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Dusk to Dawn Opening Reception & Awards



Congratulations to Gerilyn Gaskill! First Place for her watercolor "Church Day".

20 artists entered our exhibition, Judge Annie Strack chose between 36 artworks. Our thanks to Annie and to the artists!

The Results:

First Place: Gerilyn Gaskill for "Church Day"

Second Place: Isabel Pizzolato for "End of the Day on the Broadkill"

Third Place: Anne Buck for "Walking on the Udder Side"

Honorable Mentions:

Lynda Rae Gannon - "Egret at Dawn"

Cathy Serwalt - "Evening at the Wheelhouse"

Sue Marano - "Spotlight on the Dunes"

Paul Hammesfahr - "Mendocino Midnight Magic"

Thanks to all who attended our Opening!

2018 CALENDAR DATES OF INTEREST

Tuesday, November 27

*****NOTE DAY CHANGE**

**Zendoodle with
Barbara Buford**

6:30pm – 8:30pm

Members save \$10 at Registration

Wednesday, Nov. 14 & 16
**Foundations of Drawing
w/Joe Terrone Workshop**
Wed 1-5pm, Fri. 10am-4pm

Monday, November 19
General Member Meeting
6:30 – 8:30pm

Tuesday, December 4
**"Holly Days – Winter Warmth"
Intake – Dusk to Dawn PickUp**
10:00a – 2:00pm

Saturday, December 8
Holly Days Opening Reception
9:00a – 6pm

**FINAL Schedules for 2019 will be
distributed at the November
Membership meeting, then published.
Disregard any prior schedules.**



Our Special Guests for the Opening: The Milton Fire Department's Ladies Auxillary!
Each was given a handpainted bookmark and we 're so happy they could attend.



Getting an Eyeful!

When this little guy entered the gallery all eyes were on him! He may be our youngest art lover ever...just 3 weeks old!

MAG is happy to help him develop his artistic style!



Anne Buck with her 3rd place winner! And it's already sold!



Paul Hammesfahr 's beautiful photography garnered an Honorable Mention.



NOVEMBER MEMBER MEETING!

Put it on your calendar now and attend!

Monday, November 19 - 6:30 to 8:30pm

Announcements for 2019...the shows, the classes, special events; Everything MAG is offering you in the coming year! Schedules will be announced for Exhibitions & Artful Touch classes.

For 2018, final details for Holly Days planning. There are some changes!

Sign up sheets for volunteers, food, and decorating will be circulated.

This meeting is SO important for all members. We need your input, ideas, and enthusiasm. Please plan to attend.

Plus, watch & learn with a special demonstration of Iris Paper Folding with a holiday theme. Kits will be available for purchase once after you learn the secrets of this beautiful technique. You can give the gift of holiday cheer and the gift of art in one fell swoop.

IT'S MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME!

We've grown and keep growing! You'll be receiving membership renewal materials soon. Please check your boxes and send in that check! Our goal is everyone renews and keeps making MAG the great organization it's become!

You can also renew at the November Member Meeting.

Entry Options for Holly Days Exhibition

This year you have the option to enter 3 ways....PICK ONE!

1 - Enter 4 Mini Paintings

2- Enter 1 Regular size and 2 Mini Paintings

3 - Enter 2 Regular Size Paintings

A **new** prospectus is on the website allowing 4 different entry spaces. Entry fee is \$20 for any of the 3 options. Download, read, and fill out.

Holly Days, December 8th Details

Making it easier for all, we are offering Vendor Tables to rent to sell your artworks. Reserve your Vendor Table with Donna Sheppard.

Details: Table rental \$20, sales will be direct to you, you keep all proceeds, so be sure to bring change for those cash buys.

Set up 8am, tear down at 7pm.

Please contact Chris Shively & Gillian Benson to sign up for refreshment donations and hospitality duties for the day.

We will be decorating the Gallery to get us all in a holiday mood on Wednesday, December 5th from 1pm to 4pm. Please stop by, we need your help to decorate trees, and hang lights & ornaments!

Remember, we are known for our incredible spread of refreshments, so you will have a "captive" audience for marketing your creations.

November Artful Touch - Tuesday, November 27th ****Note : Date Change!

Zendoodle with Barbara Buford

Zendoodling named for it's calming effect is an artistic form of meditation using pen and paper. Doodling helps de-stress, calm and clear the mind.

In this class, students learn to create simple shapes, patterns, and doodles that are repeated to create a beautiful design.

Designs are totally personal to each person and can be used in many forms. Zen doodling does not require any artistic training. No special tools or equipment are needed. You just need the willingness to learn to relax, sit quietly and put your pen to paper. Zen doodling is a slow dance between your mind and hand.

Students should to bring a micron pen #3 that can be purchased at Michael's or from the teacher the night of class. Paper and other supplies will be provided. If you would like to work in a journal please bring it with you.



Register online or by phone with Ginny Barney at 302.236.8225 or ginnybarney2013@gmail.com or

Kathy Fessenbecker at 727.421.9530 or kfess14@gmail.com . PayPal payment available at www.MiltonArtsGuild.org.

Fee: MAG members \$30 in advance, for non-members & at the door members \$40.

Call for Images

We are putting together Note Cards to be sold at the gallery featuring our artists.

These cards will also be used as “Thank You” gifts to our special guests at our opening receptions. Please send two high resolution .jpegs of your favorite pieces to LizMiceli@comcast.net. If your images are chosen, your name and website/email along with MAG’s name & website will be printed on the back.

Getting a Little Extra!

Know someone who is interested in joining MAG? Joining in November is still a good deal. The Membership fee will give them 14 months of membership. That’s right, they will pay in November and that fee gives them membership for November and December of 2018 AND the whole of 2019. Encourage any potential member to go to our webpage, hit the Info button, download the membership form, fill in and mail today!

Foundations of Drawing with Joe Terrone

2 day Workshop

Wednesday, Nov 14 & Friday, Nov 16

Wednesday 1-5pm & Friday 9:30am-4pm 30min. Lunch)



Geared to all those who want to learn to draw, this workshop concentrates on strong foundations through teaching the basics while expanding knowledge you already possess.

Many of us artists were thrown into our creative lives without the drawing skills we need to make strong images. Here is a class teaching you the basics while expanding on what you already know.

Class concentration:

- “Seeing” & transferring to paper using positive and negative space, sighting, measuring and value judgment.
- Creating strong compositions with thumbnails, leading the eye, balance and focal points plus enhancing drawings using edges, contrast & atmospheric perspective.
- Line & form through contour drawing and shading.

Learn to maximize your strengths while developing a strong supporting cast of skills. This class is for the beginner as well as those who just want to enhance their drawing skills.

MAG Members: \$120 Non-Members: \$150

Please register and pay via PayPal at www.miltonartsguild.org or contact Lynda Rae Gannon at lyndaraeg@gmail.com

Joe Terrone is a professional Delaware-based Artist. He graduated from Pratt Institute with and MFA in painting and has earned New Jersey State Certification as an Instructor of Art. Joe’s *plein air* paintings have been collected throughout the country. Joe has developed a way to blend realism and abstraction into his landscape paintings, giving his paintings a unique energy evident in his work. Whether in his painting or drawing workshops and classes Joe can usually find a way to increase students’ abilities to enjoy and achieve skill in their drawings and artwork.

MAG Bites

Communication – It's A Two Way Street!

One of our aims at MAG is make sure you know what's going on with the Guild. Through our newsletter, email blasts, website, and Facebook pages we are doing our best to let you know of every opportunity, every event, every little thing. To make sure we are on point, we need to hear from you. When we ask for photos, info, bios, well anything, we are doing it for your benefit. If your painting is featured in newspapers, Facebook posts, the newsletter, or the web, you feel great, right? But unless you send us an image, or tell us about your participation in an event or show, or have a question or suggestion, we just can't know. Unfortunately, none of us are Mindreaders! So when we reach out, please reach back! It helps you and the guild as a whole.

GALLERY PROCEDURES & ROTATION LIMITS -

All artwork in bins and shelves rotated every 4 months.

Numbers are assigned to small works, jewelry, pottery, and any other artworks displayed in the gallery for ease of inventory and sales. Please double check with the docent to ensure you are filling out the form correctly. If you have questions, contact Donna Sheppard at ggshep16@gmail.com.

Keeping the Gallery Doors Open

We are still in need of Docent Volunteers. Docents spend a few hours talking to patrons, perhaps painting, watering a few plants, sweeping a floor, best of all, gaining inspiration and ideas. PLEASE VOLUNTEER! Our Gallery showcases our artists' talents. That's you! Sales keep the lights on & pay the rent. At other galleries, when you display, docenting is mandatory. Not our policy as yet, but if the same few people don't get some help soon, we may revisit that rule. Docent duty is a 4 hour commitment from 11am – 3pm. Training is simple, commonsense a must, and help is only a call away. Please contact Sharon Hammesfahr - sharonhammesfahr@gmail.com or call 302.270.1216.

MAG'S 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!

WELCOME NEW MEMBER(S)!

CATHERINE COFRANCESCO, JANET SULLINS,
LEE WHEELER & ROSEMARY CONNELLY

Reminder New Members: Please request acceptance for Facebook Milton Arts Guild Members Page. ALSO PLEASE SEND YOUR BIO AND AT LEAST 2 EXAMPLES OF YOUR ARTWORK TO RITA POORE FOR INCLUSION ON OUR WEBPAGE.

Member News

November 10th is the next Milton Second Saturday monthly event. Look for this month's Flyer featuring a map of participating businesses & special coupons for savings. MAG's coupon offers 10% off on that day only on anything in the gallery. The 10% will be taken off MAG's commission, the artist still gets their 80% cut. Pass the word!



MAG has contracted with Carol Yost to craft two stained glass panels for a permanent installation in the gallery. The pieces will hang in front of the windows between the gallery & the common room kitchen. Carol is a master stained glass artist. She's also the membership director for the Guild. It will take her time to finish these pieces, but we can't wait to have them in the gallery!

You'll note on the 2019 Membership Form we have added a column that asks if you are a teacher or hold classes. We plan to have a listing at the gallery and on the website to promote your efforts. So if you are sharing your artistic life through teaching, let us help you get more students and promote your efforts.

On Thursday November 15 from 6:00pm to 8:00pm, The Rehoboth Art League hosts a Special Salon: From the Artists – The Studios on Walnut. Take a private, guided tour of the studios where a variety of artists work in mediums that include pastel, fiber art, printmaking, oil painting, and more. Over light refreshments, resident artists of this Studio, which neighbors the Milton Arts Guild, will discuss their professional practice and offer insight into their collective working space. Tickets required, go www.rehbothartleague.com to purchase.



Lynda Raye Gannon reports the Women's Club of Milton's First Broadkill River Boat Trip Art Appreciation Day was a great success...and lots of fun! It was a beautiful evening touring this jewel of Sussex County. Sounds like the ladies will plan another foray on the water in the near future. They're hoping for even more MAG members to come aboard.

More “WE DID IT!” Moments

Just a few of the examples from Sally Reed’s Artful Touch class demonstrating a different approach to mounting and displaying artwork! Another hit! Thanks to all who attended.



FRAMED CANVAS SALE **NOW 20% OFF**

24 X 24 (RETAIL \$45.00)

MAG PRICE: ~~\$30.00~~ NOW \$24.00

20 X 20 (RETAIL \$35.00)

MAG PRICE: ~~\$21.00~~ NOW \$16.80

10 X 14 (RETAIL \$20.00)

MAG PRICE: ~~\$15.00~~ NOW \$12.00

6 X 8 (RETAIL \$15.00)

MAG PRICE: ~~\$12.00~~ NOW \$11.60

Floater Frames with unfinished edge with a linen canvas included at a bargain price. Instructions & hardware included. Available at the Gallery while supplies last!

MAG Board of Directors

President – Anne Buck

Vice President – Sue Dutton Treasurer – Sue Marano Secretary – Donna Sheppard

Hospitality – Chris Shively & Gillian Benson Communications – Rita Poore

Membership – Carol Yost Workshops – Lynda Rae Gannon & Kaz Huston

Exhibitions – Cathy Serwalt & Sandee Duncan Community Liaison – Liz Miceli

Artful Touch – Ginny Barney & Kathy Fessenbecker

Please check the website for board member contact information

www.miltonartsguild.org

Talk About Taking a Village!

Imagine walking through Milton on a clear fall day, seeing an artist on porches, in gardens, in front of businesses... That's the reality the board is working toward. In October of 2019, MAG is embarking on a new project...MAG Art Walk. It's a massive endeavor...our goal is to raise the recognition of MAG by promoting our artist's talent. **We will need your help to make it happen!** Committees are being formed now...Advertising, Artist Participation, Spaces (porches/gardens/etc), Hospitality, and Gallery. Please help us make this new experience a success. This venture will take a LOT of participation. If you haven't volunteered to help with anything in the past, this is one to do. Email us at MiltonArtsGuild310@gmail.com to tell us you will help!

More Details to Come!



A big thanks to Gary Keith of BeachGraphix in Rehoboth for creating our Art Walk logo!

Are you listed on MEMBER GALLERY PAGE on our Website?

It's pretty easy, just send two .jpeg images at the highest resolution of your favorite work and a bio. Don't have a Bio? Need help writing one? We're happy to help.

The MAG Website's Member Gallery Page is a great benefit to YOU. Your artwork & bio on a public website is a benefit many societies and guilds charge their members for participation, but MAG is FREE. Our Website page shows the caliber of your work, promotes you, & may result in sales.

To date, we have 119 members, yet only a few are represented. We want EVERY member listed, but it all starts with you. Visit our website - get started. Send your bio & a .jpeg of your artwork to me at Rpooore40@aol.com or to Sue Dutton at docdutton@gmail.com.

Jump Starting your Artist Bio!

Don't get nervous! No one is going to grade your work! Putting together your bio isn't hard. It just takes a little time and reflection. Here are first steps to get you started. Once you answer these questions, you can start writing it up!

1. When & Why did you start painting? Were you an art major in college? Did you start taking classes with private teachers or workshops? What drew you to doing artwork?
2. What mediums do you work in? Where do you work? (Home studio? Plein Air?) What is your style? (Realistic, Abstract, Impressionistic?)
3. Are you a member of any art groups? (We know one, right?)
4. Have you entered judged/juried shows? Have you won any awards? Have you participated in a group show or solo show anywhere?
5. Think about a quote, "Why do you create? How does it make you feel?"

With answers to these questions, you can begin crafting your bio. Write it, walk away, then look at it again. Remember, it's easier to edit than to begin, so just get stuff down on paper, editing is easier. It is very important for every member to put a bio together. Bio's can be attached to the back of your artwork, many galleries and guild require this. Most importantly, it helps you realize, "Yes, you are an artist!"

An Editor's note: Putting together a monthly newsletter is a pretty demanding task, but I like doing it, mainly because my aim was to give MAG a house organ showcasing our achievements, members, programs, and exhibitions. But lately I've been wondering if the newsletter is truly of value to the membership. We do have the webpage and Facebook pages, perhaps you are getting too much info, or prefer to get the newsletter less often. I'm interested in feedback, also interested if people read it and use it as it's intended...to keep you up to date on what MAG is doing and has done, and help you plan for events. Please send me an email giving me your thoughts on the newsletter at Rpoore40@aol.com.

Register with Delaware Division of the Arts to join their Artist's Roster. Go to <https://arts.delaware.gov>, 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 existing listings.



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