

Manasquan River Group of Artists

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Newsletter



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President's Message

Presidents Message November 2021

It seems there is never enough of summer at the Jersey shore and especially this year as we still are not fully recovered from the covid crisis, however, there still may be some great fall weather ahead to enjoy and maybe do some plein-air. I hope you are getting ready to enter the Point Pleasant Beach Library Show coming up in January. Congratulations to the members who received awards at the Annual Audubon Exhibit in NYC. You can see their winning entries in this issue. Also, there is a request herein for volunteers needed to keep MRGA moving forward. Please consider donating your time and energy to these important positions necessary to make our organization successful.

Our December meeting will be held on Saturday, December 4th from 1 to 4 pm and will involve a fun afternoon for members to participate in a grab bag and auction. Details are included herein and will be sent out in a blast. We also have a workshop planned in January at the Curtis House with details forthcoming. Enjoy the fall weather and I hope we will have a great turnout at our December Meeting on Saturday, December 4th.

Bob Stetz
President



Please visit the website for MRGA www.mrga38.org Our website is being updated regularly by Sheila Soyster. Please contact Sheila with any information: sheila624@comcast.net or 732-892-7692. Thank you Sheila.

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

MRGA is looking for volunteers to fill three positions.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY/MEMBERSHIP COMPROLLER – Record member attendance, prepare correspondence for MRGA official business, prepare, and distribute amendment proposals electronically or by post requiring votes by the membership, receive official votes by the members, tally and announce results of member voting, any and other duties requiring official correspondence by and for MRGA.

Previous Experience – None (but good organizational skills would be a plus). A computer and internet access necessary.

PR COORDINATOR – A person to establish and maintain contact and conduct announcements of MRGA Shows and Exhibits to local news organizations, art societies, public art sponsors, and electronic media.

Previous Experience – Prior involvement with PR would be good but not essential. We are looking to increase MRGA exposure and recognition throughout the art community.

CURATOR BRIELLE LIBRARY SHOW – Coordinating and organizing the MRGA Annual Exhibit at the Brielle Library, including, coordination with the library official in charge, soliciting volunteer assistance, announcing, and collecting call for entries, accepting and hanging artwork, and coordinating awards reception.

Previous experience – None necessary. Guidance and assistance will be provided by former curator.

If you are interested, please email rstetz2@verizon.net.

The success of MRGA depends on the involvement of our members and their participation in taking part in running the organization. We encourage you to volunteer whether you have experience or not in these areas.

o Come All Ye Artful!

Our Holiday MRGA Meeting is set for

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4TH

1-4 PM at the Curtis House



Join us for a brief business meeting and stay for an afternoon of silly, rousing holiday FUN!

Grab Bag Games

To join in the fun, please bring a GIFT WRAPPED, art-related item valued at \$5 or more.

Your gift can be something new, something gently used or something you created.

Let us know you'll be there . As fast as Dancer and Prancer, RSVP no later than Nov. 18 to

Jackie St. Angel jstangel62@gmail.com

Or

Margo Fletcher margo182@aol.com

Member News

The following five members were honored with awards at the 79th Audubon Artists show at the Salmagundi Club in NYC.



Honorary David Beynon Pena Memorial Award In Oils & Acrylics
Artist LOUIS RICCIO (Elected Member)
Title: A Tribute To Nicolai



John Antonucci Memorial Award in Collage & Mixed Media
Artist MARGO FLETCHER (Associate Member)
Title: Tropicana



Vincent Scola Family Award in Oils & Acrylics
Artist PAULA SHIPMAN (Associate Member)
Title: Rose Of Sharon



Honorary John M. Angelini Memorial Award in Aquamedia
Artist MARY ANN GOODWIN (Associate Member)
Title: Luxe Dreams



Michael Engel Audubon Artists Founders Award in Collage & Mixed Media
Artist VINCENT NARDONE (Honorary Member)
Title: Dancing Imagery From The Back Bay

ART OPPORTUNITIES

A Heads Up for Point Pleasant Beach Library Art Show will be coming up in January thru February. The actual exhibit dates will be announced when confirmed by the library.

More Member News



Jackie St. Angel (pictured on left) received a Bronze Achievement Award in the Guild of Creative Arts' 2021 Open Juried Show for her painting, *The New Normal*. Inspired by the painting, local playwright Mary Carol Stunkel's (pictured on right) scripted interpretation of the artwork was presented in a staged reading before an audience in the Guild's Gallery.

Lou Riccio donated a 24X48 painting of 9/11 Responders to the Municipal Building in Brick. It will be displayed in a space for everyone to enjoy.

Lou is pictured on left with Chief of Police James Riccio



Member Showcase

Laura Lutz submitted
Colored pencils and white gouache for the snow.
Titled: "Winter Yarding".

MRGA members may submit jpeg images for inclusion
in the newsletter.

Send to maryanngoodwinarts@gmail.com



Allaire Park Activities for Christmas Holiday

November Craft Show - November 13- Saturday 10 am to 3 pm \$5 admission to the park

Allaire Auxiliary Stocking Stuffer Sale on the weekends in the Main Building and more Christmas Events through December.....check out www.allairevillage.org for more information
Please support this wonderful historic park with a visit!