

RARITAN VALLEY ARTS ASSOCIATION

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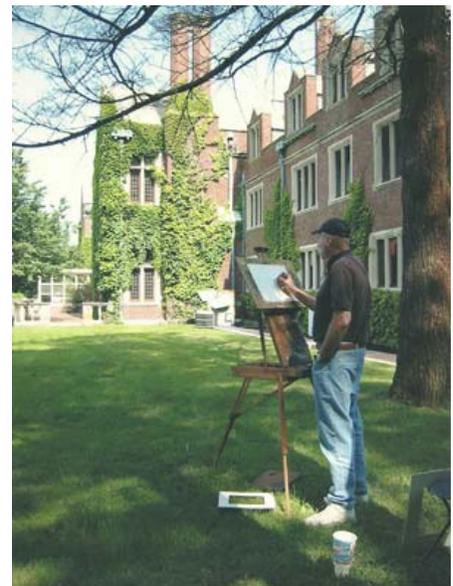
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September Greetings!

Oh, my, September already! I'm still in summer mode. How about you?

Well, get in gear, and to get your artistic engine motors pumping, come to our first meeting **September 19th, 7:30 pm at the Somerset County Library, for a watercolor demo by Steve Zazenski**. Steve, a native of Bayonne, New Jersey, has been a full time artist since 1978. He is known for his watercolor landscapes of New England, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey. A signature member of the American Watercolor Society, he has won numerous awards for his paintings from the New Jersey Watercolor Society, the Garden State Watercolor Society, the Washington Square Outdoor Art Exhibit, Rockport Art Association, the Salmagundi Club, and many local shows in the metro area. He is in many private collections, and has been exhibited at the Bergen Museum, the Montclair Museum, and the Salmagundi Club. His series of lithographs depicting nostalgic scenes of his native Bayonne are very popular and have been used on several TV shows. Mr. Zazenski is a popular demonstrator and conducts workshops in Bucks County, Pennsylvania. Steve will do a watercolor landscape for us, and you will definitely want to see it!





From the desk of Marge McGovern:

I am considering taking the Presidency of RVAA if my husband's health allows. Please come to the September meeting, there are some questions we should address as a group:

Do we want to go on? What do we want as a group? Should we have a meeting time change? (i.e. perhaps meet in the morning or afternoon, as so many of our members do not drive at night anymore.)

Another day because of library usage? Use of Demonstrator? (or perhaps alternate with just painting together?)

There are things we should look at together.

Please come to our next meeting; it's very important...thank you....

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 where you can post your paintings in "Members Gallery". So please mail your check to Susan ASAP! Thank you!

RVAA Exhibit at the Somerville Library - RVAA will have an exhibit at the Somerville Library, which is located in the same building as the Somerville Town Hall and Police, 35 West End Avenue. We have the dates October 1—November 30. More details will follow in a special email to those of you who email me, diana@dianapatton.com to say you are interested in participating. There is room for 30-40 works, so obviously the number you can each submit will depend on size and how many of you choose to submit. We may have to

hang the paintings later than October 1st as my son Shawn's cancer has returned and I may be in Pittsburgh the first part of October. Please do email me if you would like to exhibit; it's an excellent opportunity. We also can have a reception, probably on a Saturday afternoon, and each exhibitor can speak for a few minutes about their art.

You may not be aware of it, but on our website www.raritanvalleyarts.org you can always find, not just the current Newsletter, but an archive of past newsletters and a gallery of our members' work.

MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

ELSA HERRMANN had her work "Looking East" accepted into the juried New Jersey Water Color Society Show.

JUDY HUMMER was accepted into the Pennsylvania Watercolor Society 37th Annual International Juried Show, which ran from July 5—August 27 (with an opening reception and awards, July 9th) at the Ned Smith Center for Nature and Art, 176 Water Company Road, Millersburg, PA.

Editor's note: if you go to Judy's Facebook page, you'll see some of her newest lovely work...and I quote (scroll down to see this work) "Thank you Northeast Watercolor Society for accepting my painting "The Commute Home" into this year's juried international show. I am honored and excited." Judy also had her work "Frosty Hedgerow" accepted into the juried New Jersey Water Color Society Show.

DIANA PATTON had her work "Lobster Quadrille" accepted into the juried New Jersey Water Color Society Show.

Now you know what I'm going to ask...for your news, of course. Inquiring minds really do want to know what you are doing. Just email or snail mail me, please.

Happy Painting!
Diana

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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. per year

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