

# NEWSLETTER

Arts Institute Group of the Merrimack Valley, Inc.  
P.O.Box 879, Methuen, MA 01844  
[www.artsinstitutegroup.org](http://www.artsinstitutegroup.org)

December  
2015

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. at 7PM.



### President's Message...

I'd like to wish everyone a Happy Holiday Season and a Happy and Healthy 2016.

Thanks to all who supported and helped us produce our events, enabling us to continue as a vibrant and viable art association in the Merrimack Valley— as we continue to promote the Arts in our community.

We are thrilled to report we will again be able to offer a \$1,000 scholarship in 2016 . Thanks to our Scholarship committee for their dedication in 2015 . We look forward to your selection for 2016.

Don't miss the Pot Luck Holiday party on the 17th.

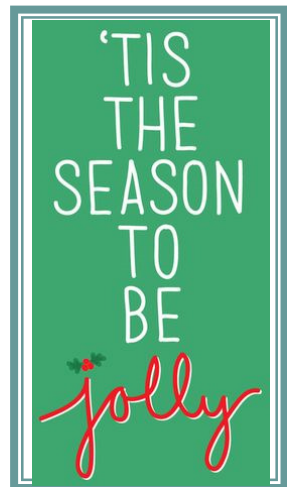
**This month's Meeting**  
**Thursday, 12/17/2015—7PM**

## Holiday Pot Luck and Yankee Swap

You are invited to bring a friend (or spouse) and a dish to share.

Each person who would like to participate in the Yankee Swap should bring a \$10 to \$15 wrapped gift.

Be prepared for fun.



New members  
are  
always welcome!

Come to our next meeting or  
Download the Membership  
form from our website:

[www.ArtsInstituteGroup.org](http://www.ArtsInstituteGroup.org)

And mail it with a check for

**\$25.00 to:**

*AIGMV*

*P.O. Box 879*

*Methuen, MA 01844*

If you don't have Christmas in your heart, you will never find it under the tree.



Don't miss this year's Holiday Party and Yankee Swap

Guests are welcome

*Bring a dish to share (more savory than desserts, please?)*

*Please bring a wrapped gift (\$10—\$15 limit) if you wish to participate in the Yankee Swap.*

*This is a meeting we look forward to every year. Lots of great food and many laughs are a sure thing.*

"When we remember a special Christmas, it is not the presents that made it special, but the laughter, the feeling of love, and the togetherness of friends and family that made that Christmas special."

[Catherine Pulsifer](#)

Valerie Cox, our webmaster is doing a great job of keeping the website current. Be sure to check it out: [www.ArtsInstituteGroup.org](http://www.ArtsInstituteGroup.org)

Nevins Family of Services is seeking local artists to enhance resident life within our Rehabilitation and Adult Day programs. If you have two hours each month (give or take) to share your talents and provide residents with a meaningful hands-on activity, we would love to talk with you. Please contact the Volunteer Program Coordinator, Bonnie Herrick at 1-978-682-7611 or [beherrick@hcnevins.org](mailto:beherrick@hcnevins.org).

It is with sadness that we send condolences to, Janice and David Jones the recent passing of Janice's mother, Mrs. Alta Young



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like to change an artwork that  
has been there for a while,*

call: David Jones, President

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Art by

Ann Rahming

is on display at

*The Savings Bank*

17 Burnham Road, Methuen.

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

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*Would you like to be the  
Mayor's Artist of the Month?  
All of our members are eligible.  
Contact Julliette Cormier:  
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[978-983-8505](tel:978-983-8505)

2015 CALENDAR

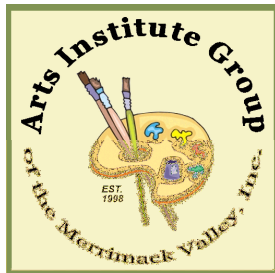
December Meeting-----12/17/15

Annual AIGMV Party and Yankee Swap





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](mailto:g.g.fuller@gmail.com)

Wanted—Demonstrators

For AIGMV MONTHLY MEETINGS

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Bylaws update, Volunteer needed

Grant Writer, Volunteer Needed

**Themes for  
Future Fall Shows**

**10/19 to 10/29, 2016:**  
**The Beauty of New England**

**2017**  
**A Sense of Place**

If you are an AIGMV  
member and would  
like to link your  
website to the  
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