

# RARITAN VALLEY ARTS ASSOCIATION

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President, Marge McGovern

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

Newsletter, Jennifer Ali

## Welcome Back!!

We are starting in-person meetings again, and have reserved the Meeting Room at the **Warren Township Branch** of the Somerset County Library System for the following dates:

**Thursdays, September 22, October 27 and November 17**

**6:00 pm-7:45 pm**

**42 Mountain Blvd, Warren, NJ**

We will open the floor to a Show-and-Tell of your work and experiences during our long hiatus, and also have a discussion of the future plans for the Association.

We hope you will attend, and guests are welcome!

## Member News

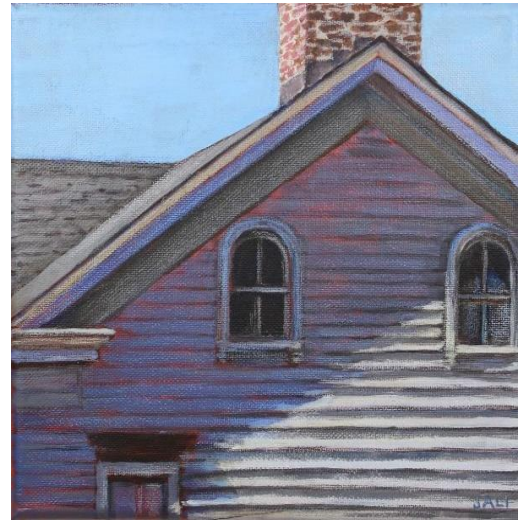


Donna Souren, "Garden Lily"

**Jenn Ali** and **Donna Souren** have donated artwork to the **Center for Contemporary Art "Off the Wall"** fundraiser, taking place Friday, September 16. The offerings include works available through silent-auction, and 8"x8" pieces for \$100 each. The preview runs September 12-15.

Catalog and details here:

<https://ccabedminster.org/news-events/off-the-wall-art-auction/>



Jenn Ali, "Farmhouse"

## 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 to more info and maybe a picture too.

### CONTACT INFORMATION:

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Bridgewater, NJ 08807

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## Member News continued...

**Lydia Chibane** and **Donna Souren** have paintings on view in the **2022 Somerset County Senior Art Show** until September 12. The online gallery will be available until the end of the year:

<https://www.co.somerset.nj.us/government/public-works/cultural-heritage/public-art-exhibits/senior-art-show#ad-image-0>



Donna Souren, "Trillium at Buck Garden"



Lydia Chibane, "Mystic"

Lydia's, "Mystic," (Acrylic, Non-Professional Category), and Donna's, "Trillium at Buck Gardens," (Watercolor, Professional Category), have advanced to the **State Senior Citizen Art Show**. The 2022 exhibit runs September 23 through October 27; At present, this link is still for the 2021 show:

<https://njseniorarts.com/county-shows/>

**Donna** is also teaching a watercolor class at **Leonard J Buck Garden**, Friday, September 16 (see flier on next page). The link to the Somerset County Parks site, "Online Registration":

<https://register1.vermontsystems.com/wbwsc/njsomersetcounty.wsc/>

Scroll down to, and click on "**Garden Programs**".

You will see "**Art in the Garden-Watercolors in the Garden**" in the list.

## Links!

**Arts on Division/Art N Jazz Festival** in Somerville is on Sunday, September 11:

<https://artsondivision.com/fall-festival.html>

# Art in the Garden - Watercolor

## Friday, September 16th

Rain date: Friday, September 23rd

10am - 3pm



Artist Donna Souren will teach watercolor techniques in a one-day, outdoor class at beautiful Leonard J. Buck Garden. Students will be guided in choosing a location, mixing colors, painting, composition, and everything necessary to create a finished watercolor painting. Basic drawing skills are recommended. A list of art supplies will be e-mailed to all participants in advance. Please bring your own lunch. Ms. Souren attended the Maryland Institute College of Fine Arts and is on staff at the Center for Contemporary Art in Bedminster, NJ. She is an accomplished artist and has numerous credits and awards for her work. Pre-registration is required, and space is limited.

**Fee: \$40 per person**

Leonard J. Buck Garden, 11 Layton Road, Far Hills, NJ 07931  
908 722-1200 Ext. 5011

[www.somersetcountyparks.org](http://www.somersetcountyparks.org)



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## Links continued...

**Peter's Valley's 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Craft Fair** is September 24-25, 10 am-5 pm:

<https://petersvalley.org/events/craft-fair/>

The **Mystic Seaport Museum's** exhibit, "**Sargent, Whistler, and Venetian Glass: American Artists and the Magic of Murano,**" runs October 15, 2022 through February 27, 2023. Tickets and more information here: <https://www.mysticseaport.org/exhibit/sargent-whistler-and-venetian-glass/> (Thanks, Lois Westerfield, for the info!)

**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!**