Ocean County Library in Lavallette.

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NEWSLETTER



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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 JULY 6 EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

- Thanks to a scholarship donation from Utrecht Art Supplies, the Guild will be able to give 3 awards for Artistic Excellence: The Edith Grace \$500, The Ethel Fishberg \$300, and \$100 from OCAG. Dick Blick donated supplies and a gift certificate to the award recipients as well.
- The Photography Show was a success, with 64 works accepted, which were judged by a well-qualified judge from the Smithsonian magazine.
- The theme for the October show at the Toms River Library will be "Fall Flowers".
- On August 3rd new paintings will be hung at the Toms River Courthouse. Working on this committee are Marie DeVenezia, Carol Colvin, Ellen Scharfenberg and Elsa Herrmann.
- The Island Heights Historical Society will sponsor an Art Show on July 17th at the Campgrounds in Island Heights. Call the Guild for more information.
- Entries for the Island Heights Christmas House Tour Program cover (black and white, 8 1/2 x 11) are due by August 21st. Bring them to the Guild.
- Dues will remain \$45 for 2010.

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

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