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**Celebration of the Arts!**  
Make it a point to come to the  
opening and support Arts in  
our Schools!



Over 30 Art students from Cape Henlopen High School “show their stuff” at our annual exhibition supporting national Youth Art Month. Thanks to Elaine Ippolito for Judging the exhibition and Visual Arts teacher James Ruback for guiding these students and their work. MAG will be awarding 3 monetary prizes - first place- \$100, second place- \$75, and third place-\$50, plus ribbons will be awarded to honorable mentions.

A special Opening Reception will be held on **Sunday, March 4<sup>th</sup> from 2pm to 4pm** to allow students, family, and us to fully enjoy the efforts of these talented students. Please plan to attend and bring a friend and introduce them to our great MAG Gallery.

## 2018 CALENDAR DATES OF INTEREST

*Saturday, March 3*

**Dirty Pours with Geri Gaskill**

10am-12:30pm or 1-3:30pm

*Check website for details and registration*

*Sunday, March 4*

**Celebration of the Arts**

**Opening Reception**

1:00-4:00pm

*Saturday, March 17*

**SPRING CLEANING DAY**

*at the GALLERY*

*Please volunteer to help us spruce up our space!*

*Contact Sue Dutton for details.*

*Tuesday, March 20*

**“Garden Gifts” Exhibition Intake**

**Remember - this is a Judged Show**

10am-2pm

*Wednesday, March 21*

**Artful Touch**

Finding Form in Yupo with Rita Poore

6:30pm-8:30pm

Members PrePay for \$10 savings

*Friday, March 23*

**“Garden Gifts” Opening Reception  
and Awards Presentation**

5:00 – 7:00pm

## 2018 Exhibition Calendar

Here are the themes and dates for the 2018 gallery exhibitions. We encourage everyone to participate. So grab your brushes, cameras, clay, carving equipment, well anything you use to produce beautiful art and CREATE!

Whether you are an emerging artist or a professional, don't miss your chance to display your works in our gallery!

Asterisk (\*) denotes Judged Shows.

Mar. 4-Mar. 20 - <i>CHHS Student Show</i>
March 30 - May 1 – <i>Garden Gifts*</i>
May 1 - June 5 – <i>Silver Linings</i>
June 8 - July 10 – <i>Summertime Minis</i>
July 10 - Aug. 14- <i>Fur, Fins, &amp; Feathers</i>
Aug.14-Aug. 31- <i>Secret 8X8 Fundraiser</i>
Sept. 4 – Oct. 23 – <i>Family of Man</i>
Oct. 26 – Dec. 4 – <i>Dusk to Dawn*</i>
Dec. 8 – Jan. 1 – <i>Holly Days</i>

Please note: MAG uses a prospectus, specific to each exhibit for entries into exhibitions. We have prospectus for each show now available on the website. Framing restrictions, important dates, tagging information, entry form, and other details are covered in this document. Reminders of drop off & pick up dates are on Facebook, website, and an email blast.



### March Mini-Workshops

#### Dirty Pours! With Gerilyn Gaskill

Saturday, March 3

Session 1 – 10:00am to 12:30pm    Session 2 – 1:00pm to 3:30pm

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Dirty Pours are one of the hottest trends sweeping the acrylic painting world. Mix all colors in one cup, turn that cup upside down on a canvas, and lift it to watch the amazing color almost paint itself! It can be mesmerizing to just watch it happen. Learn the secrets to making this work!

Members - \$50 Non-Members - \$55. Supplies will be provided. Class size is limited so register and pay today at [www.miltonartsguild.org](http://www.miltonartsguild.org)!

Register online or by phone - Lynda Gannon at 302.632.7868 or [Lyndaraeg@gmail.com](mailto:Lyndaraeg@gmail.com). Payment can be made with PayPal at [www.MiltonArtsGuild.org](http://www.MiltonArtsGuild.org).

### SATURDAY, MARCH 17 - SPRING CLEANING DAY AT THE GALLERY!

We need volunteers to dust, mop, touch up paint, organize and generally get the gallery shining for the year. Please contact Sue Dutton at [docdutton@gmail.com](mailto:docdutton@gmail.com) to lend a hand. The more people who volunteer, the less time it will take! Thanks!

## -NEW GALLERY PROCEDURES-

There's a new procedure for small works, jewelry, pottery, and any other artworks that is displayed in the gallery outside of exhibitions. 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](mailto:ggshep16@gmail.com).

### Workshops in the Works!

Your Workshop Chairperson, Lynda Rae Gannon is putting together a slate of workshops to propel you towards new techniques, eye opening revelations, and days full of fun and enlightenment. Some will be “mini” workshops, lasting a day, while others will be traditional 2-3 day intensive sessions. Look for information coming soon on Abstract Collage with Barbara Buford in April 20 & 21, Watercolors with Marie Natalie for June 25, 26, & 27, Sean Callahan returns on September 12, 13, & 14 for more watercolor magic, and a few more surprises. Workshops can be reserved and paid on our website through PayPal.

## March's Artful Touch Finding Form In Yupo with Rita Poore



Explore the slick, sometimes scary, painting surface of Yupo. Rita will supply “starter pieces” – painted Yupo sheets with cling wrap dried. Then the fun begins! You’ll peel the cling wrap off and “look” for an image to develop. This means identifying what you want to bring to life, lifting the dried paint with Q-tips, brushes, and tissue paper then adding backgrounds, details, and color to bring the image forward.

This will be a watercolor based class, however, it’s completely ok use the “starter” to develop the image with acrylic. This means working fast, cause as we all know, acrylic dries fast, and doesn’t lift as easily on Yupo.

Bring your palette, paints, brushes, water containers, and any other supplies you like to have on hand. Most importantly, bring your imagination.

MAG Artful Touch Classes are \$30 for MAG members if prepaid. For Non-members or Members who have not prepaid, the cost is \$40. Classes run approximately 2 hours. Register on the MAG website [www.miltonartsguild.org](http://www.miltonartsguild.org) and pay with PayPal or contact 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).

*MAG Artful Touch classes explore new techniques & topics in a “no pressure” environment making these classes a great way to try something new. Get to know your fellow MAG members and future members in a welcoming atmosphere while learning together.*

# Artful Touch Schedule for 2018

(Dates/Classes are subject to change)

March 21 - Watercolor/Acrylic on Yupo with Rita Poore  
April 18 - Alcohol Inks with Barbara Buford  
May 16 - Jewelry with Edilu Nehrbas  
June 20 - Acrylic Negative Painting with Kathy Fessenbecker  
July 18 - Iris Paper Folding with Sandee Duncan  
August 15 - Photo Transfer on Wood with Deny Howeth  
September 19 - Nature Inspired Acrylic/Mixed Media with Liz Miceli  
October 17 - Mounting Art on Wood Blocks with Sally Reed  
November 14 - Zendoodle with Barbara Buford

Register online or by phone with Ginny Barney at 302.236.8225 or [ginnybarney2013@gmail.com](mailto:ginnybarney2013@gmail.com) or Kathy Fessenbecker at 727.421.9530 or [kfess14@gmail.com](mailto:kfess14@gmail.com). PayPal payment available at [www.MiltonArtsGuild.org](http://www.MiltonArtsGuild.org).  
Fee: MAG members \$30 in advance, for non-members & at the door members \$40.

## MAG Bites

### Try a new Surface!

Trying something new can be frustrating. Yet, is there anything more satisfying than mastering it? Usually there's a failure or two before the breakthrough, so what? Embrace the failure!

New painting surfaces make traditional framing a thing of the past. Working on 1½ inch or deeper Cradled boards means only sealing your work, then make the decision to stain or finish the sides, wire it and you're done! Plus there are many new sealing techniques to protect your work taking glass or plexi out of the mix. Traditionally paint on canvas? Try different papers or linen surfaces, Clayboard, Aquaboard, or Yupo and see what happens. New sandpaper or silk-screen grit panels open new worlds for the pastel devotee.

Even a small change, using thicker or thinner paper, trying a canvas board, really, anything that's different from your norm opens you up to new possibilities and ideas. So hopefully I've whetted your curiosity. Do some searching on the various art supply websites, check out articles in magazines and websites. Keep your eyes open next time you are in an art supply store. New can mean different, different is exciting, and can open a new creative world for you....so give it a try!

**Thanks to Sharon Hammesfahr for coordinating  
our Docent Luncheon. Great Job! Your efforts are very  
appreciated!**



## DOCENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Surround yourself with inspiring artwork! Be a Docent! Our Gallery showcases our artists' talents. Sales help keep the lights on and pay the rent, yet the Gallery can only be open when someone is at the helm. Please contact Sharon Hammesfahr at [sharonhammesfahr@gmail.com](mailto:sharonhammesfahr@gmail.com) or call at 302.270.1216 to volunteer. Being a Docent is great way to spend the day from 11am – 3pm. Paint and create while meeting new people! Training is simple, commonsense a must, and help is only a call away!



## BEAUTIFUL WORK BY BILL PATTERSON'S STUDENTS IN HIS FEBRUARY WORKSHOP!

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

JESSICA MARTIN, ALEXANDRA MARTIN

Reminder New Members: Please request acceptance for the Facebook Milton Arts Guild Members Page.

MARCH 11 - DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME!

Don't forget to change your clocks one hour ahead!

Spring forward, fall back...as the saying goes. Come on Spring!

### 2018 Membership

Hopefully you've received and returned this year's membership form. Please let us know if you need any help. It's important to fill out the form. This helps us know what you are interested in doing and keeps our mailing list up to date. Questions? Contact Carol Yost, our membership chair.



## NEW FRAMED CANVAS SALE

Liz Miceli can find a deal! She has found a contact offering Floater Frames with unfinished edge with a linen canvas included at a bargain price. All instructions and hardware included. Available at the Gallery while supplies last!

24 X 24 (RETAIL \$45.00)	MAG PRICE: \$30.00
20 X 20 (RETAIL \$35.00)	MAG PRICE: \$21.00
10 X 14 (RETAIL \$20.00)	MAG PRICE: \$15.00
6 X 8 (RETAIL \$15.00)	MAG PRICE: \$12.00

**MORE SIZES WILL BE AVAILABLE SOON! STOCK UP! TELL YOUR FELLOW ARTISTS!**  
 Liz's generous spirit is allowing MAG to keep some of the profit from these sales. So you get a deal, MAG gets a windfall, and the world will get beautiful artwork because of her efforts!  
 Next time you see Liz, give her a big thank you!

### MAG Board of Directors

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

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

Workshops – Lynda Rae Gannon      Exhibitions – Sally Reed  
 Education/ Artful Touch – Ginny Barney and Kathy Fessenbecker

*Please check the website for board member contact information*  
[www.miltonartsguild.org](http://www.miltonartsguild.org)

### Member News

Keith Steck and Paul Hammesfahr are part of the exhibition opening of “Art Through the Lens” at Camp Rehoboth, 37 Baltimore Ave. in Rehoboth March 3-5pm. Keith & Paul are part of the Fine Art Group of the Coastal Camera Club. This special show reveals the interpretive aspects of their Photographs.

It's a show not to miss and will be up until March 31<sup>st</sup>.

**THANKS TO ALL WHO CAME TO THE NEW MEMBERS LUNCHEON!  
A GREAT TIME WITH ARTISTS MEETING FELLOW ARTS AND  
ENJOYING GREAT FOOD!**



## **FEBRUARY'S MEMBER MEETING**

We had about 25 members attend the February meeting. Upcoming events were announced and explained. Our new brochures are available at the gallery, please stop by, pick up a few, and drop them at businesses, clubs, or any place you think people might pick them up and who knows, either join, come to an opening, or take a class! Throughout this newsletter you'll see more details of announcements made at the meeting. Rita Poore gave a Yupo Demo at the end. This demo gave some Yupo explanations and showed how people will get started creating their piece for the Artful Touch this month Rita is teaching. Room is still available so go to the website and register!

## **ARE YOU ON THE MAG Website GALLERY PAGE?**

The MAG Website's Gallery Page is one of the many benefits of MAG. Your artwork and bio is on a public website where you can be seen. Many societies and guilds charge for member artwork and bios to be included on their websites, but MAG is FREE. We still have a long list of members without a bio and examples of artwork. If you are not listed on the Gallery page, send your bio & a .jpeg of your artwork to me at [Rpoore40@aol.com](mailto:Rpoore40@aol.com) or to Sue Dutton, at [docdutton@gmail.com](mailto:docdutton@gmail.com). Our 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.



## GALLERY IMPROVEMENTS

Hopefully you've all stopped by to see the new cabinetry in gallery. We've commissioned a stained glass piece to hang in the window between the gallery and the kitchen in the common room. Plus outside lighting has been installed to illuminate your way out of the gallery and the common room when taking classes at night.



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 <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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