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## 8X8 Anonymous Show & Fundraiser

This fundraiser and group exhibition enables the community to support our student scholarship fund through our "Silent Auction" sale.

The Opening Reception on Friday, August 11 was a great success. 46 artists participated donating 80 pieces of Art. The Final Sale on Saturday, August 19<sup>th</sup> was well attended and people walked away with treasures!



## 2017 CALENDAR DATES OF INTEREST

*Monday, Sept. 18*

Membership Meeting  
6:00 -8:30pm

*Tuesday, Sept. 19*

Photography DropOff/Special Show  
Pickup 10:00a – 2:00p

*Wednesday, Sept. 20*

MAG Artful Touch  
Watercolor Painting w/Geri Gaskill  
6:30 - 8:30pm  
Members PrePay for \$10 savings

*Friday, Sept. 23*

Photography Opening Reception  
5:00pm to 7:00pm

*Wednesday, Sept. 27*

MAG Artful Touch  
Scratch Art w/James Ruback  
6:30 – 8:30 pm  
Members PrePay for \$10 savings

Thanks to all who donated artwork and to those who bid and bought!



**Here's just a small sampling of the wonderful work now showing at the  
Special Donor Exhibit in the MAG Gallery.**

**If you haven't been by to see it yet, don't miss your chance!**

This special show features work by the donating artists who made our 8x8 fundraiser such  
a smashing success.



## New Member Luncheon – Getting to Know You!

Pizza & people are always a great combination, but mix in artists sharing, meeting, and making new connections and it's better than any combo pie. Thanks to Diane Hake for spearheading our New Member Luncheon, we had a full house!



WELCOME NEW MEMBER!

JANET TERNER, ANDY ROLLMAN, NILA TAYLOR

## September Membership Meeting

Please plan to attend this important meeting. Holly Days details will be shared. Plans and themes for the upcoming 2018 season will be presented. Plus, we'll be filling members in on Workshop and Artful Touch plans for the coming year. Plus it's your chance to have input, and WE WANT YOUR INPUT!

Our special presentation at the end of the meeting: Rita Poore's Framing demo- how to show off that 8x8 you just bought, plus how to do it yourself!

### MAG Bites

#### Everybody Shoots!

As artists, we constantly take photographs for reference, inspiration, or just to remember how the light hit something. Cell phone cameras make it easy to "point and shoot" anywhere, anytime. Our next exhibition is the Photography Show. Some might think, "I'm not a photographer" but think again. Look at those photos you've taken with a fresh eye. There was something about that scene that made you stop, pull out your phone or camera, and capture it.

Pull up those photo files, try a different cropping, try adjusting exposure levels, color, contrast whatever your software allows. Print it, Matte it, Frame it, and put it in the show. Member Ray Bojarski has offered to advise or even print photos for those wishing to display in the show.

Who knows you may just discover a new passion you had all along.

## **TWO ARTFUL TOUCH CLASSES IN SEPTEMBER!**



### **Watercolor with Gerilyn Gaskill**

**Wednesday, September 20 6:30 – 8:30pm**

Geri will be guiding students through creation of a winter scene in watercolor. This class features demonstration plus a paint along. "We will be exploring the ebb and flow of watercolors and their unique way of blending," Geri explains.

Students may bring their own brushes, palettes, and paper, but supplies for this class will be provided.



### **Scratch Art with James Ruback**

**Wednesday, September 27, 6:30 – 8:30pm**

Using scratch tools...stylus, knives, and brushes...black is removed, revealing values and images of your own design. From simple to intricate, a scratch art creation can be arresting in its high contrast impact. Local educator James Ruback guides the process. Supplies are included in class fee.



## 2017 MAG Artful Touch Schedule

Upcoming Schedule is subject to change.

September - Watercolor Painting with Gerilyn Gaskill

Scratch Art with James Ruback

October – Acrylic and Mixed Media Painting with Kathy Fessenbecker

November – Small Paintings as Christmas Ornaments with Anne Buck

Check the website for more information. Classes are \$30 for members if you prepay. For Non-members or Members who have not prepaid, the cost is \$40. Classes run approximately 2 hours. You can register with Ginny Barney at 302.236.8225 or [ginnybarney2013@gmail.com](mailto:ginnybarney2013@gmail.com) or with Kathy Fessenbecker at 727.421.9530 or [kfess14@gmail.com](mailto:kfess14@gmail.com).

New techniques & topics in a “no pressure” environment with helpful teachers make our Artful Touches a great way to try something new. Get to know your fellow MAG members and future members in a welcoming atmosphere while learning together.

## Upcoming Exhibitions for 2017

September - Photography

October/November - Reflections

December – Holly Days 2017

**Please note: In 2017, MAG is using a prospectus, specific to each exhibit, available on the website, for entries into exhibitions. Framing restrictions, important dates, tagging information, entry form, and other important details will be covered in this document.**

**We will be publishing reminders of drop off and pick up dates on Facebook, our website, and an email blast.**

## MEMBER NEWS

Christy McEvily won the Faucett-Okie Award, Emerging Delaware Artist Traditional Style at Rehoboth Art League's Member Fine Art Exhibition for her watercolor titled “Flying High.”

Many of our members were part of the Coastal Camera Club's Juried Exhibition at the Peninsula Gallery in Lewes. Congratulations!

Please send any Member News to Rita Poore ([rpore40@aol.com](mailto:rpore40@aol.com)). We want to know about your upcoming shows, awards, and accomplishments! Please share!

## MAG Board of Directors

President – Anne Buck      Vice President – Sue Dutton

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Hospitality – Liz Miceli      Communications – Rita Poore      Membership – Carol Yost

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Education/Artful Touch – Ginny Barney and Kathy Fessenbecker

*Please check the website for board member contact information.*

## THE COUNTDOWN IS ON! HOLLY DAYS IS ONLY 3 MONTHS AWAY!

Planning to reserve a table to sell fine art and/or crafts during the opening reception?  
It's time to review your inventory, and/or start creating now! Details for Holly Days  
Opening Reception on Saturday, December 9th are being ironed out.

## 2018 Membership Note

We'll be starting our Membership Drive soon. If you know someone who would like to join, please let them know if they join in October, November, or December, they will be counted in the membership for 2018, basically getting a 15 month membership for the cost of a 12 month membership. This is a "one time only" for new members only.

## MAG Website GALLERY PAGE

Many societies and guilds charge to have member artwork and bios included on their websites, but MAG is free. The list of members without a bio and examples of artwork is VERY LONG! Go to the Gallery page, if you are listed without a bio & art, send them to me. This important Website page shows the caliber of our members, promotes you as an artist, and could result in sales for you. Please write your bio, attach .JPEGs of your artwork, and send them to any board member. Need help? Contact a board member. We want EVERY member listed and promoted, but it all starts with you. Please make a point to visit [www.miltonartsguild.org](http://www.miltonartsguild.org) to get started.

We have two (2) Facebook pages - a public page and a member's page. For the member page you must request inclusion. Information may vary on these pages, so please check both when surfing the net. Please "like" us on both...more Likes more Views! Plus feel free to "share" with your friends!

Register with Delaware Division of the Arts to join their Artist's Roster. Go to the Website, find the heading "artist" on the upper right corner of the Delaware Artist Roster home page, and click on "Register" to create an application for a new listing or "Log In" to edit an existing listing.



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