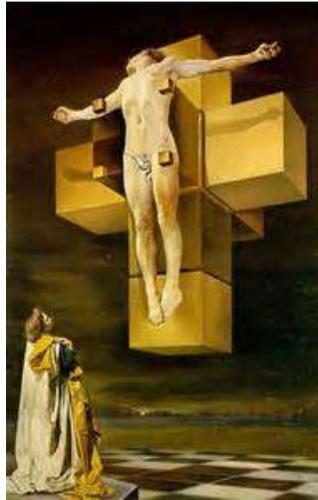


MCMURRAY ART LINES

March 2017

**TO
PROVIDE
AND
STIMULATE
FOCUS ON
THE ARTS**



**Next General Meeting:
March 9 at 2 PM
Speaker: Marlene Boas**

"Crocifissione"
Salvador Dalí

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PRESIDENT'S NOTES

After some crazy weeks of "winter"—with alternating cold and warm days—I'm aware of the signs of an early spring; birds singing, my daffodils are up, and there are tiny buds on the maple tree outside my window. With the warming weather comes a new season of classes and exhibits. **I'm creating another "crankie" during Wednesday's Open Studio gathering, which I hope to share with you at the General Meeting on April 13.**

We're working on our Spring exhibit which has traditionally been our juried-for-awards exhibit. There have been calls-for-artists from several different organization, so we'll try to keep you informed about other places you can exhibit your work.

We hope the warmer weather of an approaching Spring stimulates your creative energies! I look forward to seeing you at an upcoming class or Open Studio. We also hope you consider offering your talents to help the McMurray Art league continue as a vibrant arts organization—we still have positions open on next year's board and committee chair roster. We'd love to have you join us—many hands make light work for all of us!

Keeping the arts alive,
Anne Trimble
Co-President

MARCH SPEAKER



General Meeting –
McMurray Art League-
March 9, 2017

Our speaker for this meeting is our own Marlene Boas. In addition to being a

member of McMurray Art League, Marlene is an accomplished artist in the method known as “Encaustic Painting”.

Encaustic painting, also known as hot wax painting, involves using heated beeswax to which colored pigments are added. The liquid or pastes are then applied to a surface – usually prepared wood, though canvas and other materials are often used.

She will speak in part about creativity and some fun exercises that will unleash our muse.

She is a member of the Pittsburgh Society of Artists, and is currently President of that organization. As such she is serving on the board of the 50th annual exhibition of that society.

Marlene Boas holds a PHD and is a Board Certified life coach.

Obviously, a very interesting woman and someone we are pleased to have address our group.

We proudly present Ms. Marlene Boas.

FROM OUR CLASS COORDINATOR

Important Reminder: Registration for classes can be done on-line or by contacting our **Class Registrar, Jean Kunz** via e-mail at classregistrar@mcmurrayartleague.com or by phone at 412-831-9992. Early registration is encouraged.

Suggestions for classes and questions regarding class content may be directed to Class Coordinator, Fred Kunz by phone 412-831-9992 (home) or 412-337-3366 (cell) if you have any questions, or via e-mail at classcoordinator@mcmurrayartleague.com.

UPCOMING CLASSES

DATE	INSTRUCTOR	MEDIUM/DESCRIPTION	TIME	MEMBERS RATE	NON-MEMBER RATE
2017					
Apr. 5, 12	Barry Jeter	Watercolor (see MAL website for outline and supply list)	10:00 – 4:00	\$40/day	\$45/day
May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31	Sue Levy	Beginner-Intermediate Watercolor (see MAL website for artist info, outline, and supply list)	10:00 – 2:00	\$25/day	\$30/day

CONFIRMED MEETING DATES FOR 2017

Board Meetings – Mondays
March 20 – 2:00 PM
April 24, 2017 – 2:00 PM

General Meetings - Thursdays	Speakers
March 9 – 2:00 PM	Marlene Boas - Creativity
April 13 – 7:00 PM	Ellen Gozion - Crankies

MARCH STUDIO SHOW - SHADES OF GREEN!

Please join us for the next MAL studio show titled, ***Shades of Green***, which will be hung on Thursday, March 23 and taken down on Thursday, May 25.

The title of the show, ***Shades of Green***, means that the color green should appear in your work - trees, plants, flowers, landscapes, clothing, or green should be included in the painting concept, e.g. greed, money, St. Patrick's Day, all things Irish.

Drop off your work at the studio from 5:00-6:00 pm on March 23. Pick up of work in the

current show ***Multiples*** is on the same day and same time.

If you're not able to drop off work then, please contact Co-Chairs Michalina Pendzich or Linda Saksa to arrange an alternate drop off time.

Work in this show should be framed, wired and ready to hang. Every artist can enter up to 3 pieces.

Please register for the show online or send, and send tag information (title, medium and price) to Linda Saksa, saxa3@msn.com or Michalina Pendzich, mpendzich54@yahoo.com by Thursday, March 16.

We hope that you'll take part in the show and share your work with other members.

SHADES OF GREEN RECEPTION

MAL will host an open house reception on Friday, March 24th from 6-8 pm to welcome "*Shades of Green*" to our studio walls!

It is so exciting to see all the new art work displayed and so insightful to talk to the artists about their work and ideas for future projects.

Please spread the word to your family and friends. Everyone is welcome.

MAL will provide light refreshments.

Anyone who would be able to help with this event please contact Darla Tsupros at derpla115@gmail.com or by phone at 412-997-0833.

SPRING SHOW

Update about the Spring juried art show.

We are presently searching for a place to hold our event. Yes we can always do it at the studio but we want more foot traffic if at all possible.

As of right now, we are planning a May event.

Thanks for your patience and more info to follow.

WATERCOLOR COLLAGE CAFÉ

On Wednesday, March 15, 10:00 am -2:00 pm, join fellow MAL members in creating a watercolor collage.

Watercolor collage is a bit different from traditional collage. The process starts with white or natural Japanese paper which you stain (color) using your watercolors. The stained paper is then used to create a collage on a piece of illustration board or other stiff background. Once the paper is glued to the board using matte medium or glue and an inexpensive brush, it can be painted over, more paper applied etc. You get the idea.

The result is a richly textured, beautifully colored image.

Jan Pini and Michalina Pendzich will lead the Cafe and will provide a packet of Japanese paper for all attendees for \$5.00-\$10.00. If you have your own white or natural Japanese paper feel free to bring it to the class.

You will also need an 11"x 15" piece of illustration board, watercolors, brushes, palette, matt medium or plain white glue and a reference photo or idea.

We hope you can join us. Register online at the MAL website. Cost for the cafe is \$3.00.

If you have any questions contact Jan, janpini@verizon.net, or Michalina, mpendzich54@yahoo.com. Hope to see you at the studio!

PETERS TOWNSHIP LIBRARY EXHIBITS

On Wednesday, March 8 at 9:30 am plan to bring your paintings for MAL's next library show. The theme is "Bright Beginnings." Contact Sandy Conley conley1973@verizon.net by March 5 to register online or send for the show. Provide title, medium and price for your art. Each artist can exhibit up to 3 pieces. McMurray Art League has been exhibiting at the library for many years. The current exhibit space is bright and your work will be showcased beautifully.

SHOW DATES	THEME
Jan. 11 – Mar. 8, 2017	Photography Club Show
Mar. 9 – Apr. 26, 2017	Bright Beginnings
Apr. 26 – Jul. 26, 2017	Window On The World
Jul. 26 – Oct. 25, 2017	Unexpected Drama
Oct. 25 – Jan. 10, 2018	Favorite Pastime

OPEN STUDIO

It's time again to begin Open Studio. The MAL Studio space will be available to us on the following dates through February and March. Please mark your calendars accordingly.

Wednesdays - March 01, 08, 22, and 29
from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm. Please note the omission of March 15 due to a scheduled CAFÉ.

Open Studio gives members an opportunity to work on their own individual art projects in the company of other MAL members. We exchange

ideas, offer tips on technique, discuss new art products, encourage one another and if requested, give friendly critique.

Put Open Studio on your calendars and come join us! It's fun and a great opportunity to

meet, paint and share with other art league members.

Fee of \$3 goes toward MAL expenses. Don't forget to bring your lunch!

NEWS FROM OTHER LEAGUES

PITTSBURGH PASTEL ARTISTS LEAGUE

The group is having a juried show at the Artsmiths of Pittsburgh Gallery on McFarland Rd. in Mt. Lebanon next to Atria's. The reception will be on Palm Sunday, April 9, 2017 from 2 – 5 pm with catered refreshments.

PITTSBURGH WATERCOLOR SOCIETY

Screening for new members will be March 12, 2017 at 2 pm in the Chapel Room of Sixth Presbyterian Church, 1688 Murray Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15217. Prospective members should go on website for registration. Plan to have three pieces of watercolor art that show consistency of style.

PITTSBURGH SOCIETY OF ARTISTS

(PSA) was founded in May, 1965. With more than 400 members, whose work represents all visual-arts media, the PSA is the largest guild of the Pittsburgh Center for the Arts.

In 2015, PSA marked its 50th year dedicated to providing its members with opportunities to

exhibit their art, both in the Pittsburgh area and beyond southwestern Pennsylvania.

In addition to providing exhibition opportunities, the Society, since its inception, has been dedicated to encouraging creative thinking about the arts through public dialogue.

At PSAs general membership meetings, held twice a year, the guild engages speakers to explore some aspect of the arts. The general public has always been invited to these stimulating programs.

Any individual, eighteen years old or older, who lives within 150 miles of Pittsburgh may apply for membership by submitting three original pieces of art to a screening by the Board of Directors. Screenings are held in the spring and fall of each year. This year's Spring screening will be held on March 19, 2017. Bring three pieces of work that show consistency of style. Drop off is 12:30 pm to 1 pm; pick up is 3 pm to 4 pm at Pittsburgh Center for the Arts, 6330 Fifth Ave., Pittsburgh 15232.

PHOTOGRAPHIC SECTION ACADEMY OF SCIENCE AND ART OF PITTSBURGH

Meetings are held on the second, third and fourth Tuesday of every month from September to May at 7:30 pm at the Mt. Lebanon Recreation Center. On Feb. 21 there will be a macro night where people may try their hands at taking close-ups photos. Feb. 28 will be digital night competition where members may enter some photos. Guests are welcome anytime to see what this group is about.

BETHEL PARK ART LEAGUE

The next meeting will be on March 2 at 12:30 pm at the Bethel Park Community Center with featured speaker Robert Daley. He has a BA in studio art from the University of Pittsburgh. Robert is best known for his portrait work including portraits of notables from the Church, Government and corporate world. He has been in business as an artist, teacher and gallery owner for over 35 years in Brookline. Visitors are welcome.

The league has an ongoing gallery wall at the community center.

NOMINATIONS 2017-2018

It's time to get involved! For McMurray Art League to continue to provide artists with so many classes, workshops, and exhibition opportunities, MAL needs your support.

Consider becoming a nominee for one of the positions below that are still OPEN for next year. **General elections will be held at the April Meeting.**

- **NEWSLETTER** chairperson: OPEN
- **Co Presidents:** 1) Anne Trimble 2) OPEN
- **Co Vice Presidents:** 1) Carmen Di Giacomo 2) OPEN
- **Hospitality:** 1) Nancy Hokaj 2) OPEN
- **Nominations Committee:** for 2018-2019 1) OPEN 2) OPEN
- **Fall Show Chairs:** 1) OPEN 2) OPEN

Responsibilities for each position are described in the McMurray Art League Directory. Contact Leslie Baldwin at 412-720-7380 or lesbld@verizon.net or Anne Trimble at 412-343-0489.



Basket of Flowers
Andy Warhol
1958

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THE McMURRAY ART LEAGUE

Officers & Chairs – 2016 – 2017

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Peters Twp. Library: Sandy Conley

Program: Fred Kunz

Publicity: [Judy Ann DiGiacomo](#)

Scholarship: Carol Aurin

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