

MCMURRAY ART LINES

JULY 2019

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



**Winter Landscape
Oil on Cardboard 1909
Wassily Kandinsky**

NEXT GENERAL MEETING:

Septembr 12, 2019

7:00 PM

www.mcmurrayartleague.com

PRESIDENT'S NOTES

It has now been officially summer for about a week, and for me that includes attending music festivals and jams, playing folk music with friends. Earlier this month Jan Pini and I attended the IAPS (International Association of Pastel Societies) conference in Albuquerque and took workshops from some of the best pastel artists/instructors in the world (Desmond O'Hagan and Christine Ivers were my favorites). We both really enjoyed the "Paint Around" and spent way too much money in the "Candy Store." I came home determined to draw/paint every day...

We had a very productive **MAL** Board Transition meeting a few weeks ago and have set up dates for fun events at the studio this summer and through the Fall of 2019. Betty

Roseborough has scheduled some great teachers for our Fall classes. Frank Webb and Christine Swann will be presenting their crafts (watercolor and pastel, respectively) at a MAL General Meeting before their scheduled class to give you an idea of their style and expertise.

I'm looking forward to a great 2019-2020, and so looking forward to your participation in all our planned events. Your participation keeps the **McMurray Art League** alive, so please sign up for classes and other **MAL** events in the coming year! Love to see you there and inspired...

Keeping the Arts alive,

ANNE TRIMBLE

2019 Fall Events

- Wednesday, October 23, 5:30: Lush Brush. Share some wine, camaraderie as we paint greeting cards to sell as a MAL fundraiser.
- Saturday, December 7, 11:00 AM: Artist Market. Bring your crafts to sell for holiday gifts!
- Thursday, December 10, 11:00 AM: Jingle Mingle. Lunch-time Holiday potluck lunch!

We're also looking into planning another CAFÉ away, and perhaps a visit to Clayton at The Frick during the holidays.

MEETING DATES FOR 2019/2020

Board Meetings 2:00 PM	General Meetings	Presenter
August 19, 2019	September 12, 2019 7:00 PM	Frank Webb - Watercolor
September 23, 2019	October 10, 2019 7:00 PM	Christine Swann – Pastel – Portraits https://swannportraits.com/
October 21, 2019	November 14, 2019 2:00 PM	Lisa Markowski - Mosaic http://markomosaics.com/
November 25, 2019	February 13, 2020 2:00 PM	Bill Karaffa – Art Study In Italy
January 20, 2020	March 12, 2020 2:00 PM	TBD
February 24, 2020	April 9, 2020 7:00 PM	TBD
March 23, 2020	May 14, 2020 7:00 PM	TBD
April 20, 2020		
May 18, 2020		

Coming up in the next meeting:

Frank Webb

Recent awards to Frank Webb include: The Fredrick Wong Award at the American Watercolor society, A Life Achievement Award at the Watercolor Salon II at Thessaloniki, Greece, First award at the Pittsburgh Waterworks, Combined Donors Award at the National Watercolor Society International, Baltimore Watercolor Society Award at the Pittsburgh Aqueous International, Silver Medal at the Audubon.

<https://www.artshow.com/webb/>



STUDIO WINDOW EXHIBIT

Sharon Knight had a great **MAL Window Exhibit** for June. The following additional members will be showing their art in the next three months:

- Phyllis Etzel - July
- Sue Denner – August
- Cindy Gilberti - September

The artists are all members of **MAL**. Please encourage your friends to visit the studio on **Open Studio** days to see the fine art work on display in the window and inside the studio.

DARLA RAE DUFFY

UPCOMING CLASSES – 2019/2020

We have a great variety of classes with some new instructors and classes in very diverse media and subject matter. **Please sign up early so we can make sure these classes can run!** The minimum must be met a week prior to the first class or the classes will be canceled. This is a courtesy to our instructors who prepare handouts/class instruction for the number signed up. Their time is valuable....they could be painting a masterpiece!

Date	Teacher Class	Time	Member – Non Member Class size
August 28, Sept 10	Arindam Sen – Photography Level 1 intro to basic editing using free software (Register)	6:00 – 8:00	\$15/day - \$20/day 8 minimum
Sept 3, 11	Sue Levy, Beginner-Intermediate Watercolor, Artist Info (p.1) (p.2), Supplies (Register)	10:00 – 2:00	\$30/day - \$35/day 5 minimum
Sept 18, 25	Frank Webb, Watercolor, multiple types https://www.artshow.com/webb/ (Register)	10:00 – 4:00	\$55/day - \$60/day 12 minimum
Oct 16, Nov 13 Tentative	Arindam Sen – Photography Level II “Advanced editing using free software”	6:00 – 8:00	\$15/day - \$20/day 8 minimum
Oct 29, 31, Nov 1	Christine Swann, Pastel, Portraits https://swannportraits.com/ Supply List (Register)	10:00 – 4:00	\$50/day - \$55/day 8 minimum
Nov 5, 6	James Sulkowski , Oil/ Pastel Landscapes (Register) https://www.jamessulkowskifineart.com/	10:00 – 4:00	\$45/day - \$50/day 10 minimum
Nov 12	Jan Pini, Polymer Clay, Wall Art www.janpini.com (Register) https://www.artshow.com/webb/ https://www.artshow.com/webb/	10:00 – 4:00	\$30/day \$35/day 5 minimum

For information about a class contact: Class Coordinator, Betty Roseborough, at classcoordinator@mcmurrayartleague.com.

To register for a class:

You may register on the **MAL Website** by viewing the class under the [Events](#) menu option and clicking Register (register for the series or for each day separately) **OR** you may notify the Class Registrar, Jean Kunz, via email at classregistrar@mcmurrayartleague.com or 412-831-9992 and ask to be placed on the class list for the classes and dates desired. After you register, you can pay on the **MAL Website** or mail a check made out to **McMurray Art League** for the cost of the classes to the registrar:

Jean Kunz; 1818 Kent Rd.; Pittsburgh, PA 15241

In the Memo section of your check, note which instructor classes and dates the check covers. You will receive an email confirmation of your registration.

BETTY ROSEBOROUGH

CLASS PREVIEWS:

Arindam Sen

Photography - Basic Editing:

Level I This session will include an explanation of the Parameters of a photograph: Aperture Triangle and Histogram. This will provide background and an understanding of what to edit and why to edit before editing is demonstrated on a few of the FREE photo editing software tools available today.

Photography - Advanced Editing:

Level II As the need arises there will be an advanced editing session tentatively scheduled for Oct.16 and Nov 13. This will continue with the more advanced FREE editing software tools available today like GIMP and PhotoScape.

Pittsburgh Artist Registry

Arindam wanted to preserve meaningful memories of his daughter's childhood and that was the first reason for him to get into photography. After that in 2015, he started taking this to the next level so that he could create good memories for others through his lenses.

pittsburghartistregistry.org

<https://pittsburghartistregistry.org/accounts/view/ArindamSenPhotography>



Sue Levy

Each day I will do a Demo of the landscape . We will do Fall Flowers included in one landscape painting . Beautiful Skies, Water , mixing neutral tones that recede, earth tones and color of fall. Bring your vacation photos from the shore, out west or out of the country travels , or photos of a good subject to paint. I'll show you tips to make your watercolor paintings come to life.

Sue Levy Watercolor Workshop



Frank Webb has conducted painting workshops internationally and has authored five books. The American Artist magazine included Webb in the 20 best Watercolor teachers in the U.S. He has won over 120 major awards and has received lifetime achievement medals from the Philadelphia Water Color Society, the Watercolor Salon of Thessaloniki and the Pittsburgh Watercolor Society. The Transparent Watercolor Society of America has granted him Master Status. A frequent juror, he has lectured twice to members of the American Watercolor Society and once to the National Watercolor Society. Ten art museums have Webb paintings in their permanent collections. In 2019 Webb was an Honorary Guest at the American watercolor Society dinner where he was recognized as a Living Legend.

<https://www.artshow.com/webb/>



Christine Swann

Christine is a Signature Member of the Pastel Society of America, and a member of the IAPS Masters' Circle. A designation she received in only 6 years. She is a past President of the Pittsburgh Pastel Artists League and a Past President of the Pittsburgh Watercolor Society. She is also a long-time member of the Pittsburgh Society of Illustrators and Portrait Society of America. She currently teaches the "Power of Pastel" Workshop to groups around the country.

<https://swannportraits.com/>



JAMES SULKOWSKI

Description: Students will study the concepts and techniques of classical painting in oil and pastel. Students will learn and paint the basic shapes and apply this knowledge to still life objects as well as the landscape and portrait . Students will also develop and refine their skills in understanding specific painting materials , applications and techniques. Textures , Color , Concepts of painting Light , Atmosphere and Space will all be discussed and demonstrated. Individual instruction .

<https://www.jamessulkowskifineart.com/>



Jan Pini

Jan Pini has dabbled in art since high school. She has recently returned to her art passion after retiring from a long career in software development.

www.janpini.com

BETTY ROSEBOROUGH

STUDIO GALLERY EXHIBIT

MAL summer **STUDIO GALLERY, "Take A Chance"**, is up for the summer! We will keep it up until after the September general meeting.

Then the SWITCH on Tuesday, September 17 at 5-6pm when the current show will be down and will be picked up and the September show will be hung.

At this time a theme hasn't been chosen (our brains are on summer time). Linda and Michalina will be happy to receive suggestions for themes for the next year. Who knows, your theme could be chosen...or maybe one of us may have a great theme pop up when we are in the shower (for some reason ideas do make themselves known then). Hope you are able to spend some time being creative this summer ... getting ready for all of our upcoming shows!

LINDA SAKSA AND MICHALINA PENDZICH

"FALL FRENZY" THE MAL FALL ART SHOW – GALLERIA OF MT LEBANON

Dates October 4 - 13, 2019. The registration link is open on our website. Please note the information in the prospectus, especially **re** painting sizes. Volunteers are needed to make this a success for all. I will be asking for commitments at the Sept. 12th meeting, also for sitting times selection.

Contact: Betty Roseborough erosieart@gmail.com.

Important Dates:	
Registration online or postmark	Friday, September 20
Screen setup no artwork (Galleria):	Thursday, October 3, 9-11 PM
Drop off work (Galleria):	Friday, October 4, 7-9 AM
Reception:	Saturday October 5, 6-8 PM
People's Choice voting cut-off:	Thursday, October 10, 8 PM
Show takedown:	Sunday, October 13, 5-7 PM MAL

Standards do not allow a piece to be displayed in a spring or fall show if it has already been displayed in another **MAL** spring or fall show. For a list of pieces in previous spring and fall shows, click here.

The prospectus and other documents can be located on the **MALWEBSITE**:

<https://www.mcmurrayartleague.com>.

BETTY ROSEBOROUGH

CAFÉ (Creative Arts for Everyone) MAL MEMBERS ONLY OPPORTUNITY

July 15 DVD CAFÉ: Join us on Monday, July 15, from 10:00-1:00 for a DVD instructional viewing of landscape painting techniques in watercolor by artist Christopher Leeper, a popular workshop presenter and an accomplished landscape and wildlife painter in watercolor, oil, and acrylic media. Chris is an adjunct professor at Youngstown State University in addition to being a full time artist. He is the author of Realism in Watermedia, North Light. His work has been featured in numerous publications including The Artist's Magazine, American Artist, Plein Aire Magazine.

We also have a Barry Jeter **DVD CAFÉ** scheduled on August 7. You can register for either **café** on the website at: <https://www.mcmurrayartleague.com/CAFEs>.

If you have an idea for a **CAFÉ**, just contact Leslie Baldwin at vicepresident@mcmurrayartleague.com or 412- 720-7380 to schedule.

LESLIE BALDWIN

PETERS TOWNSHIP LIBRARY EXHIBIT

Peters Township Library has recently renovated the exhibit space. Due to a more limited wall space, you may enter up to three 2-dimensional pieces no larger than 24" top to bottom. There is no entry fee but a 15% commission on sold works (10% is donated to the library and 5% to **MAL**).

SHOW DATES	THEME
May 22 – July 24, 2019	Summer Serenade
July 24 – October 23, 2019	ROYGBIV Series: Cool Tones
October 23 – January 7, 2020	ROYGBIV Series: Warm Tones

SUMMER SERENADE is the current exhibit at Peters Township Library. Artists whose work is currently exhibited are Jan Pini, Arindam Sem, Betty Roseborough, Jeennie Nickolls, Arlene Popko and Sandy Conley.

On Wednesday, July 24 the exhibit will change to **ROYGBIV Series: Cool Tones**. All **MAL** members are invited to exhibit your "cool" pieces in this upcoming exhibit. Email or call Sandy 724-942-0553 conley1973@verizon.net by Monday, July 22, providing your titles, medium, and price for up to three 2-D pieces with wire hangers, depth no larger than 30".

SANDY CONLEY

OPEN STUDIO

We're taking a hiatus during the summer, so no Open Studio session until next Fall. We'll let you know the details later this summer. Hope you have a great time painting this summer, hopefully some plein air.

KAREN VITUCCIO

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

MAL member **Gina Judy** had a watermedia painting selected for *Watercolor Ohio 2019*, the 42nd Annual Juried Ohio Watercolor Society Exhibition at the Mansfield Art Center in Mansfield, Ohio. The exhibition will open on September 28, 2019 and runs through October 27, 2019. An opening reception by the Ohio Watercolor Society will be held on September 28 starting at 1p.m. **William Vrscak**, a nationally recognized juror from Pittsburgh, PA will jury the show.

Mrs. Judy is currently awaiting five other notifications from national watercolor-exhibitions, which, in two, would make her eligible for signature-status this year. Currently she is exhibiting in the *Pikes Peak International Watercolor Exhibit* (Martha Manns, Juror) in Colorado Springs, CO, through July 31, with her entry "*Romantic Roses*" (watercolor on Yupo) which also won BEST OF SHOW in

the *Associated Artists of Butler County* (PA) 2019 Spring Show. She is also currently included in the competitive regional *96th Annual Nicole and Harry Martin Spring Show* at the *Erie Art Museum*, which accepted 125 out of 600 entries in a 250-mile radius of Erie, PA, and runs through early September. She has also exhibited in the *Hoyt Art Center Regional Exhibition*, a competitive regional which just closed June 1 in New Castle, PA; "*Art of Mind*", a nationally-screened exhibit in Raleigh, North Carolina, dealing with the theme of Alzheimer's and Mental-health issues, sponsored by *Imurj*, *Dementia Alliance*, and *Empathy Through Art*. Other recent awards also include: First Place, *West Hills Member Juried Spring Show* (*Robin Hill Mansion*, Moon Twp., Pgh, from May 4-16) for watercolor "*Maggie and Max Making Tracks*"; First-Place in "Churches of Brooke and Hancock County" sponsored by the WV-CVB and Summit Gallery; and two "*Best in Category*" awards in the McMurray (PA) Spring Juried Show (Pittsburgh) in both "photography" and "Portrait-Figure".



"*Dreamscape*" Watermedia collage with rice-paper; Pittsburgh Watercolor Society Member Show First Place. Gina Judy's "*Dreamscape*" was also recently selected First Place (overall) in the "*Waterworks*" Pittsburgh Watercolor Society 2019 Member Show, held at the *Panza Gallery* in Pittsburgh from May 4 - June 1. Juror for the exhibit was Sarah Hall, Chief Curator and Director of Collections at *The Frick* in Shadyside.

LUSH BRUSH

Are you ready for a night of food, fun and art? Come join your fellow artists for our annual **Lush Brush** event. We will be sharing food and wine and creating greeting cards provided by **MAL** and donated to the art league for sale. The cards will be used as a fundraiser and will also be used by the correspondence secretary. Bring art supplies of your choice. Bring a beverage (wine, etc.) food (appetizer, main dish or dessert). Wednesday, October 23, 2019 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM **MAL studio**. [Register here.](#)

NEWSFLASH

A spur of the moment Pop Up Open Studio will be held Tuesday, July 9 from 10-1. Bring your supplies and join us for some creative summer fun. Rain or shine!

Watch your inbox for more of these Pop Up Open Studio's this summer.

LINDA SAKSA

THE McMURRAY ART LEAGUE
Officers & Chairs – 2019 – 2020



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John Singer Sargent

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