

### A Message from your President...

As we enter the time of year when we pause to say "thanks" for our many blessings, it is with grateful hearts that we thank you for your continued support of the ALOC. Special thanks to all who volunteered to make our 10<sup>th</sup> annual Sand Castle Home Tour another successful fundraiser! This event could not happen without the hardworking committee, hospitable homeowners, supportive docents and generous sponsors, artists, and florists, as well as participation by the public.

We completed our 1<sup>st</sup> full year of operation in our new facility and recently printed our Annual Report. It is amazing to look back and realize all that we have accomplished together.

Now it is time to look forward as we budget and plan programming for the new year. Those of you who have been enrolled in one of our classes or workshops received a survey about our offerings and we will use the helpful feedback as we create the coming schedule. If you have program suggestions, now is the time to speak up - just call or email the ALOC to share your ideas.

I also invite you to give thoughtful consideration about your contribution to our Annual Fund Drive, now in progress. Included with this newsletter you will find "Opportunities to Support the ALOC." We thank you in advance for your continued support and generosity!

Yours in Service, Marian Bickerstaff, President 410-208-2508

# Name YOUR Newsletter

The Art League of Ocean City has long produced a newsletter for its members. But, have you ever noticed in the information-packed publication, that there's something missing? The newsletter does not have a name! We'd like to solicit ALOC members' input and come up with a suitable name for YOUR newsletter. This calls for a contest!! Send in your best idea for a combination art-themed, shorethemed name - or anything else you think is appropriate and we'll choose the finalists for a vote "by the people." The individual with the winning submission wins...bragging rights, of course, and \$25.00 towards a class given at the Art Center. Give this some serious - or not so serious thought and submit your idea(s) via email to

katie@artleagueofoceancity.org no later than December 1, 2014. Please put "Newsletter Name Contest" in the subject line.

Thank you! Gail Philippi, Newsletter Editor

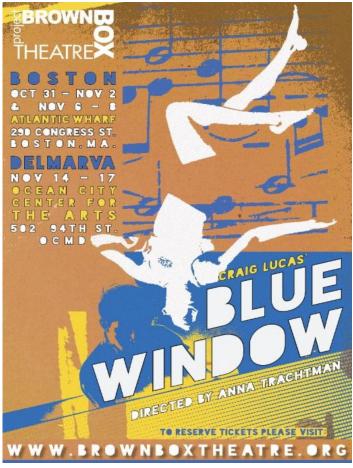


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Office Hours: Mon. - Fri. 9 am - 4 pm



Annual Meeting & Holiday Luncheon December 11, 2014 at Touch of Italy



See the gallery transformed into a Manhattan apartment when Brown Box Theatre returns to the Ocean City Center for the Arts!

### November 14th-17th at 7:30PM

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. for gallery viewing and a complimentary glass of wine. Cost: \$25 per person www.brownboxtheatre.org for reservations

# **Upcoming 2014 Classes**

Register for classes by calling 410.524.9433 or online at www.artleagueofoceancity.org Private and semi-private lessons in a variety of media are available. Please call for more information.

# **Painting Classes**

### "Local Color" Watercolors with Geri

Nov. 5, 19, 10 am — 1 pm, Instructor: Gerilyn Gaskill. Watch watercolor demonstrations and try your hand as you paint along with Geri! Have fun while you learn to capture the "local color" in watercolors. Artists of all levels are welcome. Bring what supplies you have and we will supplement. Cost: \$20 for members, \$25 for non members per session.

# Beginners and Beyond, Watercolors with Barbara Doyle Schmid

Mon.—Wed., Nov. 10-12, Dec. 8-10, 9 am — 2 pm. Popular monthly watercolor class for artists of all levels! Must register directly with instructor. Please call (410) 208-0219 to register. Cost: \$75 for members, \$90 for non members.

#### **Brushes and Bubbly**

Wednesdays, Nov. 5, Dec. 10 + additional date added—Thurs., Nov. 20, 6:30 pm—9:00 pm. Instructor: Kathi Stevens. Bring your friends, a snack, and an adult beverage and enjoy a fun, stress-free evening of painting. We supply the canvases, paints, brushes, cups, music, and an artist to guide you. Complete a work of art in one night. No prior experience necessary! Cost: \$36 for members, \$40 for non-members.

### **Pastel Painting Workshop with Nick Serratore**

Mon. & Tues., Nov.17-18, 10 am—2 pm with a lunch break. Learn various techniques for creating rich, luminous landscape paintings using the pastel medium. Various types of pastels (hard, medium, and soft) will be used. Pastel washes and "dry into wet" methods for underpainting will be explored, and students will experiment using different pastel paper surfaces. Students are to bring their own photos to use as reference. The workshop will be appropriate for beginners as well as experienced painters. Cost: \$70 for members, \$84 for non-members.

#### **Painting Clinic with David Simpson**

Thurs., Nov. 6, 4:30—7:30 pm, Fri., Nov. 14, 9:30 am— 12:30 pm, Thurs., Dec. 18, 4:30 –7:30 pm. These classes are designed for beginners and beyond. Any medium, any skill level. Bring your own supplies or rent a kit for just \$10. Materials fee payable directly to instructor. Cost: \$40 for members, \$50 for non-members.

### **Pottery Classes**

### **Family Clay Day**

Saturdays, November 8, December 20. 1:30—3:00 pm, All ages fun for the whole family! Spend the afternoon in our pottery studio and make a project out of clay. Cost: \$25 for members, \$30 for non-members. Includes clay, firing, and supplies.

#### **Pasta and Pottery**

Wednesday, November 19, December 20, 5:30–8:00 pm, Instructor: Erik Hertz. Enjoy a delicious pasta dinner with wine, and then make your own pottery creation in our pottery studio. Projects vary monthly, no experience necessary! Must be 21 to be served wine. Soft drinks will be available. Cost: \$50 for members, \$55 for non members. Includes dinner, clay, firing and supplies.

### **Adult Pottery**

Tuesdays, Nov. 4, 11, 18, Dec. 2, 9, 16, 10:00 am—12:00 pm; Thursdays, Nov. 6, 13, 20, Dec. 4, 11, 18, 6:00 — 8:00 pm. This class will explore both hand-building and wheel techniques. A great introduction to pottery or an opportunity to build your ceramic skills! All materials, clay, glazing, and firing included in cost. Cost: \$35 members, \$40 non-members per session. Sign up for 6 sessions: \$180 members, \$216 non-members (6session pass not available online).

### **Kids Classes**

#### Kids Pizza and Pottery

Friday, November 21, December 19, 5:30 pm—7:30 pm. Enjoy a pizza dinner, then make a clay creation while watching a popular kid's movie! Past classes have featured snowmen and "Frozen," minions and "Despicable Me 2," and more! Cost: \$30 for members, \$38 for non-members. Includes pizza dinner, clay, firing, and supplies.

#### **Kids Afternoon Pottery**

Thursdays, November 6, 13, 20, December 4, 11, 18, 4:30 — 5:30 pm, Ages 7 and up. Kids love to play with clay and express themselves with a variety of projects as they build handeye coordination and have a great time! All materials, clay, glazing, and firing included in cost. Cost: \$20 members, \$25 non-members per session. Sign up for a 4-session pass, \$72 members, \$90 non-members (4-session pass not available online).

### Figure Drawing Open Studio

Sunday, Nov.16, 1:00 — 3:00 pm, Cost: \$3.00, ALOC members only. Additional \$5.00 model fee payable directly to the model. Improve your life drawing skills, while benefitting from the company of other artists. Bring your own supplies and work in any medium. A monitor will coordinate each session; however, instruction will not be provided.

### **Dichroic Glass Jewelry Workshop with Fay Kempton**

Thursdays, November 13 & 20, 5:30pm — 7:30 pm each day. Learn about the "bling" in glass jewelry. You will learn the basics of design and create your own wearable art. You may make 3 pendants and 2 pairs of earrings, or trade to make other items. Class one: cut & glue the glass. Class two: assemble the fired pieces with gold and silver plate findings. Cost: \$40 for members, \$50 for non-members for two-class workshop. All materials and tools are provided with a \$35 materials fee payable to the instructor at the class.

# WHO'S WHO IN THE ART LEAGUE— Barbara Doyle Schmid



### Who's Who in the Art League ~

Barbara Doyle Schmid teaches the most popular art class at the Art League, called "Beginners and Beyond." This watercolor workshop is held three days every month and fills the two classrooms at The Center for the Arts. Beginners enjoy learning the medium and experienced artists love the camaraderie and Barbara's style.

After teaching in New Jersey elementary schools for 31 years, and running a garden design company, Barbara moved to Ocean Pines with her husband, Don. They have a son, Christian, who lives in Ohio, where they like to visit, sometimes caring for their busy teenage granddaughter while the parents are busy or traveling.

Barbara's home is full of her beautiful paintings, reflecting her travels. She and Don have loved being in Ireland, taking part in peat cutting during the turf harvest. Italy is another favorite place where they visit Rome and Tuscany. Barbara and Don have been married 55 years. On a trip to Israel, they renewed their vows in Cana, baptized each other in the Jordan River, and swam in the Sea of Galilee. On these trips, Barbara has been able to enjoy her favorite artists: Caravaggio, Giotto, Botticelli and the early mosaic artists.

Whether painting, traveling or gardening, Barbara enjoys life with her family, students and friends.

~ Stasia Heubeck

# Save the Date!

# **Holiday Artisan Fair**

December 6—7, 2014 11:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. Each Day

Enjoy this special showcase of local artisans by browsing through a variety of unique, handmade items including jewelry, ceramics, sculpture, fiber arts and more — all by ALOC members! This is a wonderful opportunity to showcase your artwork just in time for the holidays! There is no fee to participate. Limited space is available. Interested artisans should email gallery manager Katie Rosinski at katie@artleagueofoceancity.org by Fri., Nov. 21, 2014.



### Spot Light Gallery Artist November Trudy Brown December Donna Yannucci

# Things I Like at the Ocean City Center for the Arts...

- Hearing visitors to the building exclaim how beautiful it is.
- Watching people learn new skills in a wide variety of art classes.
- Kids expressing themselves and building confidence as they make art.
- The positive energy that this building seems to exude.
- Telling people that our chandelier was designed by Jeffrey Auxer when they ask if it is a "Chihully."
- Having dinner in the gallery each month at Pasta & Pottery.
- Watching live theater in an art space during the Brown Box productions.
- Interacting with people who are passionate about art.

As 2014 comes to a close, I'd like to thank the many people who have come together to make the Art League a vibrant, dynamic art organization, and the Ocean City Center for the Arts the premier arts destination in the area. Your continued support will enable us to do even more in the future.

Rina Thaler Executive Director

# **Drop In for Pottery Open Studio!**

During regular gallery hours: 11:00 am—4:00 pm Cost: \$50 monthly pass + \$2.50/lb. of clay (finished work) Perquisite: 4 previous classes or prior approval No Instructor

# **Drop In and Paint!**

Watercolor — Tuesdays, Nov. 4, 18, 25, Dec. 2, 16, 23, 30 All Media — Thurs., Nov. 6, 13, 20, Dec. 18 10:00 am — 1:00 pm Cost: \$ 3.00 Bring your supplies and paint with others No Instructor

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You are cordially invited to the Art League of Ocean City's

### Annual Meeting and Holiday Luncheon

Thursday, December 11, 2014, 11:30 AM-1:30 PM



at Touch of Italy 67th St., Oceanside in Ocean City, MD

Join us as we: Recognize our volunteers, Elect new board members, and Hear plans for the upcoming year!

Cost is \$20 per person, including meal, soft drinks/coffee, and gratuity.

#### Please RSVP by December 4 with payment.

Members may RSVP by phone (410-524-9433) or send a check to PO Box 3503, Ocean City, MD 21843

# CALL TO ARTISTS

The Art League of Ocean City will be coordinating an exhibit for January 2015, along with the Ocean City Library Writers Group, called "Shared Visions,' consisting of both writings and paintings. This exhibit will be an inspired pairing of the visual and literary arts, and there will be a special reading of the work during the month of January. Artists will be given a poem or short prose piece written by one of the library writers and asked to express it as a painting. Paintings may be any medium, but must be ready to hang and comply with ALOC hanging guideline standards. Interested artists should email gallery manager Katie Rosinski at katie@artleagueofoceancity.org.



# Photos from the Art Center

Winners of the Art League of Ocean City's September all-media "Artists Choice" competitive show gather at Friday night's Artists Reception: (Left to right) Marian Bickerstaff, 2nd Place for acrylic "Isle of Wight I"; Susan Keller, 3<sup>rd</sup> place for her acrylic "Beach Buddies"; Peggy Warfield, Honorable Mention for her collage "Honor"; Ann Michael, Honorable Mention for her photograph "Cambridge Water"; Claire Stoner, First Place for her watercolor figure "Untitled"; and Peter Hassler, Honorable Mention for his wood sculpture "Enchantment Under the Sea.



Friends Theresa Skepton of Baltimore, Lyn Smith of Sykesville and Laura Carnes of Towson enjoy the opening reception for artists at the Art League of Ocean City's First Friday Artists Reception in September.

### **Member News**

Sandra Grzybowski recently competed in the "Art in Nature" Photo Festival at the Ward Museum, is currently exhibiting her photography at The Globe in Berlin, and will exhibiting at Burley Oak Brewery in March 2015.

Amy Schade's DAEDALUS, acrylic water media, will be included in the Pennsylvania Watercolor Society's 35th Anniversary International Juried Exhibition at the State Museum of Pennsylvania in Harrisburg, PA 11/8/14— 2/8/15. Opening reception 11/16/14, 2—4 p.m. Public invited.

Patricia Dubroof, ALOC member and Creative Aging Specialist, offered a day long training session in Memphis at Creative Aging Mid South to caregivers, directors, and therapists regarding the importance of including creativity in person centered care plans. Patricia is also the director of Iona Gallery and has curated a new exhibit at Iona Senior Service honoring three artists. See www.iona.org for details.

Marie Cavallaro announced the CCART's 2014 Arts & Crafts Sale & Silent Auction 11/19/14—11/22/14, 11:00 am—6:00 pm and Sunday 11/23/14 11:00 am—4:00 pm. Location—Vernon Powell Bldg., 218 W. Main St., Downtown Plaza, Salisbury, MD. See www.ccartfoundation.org or call 410-546-1068 for details. Join us at the Opening Receptions for the November and December Exhibits at the Ocean City Center for the Arts Friday November 7 from 5-7 pm Friday December 5 from 5-7 pm

### November In the Thaler Gallery

Juried Members Holiday Show All Media 2D and 3D Competition Show Juror: Nick Serratore



### November In the Galleria

### **Delaware Watercolor Society**



"Candy" by John Hassler

### December In the Thaler Gallery

Juried Members Holiday Show All Media 2D and 3D Competition Show Juror: Nick Serratore

### December In the Galleria

Featuring Artwork of the Winners of 2014 First Friday Opening Receptions are always free and open to the public and are a wonderful opportunity to meet the artists. Complimentary refreshments are served.

Applications are now being accepted for studio rentals for 2015. There are opportunities to be the Artists in Residence for one month, three months, and one year. Also, Spotlight Gallery applications for 2015 are now available. For more information, contact Executive Director Rina Thaler at rthaler@artleagueofoceancity.org or 410-726-7768.



# Put the "art" in **PARTY**

Celebrate the holidays with your staff at the Ocean City Center for the Arts! Enjoy a stress-free art experience and unleash your inner artist. Our instructors will guide you step-by-step as you create a masterpiece — no experience neces-

sary!

Group rates for 10 or more: Brushes and Bubbly: \$30 /person (bring your own beverages & snacks) November 5, 20, December 10





Group rates for 10 or more: **Pasta and Pottery : \$40/person** (dinner & wine included) November 19, December 17

Private sessions are available for larger groups (20+)

FALL ARTIST IN RESIDENCE Studio D MICHELE GREEN

ARTISAN IN RESIDENCE FAY KEMPTON (see Fay's showcase in the retail area)



P. O. Box 3503 Ocean City, MD 21843

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# **2014 Exhibit Schedule**

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

> Friends In-Kind of the ALOC: Chesapeake Landscaping D3Corp. Clean Team Cleaning Management Services East Coast Property Management

### MEETING ROOM SPACE AVAILABLE

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

# Start Your Shopping at the Ocean City Center for the Arts!

Logo Aprons—Great for painting & cooking, \$20. Exhibit Catalog — Kevin Fitzgerald's "Points of Departure" \$10; Plein Air Posters — \$15 PLUS... The ALOC is now participating in the Amazon Smile program. Every time you shop on Amazon, go to Amazon Smile and designate the Art League to receive a donation . There is no cost to the shopper, but the Art League will receive .5% of every purchase made.

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# **OPPORTUNITIES TO SUPPORT THE ART LEAGUE OF OCEAN CITY**

### **GIVE SIMPLY**

- Donate online at <u>www.artleagueofoceancity.org</u>
- Donate by phone with a credit card by calling 410-524-9433
- Donate by check payable to the Art League of Ocean City

### DONATE FROM OUR WISH LIST

• Every donated item keeps down operating costs so we can offer quality and affordable exhibitions, classes, workshops and other events. Donated items could include educational supplies, equipment or furniture for the art center, or artwork to auction or for our permanent collection. Please contact our Executive Director, Rina Thaler, to find out what items are needed by the ALOC and if naming opportunities are available.

### **MEMBERSHIP**

 Membership is open to artists and non-artists alike from students to family and corporate members and sponsorships. Membership fees are considered donations and are tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law. Visit <u>www.artleagueofoceancity.org</u> for membership details.

### VOLUNTEER

 Volunteers are the lifeblood of our organization. They create a gracious, welcoming environment in our gallery, help out with our programs, exhibits, special events and community outreach programs. Consider using one or more of your many talents to partner in fulfilling the mission of the ALOC! Pick up a Volunteer application form when you visit, call or request one by email. GET MOTIVATED! GET INVOLVED!!

### **SPONSORSHIPS & GRANTS**

- Do you have a pet passion for one of the ALOC's special events or programs? Would you like to create a
  new one? Do you have a desire to help others in their pursuit of artistic endeavors? Consider sponsorship and grant opportunities for:
- \* A scholarship for a graduating high school senior.
- \* Create an outreach tuition fund for summer Art Adventure Camp.
- \* Sponsor a monthly exhibit.
- \* Sponsor a prize for our annual plein air event "Artists Paint OC."
- \* Become one of our coveted Sand Castle Home Tour sponsors.

# **MEMORIAL GIVING**

- Celebrate and honor special people or events in your life by creating a memorial gift that is a
  lasting tribute to link the past with those who will participate in a vision for the future. Some of
  the ways to make an honor gift are:
- \* Purchase a Legacy Paver for the court yard.
- \* Create an endowment to support a scholarship fund
- \* Name an event or an area of the building. The form of recognition will depend on the nature of your gift, your personal wishes and circumstances.

### PLANNED GIVING

- Through planned giving, benevolent individuals are able to make larger gifts than then could make from their income. Some planned gifts provide a life-long income for the donor, while others use estate and tax planning techniques to provide for their favorite charities in order to maximize the gift and minimize its impact on the donor's estate. Some planned giving ways to give are:
- \* Outright gifts of appreciated assets such as stocks, securities or real estate.
- \* Bequest of an outright gift or percentage of your estate.
- \* Charitable Gift Annuities and Charitable Trusts that can earn significant income for you
- \* during your lifetime.
- An Endowment to honor your love of the arts that will provide financial support for the ALOC long into the future.
- \* Contribute to the permanent **ALOC Endowment Fund** at the Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore.

Please contact the ALOC's Executive Director, Rina Thaler, to find out which giving opportunities are right for you. All donor information and correspondence will be respectfully held confidential and appropriate donor recognition will be given unless anonymity is requested in writing.

- The Art League of Ocean City is a private 501(c)3 non-profit organization dedicated to promoting the visual arts in the Ocean City area through education, exhibits, scholarships, programs and community art events. Your donation is tax-deductible to the fullest extent of the law. Please consult your tax professional for final treatment of your donation.
- A copy of our current financial statement is available upon request by contacting the Art League of Ocean City at P.O. Box 3503, Ocean City, MD 21843. (Phone 410.524.9433). Documents and information submitted to the State of Maryland under the Maryland Charitable Solicitations Act are available from the Office of the Secretary of State for the cost of copying and postage.