



Mountainside **MESSENGER**

On Tuesday, June 9th at 2:00 PM, we will meet at The Wheat Ridge Center for Music and Art, also known as The Wheat Ridge United Methodist Church, 7530 W. 38th Ave. (on the southwest corner of Vance St. and 38th Ave. One block east of Wadsworth). We hope you can join us.

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From the President

We finally got some rain!

Linden Kirby was a very thoughtful juror for our Member Show! He chose 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place plus three honorable mentions. (Charlie Casper, Gail Firmin, Cheryl Annett, Mark Eirhart, Darlene Woolley, and Jeanette Oxelson) He took time to explain his choices and also gave time to meet with artist separately to discuss their artwork. It was an informative time to review the basics and learn something new.

We had some art supply donations from past MAG member Carolyn Orwick that were shared with those present at the meeting. I will bring more at this month's meeting.

We will not be meeting in July or August, but the miniature show will begin at the end of August. Practice painting small and enter this fun show at Lakewood Cultural Center! The prospectus is being finalized.

See you on June 9 for an art demo and Member Show art pick up!

Keep on painting!

Rebecca (Becky) Near

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Members' Show 2026



First Place

Charles Casper

Running Free

Digital Photograph



Second Place

Gail Firmin

Prickly Poppies

Watercolor



Third Place

Cheryl Annett

George's Gate

Watercolor



Merit Award

Mark Eirhart

Forever and Later

Mixed Media

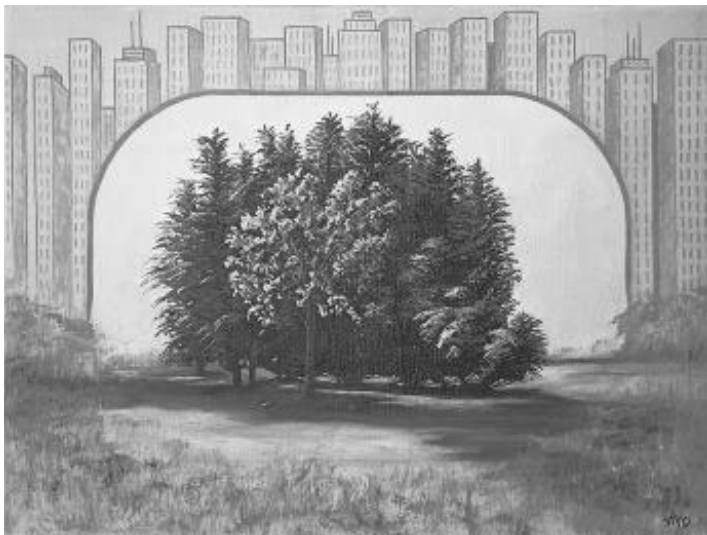


Merit Award

Darlene Woolley

Grains of the Past

Watercolor



Merit Award

Jeanette Oxelson

Oasis

Oil

**Congratulations to the award recipients of the Mountainside
Art Guild 2026 Member Show.**



June Program

William Char

From the artist...

I first studied art as a teenager at the High School of Music and Art in New York, but ultimately chose a career in software engineering. Even while working in tech, I continued to pursue my artistic training, studying drawing and painting at the Art Students League of Denver.

In 2007, I was invited to join a life-drawing and painting group, where I've worked weekly alongside artists such as Mitch Caster, Quang Ho, Daniel Sprick, Raj Chaudhri, Anna Rose Bain, and many others. That ongoing practice has been central to my development as a figurative and portrait painter.

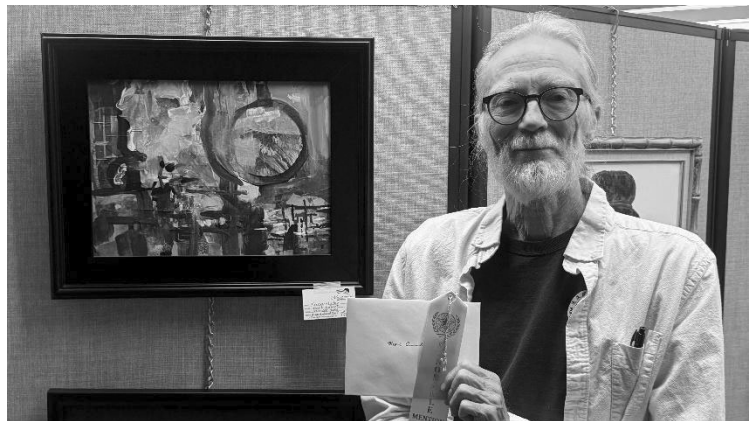
In 2025, I left my software career to paint full time. Since then, my work has been exhibited in several shows, including *Contemporary Masters* in Grand Junction, the TAAP 2D exhibition at the Loveland Public Library, and *In Good Company* at Saks Gallery.

William will be demoing a charcoal portrait drawing.

Lucky Artist

Our Lucky Artist for the month of May was Mark Erhart.

Mark was born in Illinois and grew up in Marseilles, a small town in the Illinois River Valley. He moved to Colorado in 1982 and currently lives in Wheat Ridge.



He studied Photography at Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, IL. And also took art classes while there. Mark started painting again in 2006 and with the help of a critique group started to experiment with abstract paintings and mixed media.

He has been a Co-Op artist at Lakewood Arts Gallery since 2003 and has been entering shows

in the Denver area since 2007. Mark has also been doing art Demos for art groups for quite a few years.

Some of Mark's favorite artists are; Joan Fullerton, Michael Untiedt, and Brian Rutenberg.

Our Website

www.mtnsideartguild.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, as well as entry forms for current sponsored shows of our membership with the prospectus. We have an online member gallery where members may place their own work to be viewed by the public. The cost for a personal page is a one-time fee of \$15.00. Also available are pdf copies of the Mountainside Messenger.



MAG Mailing Addresses

MAG has two mailing addresses. The first is Mountainside Art Guild, P.O. Box 694, Wheat Ridge, CO 80034. Please send **envelopes** to this address. **Packages** may also be mailed to MAG, 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.

Hospitality

Meeting Date	First Person	Second Person
June 9th	Del Kelly	Maryjane Sharpe
September 8th		
October 13th		
November 10th		

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

Calendar

June Meeting	Tuesday, June 9 th	2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
LPAR Hanging	Thursday, June 11 th	9:30 AM – 10:00 AM
Collier Hanging Please note the new time*	Friday, July 17 th	10:00 AM – 10:30 AM*
September Meeting	Tuesday, September 8 th	2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
Member Show Reception	Tuesday, May 12 th	2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
May Meeting	Tuesday, May 12 th	2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
June Meeting	Tuesday, June 9 th	2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
LPAR Hanging	Thursday, June 11 th	9:30 AM – 10:00 AM
Collier Hanging Please note the new time*	Friday, July 17 th	10:00 AM – 10:30 AM*
Mini Show Registration form must be post marked by	Saturday, August 1 st	
Mini Show shipped artwork must be received by	Saturday, August 15 th	
Mini Show hand delivery	Saturday, August 29 th	11:00 AM - Noon
September Meeting	Tuesday, September 8 th	2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
Mini Show Opening Reception	Saturday, September 12 th	2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
Mini Show Awards Presentation	Saturday, September 12 th	3:00 PM
Mini Show Pick-up	Saturday, September 26 th	9:30 AM – 10:30 AM
October Meeting	Tuesday, October 13 th	2:00 PM – 4:00 PM

News and Happenings

- Congratulations to Kiki Moore, Warner Reeser and Karen Misko for their art sales.
- Thursday, June 11th is the hanging of the LPAR center from 9:30 AM to 10:00 AM.
- The 2026 Governor's Art Show opened on April 25th and will go through June 6th. You will find it at the Loveland Museum, 5th and Lincoln, in Loveland, Colorado. I went and the artwork was phenomenal! I hope you can still get there to see it.
- The Western Federations of Watercolor Societies 51st Exhibition is currently at the Curtis Center for the Arts in Greenwood and runs through June 27th.

- The Collier hang will happen on Friday, July 17th from 10:00 – 10:30 AM. Please note the new time.
- Currently on view at the Denver Art Museum - ‘The Stars We Do Not See: Australian Indigenous Art’. It is the largest exhibition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander art ever presented in North America. Maybe I’ll see you there.
- Diane Fetchenbach has been named the judge of the Mountainside Art Guild’s 2026 Miniature Show.

Call for Artists: Join The Georgetown Gallery!

The oldest artist-owned cooperative in Colorado is looking for new members. Showcase your work in the heart of historic Georgetown, enjoy low commissions, and join a supportive creative community.

Ready to exhibit with us?

Visit georgetowngalleryco.com for membership details and application guidelines.

MOUNTAINSIDE ART GUILD MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION 2026 Annual Membership \$35.00 ALL PUBLICATIONS ARE BY Email. New Member Website Gallery \$15.00 ½ year Membership (after 5/1) \$17.50 (For New Members Only) All members who were active in 2025 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: Susan Hommel 807 Nevermore Lane, Evergreen, CO 80439 or bring it to a meeting.

MOUNTAINSIDE ART GUILD



INSTRUCTIONS FOR REPORTING SALES (SALES FORM BELOW)

ACCOUNTS WILL BE PAID ON THE 1ST AND 15TH OF EACH MONTH; SALES REPORTS MAY BE TURNED IN BY MAIL OR AT THE MEETINGS; CHECKS WILL BE MAILED TO THE ARTIST.

1. Use this form when reporting sales to MAG. Money sent without this form will be held until the artist submits the completed and proper paperwork.
2. Send FULL amount of sale (sale price + sales tax). You will be issued a check for sale, minus sales tax and appropriate commission or fee.
3. If sales tax isn't collected from the buyer, you must pay it yourself by including it with your submittal to MAG.
4. Checks from buyer should be made out to: "**Mountainside Art Guild**". If the check has been made out to the artist, please **do not** send it to MAG. The bank is not willing to accept a 2- party check, so please send a new personal check or money order payable to "**Mountainside Art Guild**" for the full amount, including sales tax, to the Treasurer.
5. If you receive cash for a sale, send a personal check for the TOTAL amount, including sales tax, to the Treasurer.
6. Commission for most sales will be deducted by the Treasurer from your payment. EXCEPTIONS: If the show place requires its own commission (i.e. Collier), please pay them the commission and state that you have done so on your sales report form. The breakdown of commissions to be paid are listed below. Not all possible commissions are listed. Refer to show prospectuses for commissions, as well.

Sales for locations that are not Guild-sponsored shows can also go through MAG books, if you wish, **as long as it is in a location where we have a sales tax license**. There is a \$2.00 Fee for this service. Currently MAG is licensed in Lakewood (7.5%) and Wheat Ridge (8%).

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SALES REPORT FORM (Send with check)

Send to: Susan Hommel
807 Nevermore Lane
Evergreen, CO 80439

Date: _____

ARTIST'S NAME & ADDRESS: _____

PHONE & EMAIL: _____

SHOWPLACE & LOCATION: _____

PAINTING TITLE: _____ PRICE: _____

SALES TAX (_____%): _____ + MAG COMMISSION _____ = Total: _____

Sales Tax:

Wheat Ridge – 8%

- Colliers Hospice
- Wheat Ridge Center for the Arts (WRCMA)

Lakewood – 7.5%

- Lakewood Post-Acute Rehabilitation (LPAR – formerly ProMedica)
- Lakewood Arts Center (LAC)

Commissions:

- Sales at Collier – 10% directly to Collier, 5% to Mountainside Art Guild
- Sales at WRCMA – 15% to Mountainside Art Guild
- Sales at LPAR – 15% to Mountainside Art Guild