



The Artisan Press

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Welcome Newcomers...

We welcome all newcomers who come to our meetings!

VFAA informational meetings are free and open to everyone interested in the area art scene. They are held on the fourth Wednesday of each month, January through October, at the SHAC. Come for the meeting at 7:00 p.m., or for the speaker only at 7:30. For more information, call us at 248-797-3060 or visit milfordvfaa.org.

We ♥ Our Volunteers!

Volunteer & Win! Current opportunities:

- Board of Director members
- Event and reception help
- General cleaning and organizing
- Decorate our chalk wall
- "SHAC sit" to keep the SHAC open during off hours.

You will be put in a drawing to win **SHAC BUCKS** every time you volunteer. **Note: make sure your membership is up to date to be eligible.** The more you help out, the greater your chance to win!

Please sign in at the front desk when volunteering. Congratulations to SHAC BUCKS winners at our October meeting, **JoAnn Guile** and **Sam Mebius!**

Haskew Challenge

Congratulations to **Mary Underhill**, our winner of the October Haskew Challenge!

Peacock Art Club

Our special needs class needs your help. Please consider a donation to PAC to help offset the weekly cost to special needs students. *Thank you* in advance!

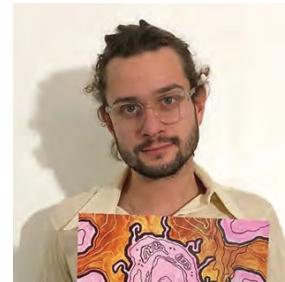
Next VFAA Meeting: Wednesday, January 22, 7:00 pm

At the SHAC, 125 South Main St., Suite 700, Milford

January's Guest Speaker:

Anthony Brass, Contemporary Surrealist

Award-winning artist Anthony R. Brass is best known for his surreal "hand trees," capturing a coalescence of body parts into ecological entities. Brass puts emphasis on a vibrant color palette and surreal subject matter. His work has been described as being very thought-provoking in an uncanny, yet beautiful manner.



Brass spent his childhood creating art in Warren, Michigan. He later went on to obtain a degree in graphic design from Wayne State University in Detroit, where he graduated with cum laude honors.

Come for the general meeting at 7:00 P.M. or come for the lecture only at 7:30 P.M. For more information: email contactus@milfordvfaa.org or call the SHAC at 248-797-3060.

Artist of the Year Winners

Congrats to the *Artist of the Year* winners at our October 2019 meeting:

- First place: Paul Tibedeau**
- Second place: Mary Underhill**
- Third place: Dave Justus**
- Honorable Mention: Linda Pelowski**



You can participate too! Just bring two pieces of art to every monthly meeting. Guest artist presenters will judge the art for first, second and third place. Just bringing your art earns you a point, and winning earns you additional points. At the end of the year, the three artists with the most points get gift cards and SHAC bucks!

Top: Paul Tibedeau
Left: Mary Underhill
Right: Dave Justus

Congratulations 2019 Artist of the Year winners

During our annual holiday party and Gifts of Art reception, we acknowledged three of our member artists for their achievements in our Artist of the Year program. Each earned points by bringing their art to the monthly members' meeting, and by winning first, second or third place for that month. They each received a gift certificate to Main Street Art and SHAC bucks to use on anything here at the SHAC. Congratulations go out to:

- Linda Pelowski - First place**
- Pam Siegfried - Second place**
- Bob Wesley - Third place**

Congratulations 2019 Raffle Winners

Also during the holiday party we had our drawing for winners in our big raffle fundraiser for 2019. Congratulations to the winners and a big thank you to all who participated. We were able to raise close to \$1000 to help keep the SHAC up and running.

- First place: Eric Delaney - winner of \$1500**
- Second place: John Briggs - winner of \$500 and Mackinaw gift certificates**
- Third place: Lori Langmeyer - winner \$150 cash plus \$50 in SHAC bucks**

Bob Ross parties are back!

Due to the popularity of our Bob Ross parties, we are offering two more. Our Bob Ross Family Paint Party is scheduled for January 31 at 7:00 pm. And our Bob Ross Brews & Brushes Paint Party, to which you may bring your own alcohol, is on February 1 at 7:00 pm. Come dressed as Bob Ross and you may win a prize. Sign up now, before they fill up!



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About Us

Village Fine Arts Association (VFAA)

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

VFAA Mission: is to promote the arts by providing fellowship, education and opportunities to artists and art lovers in our community.

Suzanne Haskew Art Center (SHAC)

is the home of the VFAA.

SHAC Mission: to serve as a community arts center where artists of all ages and skill levels can practice, share, teach, showcase and inspire others through their craft.

Office Hours

Monday 10:00 - 2:00

Tuesday 10:00 - 6:00

Wednesday - Saturday 10:00 - 2:00

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If there's something you'd like to see in the newsletter, please let us know!

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"An artist cannot fail; it is a success to be one."

-- Charles Cooley



SHAC/VFAA Happenings

SHAC Gallery Now: **Dream a Little Dream**, runs through February 14. Coming up in February we will be hosting **Huron Valley and Walled Lake Schools art exhibits**. For a complete list of 2019 SHAC Art Gallery Exhibitions, see our website.

SHAC Gift Shop - a space for smaller works, table top items, prints and cards that stays up year-round. If you are a member in good standing, you may bring in your artwork to show. Call or email us for info.

WIN at our Monthly Meetings - Members can participate in the **50/50 raffle** by buying a single ticket for \$1 or ten tickets for \$5. Volunteers will also have an opportunity to win **SHAC Bucks -- your membership must be current to win!** Congrats to **Mary Bajcz** for winning the 50/50 raffle, and to **JoAnn Guile** and **Sam Mebius** for winning SHAC Bucks in the volunteer drawing.

Art Cafe Just want to meet with other artists and talk all things art? Come to Art Cafe, fourth Tuesday of the month at 1:00 p.m., at the SHAC. A donation of \$5 is appreciated.

Art happenings around town

Milford's Civic Center (home to the Village and Township offices). Members may bring up to two pieces to show at the Civic Center. Schedule for 2020 is *Jan - Mar: Dark & Light; Apr - June: The Bright Side of Life; July - Sept: Calm, Storm & in Between; Oct - Dec: Milford Area Moments*. Take-in and pick-up will happen near the first of the month - an email notice will be sent. Contact us with any questions.

Main Street Art The ribbon cutting ceremony for the new location of Main Street Art happens on Saturday, Feb 22, 3 - 6 pm. Appetizers, give-aways and demos. Stop in to say hi to new owner and VFAA member **Natalia Wohletz**.

Milford Public Library Now showing: artwork by **Madhavi Kovuru**. Coming in February: artwork of **Ken Graning**. Stop by the Milford Public Library to enjoy their artwork. To get on the waiting list for a show at the library, contact Linda Onderko at 248-842-6789. Shows run for six weeks.

Huron Valley Council for the Arts Now showing in the main gallery: Susan Aitken. To enquire about showing your work there, or to be in their cooperative art shop, contact HVCA at 248-889-8660.

Calls for Entry

Due January 13 - Birmingham Community House - Our Town Art Show & Sale. Show runs April 3 & 4 www.communityhouse.com

Due January 17 - Grosse Pointe Art Association - Ode to Our Planet. In honor of the 50th anniversary of Earth Day. grossepointeartcenter.org

Due January 27 - Crooked Tree Arts Center, PHOTO2020. Show runs April 4 - May 16. crookedtree.org

Due January 31 - Artists Network AcrylicWorks 8. \$3000+ in prizes artistsnetwork.com

Due January 31 - Bi-monthly PleinAir Salon. pleinairsalon.com/

Due Jan 29 - Feb 1 - Lawrence Street Gallery, Body Eclectic. Show runs February 5 - 28. lawrencestreetgallery.com

Due Feb 2 - The Scarab Club, Gilda Snowden Memorial Exhibition. Show runs February 21-March 14. scarabclub.org/callforentry/

Due Feb 9 - Michigan Water Color Society, 73rd Annual Exhibition. Show runs May 5 - July 1. MWCSart.com

Due Feb 10 - Huron Valley Council for the Arts, Our Changing Climate. Show runs April 3-22. huronvalleyarts.org.

Due Feb 12 - Portrait Society of America, International Portrait Competition. portraitsociety.org

Due Feb 17 - Northville Art House, Members Exhibition. One entry per member. northvillearthouse.org

If you have show information you would like listed in our newsletter, please contact us: shac@milfordvfaa.org. Please specify "newsletter posting."

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Things we can always use at the SHAC:

- Paper towels!
- Business Envelopes
- Stamps
- Bottled water
- Ask us about other items you would like to donate

Thank you so much in advance for your generous donations!



Have your party at the SHAC!

Space is available to rent for any type of party or meeting. Contact us to find out more.

Winter Classes at the SHAC

For kids: Masterpieces for Preschoolers; Kids Create - Beach Edition; Kids N Canvas; Paint Party Kids!

For youth to adults: Acrylic Pour Workshop; How to Draw your Dragon; Zentangle®-Inspired.

For teens to adults: Acrylic Painting; Painting with Pastels; Portrait Drawing Workshop; Techniques in Water Workshop; Paint with Watercolor; Pottery II.

For adults: Alcohol Ink; Oil Painting from Life; Brews & Brushes; Drop in and Create; Ceramics Open Studio.

For everyone: Abstract Pastel Painting and Tile Making.

For Special Needs: Peacock Art Club (PAC) Thursdays 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Special Offerings: Art 'a la Carte; Zumbini; Bob Ross Painting Parties; Homeschool Art classes.

VFAA Members: You now get a discount on classes in addition to all of the other member benefits!

Art classes and activities are listed on our website: milfordshac.org, come in to get a program guide, or call us for more info. **Art 'a la Carte: private art parties with selected projects for five or more students, please call for more information.**

Upcoming events...

January 17: Dream a Little Dream artists reception 7:00 pm. Free and open to the public.

January 22: Member's monthly meeting 7:00 pm. Speaker is Anthony Brass - see front page for details. Free and open to the public.

January 31: Bob Ross Family Paint Party 7 - 9 p.m. Come paint along with a classic Bob Ross episode. Come dressed as Bob Ross and win prizes.

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February: Huron Valley and Walled Lake Schools Art Exhibits In support of our local youth and schools, this show will be student artwork only.

March 28: Poetry Art Night 6 - 9 p.m. Annual VFAA art exhibit that includes poetry readings, awards, appetizers and drinks. Free and open to the public.

April 18: Artistic Tastes 7 - 9 p.m. SHAC fundraiser includes exotic beer, wine, mead, liquor and other locally brewed drinks.

Art papers, frames and mat board for sale!

Watercolor, pastel, drawing paper. Frames: Small \$5; Large \$10; Mats \$1 each.

We also now have some large packages of 30" x 40" white and gold mat board for \$2 each. If you need it cut down please ask us.



SHOW YOUR CARD

Members benefits include...

- Discounts at Main Street Art and Millers Art Supply
- email alerts to local art events
- artists opportunities and more!

JOIN US TODAY!

- \$40.00 Single Membership
- \$50.00 Family Membership
- \$60.00 Corporate
- \$260 Lifetime Membership
- Student Membership - Students K - 12 & College - \$10 plus 5 volunteer hours

VOLUNTEER AT THE SHAC!

We have several opportunities:

- Special events
- General facility help
- Serve on a committee or the board
- Other _____

If you indicate that you would like to volunteer, we will be in touch to give you more information.

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

(to receive notices of upcoming events & guest speakers)

We welcome any comments/questions you have!

Enclose your check or money order made out to the VFAA and mail to:
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