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President's Message

Things are looking up! The City has promised to fix the street again so it does not flood our building. We are not clear on what will exactly happen, but they said no band-aids and it will be done properly. We have our fingers crossed. Plans are to have it completed before summer monsoons begins. We will also look into filing additional claims for the monsoon related flood damage this year.

Our GoFundMe page and onsite donations have exceeded \$3000. Although a long way from our goal, it has helped us with our financial obligations. We have even had some of our professional services people donate to our fund and a networking group in town also made a donation from its membership. We appreciate all of you who have donated in the past or during our current campaign.

Our 6x6" fundraiser has also been a total success. As fast as you artists donate them, they fly out the door. This project will continue on through the holidays and maybe into the New Year.

The Holiday and Gift Show has also been successful. Although quite different than last year... it has been consistent in daily sales volume. Jewelry has been a good seller this season.

The Miniature Show is also hung on the Featured Artist wall. Many artists participated to create a display of both classical and unique pieces to feast your eyes upon.

2018 will be a year of changes. Internal business operations will start to work differently. Most of them will be transparent to our members, but our processes will bring in more consistent revenue into the organization for both planning and budgeting.

As 2017 ends, we can reflect on the challenges of the year. It was most unusual with changes in staff and challenges with ivy, trees, floods, etc. Yet, we have survived and we continue to move forward. A time too to thank all those who have been involved in keeping us operational. You know who you are. THANK YOU!

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AND now to wish you a happy holiday season and a most healthy and prosperous New Year. We ask you to get more involved in your GUILD and look forward to your participation in our committees, programs, and board during 2018. Become a Volunteer!

See you at MAG! Muriel Haverland

2018 Main Gallery Shows

Wild Wild West - January 8 - February 23

Out of the Box - February 26 - April 28

Ambrosía - April 30 - June 23

From Sea to Shining Sea - June 25 - August 25

Road of Memories - August 27 - October 27

Holiday Show - October 29 - December 22



Current Main Gallery Show - Holiday Gift Show - October 30 - December 23





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2-D 1st Place - Nancy Clauss "Pink Cactus"



3-D 1st Place - Jennifer Rose - "Small Table"





3-D 2nd Place - Robin Schweitzer - "Onyx Bracelet"







Best of Show - Tom Schweitzer - "Glass Mosaic"







MAG Artist Profile - Shari Hancock

Shari has been interested in art for a long time, but didn't really pursue it until 2010 when her husband, Dale, began looking for someone to paint a scene on an antique timber saw blade. It had been around for a long time and years of neglect had taken its toll. He sanded it, and primed it, and still no one seemed to be willing to paint the scene that he had envisioned. Eventually, she told him that she would try. Shari was fortunate to



discover a class taught by Monna Dancer, a well-known western wildlife artist from Gillette, Wyoming. During that class, she completed the saw blade painting and discovered the beginning of a new career. Shari started to think about business cards



and what to name her new business. Her late father had been a welder and a carpenter and after he retired, he bought a saw sharpening business. One day, Shari felt his presence and heard him say "Jagged Edge Art". The name could not be more appropriate. He left many circular saw blades to Dale, and Shari has painted on many of them.

Painting has evolved into much more than Shari could have imagined. After moving to Prescott in February, 2013, she searched for a place to paint and learn, and be with other artists. She looked in the phone book and called Mountain Artists Guild to ask if there were any classes available to me. Shari was told there was a group meeting on Wednesday mornings and that it was open to anyone whether they were members or not. She loaded up her paints and a canvas and walked into the basement and found Alice Gunter's Wednesday morning painters. It was just what she had in mind, and she has been painting with them since that time.

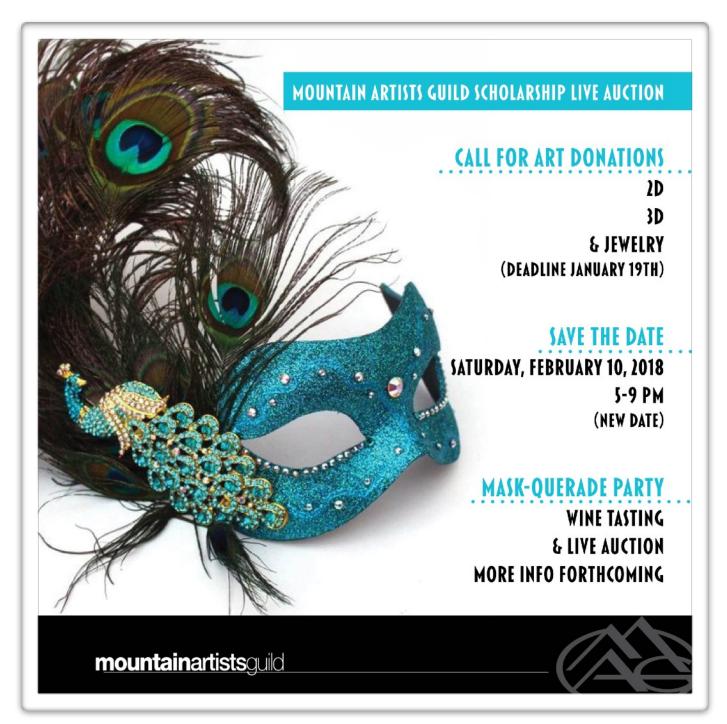


Dale and Shari have made so many friends at Mountain Artists Guild and Shari has had many opportunities to learn and grow in her artistic endeavors. Shari paints a variety of subjects including animals, people, and scenery. She primarily paints from her own photographs, as well as photos her friends have taken. She is privileged to have been in all 50 states and have traveled outside the United States as well. Her primary medium is oil on canvas, but she often paints on saw blades and other metals, finding the surface to be smooth and adaptable to any subject or scene that she chooses.





Scholarship Fund



News from the Gallery Committee

Greetings from your Gallery Committee Chair,

We have lots of info to share with you, our valued members. The titles for the 2018 shows have been selected. They are on our website and intake dates are listed below:

Wild, Wild West 1/6/18 intake From Sea to Shining Sea 6/23/18 intake
Out of the Box 2/24/18 intake Road of Memories 8/25/18 intake
Ambrosia 4/28/18 intake Holiday Show 10/27/18 intake

Part of MAG's mission is to educate artists on how to display their art in a professional setting. It is very important to follow the rules of whichever gallery or venue you have been invited to show in so that you will be asked back. Here are a few of our Gallery rules that you may have forgotten.

- All art work submitted must not have been in previous shows for at least 6 months prior.
- All art work MUST be for sale.
- You must pick up your work on intake day of the new show. **No exceptions**. MAG does not have the ability to store your work safely for even one day.
- Please use the white tags provided with the intake form on all submitted artwork.
- All members will have at least 1 2-D piece hung per show. MAG's mission is to promote all of our artists.
- Each show is juried regarding 2-D, 3-D work and Best of Show.

The Gallery Committee is no longer responsible for Fourth Fridays. The Membership Committee has taken on this responsibility because we are having our Membership meeting at 4 pm prior to Fourth Friday starting.

Sales are finally picking up now that we have a street and we are getting new members everyday.

We hope you are excited about the new show themes and will have fun creating art for them. The Gallery Committee meets the 2nd Monday of each month and we would love to have more input from our membership.

We would like to thank all of you for your time and the beautiful art you have placed in the MAG Gallery.

Happy Holidays!



Featured Artists - Miniature Show

November 17 - December 23





A great Christmas gift!!! The sale of Gallery Wraps help with our building fund! \$40 each



Workshop Schedules

December

Betty Carr - Watercolor & Oil - December 5, 6, 7 & 8
Danielle Ippoliti - Eggs made with Beeswax & Dyes - December 11 & 12

Go to the website at mountainartistsguild.org for more info.

Arizona Art Alliance

MAG is now a member of the Arizona Art Alliance. This gives all of our members access to their benefits including panel rentals, artist showing opportunities, the ability to be juried into their shows and much more. Check out their website! www.azartalliance.com



Don't forget....

Membership Meetings are again held before each 4th Friday at 4:30.

WE NEED YOUR HELP...

Mountain Artists Guild is setting up a **GoFundMe Page** (Account) to help us through some financially trying times. Please help us by <u>reposting</u> our page on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and email to all of your friends and family. We will not be able to keep our doors open if we cannot raise the funds necessary for business operations and building repairs. The GoFundMe Page will be live the week of 10/2/17.

In February of 2017, our building experienced the first of several extremely damaging floods. Due to factors beyond our control, including city road construction, severe weather and the streets being closed for approximately seven months until street work was completed. We lost important revenue that is critical to our financial survival. Although we still have a small amount of reserve funds, once those are exhausted, we will be out of business.

This is why we need your help. We are fundraising to save our Mountain Artists Guild, plain and simple. Here are some formulas that may give you an idea of how we can meet our goals. EXAMPLE: If all of our members donated \$180 each, we will reach our goal. If each member asked 10 people to donate \$18 each, we will reach our goal. If you give whatever you can, you help us to eventually reach our goal. This is doable! We must start now and spread the word.

The loss of such an old institution that has promoted art in the community for so long (*since 1949, Keeping the Arts Alive*) would truly be tragic. Please help us by sharing our GoFundMe Page.

For Mountain Artists Guild to continue to support the community, we... for the first time, need your financial support.

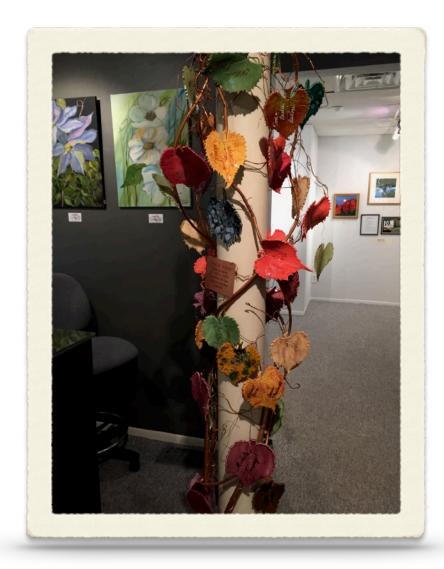
\$36,000 (GOAL) WILL FUND 7 MONTHS OF GENERAL OPERATING FUNDS & BUILDING REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE giving us time to build our reserves and operating capita



Donor Leaf Pole

Please help out with the building fund. Purchase a Donor Leaf for \$50 each.

Your name will appear on each leaf that you buy.





OPEN STUDIOS

Oil Painting Group (All media welcome)

Wednesdays, 9am to Noon - \$5 member - \$7 non-member, per day

Alice Gunter - Coordinator

Portrait/Costumed Model (All media welcome)

Fridays, 9am to Noon - \$10 member - \$15 non-member, per day

Dorothy Ray - Coordinator

For Info - MAG Office - 445-2510



Committee Chairpersons

Art for Youth/Kids Art Camp - Janis Keeling

Featured Artist Wall - Featured Artist Wall Committee

Festival/Events - Festival/Events Committee

Gallery - Terry Carrillo

Membership - Vera Bloch

Scholarships/Scholarship Auction - Muriel Haverland

Studio Tour - Deanne Brewster

Workshops - Gail Holl & Cat Rainey

Forward your question or information to <u>vera@verasoriginals.com</u> and we will ensure that the proper Chair receives your email and contacts you directly.



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Gallery Hours

Mon-Fri: 10am to 4pm Sat: 11am to 3pm Sun: Closed

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