

**REMEMBER** we have a new meeting location and day. We will be meeting at The Wheat Ridge Center for Music and Art, also known as The United Methodist Church, 7530 W. 38<sup>th</sup> Ave. (on the southeast corner of Vance St. and 38<sup>th</sup> Ave. One block east of Wadsworth.) on March 13th. Our meeting day has been changed to the **SECOND** Tuesday of the month.



## April Program

### Janice Wright

I am inspired by the rhythm that I see in nature. At first glance, elements of nature can seem random or chaotic in their appearance or placement. A forest may

contain trees of many shapes and sizes, clumped together in staggered groups. But with closer examination, it becomes apparent that there is nothing random about the shape, size, or placement of the trees. Nature is a master planner; all things follow their own unique pattern, coexisting harmoniously with all other elements in the universe.

When I paint, I strive to paint the way nature does, with a sense of rhythm that is present in every brushstroke. Like a tightrope walker on a wire, I try to balance the elements of shape and color, size and weight, texture, and transparency. When I achieve harmony or balance, the individual parts form a synergy which makes the piece feel whole.

Janice will be doing a critique for our April meeting. Please bring one or two works either completed or in progress without glass or plastic, please.

## Lucky Artist of the Month

Our 'Lucky Artist of the Month' is Cheryl Annett. The following is in Cheryl's own words.

I am an avid gardener and hiker, which becomes apparent in my choice of subjects for my watercolors. I have been a student of watercolor since 1985, and hold a Master's Degree in Arts in Education. I try to capture light and dark to create an impressionistic/realism in my art. Nature speaks to my heart. Hiking, snowshoeing, and gardening inspires me to try to capture the beauty of the natural world in my paintings. The pleasant surprise of watercolor/water media excites me. I am working on capturing the light and the shadow in my subjects. I am also experimenting with mixed media, batik, clayboard, and oil pastels to add more texture and

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appeal to my paintings. As a native of Colorado and a retired teacher, I choose to spend time painting a variety of Colorado subjects: golden aspen, mountain landscapes, birds, wildlife, and flowers are just a few. I teach Batik with Watercolor for the city of Wheat Ridge.

Having retired from thirty-one years in public education, I can now devote more time to this creative outlet. I climbed all fifty-four of Colorado's 14er's. For the millennium, my husband and I climbed Kilimanjaro in Tanzania, Africa. As world travelers we have a great appreciation and love for our native Colorado and the Rocky Mountains. I am a signature member of The Colorado Watercolor Society and Mountainside Art Guild. My work can be found in the Georgetown Gallery in Georgetown, Colorado.



## Meeting Location with Map

Our meetings are held at the Wheat Ridge Center for Music and Art. This is also the Wheat Ridge United Methodist Church. It is located at 7530 West 38<sup>th</sup> Avenue. That is one block east on 38<sup>th</sup> Ave. on the southwest corner of Vance St. and 38<sup>th</sup> Ave. There is a traffic light at this intersection. The parking lot is behind the building. The entrance to the parking lot is off Vance St. There is ample parking as well as close in handicap parking.

## New MAG Mailing Address

MAG has a new mailing address. It's **Mountainside Art Guild, P.O. Box 694, Wheat Ridge, CO 80034**. Please send **envelopes** to this address. **Packages** may also be sent but they need to be addressed as **Mountainside Art Guild, 4210 Wadsworth #694, Wheat Ridge, CO 80034**. They will be held in a secure area in the post office.



## Our Website

<http://www.Mtinsideartguild.com>

Currently on our website you will find helpful information on the organization and when we meet, as well as

information about the next presentation and other items of interest. You can find forms for membership and for rotating exhibits, where they are and the forms to fill out for expenses and sales. Entry forms for current sponsored shows of our membership with the prospectus. We have a member gallery where members place their own work to be viewed by the public. The cost for a personal page is \$15.00 annually. Also available are pdf copies of the Mountainside Messenger Newsletter.



## Members' News



- Three members had sales at Collier's: Vicki Metz, Karen Misko, and Kiki Moore.
- The Spring Members' Show is from May 4<sup>th</sup> through June 5<sup>th</sup>. The reception will be held on Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup> and will coincide with our regular members' meeting.
- Remember titles of entries into Member Show is due to Darcie Kurtak ([dkurtak@gmail.com](mailto:dkurtak@gmail.com)) by Monday, April 29<sup>th</sup>.
- Checks for the entries into the Member Show goes to Becky Near. It will be \$8.00 per entered piece with a maximum of three entries per person. The Member Show prospectus is at the end of the newsletter.
- Diane Fechenbach will jury our Member Show which is May 4<sup>th</sup>. Diane will attend the Opening and Reception on May 14<sup>th</sup> and provide comments on the winning entries. We hope you all can attend.
- MAG needs a Program Chairperson. Please contact Kay Cassa if you are interested or have questions.
- If you have news you'd like to share with the MAG membership, please send it to Susan Hommel at [SLHTENNIS@aol.com](mailto:SLHTENNIS@aol.com).

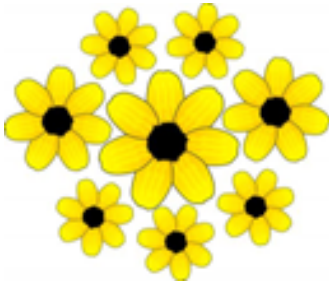


# Calendar

The calendar is continually being updated. It is possible for the current dates and times to be changed in the future. Please consult the calendar in future issues of the newsletter to be kept informed of any changes.

MAG Members' Meeting	Tuesday, April 9 <sup>th</sup>	2:00 – 4:00 PM
Titles of entries into Member Show due	Monday, April 29 <sup>th</sup>	Email to Darcie Kurtak dkurtak@gmail.com
MAG Membership Show hang	Saturday, May 4 <sup>th</sup>	10:00 AM – 11:00 PM
MAG Members' Meeting	Tuesday, May 14 <sup>th</sup>	2:00 – 4:00 PM
MAG Membership Show Reception	Tuesday, May 14 <sup>th</sup>	2:00 – 4:00 PM
MAG Membership Show Pick Up	Saturday, June 15 <sup>th</sup>	
LPAR* delivery/pick up	Thursday, June 20 <sup>th</sup>	10:00 – 10:15 AM
MAG Open Hang @ WRCMA drop off	TBD	TBD
Holy Cross titles due	Friday, August 16 <sup>th</sup>	
Holy Cross drop off	Friday, August 23 <sup>rd</sup>	9:30 – 10:00 AM
MAG Open Hang @ WRCMA pick up	TBD	TBD
MAG Miniature Show drop off	TBD	TBD
MAG Members' Meeting	Tuesday, September 10 <sup>th</sup>	2:00 – 4:00 PM
MAG Miniature Show pick up	TBD	TBD
MAG Members' Meeting	Tuesday, October 8 <sup>th</sup>	2:00 – 4:00 PM
LPAR* delivery/pick up	Thursday, October 10 <sup>th</sup>	10:00 – 10:15 AM
Echter's drop off	Friday, November 3 <sup>rd</sup>	
MAG Open Hang @ WRCMA drop off	Saturday, November 4 <sup>th</sup>	10:00 – 11:00 AM
Echter's Reception	Saturday, November 4 <sup>th</sup>	TBD
MAG Members' Meeting	Tuesday, November 12 <sup>th</sup>	2:00 – 4:00 PM
MAG Open Hang @ WRCMA pick up	TBD	TBD

\*Lakewood Post Acute Rehab



## Hospitality Sign Up

Meeting Date	First Person	Second Person
February 13 <sup>th</sup>	Becky Near	Annie Williams
March 12 <sup>th</sup>	Del Kelley	Marijane Sharpe
April 9 <sup>th</sup>	Sherry Benner	Sue Robinson
May 14 <sup>th</sup> Members' Show Reception		
June 11 <sup>th</sup>		
September 10 <sup>th</sup>		
October 8 <sup>th</sup>	Cheryl Annett	Karen Misko
November 12 <sup>th</sup>	Kay Cassa	

There are still some openings for hospitality indicated by the red areas. Please consider signing up for a day. There is a form available at meetings on which you can place your name, or you may call Cheryl Annett at 303-986-8602.

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MOUNTAINSIDE ART GUILD—MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

2024 Annual Membership \$35.00 As of 2023 Memberships ALL PUBLICATIONS ARE BY Email.

Renewing Member New Member Website Galley \$15.00

1/2-year Membership (after 5/1) \$17.50 (For New Members Only)

All members who were active in 2023 or earlier must pay Full Membership Yearly. Exceptions are for Emeritus Members who don't pay due to long continued service to the Guild.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Any Change from Past Information    YES    NO

Total Amount you are Paying: \_\_\_\_\_ Checks are payable to **Mountainside Art Guild**

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM **AND** YOUR PAYMENT TO THE TREASURER: **Becky Near, 68 Spy Glass Drive, Littleton, CO 80123** or bring it to a meeting.



## 2024 ANNUAL SPRING MEMBERSHIP SHOW PROSPECTUS

OPEN MAY 4–JUNE 15, 2024

Wheat Ridge Center for Music and Art

7530 West 38th Ave, Wheat Ridge 80033

**ELIGIBILITY:** Open to all members of Mountainside Art Guild

**SHOW DATES:** May 4–June 15, 2024

**MEDIA:** Any wall-hung fine art. Art must be for sale.

**ENTRIES:** Each member may submit up to three (3) original framed works (no prints), not to exceed 24 x 36.

**ALL ARTWORK WILL BE ACCEPTED INTO THE SHOW!**  
**FEES: \$8.00 PER ENTERED PIECE.**

**SPECIFICATIONS:** ALL WORK MUST BE ARTIST'S ORIGINAL COMPOSITION. Works must be identified on the back with title, medium, artist's name, and phone. Works must be dry, framed (when applicable) or have wrapped and painted edges with staples visible only on the back, and ready for hanging with screw-eyes and wire. NO SAWTOOTH OR CLIP HANGERS. Entries with chipped frames, broken glass, etc. will be disqualified.

**SPECIAL MAG Cards** will be filled out for the show and checked by the artist and displayed on the front lower Right of Frame.

**SALES:** Works must be for sale and cannot be a piece of art shown in a previous MAG Member Show or Echers Show. Sales will be made through Mountainside Art Guild. Sales tax will be included at the time of the sale. Commission on sold paintings 20% (10% to WRCMA and 10% to MAG). Artist will be notified of a sale, by Phone or Email.

**AWARDS:** First Place \$100  
Second Place \$75  
Third Place \$50  
Merit Awards (3) at \$25

### DEADLINES AND EVENTS :

- **DEADLINE** for Registration Mon. April 29, 2024 (see details on Registration Form below)
- Email Digital Pictures of your works before framing under glass or plexi to Darcie Kurtak @ [dkurtak@gmail.com](mailto:dkurtak@gmail.com) for inclusion on the website
- **DELIVERY** of Paintings to Wheat Ridge Center for Music and Art, Commons Gallery Saturday, May 4, 2024 10:00-11:00am
- **JUDGING:** May 4 @ 12:30pm by Diane Fechenbach (for awards only--all works accepted into the show) See Diane's Bio on Back of this page
- Winners will be notified by phone or Email
- **PICK-UP** of unsold works at the SHOW CLOSING - Saturday June 15, 10:00-11:00am
- **WORKS MUST BE PICKED UP ON TIME THERE IS NO SPACE FOR STORAGE!**

**AWARDS CEREMONY** (in Conjunction with monthly meeting) Tuesday, May 14, 2:00-4:00 pm at Wheat Ridge Center for Music and Art

**PLEASE Invite Friends and Family!**



2023 1<sup>st</sup> Place Winner  
"Jacks" Colored Pencil  
By Carla Stoltzfus

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**QUESTIONS:** Kay Cassa 303-748-9212 or [kaycassa@gmail.com](mailto:kaycassa@gmail.com) OR Darcie Kurtak - [dkurtak@gmail.com](mailto:dkurtak@gmail.com)

**REGISTRATION:** Must be Postmarked by Monday, April 29 – MAIL: Checks Payable to MAG (\$8.00 each piece)

To: Rebecca Near, 68 Spyglass Dr, Littleton, CO 80123; Email Painting Titles, Medium & Price to Darcie Kurtak - [dkurtak@gmail.com](mailto:dkurtak@gmail.com)

Turn over to Volunteer to Help

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

1. Title \_\_\_\_\_ Medium \_\_\_\_\_ Price \_\_\_\_\_ Tax 8.0% \_\_\_\_\_

2. Title \_\_\_\_\_ Medium \_\_\_\_\_ Price \_\_\_\_\_ Tax 8.0% \_\_\_\_\_

3. Title \_\_\_\_\_ Medium \_\_\_\_\_ Price \_\_\_\_\_ Tax 8.0% \_\_\_\_\_

**JUROR BIO**

**Diane Fechenbach**, PSA, IAPS/MC, DP-PSWC  
Colorado Artist - Watercolor, Oil, Pastel  
[www.LightNShadowStudio.com](http://www.LightNShadowStudio.com)

Diane is an internationally recognized award winning artist, with numerous Best in Show, First Place, Memorial and Honorable Mention Awards.

Diane is a Signature member of Pastel Society of America, a juried member of the Oil Painters of America, Master Signature/Distinguished Pastelist of Pastel Society of the West Coast, Master Circle member of the International Association of Pastel Societies, Master Signature with Pastel Society of Colorado, Signature member of Western Federation of Watercolor Societies and numerous other art organizations.



Frozen - Diane Fechenbach - Pastel



Sapphire Morning - Diane Fechenbach - Watercolor

**YES I WILL VOLUNTEER**

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|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| ___ Sat May 4 - Check In 10:00-11:00am            | Kay Cassa & 1 more _____ |
| ___ Sat May 4 - Painting Hanging 10:00am til Done | 4 needed _____           |
| ___ Sat June 15 - Check Out 10:00-11:00 am        | Kay Cassa & 1 more _____ |

**Food for Meeting/Awards Ceremony (during Meeting) Tues. May 14 2:00-4:00pm**

\_\_\_ I Can Bring Food/Beverage/Help (Please confirm by email/phone to Cheryl Annett  
c.annett@comcast.net / 303-986-8602)