

September 2011

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Upcoming Events



August 30 - September 30 – Holly Etheridge, Mixed Media Penny Sipple, Leather Upstairs Gallery: Sunrise and Sunset

September 9, 10, & 11, 2011 – Travel Sketchbook Workshop with local artist, Sharon Parker

September 10, 2011, 9am-5pm – Bark-in-the-Park Art Show at Chickahominy Riverfront Park.

September 17, 9:30 am to 4 pm -"Reach the Next Level" Workshop with First Place Winner of the Annual Members' Show, Sue Danehy

September 25, 2011, 5:30-8pm – 5 X 7 ~ ART On The QT at the Williamsburg Community Building.

September 29, 2011, 6-11pm – Williamsburg Gallery Crawl

October 4 - November 4 – RJ Clarke & William Maner, Mixed Media Victor & Toni Gonchoroff / Nu Pottery, Ceramics & Wood Upstairs Gallery: *Around Town*

November 8 - December 22 – Amy Hautman, Watercolors Lynn Trott, Pottery/Clay/Ceramics Upstairs Gallery: Small Works

5x7 Art on the QT

Last year's 5x7 ~ ART ON THE QT event was such a success and

everyone had so much fun that we're doing it again this year, so mark your calendar for the 2011 event now!

Your invitations have been mailed. Please join us for an evening of fun on Sunday, September 25th from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm at The Williamsburg Community Building at 401 North Boundary Street. Featured artist Elaine Abbot will be presenting *Pomegranates*.



In addition to the 5 x7 art sale, there will be a silent auction, light fare and a wine bar. Remember, the art preview starts at 5:30 pm and the bell is rung at 6:45 pm sharp and tie breakers are decided with a coin toss!

Tickets may be reserved at (757) 229-4949 or purchased at the door. Proceeds from 5 x 7 ~ Art On The QT will benefit TCAG's Education and Outreach Programs.

For more information, please visit www.thiscenturyartgallery.org

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From the President

June and July were busy months that featured the official opening of our new Art Education Center on Westover Avenue. We celebrated with two well-attended donor recognition receptions including an appreciative contingent from City Council whose members were delighted to welcome us to the new Arts District. The new facility was the site of our annual volunteer recognition party as well. Since the last newsletter, we've enjoyed three excellent featured artist shows including an outstanding Member's Show, where 99 two and three dimensional works were on display. Photos of the winners are displayed on page 5.

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We have agreed to participate in the planned Arts Month in September, a project organized by the three area Economic Development Agencies in collaboration with the Greater Williamsburg Chamber and Tourism Alliance. Details are included in the Executive Director's remarks.

The new lecture series will also commence in September and we are delighted that Alex Andrews has agreed to organize and manage the program. The Virginia Museum of Fine Arts has expanded their lecture offerings, so we're in for an interesting season. We continue to encourage our members to get involved in the gallery's expanded programs and we would welcome hearing from those willing to volunteer.

As always, I appreciate receiving your thoughts, ideas and suggestions. Have a great fall.

-Michael Kirby

From the Executive Director

As the fall approaches, This Century Art Gallery looks forward to participating in a new Art and Tourism Initiative. September has been designated as Arts Month in James City County, Yorktown, and Williamsburg. To attract arts and culture visitors to the Greater Williamsburg area, Terry Buntrock, the Williamsburg Arts Month Coordinator, states that "The region has a vibrant arts community that needs to be showcased as a tourism experience." She has encouraged all area arts organizations to review their existing September events with arts tourism in mind and consider developing new events that could enhance visitor experiences.

The Greater Williamsburg Chamber and Tourism alliance and the three area development authorities are working together to create a marketing campaign that will include a centralized arts calender: www.williamsburgarts.com, television advertising in the greater Washington area, and a focus on art as a theme for convention planners.

The Gallery has several events that will get a marketing boost as a result of this initiative including our September exhibition at the Gallery, numerous arts classes, the annual 5 X 7 Art on the QT and a new workshop on September 17th. The new workshop entitled "Reach the Next Level" will be conducted by Sue Danehy, First Place Winner of the Annual Members' Show. See our website: www.thisCenturyArtGallery.org for more details on all activities. In addition to these events, the gallery will participate in a new Gallery Crawl on September 29th. Participants will be bused to visit several area galleries and enjoy beverages. We will coordinate plein air artists for the Williamsburg farmers market.

We look forward to seeing you at the fall Gallery events and hope you will enjoy some of the more than 60 arts-related events happening in our area in the month of September.

-Kerry Mellette

2011/12 Lecture Series

Lectures will be at the Williamsburg Regional Library and are made possible through the gallery's affiliation with the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts (VMFA) in Richmond.

The first lecture will be on September 26. This will be a presentation on the great Hindu epic poem, the Ramayana. The Ramayana has been passed down for hundreds of generations and its influence can be seen in Indian art, literature, history and even statecraft. This lecture explores Hindu culture by examining the characters of the Ramayana and the choices they make through an investigation of the epic poem and the ways in which the story is told through the visual arts. The presenter will be Dr. Jennifer Foley who is the Paul Mellon Collection Educator at the VMFA.

Additional programs on other topics will be given in October (10th, 24th), November (14th), January (23rd, 30th) and February (20th, 27th). Details on the topics will be communicated via the gallery's monthly E-Newsletter and the winter edition of this newsletter. Please mark your calendars now. All lectures will be on Mondays and will start at 7:30 PM. They will last approximately one hour and refreshments will be served following the presentations.

Celebrate with Art Parties

The Art Education Center is now available for Art Parties! Get together with your family and/or friends for your own celebration of art during a fun, social event. Your group can schedule this 3 hour event at the Art Education Center. You bring your own food and beverages and we provide all the supplies needed to create a pre-chosen painting. An Art Instructor is there to assist with the process and everyone leaves with their own rendition of the artwork!

Birthday Parties at the Art Education Center are the perfect combination of art and fun! You bring your own cake and party favors and we provide the art supplies. During the first hour, our Art Instructor will work with the youth on a piece of artwork they will complete and take home at the end of the party. During the second hour, the Birthday Party celebration takes place right at the Art Education Center!

Call Susan Sullivan-Tubach at 229-5549 to schedule your time.

Art Education Update



Summer Art Camps for Kids were the main focus for the Youth Program during the summer. The Fall Semester Schedule will see a greater variety of options with Pre-school Art, Elementary School Art, Home School Art, Scouts as Artists, Teen Art, and Super Saturdays.

The art classes for adults in Papier Mache, Clay Pottery and Sculpture, Painting, Never-Before-Had-An-Art-Class, and a Watercolor Techniques Workshop were all well attended during the summer. In addition to those, the Fall Semester

Schedule will also offer Drawing, Art Appreciation, Photography, and more Painting classes.

More details are available at www.ThisCenturyArtGallery.org or call the Art Education Center at 229-5549.



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Buddy Art

Buddy Art will resume this fall with classes on Saturdays, September 10, 17, October 1, 15, 29 and November 5th, from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. in Rooms A&B at the JCC Recreation Center on Longhill Road.

Buddy Art is an award winning program designed to provide art activities for children with special needs and/ or physical disabilities. The program is free and is sponsored by This Century Art Gallery in cooperation with student volunteers from the College of William & Mary and James City County Parks & Recreation. W&M students serve as one-on-one Buddies with the kids. Volunteers are also needed to help set up and supervise the art activities.

For more information about the program, visit the TCAG website at:

http://www.thiscenturyartgallery.org/BuddyArt/index.cfm or contact Karen Schwartz at karenschwartzart@cox.net or 565-2795.

Gallery Crawl 2011



For just one night, Thursday, September 29th, deluxe chartered buses will whisk you all over town to enjoy great wines, sample some great cheeses & more while experiencing Williamsburg's art galleries.

Your \$40 ticket purchases a keepsake wine glass that is your invitation to this private party at one gallery after another and a slew of tour guides to make sure you stay on track! The shuttles also stop at three B&Bs where you will meet special artists and art gallery owners to view art in the home-like setting.

To purchase tickets, visit: https://sites.google.com/site/williamsburggallerycrawl/

Jan Ledbetter Receives Award for Watercolor Painting



Jan's painting, The Maya of Chichicastenango XXV has received an award at the Southern Watercolor Society Juried Exhibition 2011 and another from this series has been juried into the Virginia Watercolor Society Exhibition 2011. She has received Signature Membership in the Watercolor Art Society of Houston.

Jan Ledbetter NWS www.janledbetter.com 757-253-7831

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Member News

Members' Work on Exhibit

Art Centers/Museums/Community Centers and other non-profit venues near and far!

Please email tcagcommunications@yahoo.com with your news by the 25th of the month!

2011 VIRGINIA ARTISTS

Juried Exhibition Joseph Heyman, Anne Kushnick, Helen Lowery, Linda Miller and Shirley Roby The Charles H. Taylor Arts Center July 17 to August 28, 2011 4205 Victoria Blvd Hampton VA 23669 757 727-1490

Karen Anderson Schwartz and her daughter, Amy Schwartz Potter, will be the featured artists for the month of August at Picture This Art Custom Framing & Gallery in Hermitage, Tennessee, just outside of Nashville. Karen's landscape paintings of Virginia, Tennessee and California will be on display along with Amy's pottery, including dinnerware and architectural ceramics. Amy & Karen will be introduced at the Third Thursday Wine Tasting and Art Event on August 18th.

Visit *Picture This* at http://www.picturethis-gallery.com/.

Hazel Camp won First Place in the 2011 Juried Members Exhibition at Gallery on the York. The Show "Fire and Ice" opened May 21 and closed on June 12. The Show was juried and judged by Jackie Merritt, an award winning artist, musician and teacher. Hazel is currently appearing in a 2-person show at the Gallery on the York.

Congratulations, Hazel!

Bark - In - The - Park Art Show

Saturday, September 10, This Century Art Gallery partners with Heritage Humane Society for their Bark-in-the-Park Art Show at Chickahominy Riverfront Park. Open to Children of all Ages.

Most everyone with animals has experienced some form of the Human/Animal Bond: it may be the fun we spend with our companions in our free time, or the relaxation we feel with them after coming home from a stressful day. Any way you put it, our animals enrich our lives in so many ways!

Heritage Humane Society's Bark in the Park is a pledge-driven walk and family friendly festival sponsored by the Heritage Humane Society Auxiliary. It is a yearly event designed to provide a fun and educational day, and to directly support homeless animals. Thanks to the generous sponsors, the 11th Annual Event will be held at Chickahominy Riverfront Park in Williamsburg on Saturday, September 10, 2011 from 9 am to 5 pm. Parking will be \$5 at the gate until 3pm, then \$10 after 3pm for the concert.

This year, the "DogGone" Walk Festival has been expanded to host a larger variety of regional rescue groups, vendors,

animal-related activities, demonstrations, music, food & more! There will be a children's Art Show to highlight children's views of the Human/Animal Bond. Music by Slapwater will end the day, so come out to help Heritage Humane Society animals in need and relax at the end of the afternoon with great tunes! Please, no outside food or coolers as Vendors for food and beverages will be in attendance.

Congratulations to Winners of the Annual Members' Show

Congratulations to the winners and participants in This Century art Gallery's 2011 Annual Members' Show which opened with the Members' Award Reception on Monday, June 13th. Ninety-nine member artists participated and twelve awards were presented at the reception. First Place was awarded to Sue Danehy for her oil portrait of "Sandra". Jean Fripp took Second Place for her photograph, "The Green Gutter," and Jacqueline Bruce received the Third Place award for "Sunny Hydrangeas," a watermedia painting.

Merit Awards were given to Carlton Abbott, Gene Chis, Bettie Curry, Holland Wentz Etheridge, Dorothy Grebos, Heather Christian Iglesias, Joanne Limric, Ray & Martha Rountree, and Karen Anderson Schwartz.

The show was co-judged by Professor William Barnes, painter, and Visiting Instructor Jayson Lowery, sculptor, both of whom teach in the Department of Art & Art History at the College of William & Mary.

Photos of the winning pieces can be viewed at: http://www.thiscenturyartgallery.org/ images/2011MembersShow/index.html



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From left to right:

Judges Bill Barnes and Jayson Lowery, Karen Anderson Schwartz, Holland Wentz Etheridge, Sue Danehy, Gene Chis, Heather Christian Iglesias, Jean Fripp, Betty Curry, Dorothy Grebos, Carlton Abbot, Martha Rountree and Ray Rountree. Not pictured are Jean Bruce and Joanne Limric.



Volunteers Needed

As you know This Century Art Gallery is a nonprofit organization that relies on volunteers to keep the gallery free and open to the public. Desk reception is a monthly 3 hour commitment, but all other volunteer assignments are on an "as needed" basis. If you can help us with any of the following, please contact Charlene Zolad at 757-229-4949 or thiscenturyartgallery@verizon.net

Desk Reception: Front desk coverage once per month on a day that fits into your schedule. Hours are 11:00 a.m. to 2:00p.m. or 2:00p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Tuesday thru Saturday.

Reception Manager or bartender: Manage or assist with hospitality for opening night receptions.

Install Exhibits: Assist with installation of art gallery exhibits.

Teacher Assistant: Assist an Art Instructor with Youth Art Class; help with set up and clean up. (1 ¹/₂ - 3 hours per class) including Summer Art Camp

Scholarship Committee: Planning and evaluating student applicants' work.

Bus Trip Manager: Organize bus trip for members to regional art exhibits and galleries.

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The gallery appreciates the generous support of grants from: Junior Woman's Club of Williamsburg Kiwanis Foundation Virginia Commission for the Arts Williamsburg Area Arts Commission Williamsburg Community Foundation Woman's Club of Williamsburg York County Arts Commission

Art Education Center Open Studio

This Century Art Gallery offers an Open Studio for local artists to enjoy drawing or painting with fellow artists.

This casual group has no formal instruction and the \$6 non-members, \$5 members fee covers the sitting fee for the clothed model. No pre-registration is needed for this, but please check our website to verify the dates: www.ThisCenturyArtGallery.org.

These studios are held 9 AM to Noon on most Fridays. When you sign-in at the Art Education Center, 110 Westover Ave., Williamsburg, please include your email address for the weekly reminder email from the Open Studio Facilitator, Sharon Parker.

Please call 229-5549 for more information and we look forward to seeing you soon!

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