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President's Message

O creative aesthetes!

The pastel colors of summer are giving way to the tertiary colors of autumn. I hope you all had a good summer. For me this time of the year conjures up the paintings of Edward Burne-Jones, Maxfield Parrish, and of course, John Atkinson Grimshaw. As far as music goes George Winston's Autumn is so soothing, and Antonio Vivaldi's: 'Autumn' from The Four Seasons is alluringly meditative.

Why is there something about fall that makes us feel nostalgic? Is it the shadows or the wonderful complexly woven spider webs? Autumn is a time when families and friends start coming back together... to show appreciation for one another. Fall symbolizes the ending of one chapter and the beginning of a new one. Every part of life has its beauty and we as artists should respect that fact. As with painting styles... maybe it's time to shake things up and change your game, if only for the experience of trying ... but no unauthorized graffiti, please!

I was first drawn to oil paint at the age of 12 when my art class traveled to see the work of Vincent van Gogh. That trip changed my life. It wasn't until I saw a van Gogh painting in person that I understood his art and genius. Standing before his work gave me goosebumps! He was an artist who worked in oils... so I would be an artist who worked in oils. The oil paint performed magic for him.

There are different mediums that I have resisted through the years. Although I enjoyed oil pastel, I never felt inclined to work with it outside of a classroom. A few years ago, my dear friend Elizabeth and I went to Atlanta to take a workshop using cold wax. It was very interesting, and I would still like to try working with it alone in my studio.

We at MGAA have introduced two successful workshops in the last few weeks. One is figure drawing with artist Lee Masters as our guide. The other is a watercolor class taught by Scott Serafy. Would you like for us to introduce more workshops, and if so, what? Please let us know.

Enjoy your fall!

John Robert Myers
Board President



Some Photos from the Photography Exhibit Opening

Welcome

New Members

Tangie Herring
Karl Wagner
Steve Arnold
Najah Norrington
Stephen Sprung
Dorin Gingerich
David Jensen
Johnny Brown
Christinia Woods
Mary Donovan
John Cole
Robin White
Jaej Fawkes

Calendar of Events*

Currently in the
Gallery
Photography Exhibit
Aug. 16 - Sep. 13

Coming in Sept.
Rainy Days & Mondays
Sept. 20 - Oct. 12
Deadline to enter
Tuesday, Sept. 17
Opening
Friday, Sept. 20

Board Meeting
Tuesday, Sept. 10
5:30pm



Middle Georgia Art Association

John Myers, President
Evelyn Shimek, Treasurer
Lee Masters, Secretary

Members at Large
T.F. Skip Fields, Theresa Trail,
Gallery Manager: Theresa Trail

August Exhibit Photography



1st Place
David Veal
Watchman



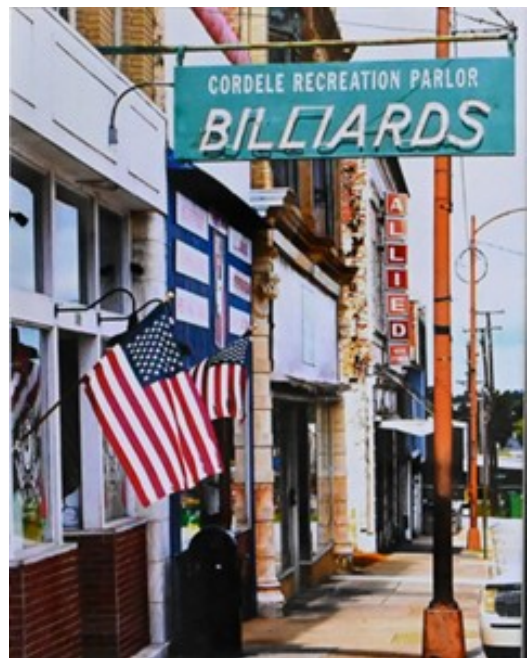
2nd Place
Steve Arnold
Castle Mountain Train



3rd Place
Steve A
Autumn Afternoon



Honorable Mention
David Veal
Street Musician, French Quarter, NOLA



Honorable Mention
Suzanne Sims
Recreation Parlor

Our gallery hours are Tues. thru Friday, 12-5,
and Saturday 12-3. Masks are optional at this time.



July Exhibit Summer



1st Place, 2D
Allan Carey
Cool Slice



1st Place, Photo
Steve Arnold
Coastal Mood



2nd Place, 2D
Ivan Chmelo
Napa Valley

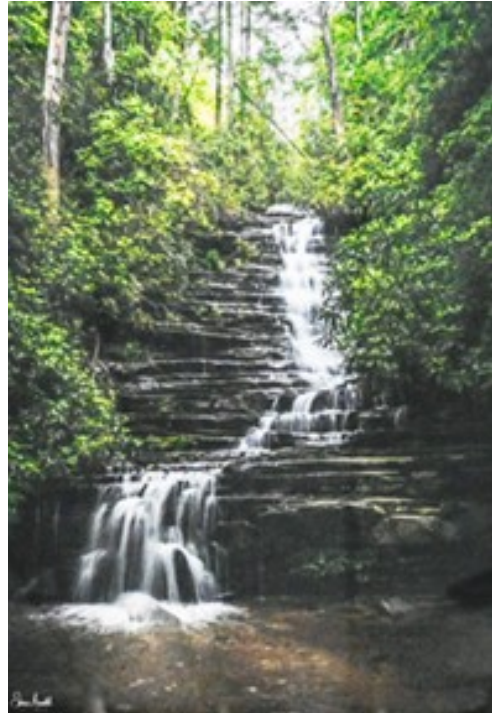


2nd Place, Photo
David Veal
At the Beach

Summer Continued



3rd Place, 2D
Cathy Compton
Summer Breeze



3rd Place, Photography
Steve Arnold
Mountain Cascades



Honorable Mention, 2D
Johnny Brown
Private Beach



Honorable Mention, Photography
Suzanne Sims
Dragonfly - Fishing at the River

Photos from Paint & Sip Workshop

