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# CENTER ARTS FOR THE

#### A Message from your President...

As we close out 2013 and reflect on what took place during ALOC's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary year, we do so with hearts filled with gratitude to all our stakeholders who contributed to our 1<sup>st</sup> successful year operating in our new Ocean City Center for the Arts. We truly have exceeded all expectations of what we could accomplish in so little time.

I again want to take this opportunity to say "THANK YOU" to those of you who have and continue to generously support the ALOC financially, as well as with your volunteer time and talents. By working together we can accomplish amazing things!!

On December 12<sup>th</sup>, we held our annual meeting of members with a delicious luncheon at Fresco's. Thank you Karen for coordinating the event for us. I am happy to report that our members have approved the addition of 5 new board members – Nancy Fortney, Barbara Patrick, Nick Ruggieri, Barbara Tyler and Karen Turner who will take on the role of Treasurer. We welcome them all and appreciate their willingness to share their talents through serving.

Executive Director, Rina Thaler recognized former board members, Nancy Howard and Lyn Burr for their many years of service to the ALOC and we said "thank you" to retiring Treasurer, Peter Gibson. In addition to the usual duties of the office, Peter diligently kept amazing spreadsheets documenting detailed accounting of our "Building the Arts" capital campaign activities.

As we look forward to our upcoming programs and events in 2014, we need you more than ever as volunteers continue to be a crucial part of our operations. As you renew your memberships, please consider what volunteer positions you might fill. We need people who are willing to commit to ongoing tasks such as serving at the front desk or on a committee or to smaller tasks that have less of a time demand. Get involved and share camaraderie and a sense of pride as together we carry out our mission of promoting the arts in the Ocean City area!

Yours in Service, Marian Bickerstaff 410-208-2508

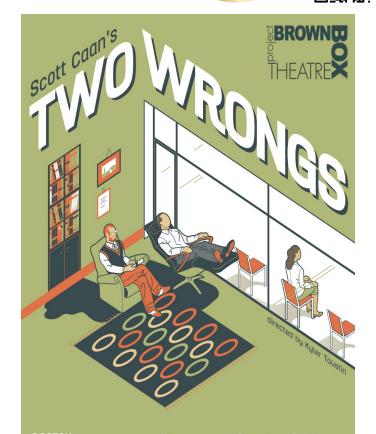
#### **MEETING ROOM SPACE AVAILABLE**

The new Ocean City Center for the Arts has multi-purpose meeting rooms available for group rentals, as well as the outside courtyard and grove areas, and the entire gallery for larger functions. Call the ALOC for details.

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WHO'S WHO
IN THE ART
LEAGUE—
Nick Ruggieri



Nick Ruggieri, one of our newest board members, brings to the Art League an interesting background. As an attorney, originally from Providence, Rhode Island, he has had a long career as an advocate for the pharmaceutical and biotechnical industries. He served as Assistant General Counsel for a major trade and research organization in Washington, DC, and later, as Director of Washington Relations for Johnson & Johnson. He has two daughters and two grandchildren.

As a youngster, Nick lived in Rome, Italy, for four years where he came to appreciate the art of the Renaissance and Baroque periods. "My favorite artist is Lorenzo Bernini," he says. "His paintings and sculptures are in every church in Rome." Nick is active in UNICO, an organization that serves the Italian-American community with a Delmarva Chapter here on the Eastern Shore.

After his wife passed away in 2006, Nick moved to Lighthouse Sound; his home has been on the Sand Castle Home Tour. Always active on the boards of the homeowners associations where he has lived, Nick says, "I'm a volunteer by nature," and was pleased to be asked to join our board.

Lawyer, art connoisseur, volunteer and a cook! He has taken culinary classes at Wor-Wic Community College, Ballymaloe Cooking School in Ireland, and the University of Florence in Italy. See Nick's blog, "The Lighthouse Gourmet" and try one of his recipes. ~ Stasia Heubeck

#### Opportunities to Exhibit in 2014

The Ocean City Center for the Arts offers many opportunities for artists to create and exhibit their work, including:

- ► Rent a studio for a year
- ▶ Rent the Artist in Residence studio for a month
- ▶ Be the featured Spotlight member artist for a month
- ► Enter a competition show
- ► Display your work at the Convention Center or Chamber of Commerce exhibits

For Information on these and other opportunities, contact Executive Director Rina Thaler at rthaler@artleagueofoceancity.org and be sure to check out the call to artists page on our website.

#### Worcester County High Schools Youth Art Exhibit

Presented by the Optimist Club January 18 & January 19, 2014 11:00 am — 4:00 pm. Outstanding show of artwork from the talented high school students of Worcester County Schools. Cash prizes by the Optimist Club. FREE

# Spot Light Gallery Artist January Kathy Gibson February Terri Edgeworth

# Coming Up... at the Ocean City Center for the Arts

It may be quiet in the winter in Ocean City, but we are busy with activities every day at the OCCA.

Here is a "to do" list for January & February:

- ◆ Come to the First Friday receptions January 3<sup>rd</sup> & February 7, 5 - 7 pm. Enjoy fine art, interesting people, good nibbles and wine. Free Event.
- Express yourself at our Open House "Everyone is an Artist" – Saturday January 4 11 am - 2 pm. Enjoy free art activities for all ages and complimentary refreshments.
- ◆ Learn something new- Take a class in:

Drawing & Painting for kids and adults with Marina Borovok

Batik with Betsy Hall Harrison

Oil Painting workshop with Kirk McBride

Acrylics, Pottery, Watercolor and more!

- Help end hunger by participating in our empty bowl project. Make your own bowl, (see the scheduled dates) or just come to the...
- \*Starving Artists Dinner" on Friday January 31 and enjoy a simple dinner featuring soups donated by local restaurants. Dinner is \$20 and guests who attend take home a hand crafted bowl as a reminder of all the hungry people and empty bowls in the world.
- See live theater here- February 14-17 "2 Wrongs" a romantic comedy by Scott Caan. Directed by Kyler Taustin Tickets \$25 @ www.brownboxtheatre.org (portion of the proceeds benefits the ALOC)

Hope to see you here!

Rina Thaler Executive Director

# **Upcoming 2014 Workshops & Classes**

Register by calling 410.524.9433 or online at www.artleagueofoceancity.org

# **January and February Classes**

January 8, 15, 22, 29 — Kids After School Drawing

**Class** 4:30—5:30 pm, ages 8 and up, Instructor Marina Borovok. Kids love to draw! Here they can learn the basics of drawing, building skills and self-confidence. All supplies provided. Cost per session: \$15 members/\$20 non-members.

**January 8** — **Brushes and Bubbly** 7:00—9:00 pm, age 21 and over, Instructor Kathi Stevens. A fun evening of painting with friends. No experience necessary. All supplies provided. Complete a different painting each month. Bring your own beverage and snack. Cost: \$36 members/\$40 non-members.

**January 9, 16, 23, 30** — Introduction to Drawing for Adults, 1:00 — 4:00 pm, Instructor Marina Borovok. Learn to draw what you see using line, shape and creating form with graphite. Advance the skills you already have to help you be a better artist. Cost per session: \$30 members/\$35 non-members.

January 9, 16, 23, 30 — Introduction to Oil Painting Evening Class, 5:30—8:00 pm, Instructor Marina Borovok. If you have never painted in oils before, or if you want to expand your skills, this course gives you the basics you need to produce original work. Learn color mixing skills, paint application and how to work with oil painting mediums. Cost per session: \$30 members/\$35 non-members.

January 11, 18, 25 — Kids Drop in Art with Angela

**Pierce** 11:30 am —1:00 pm, ages 8—13. Draw and paint in a variety of mediums. Complete a project in one class. All supplies included. Cost: \$15 members/\$20 non-members.

January 13, 14, 15 — Beginners and Beyond-

**Watercolors with Barbara Schmid,** 9:00 am — 2:00 pm. Popular monthly watercolor class. You must register directly with the instructor. Call 410-208-0219 to register. Cost: \$75 members/

February 3, 4, 5 — Oil Painting Workshop with Kirk

**McBride**, 10:00 am — 4:00 pm, Back by popular demand! Kirk will instruct and demonstrate how he approaches the creative process in oil painting and help you develop a process that will work for you. Cost: \$200 members/\$240 non-members.

February 10, 11, 12 — Beginners and Beyond-

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Cost: \$75 members/\$90 non-members.

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February 17—20 — Tom Lynch: Watercolor Secrets Revealed Workshop, 9:30 am — 4:30 pm Join nationally known, award-winning artist Tom Lynch for daily demonstrations, instruction, and critiques. You will receive plenty of individual attention and come away with new enthusiasm and knowledge you can use for a lifetime. Cost: \$360 members/\$430 non-members.

#### Save the Date!

March 18, 19 — Animals in Art Workshop with Lynn Lockhart 10:00 am — 4:00 pm \$135 members/\$165 non-members.

**April 26 - 27 — Jewelry Making with Sue Stockman** 10:00 am — 3:00 pm, Sat. & 10:00 am — 2:00 pm Sun.

May 5 - 9 — "Adventures in Creativity & Collage with Nita Leland" 9:00 am — 4:00 pm, \$375 members/\$470 non-members, Free your creative spirit where the emphasis is on you. Begin by discovering how to access your creativity in sketches; capturing ideas, images and quotations in a sketch-book. Try new color and design ideas; experiment with abstraction; play with mixed media, learn basic collage techniques and more. You'll benefit from helpful daily critiques that are tailored to every skill level and useful tips on goal setting in a fun and friendly atmosphere. Registration opens January 1,

October 27 - 31 — Landscape Watercolor Workshop with Don Andrews, \$385 members/\$480 non-members.

Details to Come!

# The Art of Batik Workshop



January 27, 28, & 29, 2014

10:00 am — 2:00 pm

Learn the ancient art of Batik. No art experience necessary.

Students should be able to complete 2-3 projects in the workshop.

**Instructor, Betsy Hall-Harrison** 

Cost: \$ 125 members/\$155 non-members

+ \$20 materials fee payable to instructor

#### Kids After School Pottery Classes with Erik Hertz

Kids love to play with clay and express themselves with a variety of projects as they build hand-eye coordination and have a great time! All supplies, clay, glazing and firing included in the cost. Ages 7 and up— 4:30-5:30 pm Dates: Tuesdays – January 7, 14, 21, 28 Thursdays – January 9, 16, 23; \$20/class members, \$25/class non- members. Sign up for 4 sessions for \$72/members, \$90/non members. (A 4-session pass available by phone or walk in registration only— not available online.)

#### **Teens & Adult Pottery Classes**

This class will explore both hand building and wheel techniques. Make fun and functional art. Ages 14 and over— 6:00-8:00 pm; Tuesdays – January 7, 14, 21, 28, Thursdays – January 9, 16, 23; \$35 per class for members, \$40 per class for non-members. Sign up for 6 sessions for \$180 for members, \$216 for non members. (A 6- session pass available by phone or walk in registration only— not available online.)

#### **Pasta and Pottery Class**

Wednesdays January 15, February 19, 5:30-8:00 pm, Instructor: Erik Hertz. Enjoy a delicious pasta dinner provided by Fresco's restaurant with wine and then make your own pasta bowl or creation of your choice out of clay in our pottery studio. You will be able to complete the project in one session. No experience needed! Must be 21 to attend. Cost: \$50 per class for members, \$55 for non members includes pasta dinner, clay, firing and all supplies.

We welcome private parties and groups. Call (410) 524-9433 for reservations

## Special Event—Empty Bowl Project

Empty Bowls is an international grassroots effort to fight hunger and was created by the Imagine Render Group. The basic premise is simple: potters and other craftspeople, educators and others work with the community to created handcrafted bowls. Guests are invited to a simple meal of soup and bread (Starving Artists Dinner). In exchange for a cash donation, guests are asked to keep a bowl as a reminder of all the empty bowls in the world. The money raised will benefit the food pantry at Diakonia and future programs of the Art League of Ocean City. Sponsored by a grant from the Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore.

#### Bowl Making Days — January 7 & 11

Time 1:00 pm — 3:00 pm, Free, though you must register in advance.





**Starving Artists Dinner — January 31, 2014, 5:00 — 8:00 pm**, cost \$20 per person. Join us for a simple meal: soup and bread donated by local restaurants to raise awareness of hunger and food insecurity. Keep your empty bowl as a reminder. Cash bar. All proceeds to benefit Diakonia and the Art League of Ocean City.



At left, Robert De Koter & Christina Jarmolinski, December's Artists in Residence

At right, Summer & Monika Lilley performing a violin duet at the December opening reception





Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore President Doug Wilson & wife, Patty

#### **Drop In and Paint!**

Watercolor—Tuesdays, January 21, February 4 & 18

All Media — Every Thursday

10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Cost: \$3.00

Bring your supplies and paint with others

No instructor

#### Open House—"Everyone is an Artist"

Saturday, January 4, 2014

11:00 am - 2:00 pm

**Cost: FREE** 

Stop by the Art Center and meet January artist in residence Marina Borovok. Free art projects for all ages; enjoy the exhibits, complimentary refreshments.

Join us at the Opening Receptions for the January and February Exhibits at the Ocean City Center for the Arts

Friday January 3 from 5-7 pm Friday February 7 from 5-7 pm

# In the Thaler Gallery January

"Views From Delmarva and Beyond"

Photography by Chris Parypa &

**Kevin Fleming** 







# Book Signing with Kevin Fleming One Night Only

If you love the beach, you will want this incredible new book! Two years in the making, Kevin Fleming has captured the remarkable beauty of coastal Delaware as never before.

# **February**

"Interiors"

Themed judged show, entries open to all adult artists

#### In the Galleria

## **January**

"Winter"

All media, 2D artwork by local artists and members of the ALOC

Judge: Michael Demanche, Professor of Fine Art at University of Maryland Eastern Shore

# **February**

"Exteriors"

Landscapes by Laura Hickman & Marshscapes by Michelle Green

The First Friday Receptions are always free and open to the public.

#### **ARTISTS IN RESIDENCE**

January — Artwork by Marina Borovok

Meet the artist at our "Everyone is an Artist" open house on January 4, 2014. Free activities from 11 am—2 pm. Join us for drawing and oil painting classes with Marina throughout the month of January.



February — Available



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#### 2014 Exhibit Schedule

JANUARY—Winter All Media—2D only

First Friday Reception January 3, 5-7 pm

FEBRUARY—Interiors All Media—2D only

First Friday Reception February 7, 5-7 pm

MARCH—People All Media—2D only

First Friday Reception March 7, 5-7 pm

APRIL—Juried, All Media, 2D & 3D, Corporate Sponsor Show First Friday Reception April 4, 5-7 pm

MAY—Views of the Eastern Shore—All Media—2D only

First Friday Reception May 2, 5-7 pm

JUNE—Photography and Digital Media

First Friday Reception June 6, 5-7 pm

JULY—Juried, All Media,2D & 3D, Beverly Bassford Show

First Friday\* Reception July 3 (\*Thursday), 5-7 pm

AUGUST—Summer—All Media—2D only

First Friday Reception August 1, 5-7 pm

SEPTEMBER—Paintings from the Plein Air Event

First Friday Reception September 5, 5-7 pm

OCTOBER—Abstract—All Media—2D only

First Friday Reception October 3, 5-7 pm

NOVEMBER—Members Only Juried All Media 2D & 3D (two month show)

First Friday Reception November 7, 5-7 pm

DECEMBER—Members Only Juried All Media 2D & 3D (two month show)

First Friday Reception December 5, 5-7 pm

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