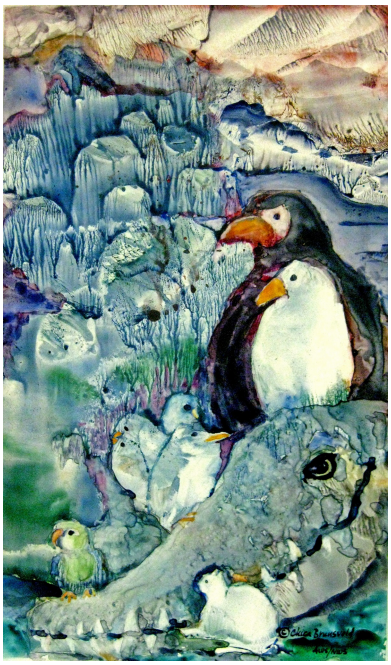

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www.gaithersburgfinearts.org

APRIL 2016

Exploring Watercolor on Yupo with Chica Brunsvold

Several years ago, Chica showed us how she transforms some of her old paintings into newly energized paintings. At this meeting, she will talk about using watercolor on Yupo, a plastic, nonabsorbent paper with vibrant results.

After earning an MA in Art, she moved to VA and became an Illustrator General for the CIA and then the Industrial College of the Armed Forces. After five years, she resigned from Government work to concentrate on her family and painting and became an award winning artist.

Accepted in over 200 national watermedia shows since 1995, she's won dozens of awards including the prestigious Harrison Cady Award from the American Watercolor Society. She has earned signature memberships in the American Watercolor Society, the National Watercolor Society and the watercolor societies of AL, Baltimore, GA, KY, MS. MO, MT, OK, PA, Northwest, Taos & VA.

Chica has presented a number of programs, mini workshops, and has judged exhibitions in VA, WV & DE. She has had 26 one person exhibitions of her work in museums, art centers, galleries, universities, theaters, office buildings, and hospitals. Her work is also in the permanent collections and three of her Zooillogicals® were in Rangoon as part of the US Arts in Embassies Program.

She is listed in Who's Who in American Art. She is a charter member and a former president of The Potomac Valley Watercolorists. She is represented by Gallery Underground, 2100 Crystal Drive, Arlington, VA.

To see more of her work, please visit her website: www.chicabrunsvold.com

Join us Thursday, April 14 at 7 pm

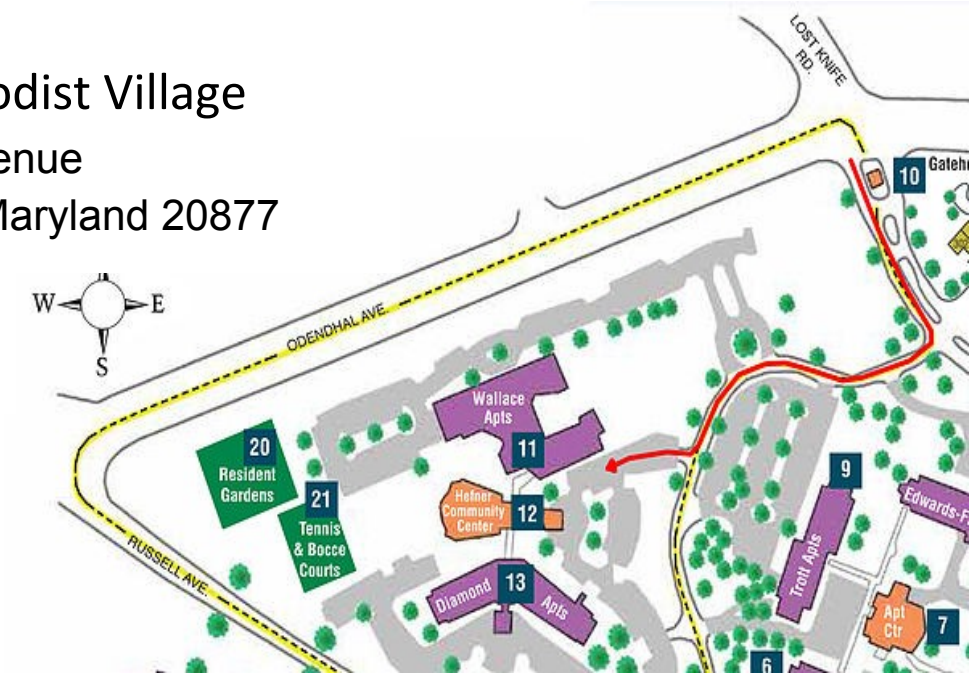
Doors Open at 6:30 pm *(See Inside for Map and Directions)*

at Asbury Methodist Village Hefner Community Center

Visitors Are Welcome!

Asbury Methodist Village

201 Russell Avenue
Gaithersburg, Maryland 20877



Directions to the Asbury Hefner Community Center

- Enter the Asbury Gate at Lost Knife Road and Odenhal Avenue.
- At the first stop sign turn right and follow around to turn right into the third driveway.
- Visitor parking is to the left as you enter that driveway.
- The Community Center is Building #12 on the map.

President's Letter

Wow, did March ever fly by, just too many things going on. The flowers and trees have blossomed and spring is really here in all its glorious colors.
Most importantly for GFAA is that the 30th Annual GFAA Juried show is absolutely professional.
The city has promoted our show in the local newsletters AND in the weekly Washington Post calendar, so we are hoping many more people stop by the Kentlands Mansion to see the show.
I urge all of you to check out the paintings.
Thanks so much to Sandra Schraibman and all the GFAA Board for all their help with the show.

Susan Avis Murphy and Susan Bradley

My spirit is raised with all the spring colors. There have been bluebirds flitting around my bird box, the squirrels are munching on the tulip leaves, and the daffodils are their happy yellow selves. I've been busy with other activities but can hardly wait to be creative again with palette colors. What colors are you using? I'm anxious to dig out books and magazines dealing with colors, and try out new pigments, even new media. Our programs this year have included a variety of techniques and ideas. We are working on more excellent programs and exhibits, but are always open to your suggestions.

See you at Kentlands,

Susan Bradley

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GFAA 30th Annual Juried Show at Kentlands Mansion

Linda Slattery Sherman and her painting "Bird Trio", which won Best of Show.

Last Tuesday's reception for the show was a great success, with good food and music, great conversation, and of course great art.
Juror Susan Avis Murphy talked about the winning art works, explaining why she chose them - definitely a difficult process, considering the high quality of the works submitted. The show will be up from March 25 to June 12, 2016.
The Mansion Gallery is located at 320 Kent Square Road. Viewing hours are generally Monday through Friday from 9 am to 4 pm . Due to event scheduling, please call the Mansion at 301-258-6425 prior to your visit to confirm viewing availability of the gallery.

Best in Show: Linda Slattery Sherman, "Bird Trio"
(found in Mixed Media/Other Category)

Watermedia:
* 1st Place: Angela Lacy, "Birds Perspective"
* 2nd Place: Linda Slattery Sherman, "Coral Reef"
* 3rd Place: Marcia Bhorjee, "In the Beginning"
* HM: Deb Cohan, "Alone Together"
* HM: Jeanne Powell, "Cuban Classic"

Oil/Acrylic:
* 1st Place: Matthew Baker, "Lavender and Pastels"
* 2nd Place: Lisa Strandman-Long, "Joy"
* 3rd Place: Virginia Chandler, "Chief"
* HM: Marianne Kost, "The Immortal Cub Cadet"
* HM: Bill Mapes, "Andrea"
* HM: Marie Riccio, "Evan"

Other Media:
* 1st Place: Estelle Zorman, "Mother Earth Cries"
* 2nd Place: Helga Albers, "Stained Glass"
* 3rd Place: Susan Bradley, "Left Behind in Alaska"
* HM: Betsy Baden, "Balancing Act"
* HM: Marcia Bhorjee, "Connections"

Congratulations to you all!

Angela Lacy and her painting, "Birds Perspective", which won First Place in Watermedia

GFAA News

Our own **Estelle Zorman** has a solo show at Wright Brokerage, 30 West Gude Drive Suite 115, Rockville MD 20850. This is on the southwest corner of the intersection of 355 and Gude Drive, just past the large metal sculpture on the corner as you go south on 355. Please call her at 301-977-6887 for more information.

Member **Jeanne Powell** is one of the 5 artists participating in the Spring Show at Amici Miei Restaurant (1093 Seven Locks Rd, Potomac) sponsored by the Montgomery Art Association. She is showing mainly her paintings of Italy in dramatic gouache.
The Artists Reception will be Sunday, April 19 from 3:00 - 4:30 pm.
The show runs February 28 through May 22, with each artist showing 4-5 paintings the first six weeks and a different set of 4-5 paintings the next six weeks.

Our president, **Susan Bradley** sold a painting, “Puffin Walk”, at our show at the Annapolis State House. **Jeanne Powell** also sold one last month. Congratulations to you both!

City of Gaithersburg

Arts Barn Gallery

At the Arts Barn: “Contemporary Quilters: A Modern View of Life”; an exhibit featuring the works of eight fiber artists from March 4 through April 25, 2016. This exhibit complements the theatrical performance of “Quilters”, on stage at the Arts Barn weekends from April 1 through 17.
Two of the featured artists will also offer master workshops in quilting on April 9 and 16. The public is invited to meet the artists during two free Artists Receptions on Tuesday, March 8 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. and Saturday, April 2 from 6:30 to 8 p.m.
http://www.gaithersburgmd.gov/leisure/arts/visual-arts/arts-barn-gallery
Please note that most artwork is for sale and all images are copyrighted by the artist.
For information on Arts Barn classes, go to
www.recxpress.gaithersburgmd.gov/recxpress/Activities/ActivitiesAdvSearch.asp
The gallery is located at 311 Kent Square Road in Gaithersburg, with viewing hours Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, 1:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Kentlands Mansion

Our GFAA Spring Juried Show will be here through June 12. Please see the Kentlands show article earlier in this newsletter.
The Mansion Gallery is located at 320 Kent Square Road. Viewing hours are generally Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Due to event scheduling, please call the Mansion at 301-258-6425 prior to your visit to confirm viewing availability of the gallery.Please note that most artwork in the exhibits is for sale, and all images are copyrighted by the artist. For more information please contact Andi Rosati at 301-258-6394, e-mail arosati@gaithersburgmd.gov or go to www.gaithersburgmd.gov/leisure/arts/visual-arts.

Events and Opportunities

TAG/The Artists' Gallery

Paula Rubin-Wexler will have a solo exhibition of paintings at TAG/The Artists Gallery in April. In addition TAG will have a new show of work by members of the gallery. These shows all run from April 1 through May 1, with a reception from 5 to 9 pm during First Saturday on April 2.
TAG is open Friday and Saturday from noon to 8 pm and on Sunday from noon to 5 pm, or by appointment. Learn more at www.theartistsgalleryfrederick.com or 301-696-8187.
The Artists Gallery, 216 N. Market St., Frederick, MD 21701

Artists & Makers Studios

Artists & Makers Studios will present our First Annual "Finding My Own Voice" gallery exhibit to coincide with National Crime Victims' Rights Week in April. The show opens Friday, April 1st, and continues through Wednesday, April 28th.
Opening Reception 6 pm to 9 pm, Friday, April 1, 2016
Artists & Makers Studios, 11810 Parklawn Dr., Suite 210, Rockville, MD 20852
www.ArtistsAndMakersStudios.com

The Compass Atelier

The Compass Atelier is a 1,000-sq-ft classroom located at Artists & Makers Studios that offers classes and more for all skill levels and many disciplines, styles, and subject matter. Weekly Classes offer a great entry point to art-making. The Certificate Program takes those interested in a professional artistic career to that goal in the most efficient way. Weekend Workshops with internationally acclaimed visiting artists provide yet another dimension to artistic learning. Study Abroad programs give students access to the world of art. For more information on all this and more visit www.TheCompassAtelier.com or follow us on most every social media platform.

Artist Acquires Exclusive Rights to 'Blackest Black' Pigment

In a new twist on legal property rights, artist Anish Kapoor has acquired the exclusive rights to the blackest black in the world.
Known as Vantablack, the pigment is so dark that it absorbs 99.96 percent of light. The color is produced by the UK firm Surrey NanoSystems and was developed for military purposes such as the painting of stealth jets.
The Indian-born British artist has been working and experimenting with the "super black" paint since 2014 and has recently acquired exclusive rights to the pigment according to reports by the Daily Mail.

Events and Opportunities, Continued

Artomatic@Frederick 2016

Artomatic@Frederick 2016, produced in cooperation with the Frederick Arts Council, will transform two unoccupied buildings on East Church Street in downtown Frederick into a vibrant and incredibly diverse art showcase that is free and open to the public from May 7th through June 10th, 2016.
Register for a 100-square-foot art display/performance space at this incredible unjuried arts festival event! Registration is from Monday, March 21, 2016 at 2:00 PM - Saturday, April 30, 2016 at 12:00 AM http://www.artomaticfrederick.org
115 and 117 East Church Street, Frederick, MD 21701

BlackRock Center for the Arts/Art League of Germantown

In the Terrace Gallery: Physiography: A Sense of Place
April 1 – May 1, 2016 Map collages by Anna Fine Foer
Pre-Earth Day Celebration - Hands-on Collage Activities & Meet the Artist Reception
Sunday, April 10 from 1 to 4 pm - RSVPs Requested

BlackRock Center for the Arts/Art League of Germantown

Shades of Spring 2016

at the BlackRock Kay Gallery:
April 27 – May 1, 2016
The Art League of Germantown (ALOG) presents a five-day indoor fine art and craft show and sale twice each year at BlackRock. New this year is an “Artists in Action” format to provide visitors more opportunities to learn about each individual artist’s process and skills. On Wednesday, April 27 (4:00 – 7:00 pm) visitors can watch as ALOG artists participate in a Figure Drawing Session in the gallery with a live clothed model. Exhibiting artists will be demonstrating their art and craft techniques all weekend long during “Artists in Action” demonstrations on Saturday and Sunday.
Artists Reception Sunday, May 1 from 1 to 3 pm
BlackRock Center for the Arts, 12901 Town Commons Drive, Germantown, Maryland.
www.alog.org

Bethesda Art Walk

This event is scheduled for the second Friday of the month from 6 to 9 pm.
Enjoy several galleries by walking throughout downtown Bethesda to learn more about the Bethesda arts scene and featured artists. The free Bethesda Circulator stops within a few blocks of each Bethesda Art Walk gallery, and runs continuously throughout the duration of the Art Walk.
For more information, visit www.bethesda.org .

More Events and Opportunities

The Trawick Prize: Bethesda Contemporary Art Awards

Deadline April 8, 2016
Awards: Best in Show- $10,000; Second Place- $2,000; Third Place- $1,000; Young Artist- $1,000. Entry Fee: $25. Must be 18 years of age or older and permanent, full-time residents of Maryland, Virginia or Washington, D.C. Jurors will select up to 10 finalists who will display their work in an exhibit at Gallery B in Bethesda, MD in September 2016. Contact: Laura Foit | 301-215-6660 | www.bethesda.org/bethesda/trawick-application | lfoit@bethesda.org

Bethesda Artist Studio Space Available

Studio B is home to three local artists and has one available studio space of 215 sq. ft. Rent is $405/month inclusive of all utilities. Artists have 24/7 access to their space. Studio B is located at 7475 Wisconsin Avenue in downtown Bethesda. Join this community of artists who are supported by the Bethesda Arts & Entertainment District!
Bethesda Urban Partnership, 7700 Old Georgetown Road, Bethesda, MD 20814
Phone 301-215-6660 Fax 301-215-6664 info@bethesda.org

CREATE Arts Center Studio Space Available:

Share studio space with two other artists. Available space is roughly 10 feet by 10 feet. Share room with textile artist. Potter uses adjacent room. Rent is $230 per month, plus insurance. All utilities included. Co-located with Arts non-profit. Separate entrance.
Ten minute walk to Silver Spring Metro and several bus lines very close. Parking is available for additional fee. Some furnishings are available.
Please contact 301-588-2787 or create@createartscenter.org.
CREATE seeks qualified visual arts teachers for Art Camps, Classes, and Workshops. Ideal candidates will have a degree in art, art education, or the equivalent along with significant teaching experience teaching art to children. This is a part-time contract position. If you are interested, please send a cover letter and resume to lauren@createartscenter.org

Jerry's 4th Annual Self-Portrait Contest

Deadline to enter: April 10th 2016
Entries are limited to one per person and one per email address per Self Portrait Contest.
Online Voting takes place on Facebook.
30 Finalists are chosen by the community popular vote on Facebook, and 30 Finalists are chosen by jury.
All 60 Finalists are reviewed by a separate jury of professional artists who will decide the winners for First Place, Second Place, Third Place, and the 30 Honorable Mentions.
33 Winners will be announced May 9th, 2016!
http://www.jerrysartarama.com/art-contests/self-portrait/2016.html

Events and Opportunities, Continued

Morris and Gwendolyn Cafritz Foundation Arts Center Exhibition Opportunities and General Call for Proposals

The Montgomery College Department of Visual Arts And Design accepts proposals for the exhibition spaces in The Morris and Gwendolyn Cafritz Foundation Arts Center on an ongoing basis. Proposals are reviewed by the exhibition committee on a rolling basis and must be complete before review.

Call for Proposals: Themed Exhibition Series

The Department of Visual and Performing Arts is calling for exhibition proposals for the Open Gallery in The Morris and Gwendolyn Cafritz Foundation Arts Center that address the theme, "Time: Entropy and Change".

The deadline for this opportunity is April 8, 2016.

If you have questions about these calls for proposals, please contact Claudia Rousseau, claudia.rousseau@montgomerycollege.edu .

Maryland Artist Registry

Maryland State Arts Council invites Maryland artists of all disciplines to sign-up for the Maryland Artist Registry, and encourages those with online selling sites of their art, crafts or artistic merchandise to opt-in to the Maryland Marketplace.

http://www.msac.org/artist-registry

62nd Annual National Juried Exhibition of The National Society of Painters in Casein and Acrylic

Deadline to enter: May 7, 2016

For more information, visit the web site

http://www.nationalsocietyofpaintersincaseinandacrylic.com

or send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to

D. Wels, Corr. Secy., 1710 First Ave., New York NY 10128

Juried by digital submission only.

Northern Virginia Art Center Special Exhibitions space

The Northern Virginia Art Center is searching for talented professional artists with a cohesive body of work to exhibit in their new Special Exhibitions space in the heart of Crystal City's thriving restaurant district. 380 square feet of gleaming exhibition space available for monthly exhibits of 2D or 3D art! Their full time gallery staff will assist in exhibit installation, process sales of your work, and will coordinate your opening reception, all for a small fee and low sales commission.

Eligibility: Open; Deadline: Ongoing

http://novaartcenter.org/our-mission/show-opportunities

More Events and Opportunities

Artist Opportunities at Montpelier Arts Center

LIBRARY GALLERY COMPETITION
Submission deadline: Monday, April 4, 2016, 11:59 pm
Notification of results: Week of May 2, 2016
Montpelier Arts Center is holding a competition for exhibitions that will be held in the Library Gallery September 2016-August 2017. The juror may elect to exhibit artists who apply for solo shows or artists who apply as groups. All entries must be submitted online at https://montpelierartscenter.submittable.com
For more information, please call 301-377-7800; TTY 301-490-2329 or send an email montpelier.arts@pgparks.com.
STUDIO JURY COMPETITION
Submission deadline: Monday, April 4, 2016, 11:59 pm
Notification of results: Week of May 2, 2016
Resident artists may share studio space at Montpelier Arts Center. However, each prospective resident artist must complete an individual submission for review by the juror.
Each selected artist will be granted a one-year lease for rental space at Montpelier Arts Center renewable two times for a total of a potential three-year residency. Montpelier resident artists may hold solo exhibitions in the Resident Artist Gallery on a revolving basis. All entries must be submitted online at https://montpelierartscenter.submittable.com
For more information, please call 301-377-7800; TTY 301-699-2544 or send an email to montpelier.arts@pgparks.com .

Take a Class at Montpelier Arts Center!
https://smartlink.pgparks.com/smartlink/ Call (301) 377-7800
Montpelier Arts Center | 9652 Muirkirk Road, Laurel MD 20708
301-377-7800 | 410-792-0664 | TTY: 301-490-2329 | montpelier.arts@pgparks.com | arts.pgparks.com
Gallery Hours: 10 am-5 pm, 7 days a week
Office Hours: 8:30 am-5 pm, Mon-Fri; 10 am-5 pm, Sat-Sun

Plaza Art

Classes you can join in April:
Artventure (A Mixed Media Class), Creative Water Media, Simplifying the Painting Process, Palette Knife Oil Painting, Transcend the Reference, Walk-in Watercolor, Intro to Acrylics, Collage & Mixed Media and Creative Painting.
Workshops at Plaza in April: Caricature, Fundamentals of Portrait Drawing, Part 2, Pastel on Canvas, Introduction to Chinese Calligraphy, Dip Pen Calligraphy, Figure Painting in Oil, CitraSolv Magic, Flowers in Oil Pastel, Fundamentals of Portrait Drawing, Jigsaw Block Printing and Learn the Basics of Watercolor.
Plaza Art, 1776 E. Jefferson St. Unit 119, Rockville, MD 20852 (phone: 301-770-0500) and 7825 Old Georgetown Road, Bethesda, MD 20814. www.plazaart.com

More Events and Opportunities

Professional Artist Magazine 30th Anniversary Celebration Cover Contest

DEADLINE: Dec. 31, 2016

Professional Artist is celebrating three decades as the foremost business magazine for visual artists! To mark this exciting milestone, we want you to enter your favorite artwork in our 30th Anniversary Celebration Cover Contest. One lucky winner's Masterpiece will be featured on the cover of Professional Artist's April/May 2017 issue, so get your creative groove on now for your chance to win!

http://orders.professionalartistmag.com/covercontest

Rockville Innovation Center Call for Entries

Rockville Innovation Center is interested in showcasing the work of local artists in their gorgeous location. The RIC is looking to fill its beautiful space with artwork by metro area artists and photographers. http://www.visartsatrockville.org/call-for-entries/feast

Eligibility: Open; Deadline: Ongoing

Washington ArtWorks

Open Studio Weekend: A Festival of the Arts will feature food, music, film, games + lots of art! 70 Resident Artists working in painting, sculpture, pottery, jewelry, fibers, glass, and photography open their studio doors for the public to see what they have been crafting all year! Food trucks, Holy Crepes and Curley's Q BBQ will be whipping up delicious savory and sweet treats for visitors while bands play live music for artful ears. Be a part of the art at Washington ArtWorks on April 2 - 3. 12 pm - 5 pm (Sat); 12 pm - 5 pm (Sun)

Phone: 301-654-1998; http://washingtonartworks.com

Washington ArtWorks 12276 Wilkins Ave Rockville, MD 20852

The Yellow Barn Studio/Glen Echo Park

The Yellow Barn Gallery still has some openings for weekend shows. To schedule a show email: alex.bartman@outlook.com or phone: 240-626-4981

The Yellow Barn Studio has drawing and painting classes for all levels of students. There are almost 50 classes in drawing and painting, including classes in acrylic, watercolor, encaustic, pastels and oils.

Yellow Barn Studio –For workshop and class listings and to register online, go to http://register.glenechopark.org www.yellowbarnstudio.com www.yellowbarnstudio.com www.yellowbarnstudio.com/classes.htm 301-634-2226

Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture, Inc., 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo, MD 20812 www.glenechopark.org Phone & Recorded Info: 301-634-2222

Calendar

April	**to June 12**	**GFAA 30th Annual Spring Juried Show at Kentlands Mansion**
	1 to May 1	The Artists Gallery shows by Paula Rubin-Wexler and members of the gallery
	1 to May 1	Physiography: A Sense of Place at the Terrace Gallery at BlackRock
	1-28	“Finding My Own Voice” at Artists & Makers Studios
	1	Opening reception for Finding My Own Voice show at Artists & Makers Studios
	2	The Artists Gallery reception during Frederick's First Saturday
		Arts Barn reception for Contemporary Quilters show
	2-3	Washington ArtWorks Open Studio Weekend
	2 or 9	Deliver submissions to Make Studio for Autism Acceptance and Awareness month
	4	Submission deadline for the Library Gallery exhibition at Montpelier Arts Center
		Submission deadline for the Studio Jury/resident artist competition at Montpelier Arts Center
	8	Deadline to enter for The Trawick Prize: Bethesda Contemporary Art Awards
		Deadline for proposals for the Open Gallery in The Morris and Gwendolyn Cafritz Foundation Arts Center that address the theme, “Time: Entropy and Change”.
	9 and 16	Arts Barn featured artists' master workshops in quilting
	10	Physiography: A Sense of Place: Hands-on Collage Activities & Meet the Artist Reception - RSVP to BlackRock Center
		Deadline: Jerry's 4th Annual Self-Portrait Contest
	14	**GFAA meeting at Asbury Methodist**
	19	Reception for Spring Show at Amici Miei Restaurant with Jeanne Powell
	27-May 1	Shades of Spring 2016 at the BlackRock Kay Gallery
	30	Deadline to register for Artomatic@Frederick 2016
May	1	Artists Reception for Shades of Spring 2016 at the BlackRock Kay Gallery
	7	Deadline to enter the 62nd Annual National Juried Exhibition of The National Society of Painters in Casein and Acrylic