

Willingboro Art Alliance

Sketchbook | February 2023

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What's New...

- The following is the **WAA link for ALL Zoom Meetings and Workshops**: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5665585928>
A reminder email with the password is sent before meetings and workshops. If needed, email info2019@willingboroart.org for Zoom help so you can participate in classes or workshops.
- **Time to join or renew your WAA Membership.** Invite a friend! Membership is from January to December. Membership includes free zoom classes, workshops, discount entries into shows, in person workshops, monthly artist presenters, and a printed address directory (renew by Feb 5 to be included in the directory). **WHAT A BARGAIN!!** Renew at willingboroart.org.
- **The Open Life Studio** in person in February on Saturday mornings. Join us on February 4 and 18 from 8:45 till noon at the **Kennedy Center, Room 300**. More info on page 7. Any questions, please email Jeff Chorney: docart2552@gmail.com or Rob Cuff: robertcuff@yahoo.com.
- The next **WAA Board Meeting** will be on Monday, February 13 at 7:00 pm on Zoom. It is **OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS**, please join us to hear what's going on, or feel free to discuss any issues.
- **Volunteer to help the Art Alliance and/or to run a workshop.** Thank you to all the volunteers that are supporting and providing instruction to the rest of the members. Continued help is **needed and greatly appreciated**. Please let us know if you would like to host a workshop, help set up shows, or just help as needed, email annlbecker41@aol.com or info2019@willingboroart.org
- **Handy feature**; click on any link/Url or email address in this pdf to automatically open the webpage or your email program.

<https://www>  [Click on any Link to go to that website or email](#)

The Willingboro Art Alliance The Oldest Art Organization in Burlington County

Founded in 1964—Incorporated 1965

501(c)(3) Non-Profit Organization

Facebook: www.facebook.com/willingboroartalliance

Instagram: www.instagram.com/willingboro_art_alliance

Website: www.willingboroart.org • Email: info2019@willingboroart.org

Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5665585928>



MISSION STATEMENT

Forming an organization, which would bring amateur and professional artists together in an effort to increase their skills through workshops and exhibits, and at the same time, to increase community awareness of the fine arts.

Address: John F. Kennedy Ctr, Room 300
429 John F. Kennedy Way,
Willingboro, NJ 08046

Send donations and membership checks to: Diane Carrier
WAA Membership Chairperson
51 Dunstable Rd,
Southampton, NJ 08088
E-mail: info2019@willingboroart.org

**Please email the editor with art news
for the March Sketchbook
by February 20th
send emails to:
maria@moralessllc.com**

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Wednesday Workshops 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM ZOOM link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5665585928> Emails on content will be sent weekly

February 1	Gouache Painting Demo – Rob Cuff
February 8	Painting on Wood – Nancy Gower In person at the Kennedy Ctr - Room 301
February 15	Lines of the Mind – Nancy Sullivan In person at the Kennedy Ctr - Room 301
February 22	Critique

The following are on **ZOOM** at the times listed
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5665585928>
Members – No fee for on-line sessions

Monday 10 am – 12 Noon

Life Open Studio

Every Monday morning on Zoom

Contact Marcia Steinbock for information at

marciasteinbock@gmail.com

Each week there will be photographs of a different model.
People who are interested can receive jpegs of the models
so that they can continue to work on their art.

Tuesday 10:30 – 12:30 pm Open Studio

Contact Arleen Potter at arleen169@aol.com

Tuesday Afternoons

WAA/RVPAP Plein Air – On Hiatus until Spring

For email updates, contact Kathy Kellagher at kkellagh@yahoo.com

Thursday 10:00 – 1:00 pm Open Studio

Every Thursday morning on Zoom

Contact Indira Mehta at iservaia@yahoo.co.uk

New

First and Third Saturdays – 8:45am – 12:00 pm

Figure Open Studio with Jeff Chorney and Rob Cuff

contact Jeff or Rob for more information

Jeff: docart2552@gmail.com – Rob: robertcuff@yahoo.com

In person, Room 300 at the Kennedy Center. Male and female models, nude and clothed. Sessions start with three short poses then one long pose. Bring supplies, easels and tables are provided.

Photography Club

Last Saturday of the month - Mornings, Meeting led by Ed Ward.

contact Ed for information at ward35@comcast.net

DID YOU KNOW?

by William Ruspantine

Johan Suderstrom is an abstract painter who constructs his work using ordinary construction filler in oak frames. He works with a strict minimalistic color palette of white and grey light.



President's Message

The WAA is off to a good beginning in the New Year. We have started a new Saturday life drawing class in person at the JFK Center, see dates on p. 2, and we will be holding two Wednesday classes there this month, February 8 with Nancy Gower and February 15 with Nancy Sullivan. The Tuesday morning group has now switched indoors at the JFK center and all are welcome. Our monthly presentations will be taking place in conjunction with the Burlington County Art Guild at the Burlington County Library and will be held in person while also being presented on Zoom. Watch for email notifications of those specific dates.

We are slowly getting back to in person activities as a club while still recognizing that some members prefer to use Zoom. We are doing our best to accommodate all scenarios.

Our membership drive is coming to a close, so if you have not done so please pay your dues by February 5 so your name will make it into the 2023 Directory.

Happy painting. Will there be any snow paintings this year?

Ellen Miller

WAA President

The principle of true art is not to portray, but to evoke

— Jerzy Kosinskia

Member News

- **Dom Martelli** painted two plein air paintings at the LBI event this past August. One is the Mexican restaurant, *La Bamba*, the other, is *Blue Claw Seafood Market*.



La Bamba and Blue Claw Seafood Market by Dom Martelli

- **David Aguilar** attended the Saturday morning *Life Open Studio* in January at the **Kennedy Center** and created a charcoal drawing of the model, Roxanne.

Roxanne
by David Aguilar



- **Amy Rosen** painted a watercolor commissioned portrait of three beautiful brothers. A holiday gift from their grandmother to her daughter.



My First Bike and Three Brothers by Amy Rosen

Welcome!!

New WAA members:

**Isabella Michel-Askay, Craig Welker
and it's an honor to have back
James Hanna - A founder of WAA**

Member News (continued)

- **Maria Payer's** watercolor *Snowbound* was accepted into the **Baltimore Watercolor Society's 2022 Annual Open Juried Exhibition** (Catonsville, MD) and awarded the **Philadelphia Watercolor Society's Reciprocal Award**. In 2020 her watercolor *Demoiselle* was awarded the Silver Medal giving her the confidence to submit work for review to be considered a signature member candidate. In December Maria was informed she was a Signature Member of the Baltimore Watercolor Society, effective December 2023.

During February Maria will have her watercolor *Mai Flowers, Lunar New Year*, on exhibit in the **Vineland NJ Public Library** as part of the *Society of NJ Artists Exhibit*.

These Vietnamese women are preparing a center piece for their Lunar New Year's celebration. In Vietnam the celebrations involve a lot of flowers (yellow "mai" flowers among them) and traditional

foods.



Demoiselle by Maria Payer'



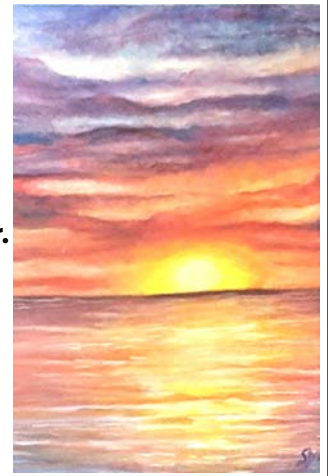
Mai Flowers, Lunar New Year by Maria Payer'



Snowbound by Maria Payer'

- **Sherry McGrath** received Honorable Mention for her watercolor, *Day's End* in the January *Nature Theme Show* at **Hammonton Arts Center**.

Days' End
by Sherry McGrath



- **Pat Proniewski** has a painting just off the easel, *Disruption* 11 x 14 oil on linen panel.

Disruption
by Pat Proniewski



- **Ellen Barnett** has been working on some 6" x 6" mixed-media minis



Mixed media art
by Ellen Barnett'

Member News (continued)

WAA Founding Members: Jim Hanna, Phillip Arabia, and Richard Cassel

Jim Hanna - "I am one of the original founders of the WAA, Along with Phil Arabia, and Richard Cassel. My family and I lived there from 1962 to 1970 where I was employed at RCA in Moorestown, NJ as an industrial designer/human factors engineer. I received my B.S.I.D. from Georgia Tech in 1960, but because I had an ROTC obligation, I served 2 years in the army before joining RCA. During my time in Willingboro, I began to meet some artists and began painting, mostly in acrylic.

Besides the 3 of us, there were a small group of other artists, male and female. We started out just meeting and attending some drawing sessions. Some of us starting entering shows at malls, and even at boardwalk exhibitions in Atlantic City and Ocean City. In 1963, Levittown became Willingboro, and in '64 we formed the Alliance. There began to be more opportunities for juried shows in outlying towns and even in Philadelphia. The Alliance gradually got more members. But in 1970 we left Willingboro to move to Harvard, MA when I transferred to the Computer Division of RCA. I've also taught drawing and painting in Italy and France for the University of Georgia (UGA) Studies Abroad programs. I am now 84, retired from UGA where I taught Graphic Design for 22 years, and a widower, living with my son in Athens, GA

It's amazing to realize that it's been 59 years since we started the Alliance, and not only has it survived, it has flourished by leaps and bounds under very able leadership! I read that it is the oldest organization of its kind in all of Burlington County.

Let me start by telling how I was able find my old friend and colleague, Phillip Arabia. In 2020, I was digitizing some old slides and found a few of Willingboro which took me back to our time there. I realized that I hadn't been in touch with Phil in over fifty years, but decided to try and reach him, so I Googled his name, with trepidations of getting an obituary. But, lo and behold, I got a hit on the first try and found he was now living in Spencer West Virginia. It was in the evening, so I called, and his wife, Margaret, who I didn't know, answered. I apologetically explained that I was Jim Hanna, and how I knew Phil, and was so embarrassed that it had taken me so long to try and find him. She said she would get him to the phone and I heard her tell him who I was. In the distance I heard him say, 'well I only know one Jim Hanna!'

Needless to say, we were thrilled to be talking to each other again, and must have been on the phone an hour reminiscing and catching up with all that we'd been up to. I told him I would do my best to come and visit him and his wife, who I learned was quite an artist in her own right. Due to the pandemic, it was about a year before I made it up to see them in October of 2021 which is a very scenic time in WV. Phil, still painting and getting around fine at 90 or 91, drove me all over the area, showing me his favorite painting subjects.

Phil visited Dick Cassel in an assisted living place a few years ago, but he didn't have many details."



Philip Arabia (left) and Jim Hanna (right)
Photo taken by Phil's wife, Margaret



Phil's studio: the ultimate iconic artists's studio



Phil doesn't just paint, he has a gallery, does workshops, makes frames, teaches, and they even have a kennel.

Opp-ART-unities

- **Artsbridge** and **New Hope Arts** present a collaborative art exhibition featuring member artists of both organizations held at **Prallsville Mill** in Stockton, NJ, and open to the public March 16 through March 20, 2023.

This Spring Salon will feature original paintings, drawings, photography, sculpture and works in other media showcasing and sharing the wide variety of talents of artists in our region.

Artists must be a member of either **Artsbridge** or **New Hope Arts** and submit their entry form by Monday, March 6. New members welcome! <https://www.artsbridgeonline.com>

- **The Long Beach Island Foundation of the Arts and Sciences (LBIF)** Calls for Art, *Works on Paper 2023*, National Juried Competition. Exhibition: May 20, July 4. Deadline March 31, Entry fee: \$35. Info at: https://artist.callforentry.org/festivals_unique_info.php?ID=11301

34th Annual Foundation Arts Festival 2023, a juried Makers retail show, curated by their Arts & Exhibition Committee. Deadline: February 28, Festival Dates July 8, 2023 10am-4pm (Indoor & Outdoor). Entry fee: \$25 https://artist.callforentry.org/festivals_unique_info.php?ID=11302

Water Stories 2023 - A Juried Exhibition open to NJ artists. Deadline April 28, fee: \$35. Exhibition: July 15 to August 13. Info at: https://artist.callforentry.org/festivals_unique_info.php?ID=11303

- **Renaissance Craftables** presents the *29th Annual Haddonfield Crafts & Fine Art Festival* in downtown Haddonfield, NJ Saturday and Sunday July 8 & 9. The deadline to apply for a booth is March 13, 2023. Info at: <https://www.renaissancecraftables.com/haddonfield-crafts--fine-art-festival1.html>
- **Medford Arts** presents *2023 Just Faces Juried Exhibition* February 10 to March 9, Deadline: February 9 *Works on Paper Juried Exhibition*, March 10 to April 6, Deadline: March 9 Info and prospectus at: <https://www.medfordarts.com/upcoming-exhibitions.html>

- **New Jersey State Council on the Arts** presents *Making it Public* – a 5-week training series beginning in March on supporting, creating, and promoting public art. Registration starts mid-January. Info at <https://conta.cc/3v3aZ0D>
- **Jerry's Artarama** presents *Jerry's 11th Annual Self Portrait Contest*. No entry fee. Total Prize Amount: \$5000 (egift cards) Entry Period: January 16th – April 23rd, 2023. Info at: <https://www.jerrysartarama.com/contests/self-portrait/2023>

Shows to See

- **Marlin Gallery**, Sunday, February 12th at 2:00pm. The exhibit at the Marlin Gallery, located at **Camden County College**, is a must-see for art lovers in the South Jersey region. Featuring a diverse collection of works by artists from all eight counties. With free admission, it's an affordable and accessible way to enjoy some of the best art our region has to offer. 200 College Dr, Blackwood, NJ 08012, Located in Lincoln Hall. Contact: Miranda Powell - mpowell@camdencc.edu or Danielle Cartier - cumberlandconnector@sjca.net
- **Perkins Center for the Arts** presents *People of Earth* at the Main Gallery in Collingswood, *Philadelphia Dumpster Divers* in the Loft Gallery and *Photography 42: Seen* at the Moorestown Gallery. Exhibitions run through February 24. perkinsarts.org/events/category/all/exhibitions
- **Powell Lane Arts** presents *Portray-It* on exhibit until March 12. and the *2nd Annual Juried Show* from March 23 to May 14, Opening Reception: March 25. Info at: <https://www.powelllanearts.com/2023-juried-show>
- **AOY Arts Center** presents *2023 Photography Show: Possibilities*. Exhibition until February 12. Info at: <https://aoyartcenter.wildapricot.org>
- **Philadelphia Society of Botanical Illustrators** presents *Electrifying Color-A PSBI Member Only Show* at the **2023 Philadelphia Flower Show**, starts March 4, 2023. See past work at <https://www.psb-arts.org>

Resources

- **BCAG YouTube channel** demo from their November presentation by Joe Hughes. Watch at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_ykTyt2fW7Q
- **Art2Life** with *Nicholas Wilton* is offering a FREE 3-part online workshop starting February 13.
Lesson 1: A Different Approach To Design
Lesson 2: Value Through A New Lens
Lesson 3: What They Don't Teach About Color...
 Register at Artlifefree.com
- **Winslow Art Center** offers **FREE** online *Art Chats* on Thursdays. Upcoming Guest Artists
February 2 - Dena Peterson, on painting with oils, both en plein air, and in her Colorado studio
February 9 - Aimee Erickson, talks about her upcoming book *Plein Air Techniques for Artists*
 Register at: <https://winslowartcenter.com/courses/art-chat-live-online/#upcoming-guests>
- **AOY Arts Center's** upcoming workshops
Pastel Workshop, Feb 7th, 6:30-9:00pm
Spring Pysanky Workshop, March 7, 1:00-4:00pm
Watercolor for Beginners, March 10, 9:30-4:00pm
 Info at: <https://aoyartcenter.wildapricot.org>

- **Daniel Smith Artist Paints** offers *Weekly Live Demonstrations* with John Cogley, owner and CEO. Demos on various products and international artist share insights and techniques.
Feb 2nd at 2:00pm, **Feb 3rd** at 10:30 am.
 Past videos, Zoom ID, and passwords at <https://danielsmith.com/weekly-live-demos/>

In Our Thoughts...

It is with sadness we report that member **Joyce McAfee** passed away on January 12, 2022.



Our deepest sympathies to Joyce's family

Open Life Studio Sessions in February

The WAA has resumed in-person **Open Life Studio** program at our John F. Kennedy Center location. The sessions are scheduled for **Sat, February 4 and 18, 2023, from 8:45 till noon**. We will have the same life model for the two classes. Attendees (WAA members and non-members) will pay a model fee each session, WAA Members: \$10, Non-Members: \$15 for the three hours.

These drawing/painting sessions will continue into March with a new model each month.

Please join us at the JFK Center, Room 300, 429 John F. Kennedy Way, Willingboro, NJ 08046



In Our Thoughts...

Dottie Pere passed away as she approached her 96th birthday. She was a past member of WAA and a wonderful human being. Dottie's art work will survive her and it is a compelling testament to her gifts.

Our deepest sympathies to Dottie's family

WAA Membership Meetings for 2023

Board Meeting, February 13 at 7:00 pm
 On-line **ZOOM** Meeting, Open to ALL members – A reminder email will be sent to everyone.

Monthly Presentation

Saturday February 25 at the Burlington County Library, 10:00am to 12:00pm. **Presenter TBD**

Willingboro Kennedy – Building Closures

The Kennedy Center is open from 9-5. The art rooms can be used by asking security to unlock them.

Monday, February 20 President's Day

Monday, May 29 Memorial Day

Monday, June 19 Juneteenth Indep. Day

2023 WAA Membership Application Form

Name: _____

Spouse/Partner: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone #: _____ Cell # _____

E-Mail Address: _____ Website: _____

Please check the WAA committee(s) on which you would consider serving:

- | | | |
|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Board Member | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter | <input type="checkbox"/> Exhibitions |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Marketing/Publicity | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership | <input type="checkbox"/> Historian |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Computer Support/Programming | <input type="checkbox"/> Video Editing | <input type="checkbox"/> Facilitating a class |

Signature _____

Date _____

To pay online: <https://willingboroart.org/waa-membership-application-form>
or send the above application with a check payable to: **Willingboro Art Alliance**

Mail Payment to:

Diane Carrier

WAA Membership Chairperson

51 Dunstable Road

Southampton, NJ 08088

Membership runs from January 1 to December 31

Membership \$30. (spouse is free)

Full time student \$10



WAA OFFICERS - 2023		WAA COORDINATORS	
President	Ellen Miller	Monday Zoom Life Class	Marcia Steinbock
Vice President & Exhibition Chair	Vacancy	Tuesday Open Studio	Arleen Potter
Secretary	Maggie Rose	Wednesday Workshop	Ann Becker Ellen Miller Maria Morales
Treasurer	Jeff Schaeffer		
Past President	Denise McDaniel	Thursday Morning-Zoom – Open Studio	Indira Mehta
WAA CHAIRPERSONS		Thursday Morning-In person – Open Studio	Diana Maloney
Membership	Diane Carrier MaryAnn Oetter	3rd Saturday 3D Media	Margarete Naperski
Programming	Vacancy	Last Saturday Photo Club	Edward Ward
Art Education	Vacancy	Annual Juried show	Vacancy
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		Historian	William Ruspantine
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