

NEWSLETTER

Arts Institute Group of the Merrimack Valley, Inc.
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February

2015

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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 artsinstitutegroup.org



Happy Valentines Day

In an effort to continue leading the group in a democratic way, I ask that you call or Email me with any ideas, issues, comments or concerns you may have so that I can bring them to the attention of the board at the March Board Meeting.

All members in good standing (dues must be paid) are requested to attend the March monthly meeting to formally elect into office, the 2015/2016 Officers and Board of Directors for our organization.

The bad weather we are enduring has an upside.

We can make use of the time inside and work on raffle items for upcoming shows and hand-made ornaments for our next entry at The Festival of Trees, AIGMV Artistree III

I look forward to seeing you at the meeting on Thursday.

Be safe

David Jones, President

This month's meeting

Thursday, 2/19, 2015—7PM

Denise Rainis

**President, Chelmsford Art Society
Will demonstrate her techniques with pastels and she will lead a mini workshop as four of our members join her with pastels in hand. Don't miss a fun evening as you see how our artists work.**

We still welcome your recommendations for themes for our Mann's and Art in the Library Show for both this year and following years. Please email your suggestions to David and we'll discuss and vote on them at the next meeting

David Jones, President

978) 738-1924

davidronaldjones@gmail.com

*Love is energy of life.
(Robert Browning)*

AIGMV Artistree-III

The next Festival of Trees project will be a group effort of hand made ornaments by our members. Ornaments should highlight the talents of our members. Paint, draw, collage, sculpt or craft and let your imagination go wild.

No excuses of not having enough time.... You have til next November!

It's January and
Time to pay your dues.
Be a "member in good standing" and write that \$25. check today: Mail it to:
AIGMV
P.O. Box 879
Methuen, MA 01844



Upcoming Events

Future DEMONSTRATORS

Please email your recommendations for presenters at upcoming shows to Vern. Vern and David will then establish a formal schedule once we have contacted the suggested presenter to determine their availability for our Thursday night monthly meetings. Unfortunately we did not get the grant we requested from the Methuen Cultural Council. They were oversubscribed many times for the grants they were able to give out in 2015. We'll work harder this year to create a grant application for 2016, earlier, and with more detail of the specifics of how we will spend the money. Our grant request was to pay for the demonstrators at our monthly meetings so if we can send them a more detailed schedule of presenters planned for 2015 and 2016 this would greatly help to support our request.

David Jones 978) 738-1924 drjjmj@comcast.net

Vern Kilby 603)432-6053 vernjk@juno.com

Spring Show at Mann Orchards

We are, once again, planning a collaborative slide show with The Grey Court Poets for our Spring Show at Mann Orchards on Saturday, June 13.

(This year's show will be a one day event)

If you would like to try to inspire the poets with your Art, send jpegs (as high quality as possible) to Pilar Quintana at: pilarquintana@comcast.net.

Deadline for submitting your jpegs is April 15, 2015

The Methuen Federal Credit Union

The Methuen Federal Credit Union has, for the last several years, displayed the work of our members and supported our fall shows at Nevins Memorial Library.

AIGMV Members are now eligible to join the Credit Union.

David Jones will have details at the Meeting on February 19th.

Do you have questions about our Festival of Trees project?

Contact:

Janice Jones (978) 738-1924 drjimj@comcast.net



Methuen

Federal Credit Union

248 Broadway
Methuen, MA

**Supports the Arts and
Continues to display the
work of our members!**

*If you would like to display at
the Credit Union or if you would
like to change an artwork that
has been there for a while,*

call: David Jones, President

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***AIGMV Members may now join the
Methuen Federal Credit Union***

AIGMV Art

on display at The Savings Bank

The Savings Bank

17 Burnham Road, Methuen

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

call David Jones, President

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If you have a suggestion of themes for
future shows, or possible demonstrators,
please share the info with Vern Kilby.

603)432-6053 vernijk@juno.com

We look forward to your in-put

2015 CALENDAR

- February Meeting _____02/19/15
- March Meeting _____03/19/15
- April Meeting _____04/16/15
- May Meeting _____05/21/15
- Scholarship Awards
- June— Art in the Orchard _____6/13/15
- _____Meeting—6/18/15
- July and August _____Hiatus— no meetings
- September Meeting _____09/17/15
- October Meeting _____10/15/15
- _____Art at the Library—10/ 21-31/15
- November Meeting _____11/19/15
- December Meeting _____12/17/15

*Would you like to be the
Mayor's **Artist of the Month?**
All of our members are eligible.*

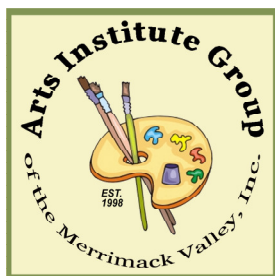
*Contact Julliette Cormier:
jcormier@ci.methuen.ma.us*

[978-983-8505](tel:978-983-8505)

*Love is the immortal flow of
energy that nourishes, ex-
tends and preserves. Its eter-
nal goal is life. ([Smiley
Blanton](#))*



*Join our Group
New members are
always 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. 617-510-5742, g.g.fuller@gmail.com

Wanted—Demonstrators

For AIGMV MONTHLY MEETINGS

Contact Vern Kilby 603)432-6053 vernjk@juno.com

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- Festival of Trees, Janice Jones.....(978) 738-1924 drjjmj@comcast.

*To be free of
fear is to be
full of Love.
([Adyashanti](#))*

If you have information to add to the Newsletter or if you have a new website and would like to add it to the listing of the AIGMV website,
Contact
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*The things that we love tell us what we are.
([St. Thomas Aquinas](#))*