

# Cranberry Artists Network

NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 2022

## 2022 Calendar of Events

Feb. 1	First Tuesday figure drawing. 10am-1pm
Feb. 21	Registration for "A View from Above or Below" Spring Show ends
Mar. 1	First Tuesday figure drawing. 10am-1pm
Mar. 3	"A View from Above or Below" art work drop off 4-7pm
Mar. 9	"A View from Above or Below" Spring Show reception 6-8pm
April 5	First Tuesday figure drawing. 10am-1pm
April 14	"A View from Above or Below" Spring Show ends—art work pick up 4-7pm
April 18	New Member Screening (virtual)
May	Plein Air painting starts
May 5	General Membership Meeting, 7-9pm "Martinis with Monet Art Expo" prospectus to members
May 6	"Martinis with Monet Art Expo" prospectus to general public
June	Plein Air painting
June 26	"Martinis with Monet Art Expo" registration ends: 9pm
July	Plein Air painting
July 7	"Martinis with Monet Art Expo" art work drop off and hang show 4-7pm
July 13	"Martinis with Monet Art Expo" opening reception 7-9pm
July 14,15,16	Cranberry Township Community Days
August	Plein Air painting
Aug. 25	"Martinis with Monet Art Expo" ends and art pick up 4-7pm
September.	Plein Air painting
Sept. 6	First Tuesday figure drawing 10am-1pm
Oct. 1	"Holiday Show" prospectus to members
Oct. 4	First Tuesday figure drawing. 10am-1pm
Oct.17	New Member Screening (virtual)
Nov. 1	First Tuesday figure drawing. 10am-1pm
Nov. 7	"Holiday Show" registration ends: 9pm
Nov. 10	Holiday show art drop off and hang show. 4-7pm
Nov. 15	Opening reception for Holiday show 6-8pm
Dec. 1	General Membership Meeting 7-9pm
Dec..	First Tuesday figure drawing. 10am-1pm
Dec. 15	Holiday show ends, artwork pick up 4-7pm

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## A View from

# Above

or

# BELOW

## Spring Show 2022

## Registration Deadline

# February 21, 11:59PM

**Art work drop off: March 3, 4-7pm**

**Reception: March 9, 6-8pm**

**Spring Show ends - art work pick up: April 14, 4-7pm**

More information can be found on our Events and Exhibitions page

<https://www.cranberryartistsnetwork.com/abovebelow2022>

**Cranberry Artists Network  
Back Hall Gallery  
and  
Glass Case Show  
Schedule**

Back hall gallery artists please send Kathy Bischak, kbischak@comcast.net and Debra Tobin debratobin@ymail.com, your bios, headshot/photo, photos of artwork, website and contact info now so they can prepare press releases and newsletter info in advance.

January 2022  
**New Members Show**

February 2022  
**Nicolette Tolomeo Germain**

March 2022  
**Lynda Kirby**

April 2022  
**Marge Gardner**

May 2022  
**Bradley Page**

June 2022  
**Monica Hietsch**

July 2022  
**Figure Drawing**

August 2022  
**Plein Air**

September 2022  
**Kathy Bischak**

October 2022  
**Martha Skerlinski**

November & December 2022  
**Holiday Show**

**Contact Vickie Schilling,  
vickie.schilling@gmail.com  
to be added to the list for  
upcoming 2023 show slots.**

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FEBRUARY FEATURED ARTISTS

## Nicolette Tolomeo Germain

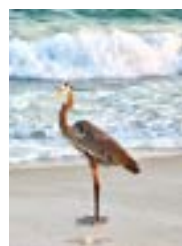
owner of Nicolette's Memories Photography



Born in Ellwood City, Pa., Nicolette's artistic journey began in the garment industry as a 3rd generation tailor with a passion for photography. After a lifetime of customer service and a local business owner, following her dreams, led by faith, life's journey continues to bring blessings thru the eye of a camera lens and a click of a shutter. "Memories Photography" was born from documenting and preserving moments in time. A love for

nature and the outdoors, many photos from her travels and our local parks will be displayed. "God's gifts are everywhere! I switched from film photography to digital years ago however my photos are still reality ... as I see life, capturing fleeting moments unaltered by modern technology". Her current collection will be featured in the Back Hall Gallery this month with a meet/greet reception Feb. 6th 1:30 - 3:30. Various subjects & mediums are in the show for all to enjoy. Cards & calendars will be available to purchase on Feb 6th. Bring your Valentine & snack on cookies & chocolates! There are plans for a future photo viewing & purchasing online site.

Please follow Nicolette on Facebook at @NicolettesShop or subscribe to Nicolette's newsletter list for email updates. Nicolette@zoominternet.net 724-368-1100



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- CAN dues run from January through December 31.
- Active Members must pay yearly dues of \$25 by January 31.
- After January 31, the active Member's dues will increase by \$5 to \$30.

Nonpayment of dues by March 31 will result in loss of membership. Active Members who have lost their membership for nonpayment of dues will need to go through the screening process to be reinstated as an active member again.

- A couple living in same household will pay \$40 for both members.

## 2 WAYS TO PAY! PAYPAL OR CHECK!!

- Checks payable to Cranberry Artists Network to the following address:

Cranberry Artists Network c/o Marcy Bogdanich  
PO BOX 1876  
Cranberry Township, Pa 16066

- You can also use PayPal by going to our link:

<https://www.cranberryartistsnetwork.com/membership>

MJ Hadley, Membership Chair



## MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

- Networking Opportunities
- Member Only Shows featuring member artwork
- Life Model Drawing, Plein Air Painting, Classes & More!

## CALL FOR ARTISTS



**Mark your calendars and submit your work for the 99th annual Nicole & Harry Martin Spring Show!**

**We welcome submissions from any and all artists living, working or studying within 250 miles of the city of Erie, Pennsylvania.**

**The call for online submissions will be open from January 1st-February 11th 2022.**

**More details can be found at:**  
[ErieArtmuseum.org/springshow](http://ErieArtmuseum.org/springshow)

## MEMBERSHIP NOTICES

**AS OF JANUARY 2022 THERE WILL BE NO MORE CHECKS TO PAY FOR ENTRANCE FEES AND ALL REGISTRATION WILL BE THROUGH PAYPAL**

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**WE ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO HELP HANG AND TAKE DOWN SHOWS.**

*This is a fun opportunity to meet and connect with fellow artists, help the organization, and get a sneak peak of the beautiful art on display.*



## CALL FOR ARTISTS



**June 30, July 1, 2, & 3, 2022**

You are invited to enter the Westmoreland Art Nationals Juried Fine Art & Photography Exhibition. Attached is an entry form. Please take note that the deadline is Friday, March 4, 2022. All entry forms must be postmarked or hand delivered on or before this date.

Since 1978, the Westmoreland Art Nationals has attracted submissions from not only local artists, but also regional, national, and international talents. The first exhibit will be held at the Westmoreland County Community College from Saturday, May 21 through Wednesday, June 8 with the second exhibit taking place Thursday, June 30 through Sunday, July 3 as part of the Westmoreland Arts & Heritage Festival. The opening reception for the Festival exhibit will take place on Saturday, June 25. You may enter as many pieces as you would like to be considered in both of our exhibits. Along with two physical on-site exhibits, we will again offer digital presentation for both live shows. Both shows provide excellent exposure for you and serve as wonderful networking opportunities to meet other distinguished artists in your field.

The 2022 Westmoreland Art Nationals entry form is available at

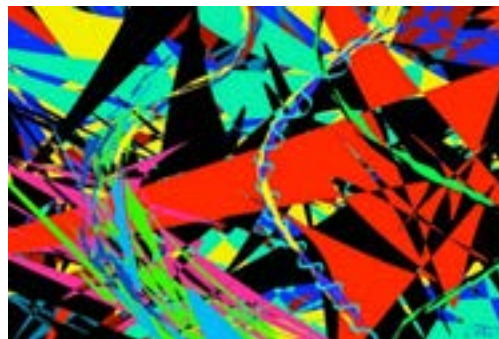
<https://artsandheritage.com/art-nationals/> as a PDF form.

We welcome and encourage you to invite others to apply.

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### MEMBER NEWS

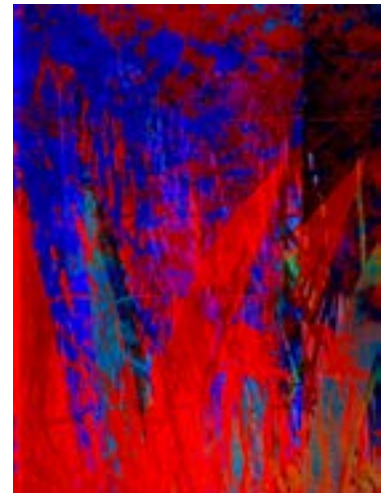
**Duane Cacali** and **James Tobin** received Bronze Awards in the Camelback Gallery Abstracts with Red 2022 International Painting Exhibition. The awards include a 3-month online group exhibition of their work, social media exposure, Art Week and Art Base exhibition publication, and e-blast announcement. We hope you will participate in the “likes” contest. The artist(s) with the most “likes” (clicks on the heart) will receive a free entry into any upcoming competitions. <https://www.camelbackgallery.com/abstractswithred2022exhibition>



Duane Cacali

Title of work: Celebrations Begin

James Tobin - Bronze Award  
Title of work: Mayfire



**Lorrie Ann Minicozzi's** series of live figure drawing sessions at her studio in Gibsonia, Pennsylvania continues Sunday, February 6, 2022!!!! The fee is \$10 per 3-hour session and will vary weekly between draped, costumed, and nude posing. The upcoming sessions are scheduled for Sunday afternoons from 12-3 pm. Feb 6, Feb 20 & Mar 13 - Models: TBD. As advance coordination needs to occur, an RSVP for each individual session will be needed in advance. There will be tables and chairs, great natural and studio lighting, ample space to spread out, room for easels and light refreshment provided. In the interest of Covid, the models have been vaccinated and social distancing will be encouraged. Please feel free to text or call with any additional questions 631-697-4065.

**James** and **Debra Tobin** will be participating in the Hoyt Mini Masterpiece Competition and Exhibit that asked artists to choose a famous painting to replicate. They will be on display at the Hoyt from March 1 through April 21.



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## MEMBER NEWS

**Marian Sallade** will be entering the North Hills Art Center exhibit in February. Title of show, A Pittsburgh Perspective Art Show. Opening reception Saturday February 5, 7pm-9pm. Open through March 4, Monday through Friday 10am-3pm and Tuesday 7pm-9pm  
[www.northhillsartcenter.org](http://www.northhillsartcenter.org)



The barn on Lewis Farms , from a Cranberry Artist Paint out.  
Title: Days End



Another painting for the show is titled Cranberry Park Done on a Cranberry Artist plain air paint out



“The Courtney-Laughlin Framing and Art Gallery in Beaver, Pa. will be honoring the Beaver Art Group. The group has been creating art since 1949. CAN members, **Jennie Johnstone, Marge Gardner, Linda Sant’Eufemia** along with Rhonda Pigman, and Frank Bisceglia are among the long-time members of the Beaver Art Group who will be displaying their paintings.”



## FIRST TUESDAY OPEN STUDIO

Remember that Tuesday Feb 1 is this week! Katie Dudas is our model. Try to get there before 10 to set up. Bring at least \$10 for the model. We are trying to give our models a raise, so if you can, bring a little extra. Model will pose from 10 - 1:00. We will have 5 two minute warm ups, 2 5 minute sketches. Then one long pose that includes breaks every 20 minutes. Try and join us. Mary, MJ, Kathy



children's  
museum.  
pittsburgh

We are pleased to reinstate the summer in-person Tough Art Residency Program for its 14th installment after a two-year hiatus due to the COVID-19 pandemic. residency goals

- Produce artwork that is tough enough to withstand public interaction, especially that of children
- Work collaboratively with Children's Museum of Pittsburgh staff to create and develop an engaging work of art to be exhibited in the museum
- Give artists a platform to display their work and reach a potentially new audience, which in turn, provides new avenues of art exploration for the museum

See past Tough Art projects  
<https://pittsburghkids.org/exhibit/tough-art-call-for-artists/>

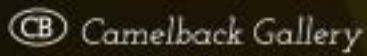
**Applications must be received by 11:59 pm on March 13, 2022.**

Selected artists will be announced on April 1, 2022.

Send any questions about the Tough Art residency to [submissions@pittsburghkids.org](mailto:submissions@pittsburghkids.org).



## CALL FOR ARTISTS



### 2022 INTERNATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS OIL PAINTING

- All subject matter and styles allowed.
- Up to two images per submission.
- No nudity, profanity or political artwork.
- Images must be professionally presented for jury.

**Award include:**

1st place through 10th place  
(cash awards top 3 - TBD based on # of entries)  
Finalist Awards (based on # of entries)  
Virtual Award Exhibition  
Social Media Promotion & E-blast Announcement  
2022 International Achievement Award Certificate  
(This is competition. Only the jury selected artwork/artists will receive an award)

**Deadline February 15, 2022**  
\$25 entry fee (non-refundable)  
Awards Announced February 28, 2022

<https://www.camelbackgallery.com/internationalachievementawardentry>

### 2022 INTERNATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS ACRYLIC PAINTING

- All subject matter and styles allowed.
- Up to two images per submission.
- No nudity, profanity or political artwork.
- Images must be professionally presented for jury.

**Award include:**

1st place through 10th place  
(cash awards top 3 - TBD based on # of entries)  
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### MEMBER NEWS

#### Susan Walker Art Winter 2022 Workshops and Events

Simple Watercolors - An intro to learning the Beautiful Art of Watercolor  
6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Jan 21, February 18, March 18 (take one class or all. Each class different)  
CURIO cool 113 Main Street, Zelienople (412)282-3640

<https://www.curioocool.com/curioclassesandevents>

Bible Art Journaling in the Scriptures  
2nd Friday of Each month

Presbyterian Church of Portersville  
1297 Perry Highway

Jan 14, Feb 11, Mar 11, Apr 8, May 13, Jun 10, Jul 8, Aug No Class, Sept 9,  
Oct. 14, Nov 11, Dec. NO CLASS

\$22/ class include all the materials to create a beautiful page.

[www.susanwalkerart.com](http://www.susanwalkerart.com) or 724-272-2146

Preschool Art Class: Ages 3-5

SATURDAY AT 10 AM – 11 AM

JANUARY 8 and/ OR FEBRUARY 12 (each class different)

CURIO cool 113 Main Street, Zelienople (412)282-3640

<https://www.curioocool.com/curioclassesandevents>

Pre-K/Kinder Art Class Ages 5-6 ( AM or Pm sessions)

FRIDAY, 11 AM – 12 am and/or 1p-2pm

JANUARY 28 and/or February 25 (each class different)

@ CURIO cool 113 Main Street, Zelienople (412)282-3640

<https://www.curioocool.com/curioclassesandevents>



### WOMEN IN ART 2022: VISUAL VOICES

April 23 through June 4, 2022

Entries due midnight March 19, 2022

Open to artists identifying as female in southwest Pa and the Morgantown, WV area

This exhibition challenges women artists to make art that speaks to the power the visual arts can wield in our current cultural climate. *Visual Voices* aspires to expand the canon of art by being a platform to showcase a symphony of women's voices that sing loudly and passionately about the changes and challenges of our time.

You Are Here, with partner Maureen Kochanek, challenges artists to complete this sentence:  
My visual voice speaks to \_\_\_\_\_  
Above statement must accompany digital images and entry fee when submitting work.  
For application and details visit [yah406clay.org](http://yah406clay.org)

Sexuality      Race      Sexual Identity  
Environment      Pandemic      Education  
Economic Justice  
Equality      Reproductive Rights      Political

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## MEMBER NEWS

Thank you **Susan Drennan** and **Clare Torso** for agreeing to take over the Plein Air Group planning! Also a huge thank you to **Kathy Bischak** for the hard work coordinating this group over the past years!

Susan Drennan is new to Pennsylvania as of last February. She has a B.A. degree in painting with a minor in Curatorial studies. She has been painting for over 40 years in various media. She comes from Massachusetts and the art community there is very active with lots of venues to show art. She went out painting everyday unless it rained or was snowing. She has, though, also painted in the snow.

Clare Torso is a retired art teacher from Seneca Valley School District. She has a B.F.A. and B.S. Art Ed. from Edinboro University and loves to plein air paint in watercolor. Clare lives in Slippery Rock so being near to state parks like Jennings and Moraine are favorite places to paint.

If you are interested in joining the plein air group contact Susan [susanedrennan@gmail.com](mailto:susanedrennan@gmail.com) or Clare [gctorso@zoominternet.net](mailto:gctorso@zoominternet.net) to be added to the mailing list.

## FEBRUARY ART NEWS

### North Hills Art Center Winter Art Show

#### Title/theme: Pittsburgh Perspective

February 5 - March 4

Opening reception Saturday February 5, 7pm-9pm. Open through March 4, Monday through Friday 10am-3pm and Tuesday 7pm-9pm

### Valentine's Day Mindful Painting

Sunday, February 13 • Time: 10am-1pm

The Westmoreland Museum of American Art 221 N Main St, Greensburg, PA

Cost: \$45 member/\$50 non-member (+bring your own materials- list provided upon registration)

Advance registration is required. Registration Deadline: Friday, February 11

To register, click here <https://thewestmoreland.org/event/valentines-day-mindful-painting/> or call 1.888.718.4253.

### New! Art After Hours: Tina Williams Brewer

Fri, Feb 25, 6 – 8 PM

The Westmoreland Museum of American Art 221 N Main St, Greensburg, PA

Cost: \$10 member/\$12 non-member/\$15 at the door flat rate

(Includes one complimentary drink; cash bar available)

Advance registration is recommended.

To register, click here <https://thewestmoreland.org/event/new-art-after-hours-tina-williams-brewer/> or call 1.888.718.4253.

## CALL FOR ARTISTS



Oglebay Institute  
*Inspiring the Imagination*

### Raising the Roof! Take a piece of Stifel Fine Arts Center home!

In 2019, The Oglebay Institute launched a \$4.4 million capital campaign to complete critical improvements to two of its historic properties and make other investments throughout the organization. In the summer of 2021, preservation work began on the Stifel Fine Arts Center, including the complete removal and replacement of its terra cotta tile roof. Additional campaign details are available online at [oionline.com/capitalcampaign](https://oionline.com/capitalcampaign).

We saved some of the tiles that came off the roof, and we are asking artists to create a unique piece of artwork using these tiles. These artworks will be auctioned off to raise money to help pay for our new roof.

#### To Enter:

- **Pick up** roof tile(s) from the Stifel Fine Arts Center. January 31 - February 19 (unable to ship)
- **Create** a unique piece of artwork using roof tile(s) from the Stifel Fine Arts Center.
- **Take** a clear, well lit, high-resolution photo of the piece.
- **Enter** through the call "Raise the Roof!" at [callforentry.org](https://callforentry.org). April 20th
- **Hand deliver** the finished piece to the Stifel Fine Arts Center. April 25-30 (All work must be hand delivered)
- **Come** to the auction! Auction gala: May 7th

Artists will get 50% of the proceeds and the other 50% will go to the capital campaign. Artists are welcome to donate their proceeds back to the capital campaign as a tax-deductible donation.

#### PROSPECTUS

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/14TFpyw6o-pgh-QhaVUiQ6UsAXZ9L8vYBa/view>

### *Our Mission*

Cranberry Artists Network was organized by artists to promote an awareness about the value of the arts. Our mission is to build a vibrant appreciation for the arts by connecting artists and their skills with the community.

### *General Information*

#### Website

[www.CranberryArtistsNetwork.com](http://www.CranberryArtistsNetwork.com)

#### Facebook

[@CranberryArtistsNetwork](https://www.facebook.com/CranberryArtistsNetwork)

A members-only page is available at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/CranberryArtistsMembers/>, or search for CAN Members

### *Cranberry Artists Network Board*

[Noele Reynolds](#) President

[James Tobin](#) Vice President

[Colleen Tittiger](#) Secretary

[Marcy Bogdanich](#) Treasurer

#### *CAN Chairs*

[Vickie Schilling](#) Exhibition

[Mary Mason](#) Programs

[Mary Jane Hadley](#) Membership

[Kathy Bischak](#) Publicity

[Debra Tobin](#) Newsletter

[Colin Richards](#) Website

[Duane Cacali](#) Founding Member Emeritus

Please send newsletter submissions to [debratobin@gmail.com](mailto:debratobin@gmail.com)



## CALL FOR ARTISTS



## THIS COMMUNITY IS OUR HOME ART SHOW

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9TH-30TH, 2022

The show, This Community Is Our Home, is meant to express the fundamentals of the word "community." This means that submissions chosen for this show are welcome to showcase their own communities, and how they make them feel. For example, there are our given communities, such as our hometown or our race. But there are also our chosen communities, such as our love of animals, our gender identity, or even our love of a certain Pittsburgh-based football team. "Community"

is more than a geographic marker. It is the people we connect with, the things we love, and the ways we choose to identify ourselves. This Community Is Our Home is meant to showcase the different communities out there, while simultaneously exhibiting how connected we all actually are.

Artists of any age are eligible to participate; however, they must be a resident of Butler, Allegheny, Armstrong, Beaver, Fayette, Greene, Indiana, Lawrence, Somerset, Washington or Westmoreland county in Pennsylvania.

<https://butlerartcenter.org/index.html>



**NORTH HILLS ART CENTER**

**Winter Art Show**

**Title/theme: Pittsburgh Perspective**

**February 5 - March 4**