

## RARITAN VALLEY ARTS ASSOCIATION

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President, Marge McGovern

<http://www.raritanvalleyarts.org/>

Newsletter, Jennifer Ali

### From RVAA President, Marge McGovern:

*Dear Members,*

*Short and Sweet: Have a summer full of happy days.*

*Until we meet again, stay healthy and be well.*  
*Marge*

### Member News

Diana Patton's painting, "Grandpa Knows Best," is in the Pittsburgh Watercolor Society's exhibit, "Waterworks," at the North Hills Art Center in Pittsburgh, PA.

*"I painted the frogs from some of the many photos I took when I had my ponds in Bridgewater. One year I took some of the tadpoles and let them grow to froglets in a home aquarium."* <https://www.pittsburghwatercolorsociety.com/page-1735951>



Diana Patton, "Grandpa Knows Best"

### SEND YOUR NEWS!

Are you showing in an exhibit? Will you be teaching a class or workshop? Do you want to share your Instagram account or recommend artists to follow? Include a link for more info and maybe a picture too. You can stipulate if you'd like to be mentioned in the newsletter, on Facebook, or both!

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The show, in-person and online, runs May 21-June 11.

Diana will also have three paintings, including the pictured work (left), "Flowers and Their Lovers," in the **American Artists Professional League** online "Studio Auction," which runs July 16-26.

<https://aaaplinc.org/upcoming-shows>

## Member News continued...

**Adnan Ali's** birdhouses won a First Place ribbon in the "Artistic/Imaginative" category, and an "Honorable Mention" ribbon in the "**Home Tweet Home**" birdhouse contest sponsored by **The Guild of Clinton**.



  
**HOME "TWEET" HOME  
BIRDHOUSE CONTEST**  
*Make it a house any bird would be proud to call "home"!*

  
**May 15, 2022**  
**12:00 pm – 4:00 pm**

**Magic – Balloon Art**  
**Horse & Carriage Rides**  
*Fun for the whole family!*

For entry form, go to  
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## Opportunities

**The Center for Contemporary Art** is still receiving work for the "**2022 Members' Non-Juried Exhibition and Sale.**" The show runs June 17-August 27. Entries due Tuesday, May 31.

<https://ccabedminster.org/enjoy/exhibits/members-non-juried-exhibition/>

**Art Venture Flemington's "First Annual Juried Art Show"** runs July 16-August 19. Submit work by Friday, June 17. <https://artventurenj.com/2022-juried-art-show>

**The Hunterdon Art Museum's "2022 Members Exhibition"** runs September 25, 2022-January 8, 2023. Submissions due July 8. <https://www.hunterdonartmuseum.org/exhibitions/2022-members-exhibition/>

## Annnnd...

**The Center for Contemporary Art** has sent out communication to its members asking them to participate in a Fall fundraiser by creating a piece of art for donation. Details on next page.

**Off the Wall**  
**Create an original work of art for**  
**The Center's fall fundraiser!**

**You are invited to participate in The Center's fall fundraising event *Off The Wall* by creating an original 8"x8" 2D piece of art, or a 3D work no larger than 8"x8"x8". We need your help to make this event successful!**

**Here's how it works:**

The Center's members and students who create 2D work can stop by the office to pick up an 8"x8" canvas, limit one per participant while supplies last. You are welcome to submit more than one 8"x8" piece; if you chose to submit more than one, you will be responsible for purchasing your own additional 8"x8" canvases (available at almost any art supply store including Michaels, Jerry's Art-a-rama, Dick Blick, etc.)

Artists are invited to create works in oil, acrylic, mixed media, photography, pastel, watercolor and more. All works will be sold at the *Off the Wall* fundraiser for \$100. **If you create your 2D work on something other than the supplied canvas it must be no larger than 8"x8" and mounted to the supplied canvas.** For The Center's members and students who create 3D work in their medium of choice, dimensions should be no larger than 8" in any direction.

**First:** Pick up your **FREE 8" x 8" canvas from The Center's front desk from now – July 15th**, one FREE canvas per artist while supplies last, or purchase your own. When you pick up your canvas you will be given a short form to return with your canvas, also **downloadable here**. If you are a 2D artist who will be purchasing your own canvas or a 3D artist who will be making a piece for this fundraiser, please confirm your participation by emailing Cyndi Wish at [cwish@ccabedminster.org](mailto:cwish@ccabedminster.org) to let us know to count you in.

**Next:** Create your Masterpiece(s).

**Then:** Bring your finished work to The Center, dry and ready to install, any time after it is complete and **no later than 5pm on August 1st**. Please **download this label** and affix it to your work.

**Finally:** Thank you! We appreciate your participation. Your work supports The Center's mission to provide arts education, free exhibitions, community building programs, and local partnerships that are focused on arts accessibility.

Additionally, as our way of saying thank you, after the event we will provide you with a discount code for \$20 off tuition for one class or workshop.

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**When I visited the CCA, I was told that non-members may also participate. To reiterate, this is a 100% donation to the CCA.**

## Links!

Check out upcoming events at the **Princeton University Art Museum:**

<https://artmuseum.princeton.edu/calendar>

**Watercolorist Matt White** has tips for creating depth in watercolor:

<https://www.learntopaintwatercolor.com/blog/creatingdepth>

**Please direct any RVAA membership inquiries to:**

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**Application available at:**

<http://www.raritanvalleyarts.org/MembershipApplicationform.pdf>

**Thank you for your continued support!**