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NEXT MEETING - THURSDAY, **September 8th at 7:30pm**
“Art Material Swap”

Message from the President Liliane Blom

Dear fellow artists and art lovers,

Fall is coming up and so we look forward to seeing you all at our September swapping meeting and social. We hope you bring your tales of a summer well spent and let us know of your upcoming art projects. The meeting has been moved to **SEPTEMBER 8th**, to accommodate those of you who are gone until Labor Day. Please make a note of this and let your friends know.

Our September meeting should be a lot of fun. We are planning an art material swap and social get together, so please bring your unused, old, not what you thought they would be; don't like them any more watercolors/acrylics/oils to the meeting. Why clog up your closet, basement or garage, bring your unused paper, frames, charcoal, pastels, pallet knives and brushes with you and swap them for something else. It should be fun. Bring your business cards as well and make some new friends, we will have food and wine for you to enjoy. More details below.

We held two successful and successive shows at the “glass box” gallery belonging to Visarts this summer. Again a big thank you to Belinda Russell and Sandi Atkinson for organizing the shows with Brett Johnson at Visarts, we hope this is the start of a long and fruitful cooperation between our two organizations.

I also want to thank Tom LaFleur, our longtime newsletter editor for his wonderful service to RAL, he is moving to Arizona in the fall and we need someone to take over his position on the board. The job of editor is extremely important to our organization as you know, if you are reading this! Tom says the layout and editing takes him about 3-4 hours per newsletter and is a straight forward process. He is happy to show the new editor the ropes.

Our October meeting should be most informational and useful, it features Megan Peretore, Gallery Manager Schlesinger Arts Center and NOVA community center - she will give a talk on how to send submissions for gallery shows and on exhibiting your artwork.

Hope to see you all at the art swap in September.

LILIANE BLOM – PRESIDENT RAL

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

*“In art, there doesn’t always have to be a reason.
Periodically be irrational.”*

Harley Brown

MEMBER ART SHOW

The next member art show is scheduled for December, 2011. More details will be included in next month’s newsletter.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call 301-590-9437 or email at mackerer@comcast.net.

Marian MacKerer

1st VP and Show Coordinator

PROGRAMMING FOR MEETINGS

SEPTEMBER MEETING: ART SWAP

The September 8th meeting is an "art material swap and social get together", please bring anything in usable condition you no longer want or need which could be used by an artist in some fashion, be it materials or tools. Why clog up your closet, basement or garage? Bring things such as your unused paper, frames, charcoal, pastels, canvas and/or stretcher bars, pallet knives and brushes with you and swap them for something else. It should be fun.

This could be a way for you to find something new to experiment with, while making room for that new creative space and helping a fellow artist in the process. The implicit goal is to find a win/win swap, although this isn't an outright sales event, lingering items with no suitable trade available can also be sold. There aren't any hard and fast rules on how a deal can or should be made, just bring your stuff and see what shows up for exchange, it is a social event with a beneficial side effect.

If some stuff is too big to bring, think about making a connection for a later swap or exchange at some other time. Of course people will respond best to things they can see in person.

Bring your business cards as well and make some new friends, we will have food and wine for you to enjoy. We can not only swap things, but ideas, stories, techniques, advice etc.

Urgent: a new director of programming needed! We need a replacement for Jackie Hoysted as programming director (i.e. arrange artists talks, critiques, demos etc.). It is a very enjoyable position and a great opportunity to make the RAL meetings more enjoyable and interesting for everyone. Jackie can help with names, contacts etc but can't continue with the position this fall - please if you can help out please contact Jackie at jackiehoysted@aol.com or call: 240-506-6910 if you are interested in taking over the Program Coordinator position or in helping out.

MEMBER NEWS

CHRIS LUCKMAN AT MARYLAND FEDERATION OF THE ARTS

Chris Luckman, a RAL member, has had a painting accepted into "American Landscapes", Maryland Federation of the Arts' National Juried Exhibition in Annapolis, Maryland. The show will run from August 12 to September 10, 2011. She will also be exhibiting a painting in the 20th Anniversary National Juried Exhibition at the Art Institute and Gallery in Salisbury, Maryland, from September 11 to October 21, 2011.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Irene Glasser, Telephone Liaison, is looking for volunteers to join her committee. Please respond to Irene Glaser by email [icglaser@verizon.net] or phone her at 301-983-1699.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR NEEDED

Tom LaFleur, newsletter editor, needs a volunteer who knows Microsoft Word and familiarity with Microsoft Excel to assume the duties of newsletter editor. Ideally, Tom needs this volunteer by September 15th when he will begin to produce the October newsletter. While he produces the newsletter he can train his replacement.

If anyone is interested in a home with an art studio and gallery/rec room with picture hanging system installed, please check this one out:

http://www.realtor.com/realestateandhomes-detail/341-Winter-Walk-Dr_Gaithersburg_MD_20878_M50364-24362

SANDRA LEVINE FEATURED ARTIST AT THE MONTGOMERY ART ASSOCIATION GALLERY

Sandra Levine will be the featured artist in September at the Montgomery Art Association Gallery in Wheaton Westfield Mall. The exhibit will feature a theme of "Faces and Figures", in various mediums, watercolor, pastel, and collage. The opening reception is Sunday, Sept. 11 from 1-5. Show dates: Sept. 1 through 25th. Hours: from 12 PM, Thurs. through Sunday. Directions: Enter from University Blvd. side of mall, entrance #2 near Panera and Target. Inside the mall, turn right to the gallery opposite the Hallmark store. Sandra recently won an award for a collage in the 2011 show, "Red White, and Blue" at Friendship Heights.

PATRICIA ZANNIE'S COLLAGE CLASSES COMING THIS FALL

Collage artist and instructor, Patricia Zannie, also RAL Treasurer, will be teaching two collage classes this Fall 2011 at the School of Art & Design in Montgomery College at the Cafritz Art Center on the Silver Spring Campus...two of her students won First and Third Place Awards in the May 2011 Juried Member show and two of her students won Third Place and Honorable Mention in the previous show in the "Collage/Mixed Media" category.

MORNING WITH THE MASTERS –ADS299—CRN#26350 –meets for 25 hrs. (10 sessions – 10/4—12/6; Tuesdays 9—11:30). This innovative course explores the pioneers of the modern age in art and gives you the opportunity to create your own artwork based on the work of the artists. From Manet to Picasso, each class will highlight the style and contribution of each of the rebel artist who created the concepts of modern art we still use today. Using the very accessible techniques of collage, you will create your own artwork inspired by artists such as Monet, Renoir, Degas, Van Gogh, Gauguin, Matisse Toulouse Lautrec, and Picasso. This class is recommended to new and practicing artists.

ABSTRACTION: FROM NATURE TO TWO-DIMENSIONAL DESIGN – ADS342—CRN#26345 –meets for 25 hrs. (10 sessions – 9/29—12/8; Thursdays 9—11:30). After learning the abstraction techniques developed by modern masters such as Cezanne, Gauguin, Matisse, & Picasso you will utilize elements of design to simplify the lines, shapes, colors and values of a 3-dimensional object and transform them into a cohesive 2-dimensional composition. You will use collage and mixed media techniques to create original artwork based on an analysis of the 3-dimensional object and abstracting its essential meaning and components into a to-dimensional design. Tuition waiver applies; **seniors pay fee only**. Registration questions please call Customer Service at 240-567-5188. Registration on website:

www.montgomerycollege.edu/schoolofartanddesign

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

The following are new members: Bernard Wilder, Janet Schroeder, Eric Gross and Floyd Roberts.

All members: please send any changes of address and/or email address to Susan Dunnell dunnz@erols.com or phone her at 301-949-1514.

OTHER HAPPENINGS AND ITEMS OF INTEREST

THE MONTGOMERY COLLEGE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Montgomery College Alumni Association is sponsoring MC Marketplace, a vendor fair featuring handcrafted items from local artisans and crafters, to raise money for Montgomery College student scholarships and alumni events. MC Marketplace will be held Saturday, October 22, 2011, from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. inside The Morris & Gwendolyn Cafritz Foundation Arts Center on the Takoma Park/ Silver Spring campus of Montgomery College. Below is link to more information and application. This is a juried event. Deadline for submitting applications is September 9, 2011.

<http://cms.montgomerycollege.edu/EDU/Department.aspx?id=28322>

CHINESE CHRISTIAN ARTIST HE QI

Messiah Lutheran Church in Germantown is currently exhibiting the paintings of well known contemporary Chinese Christian artist He Qi. All of the paintings portray scenes from the Bible. He Qi's unique style reveals hints of several Western painters as well as symbolism familiar to the Chinese people. Please come and enjoy Dr. Qi's vibrant paintings at Messiah Lutheran Church, 13901 Clopper Road, in Germantown, MD between June 15 and September 15, 2011. The exhibit will be open on Wednesdays from 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm and Sundays from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm. He Qi will speak about his work on Sunday September 11, 2011 to commemorate the tenth anniversary of 911 with the time yet to be determined.

DETLEF ALLENBERG, GERMAN ARTIST, AT GLENVIEW MANSION

On Exhibit, Sept. 6-27, 2011, Detlef Allenberg, artist from Pinneberg Germany, will have a show of 30 surrealistic paintings at Glenview Mansion. This exhibit is part of a special cultural exchange between the cities of Rockville and Pinneberg, Germany. Mr. Allenberg has a long association with our Sister City program. Most recently, he designed the 50th anniversary plaque that is part of our Town Center across from the library, and was a gift to the City of Rockville by Pinneberg.

Do you have a show upcoming? Do you know of an event that RAL members might enjoy? Please send an email to Tom! tomsharonlafleur@gmail.com.

Newsletter Deadline: September 15th for the October newsletter.

GLENVIEW MANSION CONFERENCE ROOM SHOWS

The receptions at Glenview mansion are 1:30-3:30 pm, on the Sunday after hanging! Preferred drop-off and pick-up times for Glenview Shows are from 9 am to 12 noon. Note: please contact the mansion management ahead of time if you wish to modify the drop-off or pick-up times.

RAL 30-day Glenview Mansion Member Shows in Conference Rooms 5 & 6 (Rm 6 has the fireplace) are open to members who have received awards in previous juried member-only shows. If you have received a 1st, 2nd or 3rd place award and would like to sign up for a 30-day show in the conference rooms, please contact: **Diane Jeang** at 301-871-1589 or swinedoc@yahoo.com

CONFERENCE ROOM SHOW TABLE

2011	Member(s)	Wednesday Deliver and hang 9 am-12 pm	Sunday Gallery Opening 1:30-3:30 pm	Wednesday Pick up 9 am-12 pm
AUG	Leita Gerson (2)	Aug. 3	Aug. 7	Aug. 31
SEP	Joanie Grosfeld + Donna Baron	Aug. 31	Sept. 9 (6:30-8:30 pm)	Sept. 29
OCT	Regina Price (2)	Sept. 29	Oct. 2	Nov. 2
NOV	Pat Kagan (2)	Nov. 2	Nov. 6	Nov. 30
DEC	RAL Winter Show	Nov. 30	Dec. 4	Jan. 4
2012	Member(s)	Wednesday Deliver and hang 9 am – 12 pm	Sunday Gallery Opening 1:30-3:30 pm	Wednesday Pick Up 9 am – 12 pm
JAN	Jorge Bernal (2)			
FEB	Natalya Parris (2)			
MAR	Rockville Student Show			
APR	Chris Luckman (2)			
MAY	RAL Spring Show			
JUN	Board Member’s Show			
JUL	Diane Jeang (2)			
AUG				
SEP	Patricia Zannie (2)			
OCT	Carol Saussey (2)			
NOV	Philip Bennett (2)			
DEC	RAL Winter Show			
JAN				
FEB				
MAR	Rockville Student Show			

ON-GOING SHOWS

Chair person: Diane Jeang (301) 871-1589 E-mail: swinedoc@yahoo.com

PLEASE NOTE: I will keep updating this list through the summer; just email me if you need a current list. Twinbrook Library now has 1 month shows and please contact Twinbrook to sign up; they have a lot of openings.

I am continuing with the On-Going shows for next year, but I'm looking for new venues for the shows. There has been interest lately in getting some more shows, so if you know of a place interested in hanging artwork on a rotating basis, please let me know. I have forms for signing up new establishments. I would need to know the name of the place, contact person, what type of artwork, how many, and any restrictions. Doctors, dentists, law offices and other businesses are good places, as well as restaurants and banks. Bookstores are also excellent. We may be considering some places that would require jurying (but we would continue the tradition of the "open" shows of course).

Thank you,
Diane Jeang

RAL ONGOING SHOW LIST

August 9, 2011

Bank of America - 3200 Sandy Spring Road, Olney, Maryland

10-12 paintings, Contact: (301) 232-1370

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Michael Shipley (301) 807-6890	Jun. 15, 2011	Aug. 15, 2011
Jorge Bernal (301) 523-4141	Aug. 15, 2011	Oct. 15, 2011
Open	Oct. 15, 2011	Dec. 15, 2011
Open	Dec. 15, 2011	Feb. 15, 2012

Twinbrook Library - 202 Meadow Hall Drive, Rockville, Maryland

Shows are now 1 month in length. 5 medium to large paintings, Contact person: Chris Lindy (240)-777-0240, christinelundy@montgomerycountymd.gov

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Open	Aug. 15, 2011	Sept. 15, 2011
Open	Sept. 15, 2011	Oct. 15, 2011
Open	Oct. 15, 2011	Nov. 15, 2011
Open	Nov. 15, 2011	Dec. 15, 2011
Open	Dec. 15, 2011	Jan. 15, 2012
Open	Jan. 15, 2012	Feb. 15, 2012

Rockville Community Services Office - 30 Courthouse Square Rockville, Maryland

10-12 medium to large paintings, Contact person: Carlos Aparicio (240) 314-8303

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Jorge Bernal (301) 523-4141	Jun. 15, 2011	Aug. 15, 2011
Marian Mackerer (301) 590-9437	Aug. 15, 2011	Oct. 15, 2011
Open	Oct. 15, 2011	Dec. 15, 2011
Open	Dec. 15, 2011	Feb. 15, 2012

Thomas Farm Community Center – 700 Falls Grove Drive, Rockville, Maryland

12-16 medium to large paintings, Contact person: Martha Coester (240) 314-8842

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Marian Mackerer (301) 590-9437	Jun. 15, 2011	Aug. 15, 2011
Valthea McGee Fry (301) 926-7084	Aug. 15, 2011	Oct. 15, 2011
Open	Oct. 15, 2011	Dec. 15, 2011
Open	Dec. 15, 2011	Feb. 15, 2012

The Rockville Innovation Center, Floors 4 and 5 of 155 Gibbs Street, Rockville MD 20850, directly above VisArts

Fourth Floor: 25 medium to large painting space available, some hooks already in wall

Contact Person: Nancy Finkle at 301-279-2222; FAX: 301-279-2112

On 4th floor, there is space for over 25 large to medium paintings, and there are many empty hooks for hanging. Hooks and hanging devices can be moved, and you can bring more in hooks. Several artists can show together. You do not fill space, you can show only a few paintings if you would like.

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Leita Gerson (240) 654-4736	Jun. 15, 2011	Aug. 15, 2011
Open	Aug. 15, 2011	Oct. 15, 2011
Open	Oct. 15, 2011	Dec. 15, 2011
Open	Dec. 15, 2011	Feb. 15, 2012

The Rockville Innovation Center, Floors 4 and 5 of 155 Gibbs Street, Rockville MD 20850, directly above VisArts

Fifth Floor: 20 medium to large painting space available but must provide hanging devices for initial exhibit

Contact Person: Nancy Finkle at 301-279-2222; FAX: 301-279-2112

The 5th floor has 3 permanent paintings, but has space for at least 20 more paintings. Same as with fourth floor, several artists can show together, you do not need to fill space; if you want to just hang a few, that is fine too.

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Leita Gerson (240) 654-4736	Jun. 15, 2011	Aug. 15, 2011
Open	Aug. 15, 2011	Oct. 15, 2011
Open	Oct. 15, 2011	Dec. 15, 2011
Open	Dec. 15, 2011	Feb. 15, 2012

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Newsletter Deadline: 15th of each month, August through May