

May 2018

# MCMURRAY ART LINES

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AND  
STIMULATE  
FOCUS ON  
THE ARTS



Next General  
Meeting:

May 10, 2018

7:00 PM

[www.mcmurrayartleague.com](http://www.mcmurrayartleague.com)

“Moscow, Red Square” 1916  
Wassily Kandinsky - Oil on Canvas

## PRESIDENT'S NOTES

Now I sound like a broken record: the weather was so spring-like last weekend, so the snow in late April was a big surprise (see the April newsletter). It's crazy to see cherry blossoms on the trees today when it's snowing—can't tell if the white flakes are snow or flower petals. I don't know about you, but I'm **REALLY, REALLY** ready for winter to be over, and the real colors to come out, inspiring plein air painting!

I've learned so much in the classes I've taken in the past year, and particularly inspired by the **CAFÉ's** taught by MAL members-- wonderful crafts that I hadn't tried before. I'm now working on a needle felt portrait of my Mom, thanks to a wonderful **CAFÉ** workshop by member Darlene Sanders.

Please consider becoming an involved member of the **McMurray Art League**! Share a special craft or artistic DVD for a **CAFÉ**, show up at an **Open Studio**, or help with a committee: bringing snacks to a meeting or facilitating an exhibit. **MAL** is such a vibrant art league. I'm so glad you can take advantage of all it has to offer you in your pursuit of artistic and creative expression—we love your input to help make this an even better art league to help members grow in/find their creative muses.

Hope to see you at a class, **CAFÉ**, or **Open Studio** soon...

Keeping the arts alive,

**Anne**

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## NOTICE

If you have information you want to share with **MAL** members, please submit your article to our President, Anne Trimble with a copy to the newsletter coordinator, Paul Rebholz at [p.rebholz@live.com](mailto:p.rebholz@live.com). Please turn in your info by Thursday (or Friday if you choose) after the Board Meeting to be printed in the next newsletter.

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## NEXT GENERAL MEETING, Thursday, May 10, 2018 at 7:00 PM

Remember the next meeting is in the evening! After a short business meeting at 7:00, our presenter will be Sandy Conley. Sandy was so moved by the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra's performance of J.S. Bach's *Chaconne*, she committed to visually interpreting this glorious piece of music. The result is **BACH BEREAVED**, a series of 64 related mixed-media paintings depicting the emotion and poignancy expressed by Bach in the *Chaconne*. A 20-minute video was created which pairs a beautiful violin solo rendition of Bach's *Chaconne* with Conley's 64 paintings.

**BACH BEREAVED** blends and celebrates the multiple artistic disciplines of assemblage painting, music, video and historical story-telling in one substantial project. Conley uses materials in a

unique way to present an assemblage work of art that invites viewers to an up-close inspection. And with the help of talented videographer Dan McKosky and gifted violinist Ellen Chen Livingston, bold images and sublime music seldom heard outside of the concert hall are combined in the unique video presentation. While Bach's *Chaconne* is widely known and appreciated among classical musicians, Conley's goal through **BACH BEREAVED** is to tell the Bach story and to broaden the *Chaconne's* audience and appeal.

Sandy is excited to present **BACH BEREAVED** for the first time in a public setting on May 10th. The original art will be on exhibit, Sandy will describe her process, and show the 20-minute video, **BACH BEREAVED**.

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## SPRING LUNCHEON

**Theresa Bozzo** has scheduled a **McMurray Art League Spring Luncheon** for Thursday May 17, 2018, at 12:30 PM. It will be held at **Pizzaz Italian Restaurant**, 250 Washington Road, McMurray, PA. 15317 (across from Simmon's Market). Cost is \$18.00 per person for a lovely buffet. Deadline to sign up is May 13, 2018. Please send checks made out to **McMurray Art League** to:

*Theresa Bozzo, 109 Green Commons Drive, Pgh. PA 15243*

## LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU!

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### FIELD TRIP TO THE FRICK

We are planning a field trip to the Frick's current exhibit "*VanGogh, Monet, Degas: Mellon collection*", tentatively set for Wednesday, June 20 @ 10:00 AM. We may do lunch at the Frick Café, and possibly a tour of Clayton. We need to make reservations for all of these, so please let us know if you're interested by June 10. We'll create an event on the **MAL Website** for you to register so we know how many folks want to come.

**Anne**

### LITTLE LAKE THEATER TRIP

Darla Duffy and Judy DiGiacomo would like to get a **MAL** group to attend the *Little Lake Theater performance of "Steel Magnolias"* on August 16 @ 7:30 PM. Tickets are \$19:50 for a group of 10 or more. Please reply to Darla at [darla.duffy801@gmail.com](mailto:darla.duffy801@gmail.com) or Judy at [Judyspalette@verizon.net](mailto:Judyspalette@verizon.net) by May 1, if you're interested. We'll take it from there!

**Darla Rae Duffy**  
**Judy DIGiacomo**

## CONFIRMED MEETING DATES FOR 2018

<b>Board Meetings</b> <b>Third Mondays, 2:00 PM</b>	<b>General Meetings</b> <b>Second Thursdays</b>	<b>Program</b> <b>Speakers</b>
May 21, 2018	May 10, 2018 – 7:00 PM	Sandra Conley – Music and Art

## CURRENT LIBRARY SHOW- SALUTE TO NATURE

Please consider exhibiting your art at Peters Township Library. See the schedule below for show dates and themes. By the Monday before the show start date email Sandy Conley ([conley1973@verizon.net](mailto:conley1973@verizon.net)) the title, medium and price for up to 3 pieces of work. You can also register on our website.

<b>SHOW DATES</b>	<b>THEME</b>
Mar. 15 – May 23, 2018	Salute to Nature
May 23 – July 25, 2018	Near and Far
July 25 – Oct. 24, 2018	Mismatched
Oct. 24 – Jan. 9, 2019	Playtime

## STUDIO CLASSES:

### CURRENT AND UPCOMING CLASSES FOR SPRING 2018:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Member</b>	<b>Non-Member</b>
May 9, 16	<b>Ashley Garner</b> , Acrylic/Oil Figures	10:00-2:00	\$30/day	\$35/day

Check out details for classes on the [MAL Website](#).

Thanks so much to our class coordinator, Fred Kunz, who scheduled all studio classes through May before he had some serious health issues last fall. Hope to see him and Jean back in at the studio soon!

## WINDOW EXHIBIT

April's **Window Exhibit** is Diane Murray, a longtime supporter of **McMurray Art League**. Darlene Sanders will exhibit in May.

### **Darla Rae Duffy**

## ART EXHIBIT

Here is another opportunity to exhibit your work, Art All Night is a 22 hour exhibit, in Lawrenceville, PA, this is the 21st year of this exhibit. It's more than an exhibit, there's lots of fun, and music. Check it out at their website: <https://artallnight.org/wp>. This exhibit runs over this upcoming weekend, April 28, 2:00 through-29, 2018. Simply bring your artwork to exhibit. Learn more about it on their website.

## FALL EXHIBIT

The 2018 **MAL Fall Art Show at the Galleria** will be held from Friday, Oct. 5 to Sunday, Oct. 14, and the theme is "**Autumn Blush**". Since this show is not juried, the standards committee will review your work at the time of hanging. Please make sure your art meets the standards, and is ready to hang. We will not have a Galleria Kiosk to use for this show, and are currently considering other options. If you have any suggestions, please let me know, [erosie5@aol.com](mailto:erosie5@aol.com). More specific details will be available in August. As always we will need volunteers to make this show a success, please consider helping in any way you can. Show chairs are Betty Roseborough and Julianne Eisel. Important Show dates are:

- Registration Postmark cut-off Friday Sept. 21
- Screen Setup HELP ONLY Thursday Oct. 4 from 9 to 11 PM
- Drop off work – Hang Work Friday Oct. 5 from 7 to 9 AM
- Reception Saturday Oct. 6 from 7 to 8:30 PM
- People's Choice Voting Cut-off Thursday Oct. 11 at 8 PM
- Show Takedown Sunday Oct. 14, 5 – 6 PM

## Betty Roseborough and Julianne Eisel.

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### OPEN STUDIO

**Open Studio** continues to be Fridays from 10 AM to 2 PM, so, I've been thinking....yeah, yeah, I know it's an oddity. It's about **Open Studio**, the summer months, and bringing a little adventure into our painting experience. For instance, what about a field trip or two? Nothing fancy or requiring a credit card, but perhaps a trip to the gazebo in South Park to paint the cattails, or a sweet garden somewhere...how about the Pittsburgh Botanical Gardens? I've never been. Canonsburg Lake? Think about it and let us know...

Also, what about a photo exchange? We all have camera phones and email addresses. Why not choose a few pic's of unusual places that others may never get to see. We can pull them up on someone's iPad and do a little trading...or is that concept too personal? Think about it.

Four **Open Studio** days in May...all good. Be there or be square! Can't wait to see you all again!

Phone 412-835-1124 or 412-860-9049 or email at [klvituccio@gmail.com](mailto:klvituccio@gmail.com).

## Karen Vituccio

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### MCMURRAY ART LEAGUE SCHOLARSHIP

The **2018 Bunky Mosites Memorial Senior Scholarship** application has been posted to the art league website. The scholarship application is open to any high school senior that either attends Peters Township School District, or has an immediate family member (parent or grandparent) who is a current member of the **McMurray Art League**. The student must be a current high school Senior planning on furthering their education in fine arts, art education, graphic design, or architecture. The judging for the \$500 scholarship will take place on May 1, 2018. Questions may be directed to Carol Aurin, **Scholarship Chair** at [ca0460@verizon.net](mailto:ca0460@verizon.net) or 724-348-4714 or Linda Van Newkirk at [ljvartist@comcast.net](mailto:ljvartist@comcast.net) or 412-400-7116.

## Carol Aurin

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## CAFÉ

**CAFÉs (Creative Arts for Everyone)** are sessions where **MAL** members share a technique they've learned that is unique to the arts community. Fee for each session is only \$3.00 to help pay for utilities. Here's what's happening with the **CAFÉ's**:

- Wednesday, June 13, 2018. We've reschedule the last lesson with Barbara Jaenike on *"Painting the Poetic Landscape" – "Edges and Editing"*
- Wednesday, June 27, 2018—Pastel DVD workshop: Bill Hosner, *"Painting the Figure in Plein Air"*
- Fall, 2018-- Patty Shields will demonstrate her poured acrylic technique.

Please let us know if there are workshop/art-related DVDs you'd like to see, or if you have a special art/craft niche you'd like to share with MAL members. We have so much fun at these events, and learn so much. Hope to see you at a **CAFÉ** soon to see some really interesting art and craft demos and videos and learn some new techniques!

## Anne Trimble

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**STUDIO GALLERY SHOW – "THEN AND NOW" will be displayed until June 6 and then replaced with the start of the new show "SUMMERTIME FUN" which will remain until September (date to be determined).**

What does summertime mean to you? To me, it means sunny days, cool evenings, picnics, convertibles, beaches and bikinis! Exhibit your artwork which reminds you of **"Summertime Fun"**. You may pick up your pieces from **"Then and Now"** and deliver pieces for the **"Hot Fun in the Summertime"** exhibit from 5-6 PM on June 6. Paintings should be framed and ready to hang. Feel free to submit 3-4 pieces.

Please register by noon Monday June 4<sup>th</sup> by contacting the show chairs directly – Betty Roseborough at [erosie5@gmail.com](mailto:erosie5@gmail.com), or Paul Rebholz at [p.rebholz@live.com](mailto:p.rebholz@live.com), or online at the **MAL** website <https://www.mcmurrayartleague.com/event-2616096/Registration>, with title, medium, price and size. Thanks for sharing your art!

**Betty Roseborough, Paul Rebholz**

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## MEMBERSHIP REPORT– NEW MEMBER INFO ON PAGE 7

**McMurray Art League** has so much to offer its members, including several sales and exhibition opportunities, **Classes** taught by internationally known artists in a variety of media, **Open Studio** painting time, and **"CAFÉ STYLE"** classes (**Creative Arts For Everyone**) during which members share their artistic interests with other members. To continue to offer all of these benefits, **MAL** needs your involvement! The current year of **MAL** ends the end of May and renewal is due June 1. Existing members may bring a check for \$35.00 to the next General meeting or pay online. This is also the best time for a new member to join to enjoy all of the above mentioned benefits. To join us contact Leslie Baldwin at (412)720-7380 or [lesbld@verizon.net](mailto:lesbld@verizon.net) with any membership questions.

**Leslie Baldwin**

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## NEWS FROM OTHER LEAGUES

**THE PHOTOGRAPHY SECTION:** Meetings on Tuesday evenings at Mt Lebanon Recreation Center.

**SHAL (South Hills Art League):**

- SHAL is currently looking for a permanent space in the northern South Hills (where most members live) for meetings and events. We're waiting for our exhibit chair, Doris Gottschall, to recover from recent surgery before planning future exhibits. SHAL is still looking for someone to take over as President of this great art league.
- SHAL will be moving their website away from Wild Apricot due to price increases. In the transition to another hosting service, the SHAL website may not be online for a week or two.

**SOUTH ARTS:** Meeting at the Schoolhouse Arts Center in Bethel Park, here are current classes/events:

- Basic Drawing with Linda Shorr Thursdays May 3, 10, 17, 24, at 1 to 3 PM
- Using an iPad or tablet to facilitate artwork with Diane Murray Wed. April 25, 12 to 4 PM
- Watercolor with David Csont Workshops Sat June 2 and 9, 10 AM - 4 PM
- Friday Painters 10 AM – 2PM all months. Contact Diane Murray at [Dmurray@comcast.net](mailto:Dmurray@comcast.net)

**BETHEL ARTIST GUILD:** The group always exhibits work at the Bethel Community Center. No meeting until September.

**PITTSBURGH WATERCOLOR SOCIETY:** News about Aqueous will be in another newsletter. More events and activities are planned.

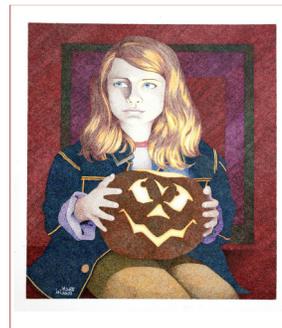
**WHITEHALL ARTS:** Whitehall Arts will meet on Tuesday May 1 at Whitehall Borough building. Jan Gaetano will show technique called dirty pour. The group has work shown at West Penn Hospital until the end of May.

**PITTSBURGH SOCIETY OF ARTISTS:** Nothing currently.

**PITTSBURGH PASTEL ARTISTS LEAGUE:** A paint out is planned for Saturday April 28 at the Giberti Gallery in Coraopolis, PA. Spring meeting will be May 19 at Jan Pini's home at 103 Crabtree Ct., Venetia, PA 15367 from 11 AM till 2 PM with a potluck lunch. If you are interested in joining this group, this might be a good time to start.

**UPPER ST CLAIR ART LEAGUE:** USCLA is currently having an art show at the South Hills JCC through April 28, 2018. Member Jack Puglisi has a work selected for the 2018 Art of the State exhibition at the State Museum of Pennsylvania in Harrisburg. The show runs from June 24 through September 9, 2016. His piece "This Way Comes" was one of 104 selected out of 1,800 entries.

**Fran Marze**



## NOMINATIONS:

Following are candidates for **MAL** positions in the upcoming fiscal year, June 1, 2018 - May 31, 2019:

**President:** Anne Trimble, **Vice President:** Leslie Baldwin, **Treasurer:** Jan Pini, **Recording Secretary:** Darlene Sanders, **Corresponding Secretary:** Jeenie Nickolls, **Membership:** Carol Aurin. Two **Co-chairs** will be needed for the Spring Galleria juried show.

### Leslie Baldwin

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**MAL** welcomes new member Katherine Roddy! Please add her contact information to your **MAL directories**.

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108 Dyers Stone Drive (Jay)	412-443-6611	AC CA CO MM WC Other
Eighty-Four, PA 15330	<b>MAL</b>	

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**"IN A CAFÉ" Edgar Degas  
1876 Oil on Canvas**

### **THE McMURRAY ART LEAGUE** Officers & Chairs – 2017 – 2018

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**Nominations:** Leslie Baldwin, Sue Levy  
**Peters Twp. Library:** Sandy Conley  
**Program:** Betty Roseborough [erosie5@aol.com](mailto:erosie5@aol.com)  
**Publicity:** [Judy Ann DiGiacomo](mailto:JudyAnnDiGiacomo)  
**Scholarship:** Carol Aurin  
**Standards:** Karen Vituccio, Christy Osiecki, Jeenie Nichols  
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