

The Artisan Press

Newsletter of the
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Suzanne Haskew Art Center

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Welcome Newcomers...

Welcome to newcomers – **Marge Loula and Kate Dorairaj** to our September meeting!

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, currently at Central Park in order to follow COVID guidelines. Meetings start at 7:00 pm. For more information, call us at 248-797-3060 or visit milfordvfaa.org.

We ♥ Our Volunteers!

Volunteer & Win! Current opportunities:

- VFAA Treasurer
- Program Coordinator
- Board and committee members
- Event helpers / art intake helpers
- General cleaning and organizing ... and more.

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 past meetings!

Things have changed!

Things have changed at the SHAC. Many of our programs are on hold at the moment due to COVID safety measures. Specifically, Peacock Art Club, Teen Art Club and SHAC Art Cafe, as well as some of our classes. But we are still open during office hours and would love to see your smiling (masked) faces!



October VFAA Meeting Cancelled

Members and visitors, we have regretfully made the decision to cancel our meeting for October. Because of the uncertainty of the weather (meetings being held outside) and our speaker's health concerns, we will instead be taking this time to highlight our current gallery show, **Fresh! Plein Air Milford**. The SHAC will be open Wednesday, October 28th from 6:00 to 8:00 pm for anyone who is interested in seeing the show, which features some amazing paintings by local plein air artists.

Come see the award winning works by: Heiner Hertling, Ken Graning, Mike Todoroff, Linda Pelowski, Sandy Ackerman, Kathleen O'Connell, Sharon Sunday, Rich Onica, Lisa Richter and Janice Dumas. And vote for your favorite artist in our People's Choice competition while you are here. Most works are for sale -- there may be one waiting just for you!

Thank you so much to sponsors for this event: **Main Street Art, Harold Haskew, Tige Reader, Gary & Barb Weisenburg, Jerry & Karol Breen, Kevin & Janie Crain, Dale & Sherry Feigley, Ronald & Barbara Fowkes, Muriel & Bob Herrick, Denise & Lyle Tyler, Wayne & Bernadette Walli, Charter Township of Milford, Linda Onderko, Milford Feed, Robert & Dianne Ervin, Kelsey Shufflebarger, Village Dental of Milford, Milford Dermatology, Leslie Watson and Barb Moorhead.**

Meetings will tentatively resume in January, depending on executive orders for SHAC capacity. We currently do not have a speaker lined up as our program director has stepped down from that post. **Therefore**, we are also looking for a new **Program Director!** If you or anyone you know might be interested in helping out a few hours per month to help fill speaker spots for our meetings, please give us a call at 248-797-3060. This position includes a stipend. Thank you so much in advance!

VFAA Road Rally Fun(d)Raiser!

We will be giving out \$2000 worth of prizes!! Still time to sign up! **Saturday, October 17, from 12-3 pm.** Have socially-distant fun on wheels and support the nonprofit SHAC! You'll drive around the community, racing (safely... no speeding!) to complete all of the challenges in order to win a variety of prizes. Teams will get more familiar with the art presence in our community, and with local businesses as well.

Tickets are \$25 per person, OR \$100 per car. All proceeds benefit the nonprofit Village Fine Arts Association and the Suzanne Haskew Arts Center (the SHAC). Sign yourself or your team up at: <http://milfordvfaa.org/road-rally-fundraiser/> or call us with any questions.

Sponsors include: **LaFontaine Classic Car; Downtown Garage; The Burger Joint; Your Nesting Place, Hidden Treasures; Gina's Bridal; Aubergine Gallery; Main Street Art; Blossoms on Main; 2 Moms & a Mop; Michigan Rock School; Village Pizza & BBQ; 5 Star Ace, Huron Valley State Bank, Rottermond Jewelers, Clothing Cove, Village Toy Shop, Acorn Farm, Blue Birch Outfitters, Nana's Niche & Corner, For Feets Sake, After the Rain, Proving Grounds Coffee, Matti's Fresh Market, Jeffrey Allen Jewelers, Beyond Juicery and Eatery, The Bar, Coratti's on Main, Charlie's Still on Main, Health Mart, Novello & Associates, Sweetwaters Coffee and Tea, Huron Valley Chamber of Commerce.**

SHAC Learning Hub

Mondays – Thursdays, 7:30 am – 4:00 pm, the SHAC Learning Hub will be open for your children, ages 6-13. Their online studies are important and our tutors are here to make them successful. Your kids will spend the day with us doing their online work, getting individual and group tutoring, developing a creative mind-space as well as enjoying small group, sanitized, socially-distant time with peers in the SHAC and outdoors when scheduling permits. See our website for more information.

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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 - Saturday 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

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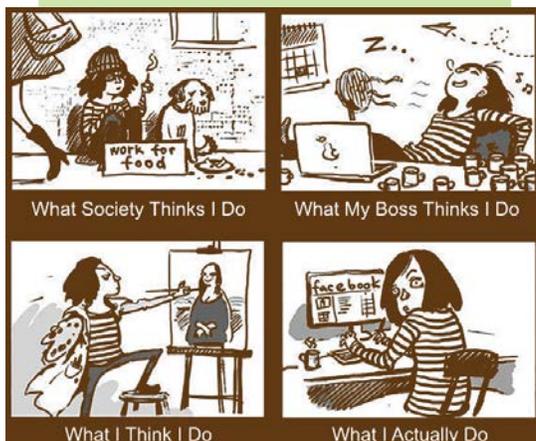
If there's something you'd like to see in the newsletter, please let us know!

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...and just for laughs...



What Society Thinks I Do

What My Boss Thinks I Do

What I Think I Do

What I Actually Do

SHAC/VFAA Happenings

SHAC Gallery Now: **Fresh! Milford Plein Air**, runs through November 6. Coming up after that is our annual **Gifts of Art**, which runs November 12 - January 8. Check our website to sign up. For a complete list of 2020 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 more information.

Art Cafe **Art Cafe has been put on hold for the time being** -- we'll let you know when it resumes. Art Cafe is an art discussion group, held the fourth Tuesday of each month, 1:00 p.m., at the SHAC. A donation of \$5 is appreciated.

Art happenings around town

Main Street Art Members and students at the SHAC: please be sure to get your art supplies at Main Street Art. Owner Natalia Wohletz has lowered prices on all art supplies to match those of Blick and other online sources. Natalia will be getting more in stock for classes at the SHAC and is willing to match lower prices that you see elsewhere. So please check there first!

Main Street Art has been a long-time supporter of the VFAA / SHAC, donating many things over the years, including their time, money, gift-certificates and frames. They will soon be making a space for VFAA member art. We will keep you updated.

Milford's Civic Center (home to the Village and Township offices). Members who have a show at the library will now have the opportunity to move their work to the Civic Center for the two months following their library show. Currently there is no art on exhibit at the Civic Center or the Library. We'll let you know when they resume. Call us if you would like to get on the waiting list.

Milford Public Library The library is now open to the public with social distancing protocols. However, art exhibits are still on hold. If you would like to have a future show at the library, contact Linda Onderko at 248-842-6789. Shows run for two months.

Huron Valley Council for the Arts To enquire about a future show at the HVCA, or to be in their cooperative art shop, call them at 248-889-8660.

Calls for Entry

Due October 16 - The Bennett Prize awards \$50,000 to a woman artist to create her own solo exhibition. thebennettprize.org

Due October 23 - Huron Valley Council for the Arts - Walk a Mile in Another's Shoes Exhibition - Show runs November 13 - December 21. huronvalleyarts.org

Due October 25 - National Oil & Acrylic Painters Society - Fall Online International Exhibition - www.noaps.org/2020-fall-on-line-prospectus

Due October 25 - Scarab Club - 107th Annual Gold Medal Exhibition and SC Annual Book International Exhibition - show runs November 18, 2020-January 2, 2021. <https://scarabclub.org>

Due October 30 - Richeson 75 - Animals, Birds & Wildlife online - richeson75.com/pages/callforentries.html

Due October 30 - Gateway International Competition - online monthly and annual competition - www.paintingcontest.org/prospectus

Due October 30 - Plein Air Salon - online monthly and annual competition - <https://pleinairsalon.com/>

Due November 1 - Artists Magazine - Over 60 Art Competition - <https://www.artistsnetwork.com/art-competitions/over-60>

Due November 5 - Portrait Society of America - 16th Annual Members Competition - www.portraitsociety.org/members-only-competition

Due November 22 - Northville Art House - Shear Madness: Juried Collage Exhibition Show runs January 13 - February 6. northvillearthouse.org

Find other calls for entry at

<https://artist.callforentry.org/>
<https://www.entrythingy.com/>
<https://artcall.org/calls>

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Things we can always use at the SHAC:

- Paper towels!
- Business Envelopes
- Stamps
- 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. Current restrictions apply.

Fall classes at the SHAC

For kids: Kids 'n Canvas; Kids 'n Canvas Kits To Go; Preschool Art Kits

For teens to adults: Painting with Pastels; Teen Art Photography Outdoors; Introduction to Fine Arts, Watercolors with Steph.

For adults: Abstract Art; Full Spectrum of Colored Pencil; Oil Painting from Life; Pottery II; Drop in and Create; Ceramics Open Studio.

Homeschool: Introduction to Fine Arts.

For Special Needs: Peacock Art Club (PAC) is currently on hold. When we resume, class is held Thursdays 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Art 'a la Carte: You tell us what you would like to learn, bring your group and we will provide the instructor and materials.

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/classes, stop in to the SHAC, or call us for more information. Please stay tuned as we start to offer more classes in the coming months. Capacity limitations may apply.

Upcoming events...

October 17: SHAC Road Rally Fundraiser See front page, or go to our website for details and to sign up.

November 12 - January 8: Gifts of Art Show and Sale Our annual holiday show is our most successful art sales event of the year. Artists: start planning now for your small works of art, which must be under 17" in any direction, framed and ready for display, and \$150 or under. Patrons: come early and often as artwork will be replaced with new pieces as it sells.

Date TBD: Wine Tasting Fundraiser

**If you have any ideas for fundraisers for the VFAA / SHAC, please let us know. We are working on some ideas but would love to hear yours! Thank you in advance for your ideas and your generosity.

Art papers, frames and mat board for sale!

Art surfaces: Watercolor, pastel, drawing paper, canvas. Available for a donation.

Frames: Small \$5, Medium \$10, or Large \$20. Main Street Art has recently donated about 50 more frames for our collection. We have a variety of sizes and styles -- come check it out.

Mats: Pre-cut: \$1 each. Large sheets (30" x 40") white and gold mat board for \$5 each. If you need it cut down please ask us.



SHOW YOUR CARD

Members benefits include...

- Discounts at Main Street Art, Millers Art Supply, SHAC classes
- 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: Village Fine Arts Association • 125 South Main Street, Suite 700 • Milford, MI 48381 Contact us at shac@milfordvfaa.org or 248-797-3060. Visit us online at milfordvfaa.org





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