



Newsletter

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Manassas Art Guild April Membership Meeting

WHEN: Wednesday, April 23, 2025

WHERE: Central Library Meeting Room A

8601 Mathis Ave

Manassas, VA 20110

TIME: 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm

The Demonstration artist will be Valerie Larson discussing:

Marketing Your Art

Valerie Larson is a Manassas artist specializing in watercolor paintings and pen-and-ink drawings. She loves both mediums for their immediacy and freshness. Favorite watercolor subjects include local landmarks, historic buildings, animals, and nature. She tries to capture the beauty around her, and quality of light and how it reveals three-dimensionality is always a key element in her work.

Valerie's painting time is devoted largely to commissioned watercolor portraits of pets and meaningful places (favorite vacation spots or landscapes, wedding venues, etc.). She'll be sharing examples of her work, her commission process, and how she helps customers develop their ideal portrait. Valerie will also share her approach to marketing and social-media posts, as well as some of the helpful tools she's discovered that help her streamline the process.

Message from Laura Lavarney

Email: laura.lavarney@comcast.net.

Manassas Art Guild President



SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

Wednesday, April 23	6:00 pm - 7:30 pm	MAG, Community Room Central Library
Friday, April 25	7:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Annaburg Reception
Saturday, Sunday April 25, 26	12:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Annaburg Show
May 9 – May 18	Warrenton Show	Restaurant Hours Cast Iron Craft House,
Friday, May 16	9:00 am – 5:00 pm	Clifton Presbyterian Church, 12748 Richards Ln, Clifton
Wednesday, May 21	6:00 pm - 7:30 pm	MAG, Community Room Central Library
Saturday, June 21	8:00 am – 2:00 pm	Bee Festival, Liberia Plantation



Warrenton Art Show is Friday, May 9 - Sunday, May 18 at the Cast Iron Craft House.

The Spring Art Inventory Sale at the Art Factory: more information at a later date



Artist of the Month for April

Deborah McDermott

Deborah McDermott is a resident in Manassas. I am inspired by the beauty of nature, everywhere, and I enjoy doing landscapes. I've always like dabbling with sketching, and water coloring. In retirement, I've been exploring acrylics. Northern Virginia Community College and George Mason University were the schools where I received some training. I use reference photos of places I've visited, and work in acrylics.

Stores Where MAG displays:

Jirani Coffee Houses - 9425 West St, Manassas, VA 20110

Ground Central Station - 9360 Main Street

Art Factory - 9419 Battle Street Open Monday – Saturday 10:00 – 5:00

The Things I Love - 9084 Center

Black Metal Mercantile - 9105 Center Street

Volunteers are needed for AOTM for the months of April, May, June, August, and September. This is a worthwhile program for displaying your art in the community. If participation is low, the program may be discontinued.

Volunteers for AOTM needed for May, June, August and September. Please contact Laura Lavarney laura.lavarney@comcast.net



Congratulations to all the Artis who were juried into the Annaburg Mansion Show in Manassas.



DISCLAIMER

The Manassas Art Guild takes all possible care of your artwork. However, artists display at their own risk. None of the entities involved are responsible for any loss or damage to art work. This includes Manassas Art Guild and its members and the owner of the location where the event is being held.

Your entry in any show or event, constitutes that you agree and acknowledge the terms and conditions set forth in this show

Pictures from the Manassas Art Guild March 2025 Membership Meeting.

Laura Lavarney demonstrating mat cutting and framing at the last meeting.

