

RARITAN VALLEY ARTS ASSOCIATION

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Newsletter, Jennifer Ali

Welcome to February!

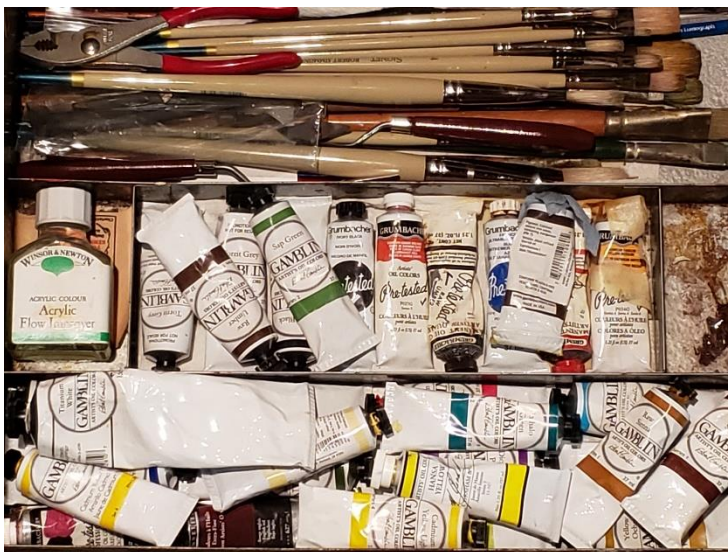
Message from the President:

So happy to see so many members out at the last meeting, let's keep it up. Look forward to seeing you all on the 27th.

And the February featured artist is YOU!

Not only do we hope to see you at the meeting on **Thursday, February 27**, but we are looking forward to seeing your artwork at our Member Show-and-Tell!

You still have time to put the finishing touches on that piece sitting on the easel, a shelf, or my favorite—lounging in the basement—and bring it in to show what you are doing! Old work, new work—it doesn't matter—and if you don't have anything to share, that's all right too. Come to see other members' artwork to get your creativity going.



Upcoming Events

February 27

Meeting and Member Show-and-Tell,
Bridgewater Library, 7:00 pm

March 30

Meeting, Demo: TBA
Bridgewater Library, 7:00 pm

April 28

Meeting, Demo: TBA
Bridgewater Library, 7:00 pm

Important Announcement

We've secured two more dates at the Bridgewater Library, but we still need something for May. Please note the dates on your calendar: **the March meeting is on a Monday and the April meeting is on a Tuesday.**

January Demonstrator Recap:



RVAA member, **Judy Hummer**, came in and gave us a lot to think about. Judy has been experimenting with various watercolor grounds on surfaces not normally accepting of watercolor paint with varying results. The examples that we got

to see and touch gave us a head start in trying some of these products as well. Thanks Judy!



Some Awesome Judy News:

Judith Hummer was the recipient of the Katherine A. Lovell Award at the Catherine Lorillard Wolfe Art Club Exhibition, January 31, 2020;

She was accepted into the 43rd International Watermedia Exhibition in Houston, TX that runs from March 8 - April 2, 2020

<https://watercolorhouston.org/International-Exhibition;>

And Judith is currently exhibiting work at the Belskie Museum in Closter, NJ through February 23, 2020

<http://www.belskiemuseum.com/homepage.asp>



Send Your News!

Are you showing in an exhibit? Will you be teaching a class or workshop? Why not let everyone know and create some buzz? Include a link to more info and maybe a picture too. You can stipulate if you'd like to be mentioned in the Newsletter, on Facebook, or both!

Contact Information:

Snail Mail:

Jennifer Ali, 399 Garretson Road, Bridgewater, NJ 08807

Email: jennali13@gmail.com

RVAA Dues are Due!

Please review our membership fees on page 4 and send your check made out to "RVAA" to:

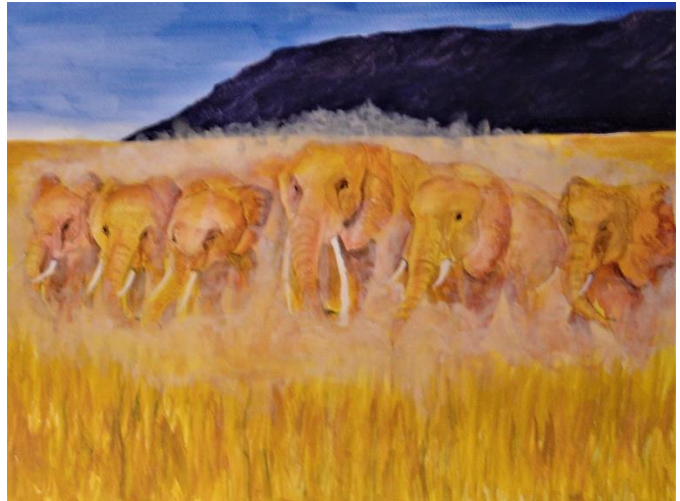
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There are Teachers Among Us!

Bill Gilbert is teaching the watercolor class formerly taught by Diana Patton. Classes will resume March 23.

"Learn the basics of transparent watercolor washes, bleeds, and brushwork, as well as composition, mood and color mixing. Some "Paint-a-longs" are included. Intermediates will have separate assignments with advanced techniques and watercolor demos."

Registration details here: <https://www.jointure.org/community-courses>



Judith Hummer is currently teaching weekly watercolor classes at Bridgewater United Methodist Church, 651 Country Club Rd, Bridgewater. Classes are Tuesday mornings or Thursday afternoons.

"I usually teach a variety of watercolor techniques and utilize various subject matter to keep the creativity fresh and push the limits of traditional watercolor."

For more information, email Judith at: jhummermom@aol.com

Judith is also holding a two-day YUPO workshop at Ocean County Artist Guild in Island Heights, NJ, April 22-23. For more information and to sign up: <https://www.ocartistsguild.org/>



Art Events and Opportunities:

Art Fair 14C, Jersey City, Feb. 21-23. <https://artfair14c.com/?fbclid=IwAR3suBxKGEUEoCJiBKul8tXuV-aGA6tExBnLT0KtouC1Hfchhjn-MYLBibs>

"Art Fair 14C is an international art fair on the Jersey City waterfront with a mission to strengthen galleries and support artists."

Watercolor Painting Demo and Workshop with Robert Heyer, April 18 at St. Augustine of Canterbury Church, South Brunswick. **Sign up by March 21.**

<http://www.colorchipsart.com/events.html>

Newark Museum: Unexpected Color, A Journey Through Glass, now through May 2020.

<https://events.funnewjersey.com/en/events/5cbdedbbb9d14/newark-museum:unexpected-color:-a-journey-through-glass:-may-1-2019-may-2020>

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Membership Dues:

Individual Membership: \$35/year

Family Membership: \$40/year

Student (through High School) Membership: \$20/year

Renewing? Please make your check out to "RVAA" and mail to:

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New Member? Follow the steps above and fill out the Membership Application on the last page to include with your payment.

Thank you for supporting The RVAA! Member's fees allow us to bring in professional artists to share their expertise at our meetings.

Members are also encouraged to participate in the 2-3 exhibits we have each year, join our bus trip to NYC to be inspired by incredible art, and take advantage of opportunities posted on Facebook and in the newsletter. Don't forget the RVAA website also has a "Member's Gallery" where you can have your work posted <http://www.raritanvalleyarts.org/index.html> .

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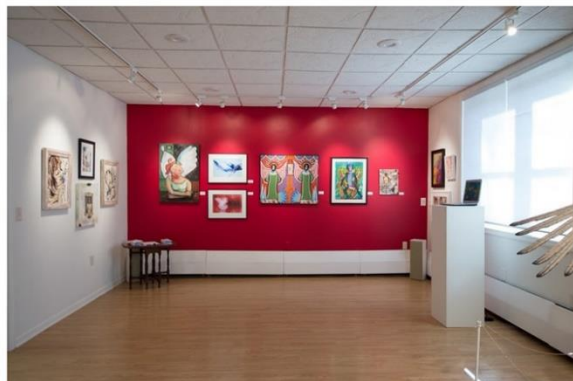
Music & the Soul

music-inspired visual art

In both the religious and the secular world, music can calm or invigorate the spirit, enhance mental capabilities, and proclaim the joy and suffering of this life.

How does music affect your art?

In celebration of the 250th anniversary of Beethoven's birth, think outside the box to create music-themed visual art of any kind, 2-D or sculptural.



The mission of *Nails in the Wall Gallery*, a Ministry of St. Luke's

is to broaden the program offerings of St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Metuchen by:

- Providing an inclusive, welcoming and supportive place for members of St. Luke's, artists and the wider community to grow in their spirituality through the medium of art,
- Offering exhibit themes and programs that seek to respect the dignity of every human being through our mutual connection to all of God's creation,
- Intentionally encouraging young, elderly, differently-abled and disadvantaged people to experience and participate in well-curated exhibits and exhibit-related programming.

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To submit artwork for consideration:

Digital images of artwork must be submitted via email to Exhibits@StLukesMetuchen.org with the subject line "Music and the Soul" and named in the following way:

title_size_medium

Example: Flowers_8x10_painting

In the email, include the following:

Your name, address, email, phone.

For each image list: Title, size, medium.

Timeline:

Monday July 27 all work submitted

August 15 notice of acceptance status

Fri-Sun Aug 28-30 drop-off

Opening Saturday, Sept. 12, 2-5pm,

on view Sept. 12 - Dec. 11

M-F 10-1, Sun 11-1

Dec 12-13 retrieval of work Sat-Sun

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Membership Application

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Cell: _____

Address: _____

ART level:

Beginner () Intermediate () Advanced ()

Most used medium:

Oil (), Watercolor (), Pencil (), Photography (), Printmaking (),

Pastel (), Collage (), Pen & Ink (), Other (): _____

() Individual \$35/year

() Family \$40/year

() Student (through high school) \$20/year

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