

Calendar of Events

JULY 2019

July 24

DEMO: Pauline Mickle
Journaling through Life

July 31 & Aug 1 (Wed & Thur) 1-4PM

Pick up/receive for Aug show

August 2, 10 AM

Hanging art for show

August 4, 1-4 PM

Reception

Gallery 1 - Bill Kobasz -

Sea Creatures

Gallery 2 -

"Your National Lampoon Vacation"

members only

Studio Gallery -

Members' Show Artists' Choice

August 12, 9:30-12 PM

Sheila Soyster

Calligraphy Workshop

Traditional to Contemporary

August 16, 8-10 PM

Concert: Girls Night Out Trio

August 18, 7-9 PM

Song Circle

August 21, 1-4 PM

Teen Photography Club

Pizza Meet and Greet

August 28-29 (Wed & Thur), 1-4 PM

Pick up/No members show in Sept

September 4th, 6-9 PM

Annual Members' Dinner

At Aqua Blue

September 7, 10-4 PM

Sailfest

September 8, 1-4 PM

Reception

Galleries 1 & 2 -

Manasquan River Artist Group

Studio Gallery - Danny Clinch

"*Photographer of the Stars*"

September 9-10, 9:30-3:30 PM

Nancy Barch

Mixed Media

September 13, 7-9 PM

Photography Group

September 15, 7-9 PM

Song Circle

September 20, 8-10 PM

Concert: Custom Blend Band

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**August
2019**

Letter From The President

Hello Fellow Guild Members,

I am coming around the bend into the final stretch of my first year as President of the Guild. We have made a lot of progress. New Membership has increased this year and we have had several successful fundraisers. I am super focused on increasing volunteerism and fundraising projects for the Fall.

I look forward to celebrating with everyone on September 4th at Aqua Blu Restaurant, for our Annual Members Dinner where the new executive board and trustees will be inducted for the next year.

I will be making a toast to all of my helpers, supporters, and creative artists at the dinner so raise a glass with me as we round the bend.

Artistically Yours,

AnnMarie Dario

Concert Series in the Studio



LADIES NIGHT OUT IN CONCERT

Friday August 16, 2019

8:00 to 10:00 pm

Galleries open @ 7:00 pm

*Denise Miller, Gail Gilrane
and Mary Lutton*

Country, Folk, Pop Clas-
sics and Light Jazz

A donation of \$5 is suggested - non profit venue.

Intermission with refreshments. www.ocartistsguild.org 732-270-3111

In the Galleries

August 2019

Gallery I • A Photographic Installation by Bill Kobasz “Sea Creatures”



Sea Creatures is an ongoing study of people, animals, and objects appearing at the seashore near my home in Bay Head, New Jersey. Living and working here offers me access to the beach and sea as a place

For play, relaxation, fresh air, and image making-twelves months a year. The simplicity of the beach serves as a theater showcasing three elements in nature. The sky/air and the sand/earth are constantly in flux, recreating them selves on an hourly bases with changing seasons, tides, and weather. Upon this stage, the people, animals and objects make each a performance differ for me, never to repeat or replay. Evoking a sense of humility against nature's huge scale, and the ocean's horizon, the sea creatures

appear abstract and invite imagination. In search of escape, rejuvenation and fun at the shore, these people bring few things from home. The lack of possessions contributes to the mood and solitary portrayals reflected in this photographic installation. My collection of photographs is created in a style reminiscent of historic photographic processes, with unique blemishes and imperfections. The photographs in the exhibition are presented in a non-traditional manner, showcased upon banners, serving to incorporate the unfettered manner beach experience of the Sea Creatures.

Gallery II Vacation Art open to all member

Please preregister for this show by e-mailing Geri Ambrose ambrose.geri@gmail.com

This is a fun way to remember a special time even if it was spent in your backyard (a stay vacation). You could also do a “Wish Vacation” Europe, Hawaii, etc.

Where do I start? I'll give you some ideas. We all have memories of trips good or bad. 1. Pictures are great, this can be start to a painting 2. Make a collage that starts with a map, postcards, and a bit of journaling. 3. A wonderful photo could be entered. Because of space only one entry per member of the guild. Give it a try this could be fun! You could also do a “Wish Vacation” Europe, Hawaii, etc.

In the Studio Members' Show Artists' Choice

The Manasquan River Group of Artists was formed in 1938 by Mrs. Ida Wells Stroud a teacher in the Newark School of Fine Arts. Summering in Herbertsville with her daughter, also an accomplished painter, she held outdoor painting classes on the banks of the Manasquan River. The Strouds gathered a group of artists friends and students to host an art event to support American Art Week.

The artists decided to band together

September in Galleries I & II

for the purpose of promoting art in the community. As more interest was shown among artists and friends, the group held exhibitions in neighboring towns, elected officers, and meetings were moved from members homes to the Spring Lake Community House, then to the Manasquan Woman's Club, then finally to the Curtis House in Brielle, where the group meets monthly and

guest artists demonstrate. The group still honors the goal of its founders today by promoting art throughout the surrounding communities.

The group now has more than eighty-five active members, and hold a schedule of exhibitions, in Brielle, Wall, Pt. Pleasant, Avon, at the Sea Girt Lighthouse, and other locations throughout the summer. Information on membership can be found on the website MRGA38.org.

Brand New Teen Photography Programs at the OCAG!

For Teens 13-18 years old

Come join us to learn techniques and build skills for your photography! Co-lead by Meghan Booth senior at HS North and AnnMarie Dario, the OCAG President To sign up, join us at the OCAG, 22 Chestnut Ave. Island Heights, from 1-4 pm on August 21st.

Our first meeting will be Sept. 16th, from 6:30-8:30pm. Attending our meetings and signing up is 100% free. When you sign up on Aug. 21st you will receive contact information to RSVP for our first meeting See you there!!

Photography Club

There will be no meetings scheduled in August. Photography Group meetings will resume on Friday, September 13th, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the Ocean County Artists' Guild.



SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, September 7, 10-4 PM

Sailfest activities, both down by the river, as well as in the Guild.

WE NEED VOULUTEERS to help out for a couple of hours.

Contact Wendy Kovacs at info@ocartistsguild.org.

Welcome New Members

Joan Sherm Jacquie Romano
Timothy Welch

Get your entries submitted!!

Christmas House Tour-
Annual Brochure Front Page Art Contest

The Ocean County Artists' Guild was asked to help with entries of B/W drawings, color art or prints, or Photography for the annual Christmas House Tour brochure contest. Entries are due by August 29, 2019. The tour takes place on Saturday, December 7, 2019, 10-4 PM.

Upcoming Workshops

Sheila Soyster-Calligraphy Traditional to Contemporary
August 12-13, 9:30-12 PM

Members \$65 /Non-members \$80 *

Learn the basics of calligraphy – the pens, the procedures and the practical, then on day two you will create your own piece of farmable lettering art. Pens, ink, paper and other resources provided. Bring your desire to learn a new skill or refine an emerging one.

NANCY BARCH - Abstraction, Design & You
September 9-10 9:30-3:30 PM

Members \$125 / Non-Members \$140 *

This workshop is a true artistic journey. Using mixed media, where failure is not an option, you explore new techniques and water based mediums. Play with abstraction of known images like still-life and figures. See how much you can do with a little collage, courage and imagination.

Welcome to Our Newly Elected Board/Trustee Members

Board Members:

AnnMarie Dario, President
Judy Lepore, Vice President
Susan Baron-Gelber, Recording Secretary
Arlette Malivernier, Treasurer
Wendy Kovacs, Membership Secretary
Carol Colvin, Corresponding Secretary

Trustees

Mary Jo Austin
Kathleen Tobin
Russ Whitman
Robert Henne
Leslie Ovechka
Jim Miele
Richard Kushinsky
Joan Adams

NOTICE: Payment on sales will be made within 30 days from the end of the month in which the commission was earned.

If you are the last to leave the Guild on Sunday please make sure the coffee pot is clean & the door is locked.

We are proud supporters of

Shore Community Bank, 1216 NJ-37, Toms River, NJ 08753, 732-573-1300; www.shorecommunity.bank
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**TO ALL MEMBERS AND ARTISTS:
KINDLY, DO NOT REARRANGE ITEMS IN THE GIFT SHOP!**

If you have concerns, questions, or suggestions,
please contact the shop manager,
Kath Gregitis, at Aisha745@aol.com or 732-244-6296.

REMINDER: If you are exhibiting your work in the Members' Shows, you are requested to provide some refreshment. Finger food is best.

STAFF

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with Newsletter in the subject heading

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OPEN STUDIO GROUPS

For MEMBERS and GUESTS

Print Class

Tuesdays, 12:30-4:00 pm \$7 Guild donation + materials
Reduction printing in all forms— In the Studio

Do Your Own Thing

Thursdays, 10:00-3:00 pm. Come paint or sketch
\$5 Guild donation—In the studio.

Life Drawing Studio

Saturdays, 10-12:30pm
Model fee \$10 in the Studio

Clothed Model Studio

2nd, 3rd & 4th Sundays, 2-4 PM Portraits & Figure
Model fee \$7 in the Studio

Nude Figure Drawing, Long Poses

2nd, 3rd & 4th Tuesdays, 7-9pm
Model fee \$15.00.

In the Studio

Questions: call Gerry Batkay 732-350-6160



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Explore more at OceanCountyTourism.com



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Filling these positions is vital to avoid having to make drastic changes. Small committees have resulted in burnout - lets Grow the Guild

PUBLICITY CHAIR NEEDED

The OCAG is in great need of a Publicity Chairperson. **Tamara Woronczuk** has been handling this job amongst her many other volunteer duties in the past several years. The duties required of a Publicity Chair include posting events to FREE sites, post paid events (lists are available) distribute to out of state organizations FREE & PAID. **Tamara** will be happy to work with and guide anyone who is willing to volunteer for this position.

Tamara Woronczuk (Temp) & **Rosemary Davies** (APP – Senior Scoop)

PROGRAM/DEMOS-CHAIR NEEDED

For ten (10) years **Elsa Herrmann** handled the task of finding artists for 9 out of 12 monthly FREE Demo Presentations at the Guild. Due to health concerns she could no longer do this job.

Carol Ann Oporto has temporarily filled this position, but we are in need of a more permanent volunteer.

Carol Ann will be more than happy to help and guide a new volunteer. These Demos are held on the fourth Wednesday of the month.

GALLERY CHAIR & VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Contact **Geri Ambrose** at ambrose.geri@gmail.com

WEBSITE MAINTENANCE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Will run training sessions for volunteers

GIFT SHOP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to form a "TEAM"

A note from our president, AnnMarie Dario:

We are looking to update the gift shop space and create more of a "Boutique" atmosphere, being more selective in what we accept for sale and possibly accept works/goods from non members. Basically the team would be in charge of merchandising, inventory control & other related activities for the shop. If you are willing to help, please email us at info@ocartistsguild.org (subject: Gift Shop) and we will gather for an informational/brainstorming and training sessions.

For information on ANY of the above, you can contact the Guild at info@ocartistsguild.org or call the Guild at 732-270-3111

Thank You

It is with much gratitude that the board would like to **THANK Kath Gregitis** in taking care of the gift shop for the past 5 years. She kept the shop organized and running seamlessly. Her shoes will be difficult to fill (as well as her fine way of dressing).

Painters Unite - OK, so Yes, we are not painting on canvas or paper but the Studio Gallery needs a fresh coat of paint. Join us on Aug. 24th (Saturday), 26th (Monday), and 27th if needed (Tuesday) to lend a hand in preparing and painting the walls. We will need 4-6 people to get this project done. Sign Up sheet hanging on Bulletin Board behind receptionist or Email info@ocartistsguild.org

Children's Art Exhibit
*Imagination
Vacation*
Ocean County Artists' Guild
22 Chestnut Ave.,
Island Heights, NJ
Sunday, Aug. 4, 1-4PM

All welcome ...
friends and family
Refreshments
served
Visit our galleries
Meet teacher
Alison Amelchenko