

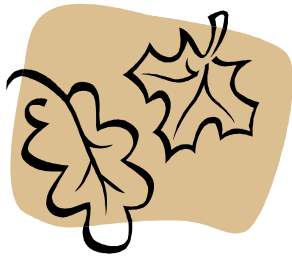
NEWSLETTER

Arts Institute Group of the Merrimack Valley, Inc.
P.O.Box 879, Methuen, MA 01844
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September
2013

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Monthly meetings: **Third Thursday** of the month—At Nevins Adult Day Center: Directions: From Route 93 take Exit 48, Route 213-East. Take the first exit (Route 28). Bear Right at the end of the ramp onto Rt. 28/Broadway. Go through Methuen Square and continue South. Go straight through the next traffic light (Oakland Ave.) and then turn Right into the driveway of Nevins Home. Follow the driveway back passing both the Nevins Manor and the Nursing Center until you reach the Adult Day Care Center on the Left. Park in the lot that is behind the Adult Day Care Center. Meeting starts at 7PM. Give me a call if you get lost:: Gail Fuller (617) 510-5742



Welcome back this month's mtg.....

**This Thursday, 9/19/13
7PM**

"Art at the Library" is just around the corner and there is so much to be done. If you are willing to lend a hand (in any way) please just let me know.

Hocuspocus, the theme for this year's show, brings to mind the magical and spooky. We expect to see some inspiring new work.

**Bring your latest work for
Show and Tell**

**We will finalize plans for
"Artistree Two"**

**A wooden mini-tree to be painted
by 4 of our members.**

**We always accept suggestions for
themes for future shows and
events.**

Time is flying and after a crazy, busy summer, its time to get on with all of our AIGMV projects.

Art at the Library is a major fund raiser for our scholarship fund and we need as much help as you are able to give.

Thanks in advance to all who in any way will contribute to it's success.

To volunteer, contact:
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The Festival of Trees project follows on the heels of Art at the Library. This year, we will again enter a tree decorated with miniature original artwork, "Artistree". We would like as many members as possible to paint or craft an ornament (or two). Each ornament starts as a 3x3 or 3x4 wood blank. In the past, our artists decorated them in acrylics, oils, pastels (coated in clear acrylic), decoupage watercolors and collage. Let your imagination run wild.

Contact Gail Fuller, if you need wood blanks for your ornaments.

Ornaments must be submitted by the October meeting (10/17).



Last year's award, 2nd most creative



12th Annual Art at the Library

Open to all Artists Theme: *Hocuspocus*

10 Full days of showing

Oct. 23 to Nov. 2, 2013

Entry Options: *Your own screen set-ups

Members—\$50

Non-Members—\$100

* Entering up to (3) Artworks

Members, \$10 for each piece

Non-Members, \$ 20 for each piece

Size limit: 44"W x 48" H

Work deemed inappropriate for family viewing will be rejected.

A minimum of one Artwork must be for sale

A 25% commission will be taken on all sales. No price on request.

Ribbons and cash prizes will be awarded

Categories: Oil, Acrylic, Watercolor, Photography, Pastel, All Other Media

Awards: Cash Awards for Best of Show, Theme and First place in each category.

Ribbons First and Second place in each category and Honorable Mentions, Best of Show and Theme

To be Awarded by the judge.

Librarian's Choice to be awarded by the librarians,

Mayor Stephen N.Zanni Award Mayor of the city of Methuen,

People's Choice Award to be determined at the end of the show by popular vote of the show's visitors.

Your donation of a framed (ready to hang) artwork or other item, (gift basket, gift cards, etc) for the drawing to be held at the closing of the show at Noon or Saturday, November 2, 2013 is very much appreciated. The drawing gives a real boost to our scholarship fund.

The AIGMV is accepting contributions to the scholarship fund in memory of a departed friend or relative. This gives you the opportunity to make an affordable contribution (anything over \$25— to our scholarship fund. We will recognize each contributor and the loved one to be remembered in the postings at our shows.

Qualified and deserving High School Seniors from local schools, who intend to further their educations in the Arts, will benefit from your contributions..

This year's, Sponsors, so far, are: Lynn Vidler and Dan O'Connell (in memory of Donald C. Vidler and Daniel D. O'Connor), Dave Drinon, Vern Kilby,



Art on display at The Savings Bank

FEATURED ARTIST

Gail Fuller

The Savings Bank

17 Burnham Road, Methuen

Displays will change every month. This is another great opportunity to show your work.

We need more artists to participate. If you are interested, contact: Gail Fuller at (617)-510-5742

**Methuen
Federal Credit Union
248 Broadway
Methuen, MA
Supports the Arts
and
Displays the
work of our members!**

*If you would like to display at the Credit Union, call Gail:
617-510-5742*

*Would you like to be the Mayor's **Artist of the Month**?
Our members are eligible.
Contact Julliette Cormier:
jcormier@ci.methuen.ma.us
[978-983-8505](tel:978-983-8505)*

Festival of Trees Project



As you may know, we were awarded 2nd place in the Most Unique/Most Creative category for 2012

This year, we expect to do better.

Our members are invited to produce hand painted ornaments to be used as decorations for the tree we will enter in the Festival of Trees event this coming fall. Think minis. Originals please, no copyright infringements.

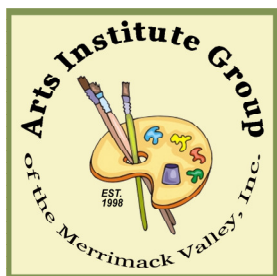
3X3 and 3X4 blanks will be available (no charge) for you at monthly meetings. Plan to take a few home and see what you can come up with!

2013 CALENDAR

- September** Meeting — 6/20
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- October** Meeting — 10/17
- David Leblanc demonstrates **Art at the Library,**
10/23 - 11/2
- November** Meeting—11/21
- December** Meeting/party—12/19



Join our Group
New members are al-
ways welcome



Remember: If your contact information changes.....let us know. We wouldn't want you to miss your Newsletters or updates. The quickest way to get information and save the AIGMV, \$\$ on postage, is via Email.
Please make sure we have your address.
If you have information you'd like included in the Newsletter,
please submit to Gail Fuller by the 10th of the month.
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Wanted—Demonstrators
For AIGMV MONTHLY MEETINGS
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