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September Workshops

Oil -"It's All About Good Shapes & Limited Values" -

Dorothy Ray

September 12, 13, 14, & 15, 2011 9:00 am to 4 pm Members \$215, Non-members \$260

The emphasis will be on restricting values to four, control of edges and interlocking shapes. Each day will begin with a short demonstration. Please check out our website for more detailed information.



Painting the Portrait in Watercolor from Photos

Lessons in Seeing, Interpreting and Editing - Ted Nuttal

September 19 - 22, 2011

Members \$320, Non-members \$365

Though often viewed as intimidating and challenging, painting the figure can be as approachable as a still life or landscape and brings with its accomplishment a unique satisfaction and reward. As he shares with you his approach to figure and some specific techniques he uses to bring excitement to his paintings you will find your paintings taking on a new life and will have great fun in the process.



There is still room to register for these wonderful workshops. Please call the MAG office at 928-445-2510 or check out the website at www.MountainArtistsGuild.org for more information.

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President's Message

Welcome Mountain Artists Guild members and friends,

Would you believe, fall is just around the corner. I don't know

about you but I will be glad to leave the hot humid summer behind. September is the start of some great art events in Prescott. September 16-18 is the Best Fest, celebrating 100 years of Arizona statehood. Several MAG artists have been chosen to represent Northern Arizona as one of the 100 Best Artists in the state. This is an honor, please come down to the square and support your fellow MAG artists.



Prescott Area Fourth Annual Studio Tour kicks off this month on September 30, October 1 & 2. This event is sponsored by MAG, and we will be one of the non-juried stops. This is a wonderful opportunity to see some outstanding artists working in their studios. The weather should be lovely this time of year so plan an outing. Maps will be available in our gallery, as well as many merchants around town.

I would be remiss if I didn't send out big kudos to all our wonder ful volunteers who helped make the August Fine Arts and Craft Festival such a great success. Many of you went above and beyond, working long hours to make this event something special. Super big thanks to Karen Bush for all her hours and hard work in the volunteer tent. Mary Schulte for her work in the Kids Zone, and Fil and his crew for the set up and take down; a huge job.

We are continuing to work with SCORE. One of our goals is to increase the size of our board. We are looking for qualified profession als from outside MAG to sit on the board. We are interested in finding a CPA, attorney, and a marketing person. If you know of anyone interested in the arts that would like to volunteer to be on the board please contact me. Starting in November, board meeting will be the second Thursday of the month at 5:30 pm.

Our new show, Celebrating Our Arizona is up and running in the main gallery. Great job everyone. A beautiful show as usual.

We have two outstanding workshops for September. Dorothy Ray, Figurative and Still Life in Oil on September 12-15. Ted Nuttall, water color on September 19-22. Please register as soon as possible so that these fantastic teachers can fill their workshops.

Jim Todd is in the Spot Light Room through September 14th, a very accomplished artist of Southwest Realism. Starting September 15 and running through October 20th, the Spot Light Room will be shinning with some of my favorite artists; Jan Sitts and her contemporary abstracts paired with Joe and Cindi Shaffer and their brilliant fused glass. A must see.

Enjoy the cooling weather, get out and visit all the art venues in Prescott, we have many, and keep creating the life you dream of.

Pan Dunmire



The Arizona Cenntenial's "Best Fest" will be held in Prescott on September 16, 17, 18, 2011 at the Courthouse Plaza. This Festival is turning out to be one of the biggest celebrations Prescott has ever seen. Forty to sixty thousand people are anticipated to attend the 3-day event. Entertainment, live western reinactments, a beer garden and a wine garden along with fireworks and much, much more.

The high point for us, as members, is the "Best Fest 100 Best Artists of Arizona." This will be held on the Courthouse Square and applications are still being accepted. The deadline was July 20th, but late fees are being waived because we are having a hard time getting the word out to all of our Northern Arizona artists. Northern Arizona for us starts at the Southern Yavapai County boarder.

This is a fine art and fine craft show. Applications can be downloaded from www.prescottarts.org or pick one up at the MAG Gallery. THIS IS NOT A MAG FUNCTION, we are just providing applications as they are available. Questions call Vivian Farmer - 928 771-9942.

Fashion Show

Mountain Artists Guild will be presenting a fall fashion show on Thursday evening, October 13, 2011 from 6 to 9 PM at the Tis' Gallery 3rd floor banquet room.

This event is a fundraiser for the "BUILDING STUCCO FUND". The tickets are not available yet, but space is limited so please mark your calendars now. The tickets are \$25 each, for a dessert & champaign evening of fashions from the boutiques around the Courthouse Square.

Vivian Farmer is the chairperson for this event and could use ideas for a theme title and decorations. Call Vivian at 928-771-9942 with ideas or signing up to volunteer.

Thanks

Many thanks to Cathy Gibbons for donating her time, working with Rae, to desiging som beautiful ads for the MAG Fine Art & Wine Festival in May and the





Fine Arts & Crafts Festival in August.

Kudos to our Members and Associates

Deb Penk sent in an email saying that she was lucky enough to be a featured artist at the Grant Teton Gallery in Jackson Hole, WY. The website is www.grandtetongallery.com and is presently up and running although still in construction.

Besides being a featured artist in WY, she has just been juried into the "Cowgirl Up!" in Wickenburg for the up coming March 2012 show and is very excited about that. 307-690-5863

Chris Saper (one of our workshop instructors) flew into Cincinnati recently to

film two instructional DVDs for artistsnetwork.tv - part of the North Light Book and Artist' Magazine family. They'll be available October 2011. One is a color mixing tutorial for different skin tones, the other is on painting the portrait in cool light.

Here are a few outtake pictures from the shoot...







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'Accidental discovery' leads to newfound talent for PV woman



Mei-June Liao describes how she altered a scene of Willow Lake from the photo to a sketch before demonstrating pastels to members of the PV Art Guild on Tuesday. Liao's pastel of the Grand Canyon, right, has won five awards in two states, and will be featured in an upcoming issue of Artist's Magazine.

By Sue Tone

Prescott Valley Tribune

Mei-June Liao is relatively new to the world of art, but her talent is evolving in leaps and bounds. In fact, her recent pastel of the Grand Canyon has won five awards - so far and will be published in the January/February 2012 edition of the Artist's Magazine.

Liao, 60, moved to Prescott Valley two years ago this month, took a couple of art classes and already has won top prizes in sev-

Arizona and New Mexico, including Prescott Valley's Fall for the Arts. and the annual National Pastel Exhibition in New Mexico. The "Grand Canyon" painting painting received Best of Show in the New West exhibit at Prescott Center for the Arts, and 2nd place in Artist's Magazine's 28th Annual Art competition student/beginner division (for people pursuing art for no more than four years).

Liao came to the United States in 1975

eral juried art shows in to attend graduate school at Yale where she earned a PhD degree before gathering postdoctoral training at Massachusetts Institute of Technology and a career working in the pharmaceutical industry in New Jersey. After 25 years, she retired in 2008, although she continues to work as a consultant for two biomedical companies on the East Coast.

"I keep my brain active. I spend about 50 percent of my time painting," she said, "soone half in art, one half in science. I keep my left and right brain busy."

It was soon after retiring that she accidentally discovered an interest in art after visiting a Chinese painting club in New Jersey with a friend. She took a Chinese watercolor painting class, practicing the traditional Chinese style painting in black and white.

In Prescott and Prescott Valley, Liao looked into Western art training and began pastel lessons with

Don Rantz. She joined the Prescott Valley Art Guild and participates in its monthly competitions. In July, she moved up from Level B to Level C in the pastel category, and has begun entering oil paintings at Level A. She also won the Guild's June special "Trees" theme compe-

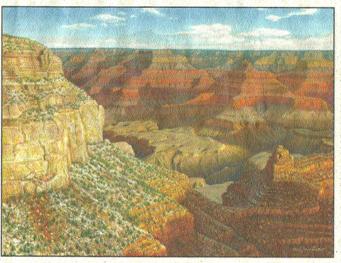
At Tuesday's PVAG meeting, Liao demonstrated her pastel techniques, and how to sketch from photos.

Liao's husband also

is retired and her son is pursuing postgraduate education in the field of computer video gaming arts. He played video games while young, which led to an interest in graphic arts and designing. He plans to work in "environment art" providing the background art for video games.

Liao advises retirees or those getting to 'senior" age to keep learning new things.

"It keeps your life much more interesting.





A Native American Nations Invitation to all Veterans

Fellow Veterans,

The Native American Nations of the United States of America had a Warriors Medal of Valor designed and produced. The President of the United States, George W. Bush authorized this action so that on behalf of the Native American Nations, this Medal



of Valor would be presented to all members of the Armed Forces who had served and protected this great country.

The next ceremony for presentation of these medals will be here in Prescott on September 15, 2011, 1:00 pm at the Veterans Garden (near JB's Restaurant). This medal is intended for ALL Veterans.

If you wish to receive this medal, please contact me so that I will get the following information from you:

Name and Branch of Service.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

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Wish List Items

The item pictured is a Pro-Panel and we are looking for 4+ more panels to display art during exhibits. We would like the 30" wide which costs \$105 and/or the 38.5" wide for \$120.

You may find these on the Internet at www.propanels.com

Some of the other items we would be **VERY** grateful to receive...

- Exhibit tent with side panels that close
- A plumber that could donate some hours, and
- An electrician who would also like to help out.



Volunteers Needed!!!!!!!Mountain Artists Gallery

Hello MAG Members,

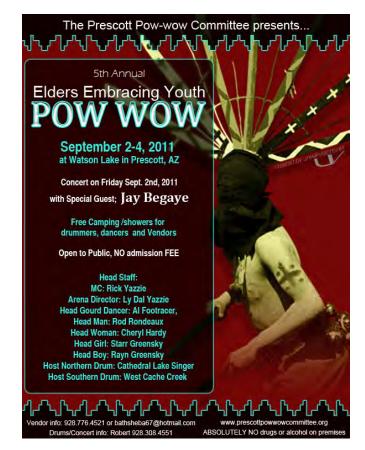
I am training people to do the front desk intake for the Gallery Shows. For those who would like to learn, please contact me at paulannsmith@yahoo.com and we can decide on a date that will accommodate all ~ or I will do two trainings. The training should be no longer than 1/2 to 1 hour. We are re-vamping intake in the hopes of allowing things to move more quickly and smoothly, hopefully eliminating long wait times.

Also, we really need two volunteers for this job during the September Gallery Show intake. These two volunteers would be needed at the Guild from about 8:30am until 12:00-1:00pm. Not too bad and you'd be sitting down most of the time!!!

Please let me know as soon as possible and we can schedule the training.

Thanks so much.....

Paulette Smith Bryson





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Thank You, All!



Gallery News



MAIN GALLERY

CELEBRATING OUR ARIZONA opened Sept. 1 and is the kick off show for the celebration of Arizona's 100 years of statehood. All the

shows for the remainder of 2011 and through 2012 are themed for this event. The reception will be held on Friday Sept. 23 from 5 to 7:30 PM. The show runs from Sept. 1 through Dec. 23 which is the 20% off sale. Work can be picked up after the Holiday on Jan. 3, 2012. Volunteer names will be included in the Oct. newsletter.

The HOLIDAY SHOW intake is Nov. 1 from 9 until noon. This is an instant jurying show. Forms will be on the MAG website in mid October. Bring all your holiday works and enjoy the show.

SPOTLIGHT ROOM

The beautiful landscapes of JIM TODD continues in the Spotlight Room until Sept. 15. If you haven't visited this show yet make a trip to the Gallery for a special treat.

The artistry of JAN SITTS, JOE and CINDI SHAFFER will be the next—super offering in the Spotlight Room from Sept. 15 through Oct. 20. The reception for this show will be Friday, Sept. 23 from 5-7:30. Come and chat with these great artists and enjoy their spectacular display.

Vivian Lucchesi-Farmer and Mary Schulte are presenting "Concrete to Abstraction", a New Vision from October 21 thru November 17, 2011 in the Spotlight Room.

Vivian is an abstract expressionist painter working in acrylic, watercolor and frequently collage. Bold color and shapes become the signature creations of this contemporary Prescott artist.



Mary Schulte works in mosaic and sculpture. Mary is well known for her work on the *Art for All Mural* and the *Beyond Words Mural* at Prescott's Public Library.

Don't forget the Miniature Show from Nov. 17 until Jan 3. Intake will be held Nov. 17 at noon. This is a MEMBERS ONLY show. Items should be priced under \$100 dollars. Three items may be submitted. Forms will be available on the MAG website in early November.

OTHER NEWS

The STUDIO TOUR EXHIBITION will be displayed in the entry way from Sept 1 - Oct.3. This show is in conjunction with the STUDIO TOUR AT MAG happening Sept. 30. and Oct. 1 and 2. The Gallery will have extended hours on those days. This is quite a busy time !!!!

IN MEMORY OF A GREAT FRIEND

DEE SYBRANDT passed away on July 28. DEE was a Gallery Committee member since 2004 and was a main greeter and initial starter on intake days. It is difficult to explain all the effort and contributions Dee brought to the Gallery and MAG. We miss her waving her hands while making her opinion known at meetings, her great sense of humor, her beads, and mostly her dedication to the Gallery and MAG. Dee, we are sure you are starting an art group in Heaven. Thank you for your time with us...

The Gallery Committee

New Members

Julia Alver Watercolor, Oils, Jewelry

Sue Boyce Watercolor

Nancy Clauss Pastel on Sandpaper

Marianna Gyger

Janice Holman Oil

Dolly Maitzen Watercolor

Terry Nagel Oil, Ink, Watercolor

Nancy Pettit Jewelry
Morgan Thomas Printmaking

Srishti Wilhelm

Pat Williams

Welcome



Calendar of Events 2011

September

September	
2-4	Elders Embracing Youth POW WOW at Watson Lake
	Concert Friday night
11	EMPTY BOWLS fundraiser 10:30 am to 1:30 pm at Courthouse
Thru 15	CELEBRATING OUR ARIZONA, Jim Todd, Spotlight Room
15	Presentation of Veterans' Medal at Veterans' Garden (near JB's restaurant)
15 - 10/20	Jan Sitts, Cindi & Joe Schaffer, Spotlight Room
12, 13, 14 & 15	"IT'S ALL ABOUT GOOD SHAPES & LIMITED VALUES" Oil Workshop, Dorothy Ray
19, 20, 21 & 22	PAINTING THE PORTRAIT IN WATERCOLOR from photographs
	Lessons in Seeing, Interpreting and Editing, Ted Nuttal
15	Gallery Meeting, 9 - 11
15	Guild Board Meeting, 11 - 1
16, 17 & 18	Best Fest at Courthouse Plaza
23	Reception, Jan Sitts with Joe and Cindi Schaffer
23	4TH FRIDAY ARTWALK, 5 - 7:30, Demo Artist Dave Harlan
30, Oct 1 & 2	Prescott Area Fourth Annual Studio Tour
October	
7, 8 & 9	Mixed Media/Silk Painting Collage, Barb Wills Workshop
12, 13 & 14	Oil Painting Workshop - Dave Harlan
13	Fall Fashion Show at 'Tis Gallery, 3rd. Floor, "Building Stucco Fund" fundraiser
17, 18 & 19	Experimental & Layered Art - Jan Sitts
Thru 12/23	CELEBRATING OUR ARIZONA
20	Gallery Meeting,, 9 - 11
20	Guild Board Meeting, 11 - 1
21 - 11/17	"Concrete to Abstraction" a New Vision, Spotlight Room
	Vivian Lucchesi-Farmer and Mary Schulte
28	4TH FRIDAY ARTWALK, 5 - 7:30
November	
Thru 12/23	CELEBRATING OUR ARIZONA
1	HOLIDAY SHOW AND SALE
17	Board Meeting, 11 - 1
25	4TH FRIDAY ARTWALK, 5 - 7:30L, Demo Artist Connie Finchum, Ceramics hand bldg.
December	
5, 6 & 7	Watercolor Painting, Betty Carr
23	20% Sale



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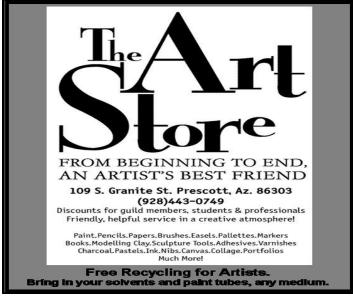
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