

A Message from your President...

Once again summer has raced by, crazy busy as usual in Ocean City! Along with all the usual summer activities, many of you found time for frequent visits at the Ocean City Center for the Arts and we continue to thank you. Many of our children were treated to 4 weeks of summer art camp held in partnership with the OC Recreation and Parks. Many thanks to our instructors, especially Kathi Stevens, for your incredible creativity!!

Our annual "Artists Paint OC" plein air event attracted over 50 artists from the east coast region and as far away as Indiana! Thanks to chairperson Emily Schwab, and her committee, for providing welcoming hospitality and support for this event that also drew a crowd to Saturday's Wet Paint Exhibit and Sale.

Activity doesn't diminish as the new fall schedule of classes and events will attest. I hope that you will put the annual Sand Castle Home tour on September 24 and 25th, high on your list of priorities!! Also, plan to attend the kick-off "Cirque des Artes" black and gold cocktail party at the Gateway Grand in honor of the homeowners on September 16th. In the words of party chairperson, Jamie Albright, "this party promises to be over the top!" The home tour and party continue to be the ALOC's main fundraiser and we greatly appreciate the support from the community – the homeowners, the hundreds of volunteers, the businesses who support the events and the public who participate!!

Yours in service, Marian Bickerstaff, Board President 410-208-2508

Thank You to Our Volunteers!

We are currently looking for docents for the Home Tour. Volunteer to be a docent for a half day and receive \$10 off your home tour ticket! Please consider volunteering; call Mallory or email her at Mallory@artleagueofoceancity.org to sign up.

Thank You for Voting for Us!

The Ocean City Center for the Arts has been voted "Best Art Gallery in Worcester County" by Coastal Style Magazine and "Best Art Gallery" Berlin to Ocean City by Metropolitan Magazine.

Black and Gold Party

The event of the year is just around the corner! On Wednesday, September 16, the ALOC will be holding their Black and Gold party, with a theme of Cirque des Artes, featuring performances by "airplay entertainment" from Philadelphia. These extraordinary centerpieces (pictured at right) will be available for purchase with the proceeds going to benefit ALOC programs. See page 3.





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2015

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Upcoming 2015 Classes

Please see our complete list of classes online at www.artleagueofoceancity.org.

Register for classes by calling 410-524-9433 or online at www.artleagueofoceancity.org.



Fused Glass Classes Instructor: Holden Becker

Serving Bowl/Platter—Thursday, Sept. 17, 1:00—3:00 pm Set of 4 6x6" Plates—Sunday, Oct. 25, Noon—2:00 pm Coral Glass Bowl—Saturday, Nov. 14, Noon—2:00 pm Cost: \$55 for members; \$70 for nonmembers plus \$20 material fee (material fee paid directly to instructor)



Winter season glass ornaments—Children/Parent class (make 2 each) - Sunday, Nov. 29, Noon—2:00 pm Cost for one adult and one child: \$40 for members, \$50 for non-members plus \$20 material fee (material fee paid directly to instructor). Additional children, \$10 each plus \$10 material fee.

Make elegant fused glass objects, choosing from a wide range of colored glasses. The glass will be fired after the workshop, so allow at least one week before pick-up. No experience necessary! Adults and children are welcome.



Develop Your Drawing Instructor: David Simpson

Sundays: Sept. 13, Oct. 18, Nov. 8, Dec. 13, Noon—3:00 pm

In 2016: Jan. 10, March 13, April 10, May 22, Noon—3:00 pm

Cost per class: \$30 for members, \$40 for non-members. These pencil drawing classes are designed for both beginners and more experienced artists! Each month will focus on a new and exciting topic!

Shore Birds in Watercolor with Brenda Kidera

September 19, 9:30 am— September 20, 4:00 pm Cost: Members: \$ 160.00, Non-Members: \$ 200.00



This class will take the fear out of painting birds by locally and methodically breaking down the painting process. Designed for both beginners and more experienced artists! Paying close attention to detail, learn how to render the form of a shore bird convincingly, from feathers to feet. Demonstrations, step-by-step instruction and one-on-one attention will be provided. I will supply reference materials. If you have questions please feel free to contact the artist herself Brenda Kidera, KideraFineArt.com, 410-489-0431.



Fiber Arts Classes Instructor: Monika Lilley

Felted Flowers—Wednesday, Oct. 14, 6:00—8:00 pm
Participants will learn the art of wet felting. Using only water, wool, soap, and some elbow grease, you can create beautiful and fun flowers. Embellish them while learning needle felting. The projects combine stress relief with creating beautiful works of art that can be used as hair clips, headbands and pins.



Nuno Felting 1 and 2—Felting 1: Wednesday, Oct. 21, 6:00—8:00 pm; Felting 2: Wednesday, Oct. 28, 6:00—8:00 pm (must taking Felting 1). Felting 1 teaches the ancient art of wet felting to create your own one-of-a-kind wearable work of art. Make a scarf using only wool roving, silk, water, soap, and some elbow grease. Felting 2 teaches adding ruffles and bubbles and layering yarn, plus learn to use a resist. Cost per class: \$50 for members, \$63 for non-members, plus \$10 for materials.



Abstract Mixed Media and Collage with Laurie Daddona

October 8, 10:00 am—October 10, 3:00 pm

Cost: Members: \$ 160, Non-Members: \$192

Bring new excitement and expression to your artwork through mixed media. Learn to loosen up, break through creative blocks, and enjoy the pure process of painting. In this three day workshop we will use watercolors, acrylics, pastes, collage materials, image transfers and, most of all, courage to step outside the lines and listen to our inner voices and create intuitively. This is a fun, energetic workshop with lots of experimental technique. Bring a lunch and "What If" attitude!



Painting Figures in the Landscape with Don Andrews

Oct. 19 - 22, 9 am - 4 pm Cost: Members \$325, Nonmembers \$390

Introduce believable figures

Don gives daily demonstra-

into your landscape painting. Don gives daily demonstrations that make you aware of figure construction and their many uses. It's fun to capture man's relationship to nature or even his awkward contrast to his environment. We'll explore ways to use the human form as an accent, point of interest or dominant character. Geared to artists at all levels with lots of personal attention.

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Children's Classes

Family Clay Day ~ All Ages

Saturdays: Sept. 5, Oct. 3, Nov. 7, Dec. 12 from 1:30 - 3 p.m., Instructor: Nancy Barnas

All ages fun for kids, parents, grandparents, and everything in between! Spend the afternoon in our pottery studio and make a project out of clay. Each month will feature a new masterpiece. All ages are welcome to attend, although children under 7 must be accompanied by an adult. Cost includes all supplies and firing. Cost per session: \$25 for Art League members, \$30 for non-members



Pizza and Pottery

Fridays: Sept. 18 and Oct. 23 from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Enjoy a pizza dinner, then make a clay creation while watching a popular kid's movie as inspiration! Each month will feature a fun new theme.

Children under 7 must be accompanied by an adult. All materials and pizza included in cost. Cost: \$30 for Art League members, \$38 for non-members

Cupcakes and Canvas



Saturdays: Sept. 26 and Oct. 24 from 2 - 4 p.m. Instructor: Kathi Stevens

Enjoy an afternoon of canvas painting and cupcake decorating! Kids will decorate and enjoy their own cupcake,

then create a masterpiece on canvas. Completed painting can be taken home that day. All ages are welcome, although children age 7 and under require parental supervision. Materials and cupcakes included in cost. Cost: \$25 for Art League members, \$30 for non-members

Kids Afternoon Pottery ~ All ages

Every Thursday from 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. (no classes on Nov 26, Dec 24, Dec 31), Instructor: Nancy Barnas

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 materials, clay, glazing and firing included in cost. All ages are welcome to attend, although children under 7 must be accompanied by an adult.

Cost per session: \$20 for members, \$25 for non-members. Cost for 4 session: \$72 for members, \$90 for non-members (not available online)

Adult Pottery Classes

Instructor: Nancy Barnas





Weekly Adult Pottery

Tuesdays, 10 am—12 pm; Thursdays, 6 - 8 p.m. (no classes on Nov. 26, Dec. 24, Dec. 31)
This class will explore both hand building and wheel techniques. A great introduction to pottery or an opportunity to build your ceramics skills! All materials, clay, glazing and firing included in the cost.

Cost per session: \$35 for members, \$40 for non-members Cost for 6 sessions: \$180 for members. \$216 for non-

Sip and Ceramics

members (not available online)

All classes 5:30 pm—7:30 pm
Make a beer stein and taste Burley Oak beer—
Wednesday, Oct. 7
Make a holiday house luminaria & enjoy treats—
Wednesday, Nov. 18
Make a cheese board with wine/cheese tasting—
Wednesday, Dec. 2

Bring your friends, a snack, and an adult beverage, and enjoy a fun, stress-free evening of pottery. We supply everything you need and an artist to guide you. No prior experience necessary! Perfect for a date night or a girls night out! Please allow 2-3 weeks for firing and glazing. Cost per session: Members for \$40. Non-members for \$50

Sushi and Ceramics

September 23, 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm Make a complete sushi set out of clay and nibble on freshly prepared sushi rolls. Class includes all materials, a preordered sushi roll of your choice and beverages. Projects will be ready in 2-3 weeks. *Cost: \$40 for members and \$50 for non-members*.

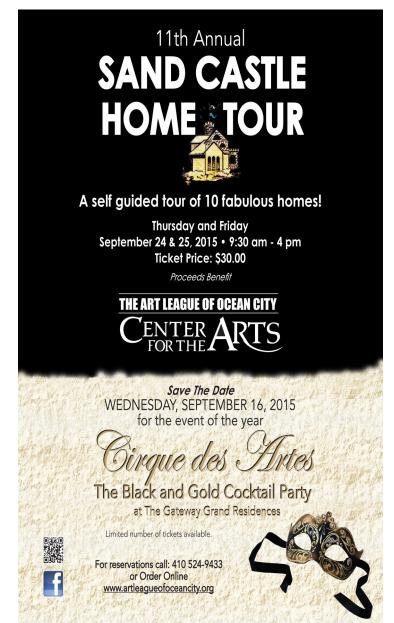
Painting Horses

Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 17 - 18 from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Instructor: Lynne Lockhart

Put some stomp in your painting. Add a horse! This workshop will cover artistic anatomy, motion and expression as well as how to get that pony the right size for your pasture. Learning how to build a solid animal with correct proportion will add vitality to your work. Whether you want to showcase a certain horse or add a whole herd in the background, this class will help. Demonstrations in oil and Sharpie. Cost: \$135 for Art League members, \$170 for non-members.

The 2015 Sand Castle Home Tour kicks off with the Black & Gold cocktail party at The Gateway Grand in Ocean City on Wednesday, Sept. 16, from 6:30 to 9 p.m. The event will honor homeowners and raise funds for the Art League of Ocean City. Guests will enjoy an evening of "Cirque des Artes", with heavy hors d'oeuvres, live music, and a beautiful setting. Pictured below are event chairpersons Jamie Albright, Katy Durham and Rebecca Galyon with caterer Kathy Berezoski from Watermans Inn in Crisfield. Tickets are \$95 per person. Reservations may be made online at www.artleagueofoceancity.org or by calling 410-524-9433.







Photos



Artist Jim Rehak paints at the commercial fishing harbor in West Ocean City.



Artist George Kalwa captured the rescue at the inlet during the Plein Air event's Quick Draw.



Winners, judge, and sponsors at the Wet Paint Sale held at the Ocean City Center for the Arts following the plein air event: (L-R) Rina Thaler, Ray Ewing, Larry Rudolech, Emily Schwab, Jim Mathias, Abby Haught, Laura Era, Ann Crostic, Barbara Stepura, Bruno Baran, and Diana Hurwitz-Specht.

Who's Who in the Art League ~

John Sisson

John Sisson, one of our newest members, made the move to Ocean City about a year ago. One day, while riding his bike, he saw the Center for the Arts and



decided to visit. He was greeted by the very welcoming staff, was impressed with the exhibits and activities, and agreed to volunteer for the Empty Bowl Project. Now, he has become very involved with our fund raising.

Born on the Army base of Fortress Monroe, VA, John became a teacher in the Prince George's Public Schools. He began with elementary school, and later taught Japanese and Spanish to middle and high school students. Receiving several grants to promote the Arts and Humanities, John was able to take his students to Europe and Japan for study tours, bicycle trips and visits to folklore festivals. Upon retirement, after 36 years, he has become active in the Maryland Retired School Personnel Association, assisting with Public Relations and Finance. He plays the tuba and enjoys traveling, most recently to Norway for hiking and horseback riding.

Since he believes the key to a successful organization is long term as well as short term fund raising, John has been working with the Legacy Program and the Paver Project at the Art League. Donating a brick paver for the front courtyard is one form of leaving a legacy. Whether it honors one's family or a well-known person, the paver can make a statement, even a whimsical one.

~ Stasia Heubeck

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We are seeking qualified art instructors in a variety of mediums to expand our schedule of classes for kids and adults. If you are interested in teaching, contact katrin@artleagueofoceancity.org



Spot Light Gallery Artist

September
Carl Forsberg
October
Barbara Doyle Schmid
&
Judy King



Summer at the Ocean City Center for the Arts was filled with a diverse group of engaging programs. From the 158 children who enthusiastically attended art camp, to the 52 artists who came from around the country to participate in our "Artists Paint OC" plein air event, and the spectacular exhibits including: Patrick Henry, Evan Fitzgerald and our

Beverly Bassford juried show, it has been so rewarding to be part of such a vibrant cultural community.

For fall, you will find a dazzling array of options to educate, inspire and entertain you. Pick up a copy of our fall schedule and you will find some familiar favorite classes in painting, drawing, pottery and glass, and some new offerings in photography, fiber and even an acting workshop. Thanks to those who responded to our education survey this spring, we have expanded our offerings to meet your requests. Note some of the new free programs, like the drop in family art Saturdays, the exploring music workshop and the art therapy workshop. These programs have been made possible through grants and partnerships with the PNC foundation, Gannett foundation, the Jesse Klump memorial fund and the Worcester County Health department and we are grateful for their support.

None of these wonderful activities would be possible without the support of you, our dedicated membership of over 850 individuals and businesses. As the Art League reaches new heights, it is so important to remember that we are all in this together, and that the arts can only thrive with the support of those who understand its value.

I hope to see you soon at the art center.

Creatively yours,

Rina Thaler, Executive Director

Black and Gold Cocktail Party & Home Tour Tickets on Sale NOW!



Private and Semi-private lessons available in a variety of media: oils, acrylics, pastel, watercolor, and more! Learn at your own pace and around your own schedule. Call for more info. 410-524-9433.

Member News

Patricia Black won First Place in the Smart Devices category in the Ward Museum photography contest August 9th.



Patricia Black's "Nature's Harmony"

Sandra Grzybowski had a successful month selling her photography at the Burley Oak Brewery and is currently exhibiting at the new Drifting Grounds Coffee Shop. She also has photographs on exhibit at the Sea La Vie Shop in Berlin and at Yellowfins Restaurant in Williamsville, DE.

Sara Timmons has a photograph accepted for the Loan Collection of the Professional Photographers of America. Her image, "Tuscan Morn" will be published in their Loan Collection book.



Sara Timmons' "Tuscan Morn"

Amy Schade has artwork included in the Pennsylvania Watercolor Society 36th International Juried Exhibition, the Philadelphia Watercolor Society 115th International Juried Exhibition, the Keystone National Open Juried 2015, and Berks Art Alliance 36th Annual Open Juried Exhibit.

Brigitte Bowden won first prize at the Worcester County Arts Council's juried July art exhibit "Home" for her oil painting titled, "Laundry Day at the Farm." She also won Best in Show for her painting, "Farmer's Market" in the Delmarva Regional Exhibition at the Art Institute & Gallery in Salisbury.

Debra Sorenson won First Place at "Crisfield on Canvas," which is Crisfield's first plein air event. Her painting, "Working the Crab Floats," was of the soft shell crab shedding process, which is one of the largest industries in the waterman's town.



Debra Sorenson's "Working the Crab Floats"

Have your heard about our Member Artist Directory website link?

Have your name, image of your artwork, and website listed in the Member Artist Directory on the ALOC website and linked to other Ocean City attraction websites to maximize your exposure. Cost: \$25 per year. To purchase, please call 410-524-9433.

AMAZON SMILE

The ALOC is now participating in the **Amazon Smile** program. Every time you shop on Amazon, use this link, **http://smile.amazon.com/ch/52-1377610**, and all of your eligible shopping will benefit the Art League! There is no cost to the shopper, but the Art League will receive .5% of every purchase made.

HAVE YOUR NEXT EVENT AT THE OCEAN CITY CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Looking for a space for a party, meeting, or wedding? 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.

Special Programs

Music Therapy Experience — September 18
Art Yard Sale — October 11
Art Therapy Experience — October 31
Acting Workshop with Gwen Lehman — Nov. 13-15

Save the Date!

Bus Trip to Baltimore Visionary Museum, Nov. 14

Brown Box Theatre Project returning with "Lab Rats," November 20-23

Registration Now Open!

April 4-6, 2016, Powercolor Painting—Acrylic, Caroline Jasper

October 13-16, 2016, Watercolor Workshop, Sterling Edwards

ARTIST IN RESIDENCE — September Studio E Teri Edgeworth

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Jewelry

Fay Kempton

ARTISAN IN RESIDENCE—October

Jewelry

Pilar Micheli

"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.

Join us at the Opening Receptions for the September and October Exhibits at the Ocean City Center for the Arts Friday September 4 from 5-7 pm Friday October 2 from 5-7 pm

September In the Thaler Gallery

"Next of Kin"



Kirk McBride



Lynne Lockhart



Paul Lockhart

Book Signing by

Barbara Lockhart

September In the Galleria

"Abstract"

All Media Group Show

October In the Thaler Gallery

Artists Exchange Artist Group

Featuring: Constance Costigan, Denise Dumont, Laura Hickman, Michael Krausz, Victor Letonoff, Marti Marino, Nina Mickelsen, Lee Wayne Mills, Aina Nergaard-Nammack, Steve Rogers, Nick Serratore, and Barbara Warden



October In the Galleria

"Selfies"

Members Group Show Self Portraits, All Media 2D & 3D

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Creative Fundraising

Let the Art League of Ocean City make fundraising fun!

Enjoy a stress-free art experience and unleash your inner artist all while raising money for your charity or organization. Our instructor will guide you step-by-step as you create a masterpiece—no experience necessary! Make up to \$500 for your charity and support the arts in the Ocean City area!

Painting Party

Pottery Party

Bring your own beverage & snacks. We will supply the rest! Paints, brushes, canvases, aprons, easels, and an artist to quide you!

Bring your own beverage & snacks. We will supply the rest! Clay, tools, aprons, and an artist to guide you!

Charity must be a registered nonprofit. Minimum 10 people, maximum 25. Schedule your FUNDRAISER today! Give us a call at 410-524-9433.

Drop In and Paint!

10:00 am — 1:00 pm Bring your supplies and paint with others Watercolor — Tuesdays All Media — Thursdays No Instructor Cost: \$3.00

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

2015 Exhibit Schedule

September — Abstract, All Media 2D & 3D First Friday Reception September 4, 5-7 pm. September Featured Artist—Kirk McBride, Lynne Lockhart, Paul Lockhart. Judge Angela Herbert-Hodges.

October — "Selfies" - Self Portraits, All Media 2D & 3D, First Friday Reception October 2, 5-7 pm.

October Featured Artists—Artists

Exchange Artist Group

November — Members Only, Juried, All Media 2D & 3D, First Friday Reception November 6, 5-7 pm. November Featured Artists—Art by Wounded Warriors

December — Members Only, Juried, All Media 2D & 3D, First Friday Reception December 4, 5-7 pm. Best of 2015

Drop in for Family Art Days!

How Does Your Garden Grow?

Saturdays, 10:00 am— Noon

Space Limited, First Come, First Served

Oct. 17 — Flower Garden—Paint a beautiful watercolor sunflower

Nov. 21 — Harvest Garden — A mixed media project with pumpkins and gourds

Dec. 19 — Winter Garden — Build a snowman out of clay

Join us for an exciting new series that will integrate our love of nature, our precious Delmarva environment, and the arts. Once a month we will have this free fun art program for the whole family. Your family can drop-in to make fun art creations to take home. Children should be accompanied by an adult. **FREE**

Made Possible by a Grant from the PNC Foundation

NEW! Third Thursday Photography Drop In Group

Thursdays—Oct. 15, Nov. 19, Dec. 17, 6:00-8:00 pm

If you love photography, you are welcome to join a monthly drop-in photography discussion group. Enjoy lively presentations, participate in group critiques, and share ideas. Each night there will be a topic for discussion. For the first three months we will discuss the work of the following photographers: Oct.—Diane Arbus, Nov.—Sally Mann, Dec.—Arno Rafael Minkkinen. Facilitator: Don Lehman



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