



BI-MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Mar - Apr 2019

Website: www.midatlanticpastelsociety.com

Calendar of Events

Member Meeting

Saturday, Mar 9, 2019

Crossroads Art Center, Classroom #1

2016 Staples Mill Rd

Richmond, VA

12 noon - 3:00 pm

MAPS Board Meeting

Monday, Apr 8, 2019

Location TBD

1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Exhibits

Verena at the Glen

Apr 1 – May 30, 2019

10286 Brook Road

Glen Allen, VA 23059

(804)261-1100

www.verenaattheglen.com

Capital One

Chesapeake, VA

May - Aug 2019

Cultural Arts Center at Glen Allen

Henrico, VA

3rd Annual Judged Exhibit

Lyn Asselta, Judge

September 19 – November 17, 2019

Workshops

Marla Baggetta – “Loosen Up”

May 3-5, 2019

Hampton Inn, Richmond/VA Center

From the President's Corner

It's almost springtime, and in addition to handling the business of the current 2018-2019 MAPS fiscal year, the board has begun its planning for our 2019-2020 year. In assessing the success of our switch from evening to daytime meetings, the board has noted that attendance at our meetings has increased by over 30% since our switch to daytime. Therefore, we will continue to meet in the daytime next year.

We are assembling a very brief survey that you will receive before our last meeting of the year in May. It will provide more detail about member preferences for days and times to meet, meeting format, as well as some information gathering on gallery contacts or relationships that our members may have.

I would also like you to join me in welcoming Sheila Chandler back to the board. Sheila has filled the vacant position of MAPS Treasurer. In addition to her other Treasurer duties, she is reviewing and updating our budget. Each year the board manages MAPS' finances for expenses and income for the current year and prepares for the next one. We've just received payment from Capital One of \$750 for our spring/summer 2018 exhibit at their Chesapeake Office and expect to receive by late summer or early fall another \$750 from them for the spring/summer exhibit this year.

Thanks to frugal financial management since our inception in 2015, dues paid by our membership (currently at 88 members), and the extra income from Capital One, MAPS is in good financial shape. As the budget review and update completes, the board will determine the feasibility of maintaining funds in reserve for unexpected expenses as well as ways to benefit the membership should we determine we have a surplus in our Treasury. If you have any ideas on this topic, please talk to one of the board members.

Your friend in painting,
Carol Cullinan, President

PROGRAMS AND MEETINGS

Friday, January 11th – Pastel Techniques – Underpaintings

Bonnie Kidd Carter and Janet Visser discussed and demonstrated their unique process for preparing their surfaces for pastel work. Bonnie has been experimenting with the use of watercolor and inks on multimedia board as a unique way to inspire her pastel work. Janet is a MAPS member who uses gold leaf in her pastel and mixed media paintings. Both techniques were very enlightening and enriched the creative minds of the group.

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Saturday, March 9th – Get To Know Your Digital Camera

Crossroads Art Center – Classroom 1 – 2016 Staples Mill Rd, Richmond, VA 23060

12 – 3 pm

Speaker: Ed Tepper

Ed Tepper, a professional photographer and photography teacher in Richmond, will help us to understand more about what our cameras can do and how we can take better reference photos to use with our studio paintings, including how we can compose with our cameras. **Please bring your digital cameras and instruction manuals to this meeting.** He plans to review basic settings for exposure, focus, and different lighting situations. He will also talk about composing images with our cameras.

We will then break up into smaller groups and find what options are available on our own cameras. Ed will help us to understand how we can utilize these options to make better images to work from in the studio. Bring your questions!

Ed Tepper is an independent photographer living in the Richmond, Virginia area specializing in professional headshots, real estate and sports & action photography. Find out more about him at his website at www.edtepperphotography.com.

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Future Program

Friday, May 10th

**Papers Swap and Pastel Surfaces Discussion
(Papers You Love to Hate!)**

Members will have a chance to swap and sell materials they no longer need or use. We will have a review of pastel papers and hope to have some samples to share and try.

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Shirley Buckler

Like you , I drew pictures as a child, and dreamed of being an artist or a vet.

As a young adult I took a pottery class and my childhood dreams morphed into a career as a potter making vessels with sculptural animals on lids, or rims. I spent the next 40 years being a potter who dreamed of painting.

Then came the 'If not now, when' age

I took several classes of watercolor...frustration! Then Pastel! I knew at first stroke, first touch of these clay-based paints that I had found my art place. I love the vibrant colors! I painted birds and wildlife in the beginning , and still do but now I enjoy painting Still Life's. For me the best part is that I decide on the set up, which can take hours. The Lighting that will make the colors vibrant. Reflective surfaces or transparent glass vases filled with flowers, objects that have passed down through the family that have meaning are included in some of the paintings. . Soooo many choices! Getting myself out of the studio can be the tricky bit.

I have greatly enjoyed workshops with...Liz Haywood-Sullivan, Marla Baggetta, Desmond O'Hagan, and Alain Picard and Maria Reardon. I have also purchased several DVD workshops by different pastel artist.



MEMBER NEWS

Our very own - Michael McGurk has been given the honor to be one of two jurors of the 2019 Pastel Society of America's Annual Exhibition. His task ahead - to select 120 paintings from 1800 submissions. Congratulations, Mike!



Congratulations to MAPS member Betsy Kellum- her painting was accepted to the IAPS 2019 exhibit in Albuquerque!



Congratulations to member Julia Lesnichy who received an Honorable Mention at Crossroads Art Center's All Media Show!

Upcoming Workshops

Emily Christoff-Flowers 1-day workshop on Portraits
Date TBD in August-Sept. 2019

Lyn Asselta, 3-day workshop on Landscapes
Nov. 1-3, 2019

Jacob Aguiar – Tentative for 2020

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Sally Babylon
Kathleen Buschon
Gail Butler
Linda Dessaint
Patricia Dixon
Georgiana Harding
Lissa Jollick
Lisa MacGregor
Mel Neale

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“A true artist is not one who is inspired,
but one who inspires others.”

Salvador Dali

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VERENA AT THE GLEN EXHIBIT

April 1 – May 30, 2019
10286 Brook Road
Glen Allen, VA 23059
(80)261-1100
www.verenaattheglen.com

Prospectus can be reached on the MAPS website www.midatlanticpastelsociety.com.

IMPORTANT DATES

3/04/19 Registration opens
3/24/19 Registration closes
4/01/19 Dropoff paintings 2-2:30 pm
TBD Reception for exhibiting artists and Verena residents
5/30/19 Pickup unsold paintings 3-3:30 pm

CAPITAL ONE-CHESAPEAKE EXHIBIT

Registration for this exhibit is closed. For those exhibiting at the Capital One Chesapeake exhibit please note:

IMPORTANT DATES

Week of 4/26-5/5/19 Delivery
Week of 8/26-9/1/19 Pickup

Specific dates and drop-off/pickup locations in Richmond and Chesapeake will be announced later.

PASTEL WORKSHOP WITH MARLA BAGGETTA

Marla Baggetta: Loosen Up! May 3-5, 2019

Hampton Inn & Suites Richmond/Virginia Center
1101 Technology Parkway, Glen Allen, VA 23059
Richmond, Virginia



The MidAtlantic Pastel Society will be sponsoring our 6th workshop. This time we are featuring artist Marla Baggetta. The workshop, titled “Loosen Up” will take place May 3-5, 2019.

Marla Baggetta’s Loosen Up! pastel painting workshop is based on “100 Variations”, a pastel series featured in Pastel Journal, which marked a shift in Marla's career and became a metaphor for her life as an artist.

Published in Pastel Journal in 2008 is an article discussing this exercise and how it benefitted Marla’s growth as an artist. You can read the article at the link below.

<https://www.landscapepaintinglessons.com/going-for-100>

During the workshop, we will work multiple pieces of a composition as we “loosen up”. This practice will help us get past resistance and hesitation. Marla Baggetta uses foundational painting fundamentals in exploring the myriad lessons learned by immersing oneself in a theme. Fostering a playful approach, this fast-paced workshop includes some mixed media, demonstrations, individual mentoring, and positive actionable critiques

We are happy to report that the workshop filled quickly with our own members.

We look forward to seeing what Marla can teach us. Be on the lookout for updated photos on our Facebook page and website.

You can see more about Marla and her work on her website.

<https://www.marlabaggetta.com/>

Joan Dreicer - Workshop Chair



MEMBERS BITS AND PIECES

CLASSES AVAILABLE

Pastel Painting & Drawing

With Linda Wolitz

Tues., Apr 9-Jun 11, 2019, 2-4 pm

Wed., Apr 10-Jun,12, 2019, 10am-12 noon

Thurs., Apr 11-Jun 13, 2019, 7-9 pm

\$200 per session

The Cultural Arts Center at Glen Allen

For complete information and how to register:

www.artsglenallen.com

Paint What You Love with Betsy Kellum

Thurs., March 7-Apr 11, 2019, 9am-12 noon

Independence Golf Club, Midlothian, VA

Oil or pastel. Individual projects (intermediate to advanced levels) for students who have acquired basic skills and have experience in their chosen medium.

This class will focus on utilizing tools, method, and techniques aiding each individual to progress to the next level in their preferred style. (Example: An ongoing project, painting from life, copying a Master's work, using a reference photo, exploring a variety of "start" techniques (drawing, massing, grisaille, gridding, underpainting, etc.). **Fee: \$240.**

2018/19 EXECUTIVE BOARD

OFFICERS

President: Carol Cullinan

VP/Program Chair: Regina Tune

Treasurer: Sheila Chandler

Secretary: Kathy Green

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Membership: Shavon Peacock

Workshops: Joan Dreicer

Exhibits: "Volunteers needed"

Hospitality: Janet Visser

Technology: Elizabeth Hood

Newsletter: Vickie Knick

MEETING DATES AND TIMES

All MAPS meetings will be held at the Crossroads Art Center, Classroom #1, 2016 Staples Mill Rd, Richmond, VA 23060
12 noon – 3 pm

The last meeting for the 2018/19 term will be Friday, May 10, 2019

A light lunch will be provided by members at the March 9th meeting. Volunteers will be needed for the May 10th meeting for refreshments.

MEMBER NEWS

Have something artfully newsworthy you wish to share, please email Vickie Knick @ vknick30@gmail.com, or see link on our website, www.midatlanticpastelsociety.com