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Letter from the president

Hello Friends,

Spring is just around the corner! We started the year with a new policy of requiring all of our participating artists to volunteer an average of six hours a month in various capacities.

Despite the postponements due to weather, we finally trained nine new volunteers who chose to do their volunteer work as day managers in the Gallery. Everyone enjoyed lunch and learned how easy it was going to be to greet visitors and handle sales. If you are interested in Gallery staffing, call us there at 369-1108 and we'll get you on the calendar. Don't worry if you haven't been trained yet – we'll pair you with an experienced Gallery manager who will show you the ropes and support you.



If you'd like to volunteer in another way, there are a few jobs at the end of this list that might interest you. We exist solely on volunteer work and every job is a cog in the wheel that turns this organization into the success it is.

I love teaching art to any and everyone! I have taught many classes over the years and would like to spread the joy of teaching to those of you who would like to share your knowledge of a subject. I know many of you are teachers or perhaps you just want to share your knowledge of and aspect of art you enjoy. Feel free to let us know if you would like to teach; it can be a once and done, or a multi-part classes. Look for upcoming lectures in modern art, sculpture and several other art media.

Please join us at the Gallery on March 4 and March 18 to support our middle and elementary school

students as they display their artwork in our gallery. The children love the support they receive, not only from their families, but from the public at large.

On April 7, we are excited to host a reception opening the solo show titled, "Capturing the Essence: Paintings by Ellen DeMaria." Her eye for color and design is stunning, and I know you will fall in love with her work as well as Ellen herself. See Ellen's beautiful and amazing work through April 29.

I'm looking forward to chatting with each of you about how you can help us continue the success we have had at On the Hill Gallery.

Thanks for your support,

Kathleen Wahl
President, Yorktown Arts Foundation & On the Hill Gallery

A Short List of Volunteer Opportunities

Below are the where we need help right away:

- **Biography compilation.** Contact participating artists and ask them to send in a biography and compile it in a binder to be kept behind the desk.
- **Abandoned Art.** There are several aspects to this program – creating and distributing art in and around Yorktown are just a couple. This has been a fun project that we received a grant for and all hands are welcome making this come to fruition.
- **Education Coordinator.** Help teachers schedule classes and keep track of students who sign up making sure they have contracts signed and have paid.
- **Third Sunday Children's Classes.** On the third Sunday of each month we teach a group of young artists the basics of art, we cover color mixing, design, painting, collage and other aspects of art. We need teachers for this endeavor.
- **Correspondence Secretary.** Responsible for keeping track of correspondence, including sending notes to donors, birthday and sympathy wishes.
- **Senior Center Outreach.** Everyone month we teach a class at the Senior Center to approximately 12 students. The classes range from simple craft projects such as card making to small acrylic paintings. The subject is up to the teacher. You would be responsible for either teaching a class or helping provide a teacher for the class.
- **Art Stroll Contracts.** Responsible for collecting and keeping track of who has sent in and paid for their space at the Art Stroll. It consists of coming in and checking the mail then compiling a notebook with the names and space requirements from the artists.

Learn to Pour!

Come learn the new trend that is becoming a sensation in the art world. Learn how to create works of art that are ethereal and flowing.

Learn several ways to pour paint on surfaces creating one-of-a-kind artworks using acrylics, pouring mediums and other additives. Class will be held 6-9 p.m. Monday, April 30 in the Gallery. Cost is \$35 per person, including all supplies.



Call the Gallery at 757-369-1108 or email us at yorktownartsfoundation@gmail.com to sign up.

Get On the Wild Side!

The theme of this year's Member Show is "The Animal Kingdom." The show is scheduled for May 5-31, with a reception 6-8 p.m. Saturday, May 5. Now is the time to start creating works inspired by wild animals, insects, birds, marine mammals – even your furry friends. Anything that can be considered "fauna" is fair game! We are partnering with the Peninsula Regional Animal Shelter, where we will host an adoption event 11 a.m.- 3 p.m. at the Gallery, and collect donations (money and supplies) at the reception. Works will be judged and ribbons will be awarded. A reception will take place 6-8 p.m. Saturday, May 5. Stay tuned for more details.

Mark Your Calendars

We have a lot planned for 2018. Here's the list (subject to change):

March 4-17: York County Middle School Art Show; reception 1-3 p.m. Sunday, March 4

March 18-31: York County Elementary School Art Show; reception 1-3 p.m. Sunday, March 18.

April 7-21: Capturing The Essence," a solo show by Ellen DeMaria; reception 6-8 p.m. Saturday, April 7.

April 30: "Learn to Pour" class, 6-9 p.m. Monday, April 30

May 5-31: "The Animal Kingdom," YAF Member Show; reception 6-8 p.m. Saturday, May 5.

July/August: Kids Summer Camp 2018

September 30: Seventh Annual Art Stroll, Waterfront, Historic Yorktown

October 6-27: Solo Artist Show (Artist: TBD)

October 19: Yorktown Days, Main Street Historic Yorktown.

October 27: 5x5, Our Third Annual Silent Auction and Fundraiser

November 10: Second Annual Veterans Show

November 3-December 22: Members Holiday Show

December 1: Christmas on Main Street Historic Yorktown

On The Hill Gallery is open 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday and noon-5 p.m.
Sunday. Call us at 757-369-1108



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