

# RARITAN VALLEY ARTS ASSOCIATION established 1939

March 2019 Newsletter

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## Snowflake greetings!

Hopefully no snowstorm will interfere with our March demo, Wednesday March 20, 7:15 pm at the Somerset County Library, when artist Carole Katz will demonstrate. Carole, a fine art portrait painter in oils, with a BA and BFA, also studied with master portrait artist Marvin Mattelson at the School of Visual Arts in NYC for several years and has taken classes at the Fashion Institute of Technology; NYC; duCret School of Art in Plainfield, NJ; the Art Students League of NY; the New York Academy of Art and the National Academy of Art. Carole says "For me, the most interesting and challenging subject in art is portraiture. Every person or animal is totally unique and presents a unique and interesting challenge with every new painting. Working to create a 3 dimensional likeness of my subject on a 2 dimensional canvas and to incorporate the personality and emotion of the subject is the challenge that intrigues me and continues to inspire me." Carole will do a color mixing demo. Working with a controlled palette, she mixes all her values and colors and tubes them. She will demonstrate this process and show the controlled palette which she learned from an artist/teacher trained by Norman Rockwell and also from portraitist Marvin Mattelson. *(editor's note: you owe it to yourself to go to [www.carolekatzart.com](http://www.carolekatzart.com) to see more of her work)*





Because of the snowstorm, our February meeting, a Chinese brush painting demo with artist Diana Kung, was cancelled. Diana Kung has been rescheduled for September.

**Have you signed up yet for our Big Apple Bus Trip?** Please join us on our Big Apple Bus Trip Saturday April 13<sup>th</sup>. President Marge McGovern, who once again is good enough to organize this trip, urges us to take advantage of this fine opportunity. Shouldn't you be going? With some of your friends? Please sign up and leave the rest to us. The AWS (American Watercolor Society) exhibit is of course at the Salmagundi, but first we'll go to the Metropolitan Museum of Art. The bus leaves at 8:30 am from the upper parking lot of the Somerset County Library (same spot as usual). We leave the Met about 2:00 to go to the Salmagundi Club for the American Watercolor Society Show, and we leave there at 4 to arrive back in Bridgewater at 5 (this time change comes at the request of several who want to get back home sooner). This is a fantastic day, with all sorts of wonderful art to see and inspire us, as well as the camaraderie of art friends. The trip on the bus, with comfortable seats and a bathroom besides, only costs \$40. It's door to door for us! If you were to go by train and taxi, or train/subway/bus, you would spend about as much and waste ever so much time, time that can be used looking at art. Please send your check, made out to RVAA, & phone number to Marge McGovern, PO Box 399, Martinsville, NJ, 08836. To see what will be showing at the Met just go to <https://www.metmuseum.org/exhibitions/current-exhibitions> . Please art lovers, reply soon.

## **Bernardsville Library Exhibit**

The show is open only to RVAA Members submitting only original artwork. Submissions are limited to 3 Medium pieces no larger than 24 x 36 and 3 Small works for display cases no larger than 12x9, or 11 x 13. The exhibit will run April 1 to April 27, 2019. Delivery is March 30, 10-11 am with the reception on Sunday, April 7, 2-4 pm. Pick Up is Saturday, April 27, 1-2 pm. An inventory sheet (see attached) must be submitted which includes Artist Name, Title, Size, Medium and Price. Make an additional copy for yourself. Email to Nancy Boney by March 15. Or bring the form to March meeting. All reasonable care will be taken with your works but RVAA is not responsible for damaged, stolen or lost work. If you have questions email Nancy Boney [nancyboney@optimum.net](mailto:nancyboney@optimum.net) or Peggye Tombro [ptombro@gmail.com](mailto:ptombro@gmail.com)

**Thank you, Nancy, for obtaining this show for us, and thank you both, Nancy and Peggye for working on it.** *Okay, RVAA artists, hop to it, and make your exhibit choices.*

**RVAA dues are now due.** Our dues are due! Individual membership is \$35. per year, Family \$40. per year, Student (through high school) \$20. per year. Please make your check payable to RVAA and mail the application (at the end of this newsletter) with your check to Susan Boyd, 437 Washington Avenue, Martinsville, NJ 08836. You know these wonderful demos don't just happen! They cost us! And you also have 2-3 shows a year where you can exhibit, as well as delightful events such as a bus trip to NYC. And, oh yes, this Newsletter and our website, [www.Raritanvalleyarts.org](http://www.Raritanvalleyarts.org), where you can post your paintings in "Members Gallery". So please mail your check to Susan ASAP! Thank you!

**Donna Souren**, who works hard at getting us excellent demonstrators, will be having an operation in a few days and will need lots of recuperation. You might want to drop her a card of encouragement. Donna Souren 1763 West Circle Drive, Martinsville, NJ 08836  
We all hope you mend well and even faster than the doctors think!

The 2nd edition of **Art at the Esplanade**, a juried outdoor fine arts & crafts show, will be held in Mountain Lakes on Sunday, June 2nd, 2019. Elm Road's wide esplanade, located across from Mountain Lakes' two restaurants and surrounded by trees, is the perfect setting to welcome exhibitors and the crowds to meet them.

Art at the Esplanade is seeking artists for this all-media event. Details about the event and submission requirements can be found on our website: <https://aate2018.wixsite.com/artshow>  
All artists, professional and amateur are encouraged to submit their artwork!

## The New Jersey Water Color Society's 2nd Annual Online Associate Members' Show 2019

Entries will be accepted only through the online entry process from April 1 through June 1, 2019.

**Entry fee:** \$10 for Associate Members of NJWCS (with 2019 dues paid by April 1, 2019)

**Entries due:** June 1, 2019

**Notification of Awards:** week of June 2, 2019

**Exhibition/Award Winners:** posted on our website/Facebook June 2019-June 2020

**All Entries accepted.\*- You may submit one image only**

**Eligible Works:** The exhibition is open to **New Jersey residents only** and New Jersey Water Color Society Associate Members with 2019 dues paid by April 1, 2019. We accept paintings done in water media (including acrylic) and collage (collage must be made with handmade water media on paper by the artist). All works must be painted on paper/yupo/watercolor boards. We do not accept paintings previously shown in any NJWCS exhibition or show, copies, prints, classwork or workshop creations, computer generated, water-soluble oils, or varnished, woven or dimensional build-up of textural materials or nude paintings.

**For additional information:** For help with taking a photo, entering online or any other problems or questions please contact:

**Mike Scherfen** -Show Chair - H: 732-291-8053 C: 862-240-4594, [mike@mikescherfen.com](mailto:mike@mikescherfen.com)

**Jill Crouch** -Liaison - H: 908-228-5953, C: 732-221-2391, [jillocrouch@comcast.net](mailto:jillocrouch@comcast.net).

### Members in the News

**Jenn Ali, Bill Metz, and Diana Patton** are working with the Friends of Bridgewater History/ Bridgewater Creative Arts Council, painting some of the historic buildings of Bridgewater. An exhibit is planned in the Bridgewater Township Gallery for July.

**Donna Souren** has two paintings, "Yellow Flag Iris" and "Hairy Woodpecker Feather", in the Leonard J. Buck Art & Photography Exhibit, on Layton Rd., Far Hills. The show can be seen weekdays from February 19th - March 22nd, 10pm - 4pm and Saturday, March 9th, 12pm - 4pm.

*Happy Painting!*  
*Diana*

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## Membership Application

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Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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ART level:

Beginner ( ) Intermediate ( ) Advanced ( )

Most used medium:

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

( ) Pastel ( ) Collage ( ) Pen & Ink ( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

( ) Individual \$35. per year

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Washington Avenue, Martinsville, NJ 08836