

# Willingboro Art Alliance

Sketchbook | December 2023

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## What's New...



- The **Wednesday Workshop will resume in person in January** on the first and last Wednesdays of the month at the Kennedy Center. First Wednesdays we have a paid instructor who can be any member or non member. The last Wednesday is an in person Critique. All other Wednesdays are open studio in person and/or if someone volunteers to run the class, it may be on zoom or in person. Anyone who would like to instruct on a Wednesday, please email [info2019@willingboroart.org](mailto:info2019@willingboroart.org).
- The **Open Life Drawing Studio** sessions will resume, twice a month, starting on January 6th from 8:45 - 12:00 Noon in person at The Kennedy Center, Room 300. The lighting in the life drawing studio has been upgraded and now includes a **full LED digital system** for improved enhancement in lighting the models. Any questions, please contact **Jeff Chorney**: [docart2552@gmail.com](mailto:docart2552@gmail.com) or **Rob Cuff**: [robertcuff@yahoo.com](mailto:robertcuff@yahoo.com).
- **WAA/Rancocas Valley Plein Air Painters are on hiatus until Spring 2024.** They paint on Tuesday afternoons and meet in various locations, everyone is welcomed. Get added to their email list, please contact **Kathy Kellagher** at [kkellagh@yahoo.com](mailto:kkellagh@yahoo.com) **to receive emails with the weekly destinations and info.**
- **Volunteer to help the Art Alliance and/or run a workshop.** There's a small core of volunteers that are supporting and providing instruction to the rest of the members. Some **help is needed and would be greatly appreciated.** If you'd like more information or can help, be it one time or on going, as your time allows, email [info2019@willingboroart.org](mailto: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

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Instagram: [www.instagram.com/willingboro\\_art\\_alliance](https://www.instagram.com/willingboro_art_alliance)

Website: [www.willingboroart.org](https://www.willingboroart.org) • Email: [info2019@willingboroart.org](mailto:info2019@willingboroart.org)

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



**Kennedy Center**  
429 John F. Kennedy Way  
Willingboro, NJ 08046



#### 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 January Sketchbook by December 20<sup>th</sup>**

**send emails to:  
catosier2@gmail.com**

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willingboro\_art\_alliance



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**First Wednesday Workshops 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM**  
**\$5 for members and \$10 non members**  
**in-person at the Kennedy Center, Room 301**  
**Will Return in January 2024**

#### December is Membership Dues Month.

Please keep supporting your Willingboro Art Alliance by sending in your dues **no later than December 31**. Your membership gives you the Sketchbook Newsletter which is full of information including art opportunities and programs. You get access to classes, workshops, and discounted entries into art shows. Get your dues in on time and have your name printed in our 2024 Member's Directory. Fill out the application form (p. 7) to send in with your dues or pay online at [www.willingboroart.org](http://www.willingboroart.org).

Please be sure to make any changes in address, email and telephone numbers on the application or website.

**WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!**

The following are on **ZOOM** or in-person 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](mailto: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 in Person**

At the Kennedy Center, Room 301

Contact Arleen Potter at [arleen169@aol.com](mailto:arleen169@aol.com)

#### **Tuesday Afternoons WAA/RVPAP Plein Air**

**On hiatus until Spring 2024**

**At various locations (weather permitting)**

Contact Kathy Kellagher at [kkellagh@yahoo.com](mailto:kkellagh@yahoo.com) to receive emails with the weekly destinations and info

#### **Thursday 10:00 – 1:00 pm Open Studio**

Every Thursday morning **on Zoom**

Contact Indira Mehta at [iservaia@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:iservaia@yahoo.co.uk)

#### **Two Saturdays per month – 8:45am – 12:00 Noon**

#### **Figure Open Studio in Person - Will resume January 6th**

At the Kennedy Center, Room 300, emails will be sent with dates

Contact **Jeff Chorney** or **Rob Cuff** for more information  
Jeff: [docart2552@gmail.com](mailto:docart2552@gmail.com) – Rob: [robertcuff@yahoo.com](mailto:robertcuff@yahoo.com)

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**

Club Moderator: Vacancy, looking for volunteers

# DID YOU KNOW?

by William Ruspantine

Former WAA member and teacher **William A. Ruspantine** painted this suburban winter scene in oil paint. His son is member **William Ruspantine**



## President's Message

As the year comes to a close the WAA has had its challenges working its way back to in person classes and workshops. No organization got through the pandemic unscathed and we certainly were no exception. Nothing seems to be the way it was. We are very slowly working our way back and trying to hold on to some past practices. This all takes some planning and volunteers willing to give of their time. We have been blessed to have those volunteers and appreciate all the work they have done for the WAA but we still need more workers to spread the load. I know this is a challenge for any organization.

I am stepping down as President but not going away. I want to give someone else an opportunity to take a leadership role and I will be there to help guide them. It has been my pleasure to be an integral part of the WAA. I want to see it continue because as artists we need the contact and nurture of other fellow artists. To keep the WAA going we need to have a plan going forward regardless of who is President. That will be our mission in 2024.

Have a very happy and healthy new year. Stay connected and do art.

**Ellen Miller**

President

*Whether you succeed or not is irrelevant, there is no such thing. Making your unknown known is the important thing.*

-- Georgia O'Keeffe

## Member News

- **Linda Kelvy** painted the winter landscape below in acrylic on stretched canvas and the one on the right is still a work in progress.



Acrylic paintings by Linda Kelvy

- **Sharon Kvist** has two of her paintings at **Jefferson Hospital**, Chapel Ave., Cherry Hill for the months of Dec., Jan. and Feb. It changes by the season, so now they're presenting winter.



*Let it Snow (top) and A Winter Walk* by Sharon Kvist

- **Ellen Barnett** continues her abstract work with *Under the Street*, 16" x 20" acrylic on canvas.



*Under the Street* by Ellen Barnett

## Member News (continued)

- **Lisa Hendrickson** was accepted into the *NEXT: Reimagining the Future Through Art* show at **The Trenton City Museum at Ellarslie**. Her work titled *Weathered*, (oil paint on cork surface) will be on display from Dec. 10 - Feb. 11, 2024.



*Weathered*  
by Lisa Hendrickson

- **David Aguilar** will be the instructor for the **Wednesday Workshop** on January 3rd, 2024 *What Is Creativity, Where Can I Get Some and Is There an App for It?*

Ever feel like you're out of ideas? It's all been done before? That blank sheet of paper or canvas still taunting you? A NASA study in creativity revealed that non-creative behavior is learned. Yes, you read that correctly. NON-creative behavior is learned. Can we learn to be creative again? This workshop will explore that question along with some strategies that might get us plugged back in to the flow of the creative force, or at least help us to remember a glimmer of what it felt like to be free to be creative once again.

Please bring your sketchbook or workshop notebook, fine line ink pens or gel pens, favorite pencils, erasers, and a playful mood.

David serves on the Board of the Willingboro Art Alliance, and teaches workshops, conducts monthly critiques as well as moderating figure drawing life studios.

Recent life drawings by David Aguilar



- **Maria Morales** is thrilled to announce that she sold four paintings in November. Two, *Creating Order* and *Building Trust* (16"x40" ea) through **Saatchi Art** [www.saatchiart.com/Maria\\_M](http://www.saatchiart.com/Maria_M) and *The Three Amigos* and *Sea Glass* (12"x12" ea) through her website, [www.moralesllc.com](http://www.moralesllc.com).



*Creating Order and Building Trust* by Maria Morales



*The Three Amigos and Sea Glass* by Maria Morales

In addition, Maria has six paintings at **Sutherland Art Gallery** in Voorhees on exhibit until January 3rd <https://www.sutherlandartsnj.com>, five paintings in the **Powell Lane Arts 2nd Annual Small Works Show** until December 23rd <https://www.powelllanearts.com/2023-small-works-show>, and three pieces in **Medford Arts Center's 2023 Small Works Exhibition & Sale** until January 4 <https://www.medfordarts.com>.

*Purple Series (below)*  
and *Quiet as a Shadow* by Maria Morales



## Opp-ART-unities

- **Jason Seaman** is the *Adult Services Librarian* at the **Willingboro Public Library** in charge of organizing their exhibits. Their exhibit room is available to artists and he will send the exhibit room policies and insurance information, as well as a diagram of the room to help you get an idea of the space. If any WAA members would like to exhibit their work during these months he will be happy to assist and arrange an exhibition. Contact Jason at [jseaman@willingboro.org](mailto:jseaman@willingboro.org)
- **Riverfront Renaissance Center for the Arts** Open Call for *"Passageways" Witt Gallery: RRCA Annual Affiliate Artist Member Exhibit*. Intake: January 13 or 16, 11am - 4pm  
Exhibition runs through March 9, 2024  
Info at: <https://www.rrcartarts.com>
- **The Cinnaminson Library** is looking for exhibitors to display in the library for one month. The library accepts paintings, sketches, photos, and crafted items for patrons of all ages. Artists are encouraged to leave their name and contact info in their displays. Displays can contain multiple works from one artist, or work from multiple parties at one time.  
  
Their display schedule is available, interested parties should contact **Natasha Watts** at [nwatts@bcls.lib.nj.us](mailto:nwatts@bcls.lib.nj.us)
- **Medford Arts Center** Call for Art, *2024 Wild Things Juried Exhibition*. Exhibition: January 5 - February 1. Prospectus to come at: <https://www.medfordarts.com/upcoming-exhibitions.html>
- **Powell Lane Arts** Call for Art *Geometry*  
Deadline: December 4th, Submission info and upcoming Calls for Art at <https://www.powelllanearts.com/submissions>

### Art Humor

- ◆ I asked my art teacher how to draw people.  
He suggested I work on my personality.
- ◆ What kind of shoes do artists wear?  
Sketchers.
- ◆ What does a momma color wheel say to a baby color wheel?  
Don't use that tone with me.
- ◆ Who's the king of the pencil case?  
The ruler.
- ◆ Why is it hard to talk to an abstract painter?  
They never go into detail.
- ◆ My friend was a struggling artist until he decided to just do sculptures.  
He made over six figures last year.

- **Gift of Life Howie's House** is excited to present our first ever *Strokes of Kindness Art Contest and Fundraiser!* We invite all those artistically inclined to submit their art inspired by the prompt: *"Kindness through Giving."*  
  
**Gift of Life Howie's House**, located in Old City, Philadelphia serves as a home away from home for organ transplant patients and their families by providing affordable lodging, meals, and supportive services to those who travel to the city for medical care. We hope that through this art contest we can spread awareness and raise funds to continue supporting transplant patients and families who use our facility.

Please join us in creating art through a medium of your choice including paint, pencil, marker, ink, charcoal, pastels, collage, or graphic design. Your participation will help to further our mission of providing a housing and important services for transplant families.

Also, we would love for you to share this contest with your community! You can learn more about the contest here. I also attached a flyer for posting. Please feel free to contact me with any questions via email, [klathrop@giftoflifehowieshouse.org](mailto:klathrop@giftoflifehowieshouse.org), or via phone, (267)546-9800 ext. 2117. Info at <https://giftoflifehowieshouse.org/2024-gift-of-life-strokes-of-kindness-art-contest-fundraiser/>

## Shows to See

- **Medford Arts Center** presents the *2023 Small Works Exhibition & Sale*. December 1, 2023 ~ January 4, 2024. Opening Reception December 1, from 6:00 - 8:00pm.  
Info at: <https://www.medfordarts.com>
- **Powell Lane Arts** presents *2nd Annual Powell Lane Arts' SMALL WORKS SHOW*  
Exhibition: November 9th to December 23rd, Info at: <https://www.powelllanearts.com>

## Events

- **Historic Smithville Park and Smith's Woods** presents *Winter Fest*, Saturday, December 9 from 1:00-7:00pm. Welcome the holiday season with a celebration of all things winter. It's a magical setting on the grounds of Historic Smithville Park, with a Victorian theme in the Smithville Mansion. Find wandering carolers dressed in Victorian attire, holiday activities for all ages, live entertainment, a Holiday Marketplace, ice skating, ice carving, art exhibits, and, of course, Victorian Santa!

*Winter Bird Count*, Tuesday, December 19 from 9:00-11:00am. Burlington County's version of the Christmas Bird Count, a scientific survey of the bird species that over-winter in the County Parks. Participants will identify species by sight and sound at specified locations within each County Park (not for beginner birders). If you would like to contribute your bird identification skills to help the Parks System with the census, please register online. <https://www.co.burlington.nj.us/calendar.aspx?CID=104#next>

### 12th ANNUAL ART IN THE MIDDLE BARN

*presented by the Gower Family*

Saturday, Dec. 2 and Sunday, Dec. 3, 2023  
from 1 to 5 pm

with the **Artist's Reception**

Sunday December 3rd from 3:00 to 5:00pm.

Bring your favorite dish  
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and nourishes the soul

For info, call or text Nancy Gower  
609-320-2942

- **The Pine Barons Barbershop Chorus Holiday Concert** is coming up on Saturday, December 2, **Oh no - there's trouble brewing at The North Pole. Santa is just tuckered out, and his little helpers just aren't helping!**

The **Pine Barons Chorus** presents *Santa Strikes Out*. In glorious four-part harmony, this award-winning chorus will send you into the holiday season in style, and a little bit wiser about making toys (there are rumors of a possible Grinch sighting, so be warned!). The event will be held at the St. Andrew's United Methodist Church, 327 Marlton Pike West, Cherry Hill, NJ, on Saturday, December 2nd, for two shows 2PM and 7:30PM. Tickets are \$20, under 12 FREE. Groups of 10 or more get a \$5 discount per ticket! To order online, go to [pinebarons.org](http://pinebarons.org), [www.facebook.com/PineBaronsChorus](http://www.facebook.com/PineBaronsChorus) or call 856-246-5066.

**The Pine Barons Chorus** is an official chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society, an international organization dedicated to preserving and promoting this uniquely American form of music. With 22,000 members in the USA and Canada, and affiliated organizations in 30 countries, the number of active society singers reaches over 70,000.



### WAA Membership Meetings for 2023

#### Board Meeting, Will resume in January

On-line **ZOOM** Meeting, Open to ALL members  
– A reminder email will be sent to everyone.

#### Monthly Artist Presentations

Will resume in January 2024

### Willingboro Kennedy – Building Closures

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

JFK Center will be closed in December

Monday, January 1, 2024 . . . New Year's Day

Monday, January 16, 2024 . . . Martin Luther King, Jr.

# 2024 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



<b>WAA OFFICERS - 2023</b>		<b>WAA COORDINATORS</b>	
<b>President</b>	Ellen Miller	<b>Monday Zoom Life Class</b>	Marcia Steinbock
<b>Vice President &amp; Exhibition Chair</b>	Vacancy	<b>Tuesday Open Studio</b>	Arleen Potter
<b>Secretary</b>	Maggie Rose	<b>Wednesday Workshop</b>	Lisa Hendrickson Ellen Miller Maria Morales
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<b>WAA CHAIRPERSONS</b>		<b>Photo Club</b>	Vacancy
<b>Membership</b>	Diane Carrier MaryAnn Oetter	<b>Annual Juried show</b>	Ellen Miller
<b>Programming</b>	Lisa Hendrickson	<b>Sketchbook Editor</b>	Maria Morales
<b>Art Education</b>	Vacancy	<b>Hospitality/Sunshine</b>	Joanne Sherman
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If you have news, email Cathy Osier at <a href="mailto:catosier2@gmail.com">catosier2@gmail.com</a> or call (609) 859-0607 and leave a message			