Hi all,

We’ve had a busy and productive couple of months.

As for Elderfields, I’m pleased to announce that new plans for our fire alarm system have been submitted to the Fire Marshall. The rough wiring has now been completed and we are waiting for the Fire Marshall’s approval of the plans. We are crossing our fingers that in early 2014, The Art Guild will be totally operational and able to hold events that include public assembly. As for the heat, we want to thank Nassau County for installing a new gas burner. The building is now nice and warm so our studio artists can put away their overcoats.

We’ve run some wonderful events recently. In September, nationally known artist and instructor, Doug Dawson, gave two workshops for pastelists and oil painters: Plein Air Landscape Painting and Capturing the Character: Head & Shoulders. He also held a pastel demo, Painting a Character Study. Doug is a master colorist. It was really fascinating to see him work and to learn from him.

In October the annual Members Showcase exhibit was held at the Graphic Eye Gallery in Port Washington. We had a great turnout. Thank you to all who participated. Concurrently we held Concert of Color, a juried exhibit sponsored by Nassau County and held in conjunction with the County’s Fall Concert Series at the elegant Chelsea Mansion. We want to thank Nassau County, especially Commissioner Carnell Foskey, Eileen Krieb; Art Guild President, Shelley Holtzman and Juror of Awards, Franklin Hill Perrell. The opening reception was a big hit and the food catered by the County was a huge step up from our usual fare. We’d love to make this an annual event!

As a special project, ten members of The Art Guild collaborated to create a painting of the Nassau County Legislature Building that was presented to the County at the Concert of Color opening. Each artist painted a 10 x 10 panel in their own individual style. Thank you Aleta Crawford for organizing this project and Bill Heapps for assembling the panels into the completed group picture.

Our annual meeting was held on October 22nd. Thank you to all the board members for their dedication and continuing service to the Guild. I also especially want to thank Diane Bares, our Executive Director, for her hard work and commitment to The Art Guild and Ilene Silberstein for joining me as co-president next year.

We are planning our next Small Works Members Show at the Atria in Roslyn for February. Watch for details.

Happy New Year to everyone!

Shelley Holtzman
The Art Guild's 2013 Members Showcase Exhibit was held at the Graphic Eye Gallery located at 402 Main Street in Port Washington from October 3-27. Thirty-five members participated with a total of 58 works on view. The reception was held on Sunday, October 6. New York City artist and instructor, Matt Weigle served as juror of awards.

First place was awarded to Gia Schifano for her oil landscape, "Towd Point at DUSIL." Second Place was given to Bruce Laird for his mixed media collage entitled, "Redefining in 2013." Deborah Miller received third place for her photograph, "Shadows." Honorable mentions were given to Diane Bares for the oil, "Pond at Bailey's Arboretum," and to Diana DeSantis for her pastel figure painting, "Wall Street."

Thank you to all The Art Guild members who participated in the 2013 Showcase: Marion Argueta, Anthony Arlis, Diane Bares, Shelley Berkeley, Carol Bussola, Aleta Crawford, Kathy D'Amato-Smith, Diana DeSantis, Arlene Dorfman, Barbara Flamm, Ivan Frisch, Christy Fritz, Fred Giner, Sue Herbst, John Hirsch, Shelley Holtzman, Stephanie Navon-Jacobson, Maureen Klemes, Randy Kraft, Bruce Laird, Hannelore Livadas, Deborah Miller, Maurice Newstein, Doris Roberts, Linda Ruden, Gia Schifano, Ellen Hallie Schiff, Roberta Seid, Jose Seligson, Ilene Silberstein, Barbara Silbert, Robert Stuhmer, Margo Vignola, Tani Shaesta Waheed and Nina Wolf.

(For more pictures visit Facebook.com/TheArtGuild.)

The Shkuda Award for Broadening Creative Pursuits was awarded at the Members Showcase. This award was created and funded by The Art Guild founder and former president, Terri Shkuda, and is given annually to the member who best exemplifies the Guild's mission to serve the visual arts community by encouraging, educating, exploring and exhibiting. This year's recipient is Sue Herbst. Terri’s sister-in-law, Kathy Shkuda presented the award in her absence. Congratulations Sue!
Concert of Color, a juried exhibit of artwork presented by The Art Guild was held October 17-24 at Chelsea Mansion, located in Nassau County’s Muttontown Preserve, East Norwich, New York. This exhibit was held in conjunction with Nassau County’s Fall Music Series.

Artwork by 32 artists was selected for this exhibit. The reception and awards ceremony was held on Thursday, October 17 from 5:00 – 7:00 PM followed by a free concert by the Leon Petrucci Jazz Orchestra. Franklin Hill Perrell, former Chief Curator at the Nassau County Museum of Art and current Executive Director of the Roslyn Landmark Society served as juror of awards. First Place was awarded to Roberta Aviram for her oil painting, “Three and a Half Roses.” Aleta Crawford received second place for the oil painting, “Wait for Me,” and Shelley Holtzman’s watercolor, “Yellow Rose,” received third place. Honorable Mention was awarded to Ellen Hallie Schiff’s oil on paper titled “Summer of Grays.” Congratulations to the winners!

Artists whose work was selected for the Concert of Color exhibit are: Roberta Aviram, Diane Bares, Douglas Barnaby, Leo Bliok, Phyllis Buchner, Frank Burke, Caryn Coville, Aleta Crawford, Kathy D’Amato-Smith, Diana DeSantis, Nancy Fabrizio, Ivan Frisch, Christy Fritz, Susan Herbst, Vivian Hershfield, Shelley Holtzman, Frances Ianarella, Randy Kraft, Bruce Laird, Hannelore Livadas, Rose Marino, Madeline Merlyash, Deborah Miller, Linda Ruden, Gia Schifano, Ellen Hallie Schiff, Ilene Silberstein, Hazel Silverberg and Grace Su.

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A special note of appreciation to the artists who volunteered as docents during the exhibit: Roberta Aviram, Phyllis Buchner, Caryn Coville, Aleta and Jim Crawford, Kathy D’Amato-Smith, Sue Herbst, Shelley Holtzman, Frances Ianarella, Randy Kraft, Katherine and Bruce Laird, Hannelore Livadas, Gia Schifano and Ilene Silberstein.
Nationally known artist and teacher, Doug Dawson PSA Master Pastelist & Oil Painter gave two workshops at Elderfields Preserve in September 2013. Mr. Dawson is known for his masterful landscapes, cityscapes and figures. His award-winning works reflect the diverse interests of this articulate, philosophical and sentimental artist.

During the first evening of Dawson’s arrival, the artist gave a demonstration of “Painting a Character Study,” while working from a model. This demo was extremely informative and enjoyed by all who attended.

The 3-Day Plein Air Landscape Workshop began the following day at Elderfields with a landscape demo and later artists worked on thumbnail sketches prior to working on paintings in pastel or oil. The next day, the group met at the town dock in Port Washington for a day of plein air painting at this waterfront location. The third day of painting began on the grounds at the Nassau County Museum of Art but was quickly rained out so the group went to Elderfields to finish their paintings indoors.

The Head and Shoulders – Capturing the Character Workshop was held on Sunday. The artists attending this workshop enjoyed working from the model while receiving instruction from Dawson.

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PAINTFEST AT ELDERFIELDS

On August 18, we held our second PaintFest at Elderfields. Despite the overcast day, about 10 people - some old friends and some new faces - painted around the grounds. We are looking forward to making this a regular event beginning next spring.

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SAVE THE DATE

The Art Guild's Small Works Members Exhibit in February 2014 at the Atria Senior Living Center in Roslyn. Watch for additional information.

The Art Guild's Nassau County High School Student Competition & Exhibition, May 7 - June 10, 2014, Tilles Center for Performing Arts. This exhibit is open to all high school students who attend school in Nassau County. Details to come.

For more information on these events, please call 516-304-5797 or email info@TheArtGuild.org

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MEMBERS’ NEWS

The Art Guild members Diane Bares, Aleta Crawford, Kathry D'Amato-Smith, Myra Fox, Shelley Holtzman, Bruce Laird, Piper Lyman, Shula Mustacchi, Ellen Hallie Schiff, Ilene Silberstein, Barbara Silbert, Barbara Spivak, Barbara Stein, Susan Tiffen, Tani Waheed, Elaine Walden and Dave Wollin had work included in the art exhibit at the 2013 Designer ShowHouse, Hempstead House, Sands Point Preserve, Sands Point, Nov. 2013.

Shelley Berkeley, Myra Fox, Ivan Frisch, Christy Fritz, Fred Giner, Deborah Miller, Ann Pellaton, Doris Roberts, Barbara Silbert, Ira Slutzsky, Barbara Spivak, Barbara Stein (Honorable Mention), Susan Tiffen, Nina Wolf and Dave Wollin had works included in the Manhasset Art Association’s “Art in Autumn” exhibit, November 2013, at QW Gallery, 113A Main St, Port Washington, 516 767-8566.

Edith Rae Brown (sculpture - “Care of the Soul”) and Diane DeSantis (pastel - “Maria”) had work in the online exhibit of the Audubon Artists., www.audubonartists.org.

Phyllis Buchner, Shelley Holtzman, Frances Ianarella and Robert Stuhmer had artwork accepted to the Huntington Arts Council's juried “Still Life 2013.”

Works by Aleta Crawford will be included in a group exhibit at the Sid Jacobson JCC, 300 Forest Drive, East Hills, NY, January 3 - April 23, 2014. Opening Reception: Sunday Jan 5, 2014 Noon - 1:30pm

Diana DeSantis was awarded the silver medal at the National Art League's Fall Members Show.

Ray Gomez was part of Artists in the Attic, Open Studios, Sept. 28 at Yankee Peddler, 2nd floor, Huntington Station

Susan Herbst had two paintings in Port-to-Port: Bridging the Sound Through Art Exchange Exhibition, Nov. 2013. Her work was shown with other LI artists at the Read's Art Building in Bridgeport. (Connecticut artists' work shown at the Port Jefferson Village Center) gpjac.org or bridgeportarts.org

Vivian Hershfield won First Prize for her pastel painting “Rocky Coast,” Nancy Fabrizio received Second Prize for the oil painting “The Sea,” and Grace Su received Third Prize for her oil painting, “Salzburg at Night,” at the National Art League’s Membership Exhibition.

Bruce Laird had a collage in the Art League of Long Island’s members show in Dix Hills, Nov 10 - Dec 1, 2013.

Milt Masur had a painting included in the Great Neck Arts Center’s 2013 Annual Judged Members Exhibition August 31 - September 30, Jericho Public Library. He also has a painting at the Whaling Museum Exhibition: Waves and Watercolors, Cold Spring Harbor NY, through Labor Day 2014. An exhibit of his work will be on view through Jan. 3, 2014, Bryant Library, 2 Papermill Road, Roslyn NY

Linda S. Ruden will have a solo show in the Main Gallery at the Port Washington Public Library - Reflections To and From: Works in Paper and Paint, January 3 - 31, 2014. Reception January 11, 2 - 4 pm. One Library Drive, Port Washington, NY 11050. lindruden.com

Claudia Schellenberg had four pastels in a group show “Landscapes” at the Howland Center, Beacon, NY, Nov. 2013.

Robert Seld received 2nd Place Award, for her painting entitled “Shoe Fetish,” in the Jericho Library’s 2013 Annual Juried Show, (for members of The Great Neck Arts Center). She will also be exhibiting “Poppy Ruby” at the Great Neck Library, 159 Bayview Ave Great Neck, Nov. 7 - Jan. 6.

Mario Tucci had work on view at Yes We Can Community Center, 141 Garden Street, Westbury, by the Town of North Hempstead Business & Tourism Development Corporation during “The Business of Art - Round 2” Funding Sources for Artists, Nonprofits & Entrepreneurs, Oct. 25, 2013.

Have you been in a show? Received an award? Be sure to get your news listed here! Email the details to info@TheArtGuild.org
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