

November 2007

Beaver Valley Artists

BVA Meeting: **Thursday**, Nov. 8th, 2007, 7PM

Where: Merrick Art Gallery, New Brighton, PA

Refreshments Courtesy of BVA Members ❖ The public is welcome to attend.



Artist and Educator --

Geraldine McCorr

.....will be demonstrating her richly textured
crayon batik techniques as BVA's Thursday Nov
8th program!

Geraldine Jackson McCorr is an artist and educator who holds a Bachelor's Degree in Education from Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania Certification K-12 in Art, as well as an Associate Degree from the Art Institute of Pittsburgh. Ms. McCorr teaches high school at Big Beaver Fall School District. In the spring of 2006, she embarked on an exciting new endeavor when she founded the Center for Creative Expression, a community art center in Beaver Falls. At the same time, Ms. McCorr continues to maintain her own company, Faith and Her Masterpiece Series, a line of inspirational cards illustrated with original artwork by the artist. For more than two decades, Geraldine Jackson McCorr has used art as a vehicle to not only express her own creativity, but to reach and motivate young people and adults in school and outreach programs. Using creative expression to motivate at-risk youth is a particular passion of this artist.

Art has been a huge part of her life, a love and joy. She feels blessed to have a career that affords her the opportunity to share that passion with students and fellow artists. She is married to Reverend Walter D. McCorr and they make their home in Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania. ❖

BVA's Christmas Party!

will be held at the Willows Inn on Dec. 6th, at 6 PM. Cost is \$12.50 per person, which includes the smorgasbord, one non-alcohol beverage, tip and tax. Members may bring one wrapped \$5 gift for our grab-bag exchange (this is optional). Make check payable to: Beaver Valley Artists. Mail to: David Bentley, 509 Fourth Street PH, Beaver Falls, PA 15010. ❖

Carol Volz Begley PSA had had three oil landscapes nationally published in the Best of America Oil Artist and Artisans Vol I published by Kennedy Promotions... She has also had a pastel portrait nationally published in the Best of American Pastels Artists and Artisans. ❖

BVA Member Dona Boots --

presents an exhibition of her works -- over 50 symbolic and spiritual paintings. Time: Sat. Dec. 1st 10 - 7 and Sun. Dec. 2nd, noon - 7. Place: First Church of God, Fellowship Hall, 1862 Mercer Rd, Ellwood City, PA. Artist's talk and art 'Happenings' at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. on Saturday and 3 p.m. on Sunday. (This art 'Happening' is the presentation of work of art in an unusual comic way with viewer participation) Free to the public. For more info contact Dona, at 724-758-9901. ❖

November's Refreshments -- courtesy of Sally Chapman, Lillian Gordon, Maya Peel and Sue Masley. The BVA thanks you for your support! For questions, contact Marge Gardner at 724-869-5351.

Photo-shoot for Members Artwork -- is set for Sat, November 10th, 10 - 4 PM and Sun, November, 11th, 1 - 2 PM. Bring one two-dimensional piece (with or without glass and frame) to the Merrick Gallery to be photographed, by David Bentley. These images are for display on BVA's website. They will not be posted as sale items. Three-dimensional artwork must be photographed at David Bentley's home studio, by appointment. This photo-shoot is being offered free to BVA members. Only one piece of art will be photographed per member. Be aware that fine contour lines, pointillist color techniques and subtle value/color contrasts might not reproduce well on the website. For questions, contact David Bentley at 724-843-0971.

In addition, members may submit a bio and or statement about their art, style, media, subject matter, techniques, influences, background, etc., typed in 100 words or less. Please e-mail your artist's statement/bio to, Linda Headland, at headlin@nb.net. Type "BVA + YOUR NAME" in the subject header of your email. Members should also submit a short written descriptive phrase to be placed beside their name on the artists' directory page. This form should be filled out during the photo-shoot and should contain a brief descriptive phrase to place beside your name at the website, your artwork's title/medium and your chosen contact information for the website.❖

BVA Members Receive Awards -- Elizabeth Asche Douglas received the Best of Show Award at the recent Christ's Evangelical Lutheran Art Show, while Ray Zielinski received 1st place and Don Nelson received the 2nd place award. Congratulations!

Newsletter Submissions -- Send to Linda Headland at lheadland@beavervalleyartists.org ❖

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