

RARITAN VALLEY ARTS ASSOCIATION established 1939

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October 2012 Newsletter

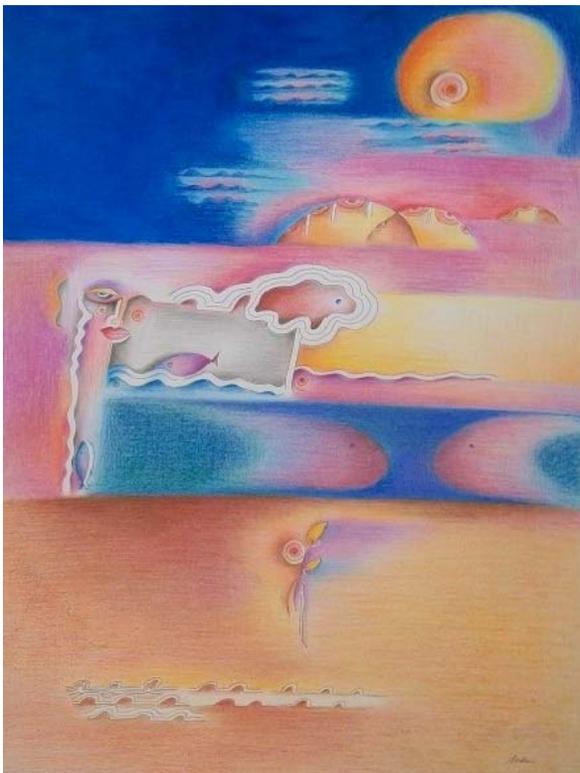
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Crisp & Chill Fall Greetings!

Yes, we're getting the lovely autumn hues now, and what better way to celebrate the changing of the seasons than by going to our next meeting, **Monday, October 22, 7:30 pm, Somerset County/Bridgewater Library** to see **Susan Antin** demonstrate color



pencil drawing. This is something totally new for RVAA members to see. Susan's work expresses the joy of life through the use of vivid colors and fantasy themes. She uses a variety of media, but primarily acrylic paint, colored pencil and ink. Images express playful, childlike ideas in a surreal, abstract style. Susan received her BA in Fine Art - painting and drawing, from the University of Wisconsin - Madison and an MBA from the University of Massachusetts - Amherst. Susan has been represented in many exhibitions, including the Westmoreland Nationals, Westmoreland College, Pennsylvania; Montgomery Center for the Arts, Montgomery, NJ, Johnson & Johnson Corporate Gallery, Skillman, NJ, Arts Council of Princeton and Williams Gallery, Princeton. Website: www.antinart.com ***So come on out and watch Susan work and also show you the***

different types of work she has done.
"Playtime in the Sea"

Please phone President Linda Arnold if you are interested in signing up for Hospitality—908-647-3610.

Our meeting September 17th was very interesting. Kristina Lloyd showed us the different types of amber—and there is so much to it! She then worked on a beaded necklace. Over the years, Amber has become a favorite material used to make beaded jewelry. "Amber is unique, lightweight, and over 65 million years old!" It's also beautiful. The presentation taught us a lot. This was also Doug Axmann's send-off—we are sad to have him move, but we gave him a good send-off, as you can see from the photos. Linda ordered a cake with a reproduction of one of Doug's lovely paintings and RVAA also gave

him his own website for two years, which he will now develop, and a how-to book on *Website Design*. As mentioned in your September Newsletter, Susan Boyd is now our Membership Chairperson. Thanks to Doug and thanks to Susan!

Doug and Pres. Linda Arnold



Doug's lovely painting on the cake
(which was totally delicious and awesome)



Doug and his cake



Diana Patton presents the website and the book



Celebrating Doug



Membership Dues--- **They are due.** Please send your checks made out to RVAA to our Membership Chairman Susan Boyd, **437 Washington Avenue, Martinsville, NJ 08836.** Dues are \$30 for Individual, \$35 for Family, and \$15 for Student (through high school). Susan's phone is at (732) 560-7241. Dues will get you all these demonstrations, two or three exhibits a year, the annual Big Apple Trip, the newsletters, a presence on the internet (<http://www.raritanvalleyarts.org>), and last, but not least, lots of camaraderie.

Membership Chair Susan Boyd would like to know who would like to receive their Newsletter online. Please email her your email address if you would like this clean, green sort of thing (and it saves RVAA postage). **Susan's email is setb@yahoo.com**

Our October demonstrator **Susan Antin** is currently teaching the following classes:

1. *Colored Pencil Drawing*, Arts Council of Princeton: 609-924-8777
Next session: Nov. 7 - Dec. 12 Wed. 10 - 12:00
2. *Drawing & Mixed Media*, Farmstead Arts, Basking Ridge 347-927-8748
Next session: Nov. 3 - Dec. 8 Sat. 10 - 12:00

(editor's note: Perhaps this is a chance for you to try something new)

From Artisan Direct, Ltd., representing artists and galleries worldwide, your editor received news that they are now reserving for the following Art Shows & Fairs. Artist Prospectuses are available! Red Dot Miami - Mid Town Miami - December 5 - 9, 2012, Los Angeles Contemporary - Los Angeles Convention Hall - January 23 - 27, 2013, Artisan Direct Pop Up Show - New York City - Roger Smith Hotel - March 3 - 10, 2013 and Artexpo - New York City - Pier 92 or Pier 94 - March 23 - 26, 2013 "Please let me know if you are interested. Jayson at jayson@artisandirectltd.net" (*I only put this in because it seems interesting—you'd have to check on it yourself online*)

MEMBER NEWS

JUDY HUMMER was accepted into the 36th Annual International Open Exhibition 2012 for the North East Watercolor Society. Her painting is entitled: "Chimney Rock Falls".

ELEANOR MOREHOUSE had three paintings accepted in the Tewksbury Juried show and won second place in the Floral Category.

DIANA PATTON (with Joan Eichhorn) did two performances of 2 puppet shows she wrote and also read *Charlemagne to the Rescue* at Martinsville's annual Fall Fest October 6th.

Please, RVAA members, do snail mail or email me your news. Although I am not doing many art shows nowadays, I'm sure you are—for example, who else was in the Tewksbury Show? Did anyone enter the St. John's Show? Inquiring minds want to know!!!!

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www.raritanvalleyarts.org

Happy Painting!
Diana