

NEWSLETTER

Arts Institute Group of the Merrimack Valley, Inc.
P.O.Box 879, Methuen, MA 01844
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January
2017

Monthly meetings: Third Wednesday of the month—At The Nevins Retirement Home
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. Our meeting will be held in the first building on the left as you enter the complex. Please continue ahead to the main lot to park your vehicle.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

January Meeting, 1/18/17

Demonstrator—Rosanne Bartlett

Will demonstrate her techniques on a detailed landscape using markers. She will show how to produce a blended look, even though markers don't blend. She will recommend subject matter and the materials that give best results.

Rosanne has studied Art since Junior High School and went on to study at UMass Lowell. She works in many mediums: acrylic, casein, oils, pastels, charcoal, photography, pencil, pen, mixed media and markers. She enjoys translating the beauty that God has created into Art.

It is time to renew your membership

Please bring your \$25.00 dues to the next monthly meeting, or mail your check to AIGMV
P.O. Box 879
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"Colour helps to express light, not the physical phenomenon, but the only light that really exists, that in the artist's brain."

[Henri Matisse](#), 1945.



The President's Message

"Welcome to 2017, I wish you all health and personal and professional success in this new year of opportunity for all of our AIGMV artists. We will continue to meet on the third Wednesday of each month at the Nevins Retirement Center on Broadway in Methuen from 7:00 to 8:30pm (January 18th, 2017, this month). We meet in the basement of the main building and to access the basement, enter from the main parking lot, through the door on the right, take the elevator immediately on your left to the basement, and our meeting room is to the left and then right of the main dining room. Our thanks continue to go out to Donna Tulley who continues to host us in this warm and welcoming place. If you get lost in the building do not hesitate to call my cell [978-852-2338](tel:978-852-2338)

Will Winslow is already working hard with his AIGMV Scholarship Committee and they are in the process of contacting Merrimack Valley Schools and their Art Departments to ask art students to assemble their portfolios for evaluation by the AIGMV committee to determine our annual \$1,000.00 AIGMV Art Scholarship winner. The Art Scholarship Presentation this year will be at our May 17th Wednesday evening meeting and we look forward to the winner and her/his family attending (in 2016 Will and his team had a tough job resulting in a dead heat between two joint winners who were awarded \$500.00 each. Both winners were from the same North Andover Art Class!).

Congratulations to the Methuen Mayor's Artist of the Month - Delores Rancourt. Delores was featured on the front page of the December 20th, Eagle Tribune, on the Header: "Methuen >> Rancourt is Artist of the Month", and on page 3, with a 7" article with a large photogenic photograph of her and Mayor Zanni together in front of her six beautiful framed artworks. Delores was also featured in Methuen Life. Congratulations Delores for both your personal art achievements and for representing the AIGMV so well. As always Mayor Zanni welcomes all AIGMV Members to become his Methuen Artist of the Month so please contact Jen Myers at [978-983-8505](tel:978-983-8505) to schedule and reserve your month

The next AIGMV Board Meeting is scheduled on Wednesday, March 8th, 2017 at 7:00pm in the Nevins Library Study Room (downstairs in the Children's Department) and one of the agenda items will be to discuss how many major AIGMV shows we should hold each year (in addition to our Fall Nevins Library Show). Please come with your ideas for potential venues and timeframes. All AIGMV Members are invited to attend.

I'm talking up the AIGMV at all art events I attend and hopefully this will result in additional AIGMV members in the future, I hope you all do as well. If you have ideas as to someone you meet who would be an excellent future demonstrator, please do not hesitate to let me know and I will contact them to schedule them to demonstrate at a future AIGMV meeting!

My very best regards to you all in 2017.

David

"I foresee it and yet I hardly ever carry it out as I foresee it. It transforms itself by the actual paint. I don't in fact know very often what the paint will do, and it does many things which are very much better than I could make it do" - Francis Bacon, 1963

"Every child is an artist. The problem is how to remain an artist once he grows up" - Pablo Picasso



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At: The Savings Bank

17 Burnham Road, Methuen.

*Contact David Jones if you would like to
display your work at this location*

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2017 CALENDAR

- January 18 - Meeting
- February 15 - Meeting
- March 8—Board Meeting, 3/15— Monthly mtg.
- April 19—Meeting
- May 17—Meeting, Scholarship Awards
- June 21—Meeting
- July and August—Hiatus
- September 20—Meeting
- October 18—Meeting
- November 15—Meeting
- December 20—Holiday Pot Luck

*Would you like to be the
Mayor's*

Artist of the Month?

All of our members are eligible.

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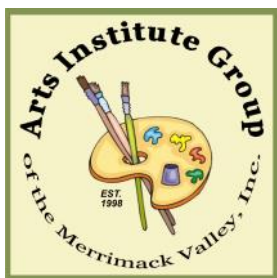
*"The world of reality has its limits; the
world of imagination is boundless." -
Jean-Jacques Rousseau*

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ing a great job of keeping the web-
site current. Be sure to check it
out: www.ArtsInstituteGroup.org**

*"Only when he no longer knows what he
is doing does the painter do good
things." - Edgar Degas*



*Join our Group
Artists and Art lovers
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.

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Wanted—Demonstrators

For AIGMV MONTHLY MEETINGS

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Bylaws update, Volunteer needed

Grant Writer, Volunteer Needed

**Theme for
Future Fall Show**

**Art at the Library
2017
"A Sense of Place"**

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