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NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28

7:00 p.m., at the SHAC, 125 S. Main St., Suite 700, Milford

ARTIST OF THE YEAR



MAY MEETING WINNERS - selected by our guest speaker, *Jill Wagoner*:

1st Place - Dan Persinger - oil, 2nd Place - Janice Dumas - watercolor, 3rd Place - Linda Pelowski - pastel (not shown)

Honorable Mentions: Paul Tibedeau, Cindy Rashid, Sam Mebius



Fresh! Pein Air Quick Draw Award Winners :1) Janice Dumas, 2) Sandra Difazio, 3) Brant Mclean

JUNE'S GUEST SPEAKER-MINO WATANABE

Our guest speaker, Mino Watanabe, assisted by her trusty sidekick, Gary, discussed her techniques and inspirations combining nature, food and fairy tales. Originally from Japan, Mino now lives in MI working as a fine arts Illustrator for books and other publications. She suffers from a genetic condition; Marfan Syndrome, which has caused visual impairment. Mino exhibited some of her art and demonstrated some of her unique methods of creating, despite the extreme visual limits of her condition.



NEW FACES AT MAY MEETING

Introduced at May's meeting: **Helga Scholz** who does watercolor, furniture painting and more, and was "glad to be here". **Julie**, who is half retired from advertising, **Pat Bombach** - not new to us, but its been a while. **Raeyanna Boesch**, who is a student exploring art. **Welcome all!**



Fresh! Pein Air VFAA chosen Milford Village Award - Heiner Hertling

2017 HASKEW CHALLENGE#2 coming up in July. The Challenge word is **Excitement**. Remember to bring one piece of art that best reflects that theme to July's meeting to enter the Challenge. It can be one of your Artist of the Year entries as well. The final Haskew Challenge will be at October's meeting. That Challenge word is **Love**.

JULY 26 GUEST SPEAKER: Kristine Stewart - Clay Artist

THE VILLAGE FINE ARTS ASSOCIATION

is a regional, non-profit organization dedicated to promoting fine arts in the Huron Valley area.

OUR MISSION

is to provide individual artists with opportunities for fellowship, inspiration and education by organizing, promoting and presenting monthly meetings with guest artists, workshops and juried exhibitions. We coordinate and participate with other community groups in art-related events to increase our visibility and further showcase our community's creativity derived from the freedom of artistic expression.



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RECAP - MAY GUEST SPEAKER -JILL WAGONER

Jill gave a live demo, painting with oils, which would have been done as Plein Air if the weather had co-operated. Instead, she worked from a landscape photo, sharing some of her favorite Plein Air tips for bringing out the light and color. A large group watched and listened intently. Jill emphasized the importance of identifying the focal point at the start. This area will have the darkest darks and the lightest lights. She paints on oil primed linen panels using a limited pallet and concentrating on values as much as color to bring out the light.

VFAA ARTIST OPPORTUNITIES SHAC ART GALLERY

Currently Showing FRESH! Plein Air Milford. Friday, June 22 – Sunday, June 25, 2017 was a plein air weekend in Milford. Hosted by Village Fine Arts Association (VFAA) and Suzanne Haskew Art Center (SHAC) and sponsored by the Michigan Plein Air Painters. Artists painted in Downtown Milford, along the Huron River, at Kensington Metropark, at Proud Lake and Highland State Recreation Areas.

The Freshly painted art was then submitted to the SHAC Gallery to take part in the **Wet Paint - Artist Reception and Awards Presentation- Sunday, June 25th, 3:00 - 5:00 pm.** No easy task for the judge to choose the best of such an array of beautiful art. The art will be on display through August 22nd at the SHAC. Much of it for sale.



Fresh! award winners - left to right: 1) Ken Graning, 2) Pamela Wilburn, 3) Rich Onica, and (Honorable Mention) Candace Brancik

A complete list of **SHAC Art Gallery Exhibitions for 2017** is available on the website and at the SHAC. New opportunities for artists to display their work at local businesses are opening up. Watch your email and visit the website often for updates.

Life Drawing Open Studio - sessions are **the third Monday of the month - 4:00 - 7:00 pm**, at the SHAC. This is an open studio - no instructor - just a chance to work from a live (clothed) model. The cost is \$10.00 per session, bring your own supplies. Thanks to Valerie Bayer for organizing these fun events!
Sign up at: milfordvfaa.org/shac/classes. **Please pre-register.**

Milford's Civic Center (home to the Village and Township offices). These shows rotate every 2 months. The current show's theme - on display for **June - July: Buildings.**
Next up - **Aug-Sept: Flowers, Oct-Nov: Small Town, Dec-Jan: Birds**

Up to 18 pieces can be accepted for each show. Artists can bring 2 pieces.

Contact Andrea at the SHAC: 248 797 3060 with any questions.

WHAT'S HAPPENIN' AT THE SHAC ?

RETURN OF DOG DAY AFTERNOON!

An event for your dog, a fundraiser for VFAA/SHAC

Back by Popular Demand, a second Dog Day event was held at the SHAC **Sunday, May 7th.** Approximately 40 dogs brought their owners in to get their own original paw print art. Thanks to our great team of paw print maker and Artist volunteers each dog took home a special piece of art. **Other activities:** We also had a silent auction and a bake sale and collected donations of food, leashes, beds, blankets and toys for the Pet Pantry at Community Sharing.

Volunteers! It was fun wasn't it?!

South Side Concert Series - The final concert in this series was held Saturday, May 20 th with opener **Mia Green** at 6:15pm (presented by Michigan Rock School) followed by **Red Herring** (bluesy rock) at 7:30pm.

Food available from **Pita Cruiser** Food Truck and beer and wine from **River's Edge Brewing Co.**

SHAC's 2017 Summer Art classes and activities are now listed on our website. Lots of stuff for kids - like art camp, birdhouse painting, tile making, Kids N' Canvas AND we're launching 2 new programs! **Maker Space Challenge** and **Arts & Culture!** Keep your child busy this summer at The SHAC!

For teens, we've got an Animation Class and our Fine Art instruction classes, but we've added a **Theatrical Set Design** class and we bring back Zentangle!

The list of classes for Adults is pretty cool, too! We've got the fabulous **Pinterest Night** continuing as well as our Fine Art Instruction classes and Brews & Brushes painting parties are scheduled throughout the Session! You can also try a unique class such as **Mat Cutting** or **Sewing**. Want to hang out with other creative types? Join **Art Club!** Check out the class list at our website for more info: milfordvfaa.org/shac/classes

The VFAA/SHAC **Rummage Sale Fundraiser - is Thursday - Saturday, July 6th - 8th, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm. Located at: 548 General Motors Rd, Milford.** If you still haven't brought in your donations, or would like to volunteer for this event, call or stop by the SHAC during Office hours - see contact info below.

Suzanne Haskew Art Center Office Hours:

Mon 10:00 am – 1:00 pm
Tue/Wed/Fri 10:00 am – 3:00 pm
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Your feedback - comments, suggestions are welcome.

VFAA informational meetings are free and open to everyone interested in the Milford area art scene and are on the fourth Wednesday of each month, January through October. Come for the membership meeting at 7:00 P.M. or come for the lecture only at 7:30 P.M

The VFAA meets at the SHAC, 125 South Main Street, Suite 700, Milford

We are a non-profit organization dedicated to expanding and sharing our love of art with the community.

Main Street Art - On display now - **Dan Persinger** through June.

Main Street is always looking for window artists!

Contact Suzanne - 248-684-1004.

Quote of the Month

Some painters transform the sun into a yellow spot, others transform a yellow spot into the sun

- Pablo Picasso