



Willingboro Art Alliance

SKETCHBOOK

SEPTEMBER 2009

CELEBRATING OUR 45th YEAR

Founded 1964 - Incorporated 1965

The oldest art organization in Burlington County

September Monthly Meeting

*****Room 300, Kennedy Center*****

Levitt Parkway & Kennedy Way, Willingboro

Wednesday, September 2, 7:00 PM

Guest

Vickie Mathas

Refreshments for our September meeting

will be provided by

Ken Leinweber and Gerri Mirabelli

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETINGS

Next Board Meeting:

SEPTEMBER 9TH - 12 NOON

Room 300 Kennedy Center - Bring lunch

SEPTEMBER WORKSHOPS*

(all levels welcome)

9AM, Wednesdays, Room 300, Kennedy Center

September 2 Colored Pencils

September 9 Watercolor Flowers

September 16 Revisit Perspective

September 23 Critique

September 30 Still Life – Any Medium

*Most workshop sessions are planned with a specific medium or technique to explore, but you are welcome to just come and paint. Materials and paints are supplied in many of the classes. A \$1.00 Donation is requested from all participants in the workshop to help in purchasing art supplies.

To check out one of the many books or videos from our library, see our librarians, Bill Devine or Rene Yohannan.

OUR SEPTEMBER PROGRAM

"Paper to Fabric an artist's journey"

Vickie Mathas



Vickie works with a diverse palette of mixed mediums and fabric. After creating images on paper with colored pencil and paint, for many years the textile arts have become her medium of artistic expression, focusing on the art element texture. Fabrics are matched, quilted, painted, free motion quilted, and finally embellished with yarns, buttons, semi-precious stones, beads, wool felting, metal weaving, needle punching and



sculpted clay faces. Often she creates her own designed fabrics using oil paint sticks, collaged complex cloth, botanical impressions and computer transferred images from my drawings, paintings and photographs.

As an artist she wants to capture the hidden colors waiting to be discovered in nature's palette. The images that are created by the combination of natural materials morph into surrealistic worlds called Totem Images. These are symbols that bring about an awareness of our natural environments. Vickie Mathas has dedicated her life to artistic endeavors and pursuing creative energies in a variety of genres. She has been exploring textile and fiber art since 1999 and continues to add new techniques and media to her works known as Totem Images. After having graduated from Glassboro State College in 1974 with a B.A. in Art Education, she began to teach art in the public schools of New Jersey immediately. Vickie was a dual career artist for thirty two years teaching art to children and showing her own work in juried shows and galleries. She is now working as a full time studio artist. In 1986, she earned a Masters Degree in Human Development from Fairleigh Dickinson University. In the fall of 2006, Vickie was invited to become an Associate Artist at the Riverfront Renaissance Center for the Arts in Millville, New Jersey. Her work is for sale in the RRCA gallery shop. As of July 2007, she is a juried member of the Home Fine Art Gallery in Mount Holly, New Jersey. Her work is currently on exhibit and for sale in the Member's Gallery at HFA. Vickie is married to Paul Mathas who is a videographer and computer technician. Paul has made a music video of Vickie's artwork which is on the internet site Google Video.

WAA Programs – October through November 2009:

October 7--Debbie Pey-painting

November 4--Jim Ryan -Fine Watercolor Painting

MESSAGE FROM YOUR EXECUTIVE BOARD

The 14th Annual Open Juried Exhibition will be held at Mount Holly Library, 307 High Street, Mt. Holly, NJ. Delivery dates are: Friday, Oct. 30 from 4 - 6 PM and Saturday, Oct. 31st from 9 - 11:30 ONLY to accommodate juror.

The prospectus will be included in the October Sketchbook.

You have two months to prepare your artwork for entry.

A huge thank you to Joyce McAfee for making this exhibition possible.

COMING SOON

Sneak Preview of the WAA Website:
www.willingboroart.org.
Suggestions and comments welcomed

SAVE THE DATE

The Red Dragon Canoe Club
has officially marked us down for
Friday, December 11
2009 Joint WAA and BCAG
Holiday Party
Details in future Sketchbooks!

WAA "Going Green"

If you want to receive the Sketchbook electronically, email dfascenda@comcast.net and you will be added to the list. Reminder: If you receive the Sketchbook electronically, you will no longer receive hard copy in the mail. By receiving the Sketchbook electronically, the WAA organization will be "Going Green" and saving on mailing costs and you will receive your news early.

REMINDER – CHECK YOUR CALENDAR

14th WAA Open Juried Art Show

Our 14th WAA Open Juried Art Show will be held in the Mt. Holly Public Library, High Street, Mt. Holly, N. J. during the month of November. Dates, times and all information will be included in the prospectus next month. Your support as a volunteer or award sponsor will be greatly, greatly appreciated.

Joyce McAfee, V.P.

If you wish to have your email address
or web site noted on the WAA website,
send the url and a jpg of one of your works (72 dpi)
to dfascenda@comcast.net

**Condolences to the family of Edna Dahlquist, a long time member of WAA, who
passed away Sunday, August 16th after a long illness.**

**Also condolences to Shirley Cohen on the passing
of her sister, Betty Lou Levesque.**

MEMBER'S NEWS:

- **Moorestown Wealth Management Gallery** featured the following members at the *Imagination Show*. **Michael Block, Ben Cohen, Maureen Gass-Brown, Bette Johnson, Sandy Jones, Myra Ryan, and Jan Terry.**
- **Norm Gaffin** has a show at the Palmyra Cove from 10/5 to 10/30. Reception is 10/8, 5:30-7:30pm. He will also be there 10/11 from 2-4pm.
- This summer, **Joy Hoffman** submitted paintings to the Center for Arts for the "Beach Party" themed Art Exhibit and will be participating in CFA's Annual Open Juried Exhibition in September.
- **Myra Ryan** will feature all new work in her solo show at Moorestown Wealth Management in October and November. The "Meet the Artist" reception is Friday, 10/16 from 6:00 to 8:00.
- The following WAA Artists participated in the Burlington County Art Guild Members Exhibit at the Dr. Flinker Pavilion Gallery at Virtua Hospital are: **Grace Cooper, Nona Dolan, SaraLee Pindar, Richard Montemurro, Carol Fitzpatrick, Sherry D McGrath, Gisela J. Bly, Jim Sutton, Joy Hoffman, Janet Cebular, Carol Kaplan, Muriel Golieb, Sandra L. Jones, Michael Block, Patricia Block, Gene D'Agostino, Ben Cohen, Sheila Mashaw, Marlene Luneburg, Ethel White, Maureen Gass-Brown, Mary Gayliard, Fran Morrison, Ellen Barnett, Marlene Craig and Irvane Spracklin.**
- **Doris Peltzman** will be one of the artists exhibiting at Artists House Gallery, 57 North 2nd., St. Phila., Pa in "Art of the Still Life" exhibition in September. First Friday Reception, 9/4, 5-8:30 and Sunday, 9/6, 1-4pm. She also is a featured artist at Northend Gallery on Long Beach Island, East End Gallery in Margate, N.J. and the Wm. Ris Gallery in Stone Harbor, N.J.
- **Richard Montemurro** has a photo in the Smithville Juried Photo Show and two photos in CFA's "Beach" show.
- **Sandra Jones** will be exhibiting at the Rittenhouse Square Fine Art Exhibit on Sept. 18-20 and she had a piece (Sunshine and Sympathy) accepted in the Catharine Lorillard Wolfe Show to be held in NYC in October. She won Best of Show at the Shad Fest in Lambertville, NJ, Honorable Mention in Mixed Media at the Ocean City Boardwalk Show and First Prize in Mixed Media at the Lititz Art Show in Lititz, PA.
- **Denise Bush, Linda Hollinger and Bonnie Jacobs** had works accepted into the Burlington County Freeholder's Annual Juried Photography Exhibit, held at the Smithville Annex Gallery in August.
- **Michael Block** has a one-man show called "Impressionistic Images of Italy" at the Home Fine Art Gallery. Reception is on Friday, 10/2, 5 to 8 PM
- The following artists were accepted into the Philadelphia Sketch Club Miniature Show: **Marlene Craig, RJ Haas, Linda Hibbs, Joyce McAfee, Doris Peltzman, Dorothy Pere, and Helen Troia-Shear.** Reception is 9/6 from 2 to 4pm.
- **Sharon Paisner's** Magic Garden's Watercolor Exhibit is at the Ritz Theater Company, 915 White Horse Pike, Haddon Twp, NJ 08107, 856 858-5230 from 9/10 to 10/10. Reception

Saturday, 10/3 at 6:15 pm. Tickets for Neil Simon's Proposals available at 50% discount that night only.

- **Janice Mason** is having a solo exhibit at Palmyra Cove 9/7 to 9/29. The reception is Thursday, 9/17 from 6 - 8pm.
- **Nona Dolan** has five 3x3 canvases in The Canvas Project Volume II. They are hanging in the Atlanta Airport Atrium Gallery in Atlanta GA till 9/4. Then they will go to Art House Gallery on 9/25. They are creating a completely user generated visual encyclopedia with these paintings. Each artist was given 5 words to interpret into art. Nona's were: transformation, puppet, sufficient, catalogue, and stop oppression.

OPPORTUNITIES:

- **MOOR Arts 2009 Art Show and Great Pumpkin Festival** 10/2 and 10/3. Registration **deadline 9/1**. Due to space constraints, no more than 18-20 artists can be accommodated. Contact Bernadette Curtis 751 Riverton Road, Moorestown, NJ 08057, 609 440-6538 for more information.
- **Burlington County College Student Gallery & Art Store - The Beauty of the Pinelands.** Intake **Dates 9/8 to 9/30**. Submissions open to BCC students and Community Artists Show Dates 10/13 to 11/20. Reception: Friday, 10/16 from 5 to 7 PM. An amazing display of Pinelands themed artwork to promote the awareness and preservation of our country's first national reserve; at our opening event we will host our featured artists and have demonstrations and information on New Jersey's Pinelands. All shows are free and open to the public. Community artist submission Fee is \$10.00 per piece. Delivery to 1 High Street Mount Holly, NJ 08060, 609-267-5618, email: artgallery@bcc.edu. Please call for current gallery hours.
- **Allied Artists of America 96th Annual Exhibition.** Deadline **9/14**. Fill out entry form, submit slide or jpeg files with \$35 entry fee (download entry form from <http://alliedartistsofamerica.org/prospecturs.htm>). Delivery of accepted work is 11/11 – 8:30 am to 2pm, National Arts Club Galleries, 15 Gramercy Park South, NYC (20th St. between 3rd and Park Ave.)
- **Historic Medford Village Association - First Saturday Art Walk**, Main Street, Medford will be held Saturday, 10/3, from 11am-4pm. Please submit registration by: **9/20**. Artists should complete registration. The cost is \$20. For any questions, please contact Julie Basello-Holt C/O Creative Genius at 609-714-1131 or via email at jbaselloholt@verizon.net.
- **Medford Arts Center (MAC)** is having a Fall Juried Art Exhibition. Deliver **9/21 through 9/23** from 4 to 7pm. Entry fee is \$10 per entry for members and \$15 for non members. Limit 2 entries per artist. 30% commission on sales. Photography and digital prints not included. Reception 10/2 from 6 to 8pm. For prospectus go to www.artsinmedford.org.
- If you would like to have a booth at **the 14th Annual Pinelands Discovery Festival** which is scheduled for **Sunday, 10/4** (rain or shine) at 11:00 a.m. - 4 p.m. It is sponsored by P.I.N.E.S.-BCC, the Pinelands Institute for Natural & Environmental Studies, a program of Burlington County College. This festival is being held at historic Whitesbog Village, a restored 19th century cranberry farm and the birthplace of the cultivated blueberry. The festival will feature wagon rides, guided walking tours, educational activities for children and adults, over 50 exhibitors and vendors, music and storytelling. **Approximately 1000 people attend this event each year.** The state of New Jersey has officially proclaimed October as Pinelands Month. The focus of the event is to raise awareness and appreciation of the Pinelands through

a festival celebrating the artists, musicians, entertainers, exhibitors, etc., that reflect the rich history, culture and environment of the Pinelands. If you wish to apply to participate, please contact dfascenda@comcast.net for prospectus. All exhibitors will be notified regarding whether or not they have been accepted. Fee: \$25 per vendor/exhibitor (Fee includes 2 tables and 2 chairs).

- There is also an opportunity to have one piece be shown at the **14th Annual Pinelands Discovery Festival Outdoor Art Exhibition**. Space for only 40 paintings. Contact: RJ Haas 609 410-4801 to get on the list. No attendance required. It is a one day, under tent art show held in conjunction with the Discovery festival. Art must be hand delivered. Delivery to Whitesbog General Store: Wednesday, Sept. 30, 10 to 3 PM, Thursday Oct. 1, 1 to 5pm. Artists may submit one original works of two-dimensional painting including oil, pastel, acrylic, watercolor, or mixed media for a single fee. Work must depict the environment, culture or history of the Pine Barrens. No photographs or computer photographic art. Entry fees: \$5.00. Commission is 20% on all sales. Sales tax is paid by buyer. Art works should be properly framed and wired for hanging, and may not exceed 20 inches in any direction, including frame.
- **“Black Market” at the Witches Ball - Art & Craft Market – 10/10**, 6 - 11:00pm (rain date 10/17). The Witches Ball is an outdoor costume ball held in the historic Mill Race Village section of downtown Mount Holly, New Jersey. Fees: \$50 for a 10'x10' space. Artists must supply their own tents (optional, but encouraged), lights and outdoor rated extension cords. Electricity will be provided. For more information email info@thewitchesball.com or www.TheWitchesBall.com

SHOW TO SEE:

- **Burlington County’s 33rd Annual Arts in the Park** will be held at Historic Smithville Park, Eastampton, NJ on **Sunday, September 27, 2009, 11am - 5pm**. This event is a music, theater, dance and juried fine art & craft festival situated in Historic Smithville Park in Eastampton, NJ. For more information contact llemyre@co.burlington.nj.us.
- **Old Marlton Fall Festival - 23rd Annual Show** is scheduled for **Saturday, October 3rd** from 10am to 4:30pm on Main Street in Historic Marlton. For more information, call Center for the Arts, 856 985-0992.
- **Haddonfield Fall Festival - October 17, Rain Date October 18**, Kings Highway, Haddonfield.
- **Moorestown Art Walk** - The Fourth Season of Moorestown Art Walk continues from 6-9 PM--rain or shine-- on Main Street in Moorestown. **Dates are September 11, and October 9**. Be sure to visit the Moorestown Historical Society at the Smith-Cadbury Mansion, just half a block from Main Street, for an open house from 5-9PM. Enjoy a glass of wine while you admire the collections and browse the gift shop! More details, including a map, can be found at www.MoorestownArts.com.
- **"100 Years of Art in Mt. Holly"**, Friday, 9/11, in Mt Holly. Contact Peter DeStefano at 609 261-1611 or email peterdeetoo@msn.com (High Street Arts & Framing) for more information.
- The **Circle of Life Artists**, featuring the work of **Ellen Barnett, Alice Domineske**, Angela Nocera and **Irvane Spracklin** are exhibiting the “Mandalas - A Mirror to Life” at the Samaritan Inpatient Hospice Center Gallery at Virtua Hospital, Mt Holly, until 11/20.

- **Live After Five Art Festival** will be held September 18, 2009, 2:00 PM – 8:00 PM on High Street (between Washington and Rancocas Rd/ Garden St) Mount Holly, NJ, 08060. Participating artists are asked to complete a registration form and submit it no later than **9/12, 2009**. Each artist will be given 10 feet square to setup. Registration fee is \$35 (*permit cost included*). Please contact Peter DeStefano or a registration form or if you have any questions at 609 261- 2611 or email peterdeetoo@msn.com
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WORKSHOPS:

"Hanging Together Group" will be giving a free workshop on painting miniatures, Sunday, 9/20, 2009, 2 to 4pm. at Hawthorne Gallery, 697 Stokes Rd., Medford Lakes (Medlake Center). Bring paints, we supply painting surfaces.

Interested Artists please act now. Seating is limited! Watercolor on Yupo with instructor, Lisa Budd ~ Saturday, 10/24 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm at the Pemberton Library located at 16 Broadway in Browns Mills, N.J. Supply list will be provided. Fee will be \$45 per person. Contact: Carol Fitzpatrick at jfharold40@aol.com

CALENDAR:

- Sept 2** **WAA Monthly Meeting – 7pm**
- Sept 4 Artists House Gallery, 57 North 2nd. St. Phila., Pa. Reception 5 to 8:30pm
- Sept 6 Phila. Sketch Club Miniature Show. Reception 2 to 4pm
- Sept 9** **WAA Board Meeting - noon**
- Sept 10 CFA Annual Juried Show. Reception 7 to 9pm
- Sept 17 Janice Mason's Solo Show at Palmyra Cove. Reception 6 - 8pm
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Quote for the Month

I have always tried to hide my own efforts and wished my works to have the lightness and joyousness of a springtime which never lets anyone suspect the labours it cost.

::: Henri Matisse :::

**Please email our editor with art news for
October Sketchbook by September 23rd
to dfascenda@comcast.net**
