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On Wednesday, August 31, the home of The Art Guild of Port Washington, Inc., was forced to close after an electrical fire damaged part of the historic Hewlett-Munson-Williams House on the 3.5 acre Elderfields Historic Preserve. The damage caused us to dismantle the *Bold* photography show and cancel all upcoming shows scheduled for Elderfields. As of now, all classes, workshops and programs that are usually held at Elderfields are canceled until further notice.

Thanks to The Manhasset Public Library we do have an upcoming members show planned. *Home Away From Home* will run from December 4 to March 30, 2012 with an Artists' Reception and Awards Ceremony December 10, 2-4pm at the Manhasset Public Library, 30 Onderdonk Ave, Manhasset.

Nassau County is currently working to repair the building. At the same time, work on Phase 2 of the 2006 Environmental Bond Act has also begun. So far both the brick and stone walkways have been graded to accommodate ADA accessibility to the main entrance. Additional improvements included in Phase 2 are outdoor lighting in the parking lot and at the entrance on Port Washington Blvd. Parking space striping will also be done. We are all awaiting the day we will be able to return to Elderfields. Hopefully soon!

Please check for updates on The Art Guild web site. If you are interested in making a donation and/or know of a suitable temporary space for classes and workshops, please call Shelley Holtzman at 516-944-7595 or Diane Bares at 516-883-4385.



## **The Art Guild thanks the many fire fighters, police and first responders...**

who were quickly on the scene and efficiently extinguished the fire at Elderfields, saving the historic building. They were extremely considerate of the artwork and the historic structure, and did their best to preserve as much as possible. THANK YOU!

Port Washington Fireman Frank Scobbo with Ilene Silberstein, Shelley Holtzman and Diane Bares the evening of the fire.

**H**i to all,

2011 was a busy and exciting year for The Art Guild, until the fire, which left us temporarily homeless. But in spite of this unfortunate set back, we are still planning future events.

I want to thank Diane Bares, for stepping into the role of our first Executive Director. Overseeing exhibits, classes, workshops, lectures, studio rentals, along with building maintenance ... and now the fire ... keeps her extremely busy.

Thank you to Ilene Silberstein who has taken on the position of Chairperson. Her attention to detail and outgoing personality will keep the board on task.

Ellen Halle Schiff has been a great help as Vice President and she will be chairing the upcoming Winter Dance Party & Fundraiser.

I want to give a special thank you to Aleta Crawford who volunteered to take on the position of Treasurer during our Annual Membership Meeting. She is already up to speed.

Everyone on the board contributes a great deal of creativity and knowledge and I am very fortunate to work with you all. Ivan Frisch, Randy Kraft (Secretary), Bruce Laird, Piper Lyman (PR/Marketing) and Carol Schepp. I look forward to working with our new board members: Aleta Crawford, Kathy D'Amato-Smith and Jane Scal.

Finally I want to thank the people you have served on the board but have chosen to step down: Ginger Balizer-Hendler, Andrew Hollander, Barbara Silbert and Susan Tiffen. It's been a pleasure and you will be missed.

In the next few pages take a look at all of the great Art Guild events of 2011. We are looking forward to an even more exciting 2012 ... starting with our first *Art Lovers Fling*, Winter Dance Party on Friday, February 10th! It will be a night of live music, dancing, cocktails and hors d'oeuvres at *H on the Harbor* in Port Washington! Save the date!

*Shelley Holtzman*  
President

**SAVE THE DATE**

**Fri, Feb 10**  
***Art Lovers Fling***

**The Art Guild's Winter Dance Party**  
**live music • cocktails • hors d'oeuvres**  
***H on the Harbor***  
**Port Washington**


The Board of Directors has decided that going forward, The Art Guild's annual membership year will coincide with the calendar year, January 1 - December 31. Membership fees will remain the same for 2012.

If you have any questions regarding membership, contact Diane Bares 516.883.4385 or DLBares@aol.com.



**HOME AWAY FROM HOME**  
AN EXHIBIT OF WORKS BY MEMBERS OF THE ART GUILD

On view and hosted by  
**Manhasset Public Library**  
30 Onderdonk Ave, Manhasset, NY  
December 4 - March 30  
**Artists' Reception and Awards Ceremony**  
**Saturday, Dec 10th 2-4pm**  
Call 516.627.2300 for viewing times.



**BOLD**  
**A JURIED PHOTOGRAPHY**  
**COMPETITION & EXHIBITION**

The Art Guild's 2nd Annual Photography Competition and Exhibition, entitled *BOLD*, generated a great response with over 100 entries. 42 entries were selected for hanging and final judging, and on Wednesday, August 31st, the exhibit was hung. That evening the now well known fire occurred and 14 entries were lost. After struggling to find an available and suitable venue, it was decided that the show would still be judged and shown virtually on The Art Guild's website in November.

Steven Silberstein  
Exhibit Chair



Recently, Elderfields' exterior has been improved. The walkway was relaid and the flowerbeds flanking the front door were replanted, thanks to funding from the Nassau County Environmental Bond Act.

## AN INTERNAL AFFAIR:

WORKS BY THE ART GUILD  
BOARD & ELDERFIELDS STUDIO ARTISTS  
AND INSTRUCTORS

January 15 - February 13

An Internal Affair, featuring works by the Art Guild Board of Directors, instructors and studio artists, opened on January 15th. Participating artists are: Shelli Ardizzone, Ginger Balizer-Hendler, Diane Bares, Mary Blair, Elaine Cook, Aleta Crawford, Ivan Frisch, Raymond Gomez, Kathryn Lea Hill, Andrew Hollander, Shelley Holtzman, Randy Kraft, Lois Levy, Piper Lyman, Eileen Neville, Ellen Hallie Schiff, Ilene Silberstein, Barbara Silbert, Susan Tiffen, Mario Tucci and Tani Waheed. An open house was held on January 23rd. The food was delicious and plentiful! Thank you to Ginger Balizer-Hendler for chairing this event and to all of the members who contributed towards making this a special get together.



Ilene Silberstein, Randy Kraft and Ginger Balizer-Hendler



Susan Tiffen, Aleta Crawford



Nancy Fabrizio, Shelli Ardizzone



Pot Luck Yummies!

## CONTEMPLATING STILL LIFE

THE ART OF EVERYDAY OBJECTS  
JURIED COMPETITION & EXHIBITION

February 19 - March 20

Our still life show was very competitive with almost one hundred entries.

Marc Josloff, the judge, made a nice presentation of all the awards and certificates. He took the time to comment individually on each winning piece. He also remained at the reception to talk with artists who had comments and concerns - and in a bravely comic moment hung a bulls-eye on his chest to show his willingness to engage with the crowd. The artists' reception was well attended despite the big snowbanks.

Thank you so much to our exhibit chair, Aleta Crawford, who organized an amazing show!



1st Place: Eileen Neville, *Icicles*, Watercolor



3rd Place: William Dodge, *Apples on White*, Oil



2nd Place: Shelli Ardizzone, *Batik Fruit and Cezzane*, Pastel

### Honorable Mentions

(in alphabetical order):

- Phyllis Buchner, *My Mother's Tea Cups*
- Caryn Coville, *Marbles*
- William Dodge, *Orange Rhymes with Blue*
- William Heapps, *Our House Blend*
- Shelley Holtzman, *Rosemania Turquoise*
- Gerry Moran, *High Tea*
- Maurice Newstein, *Three Onions*
- Jane Sanderson, *Two Grannies and a Bartlett*
- Mario Tucci, *Pear Pixelated*

# GOING GREEN

## CELEBRATE THE EARTH

JURIED COMPETITION & EXHIBITION  
ON VIFW: MARCH 26 - MAY 1

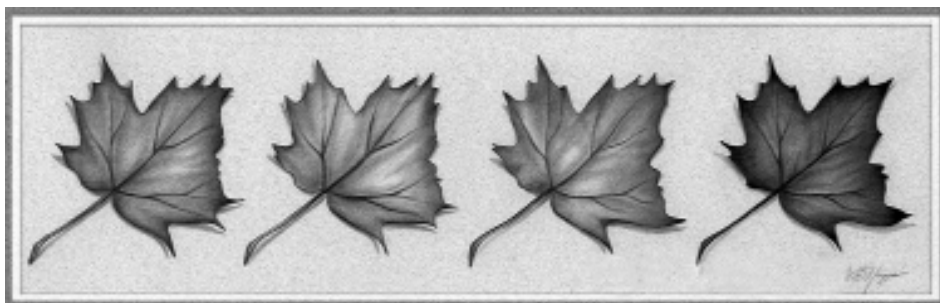
To celebrate Earth Day The Art Guild held a *Going Green Competition and Exhibition*. Fifty-four original artworks rendered in a variety of mediums including oil, acrylic, watercolor, pastel, graphite, clay, mixed media and photographs were accepted to the exhibit chaired by Myra Fox. The juror of awards was Peter Voci, MFA Director and Fine Art Chair at New York Institute of Technology. The awards were presented during the Artists' Reception held on March 10.

Thank you Myra Fox for organizing a thought provoking, exciting show.



←  
1st Place  
Ginger Balizer-Hendler  
*Mother Nature's  
Party Dress*  
Mixed Media Collage

↓  
2nd Place  
William Heapps  
*Faces of Season*  
Colored Pencil



Myra Fox, Exhibit Chair

#### Honorable Mentions:

-Bob Stuhmer, *Butterfly's View*  
-Elizabeth Ehrlichman, *Salt Marsh-Blue*



↑13th Place, Ilene Silberstein  
*Something Old, Something New*  
Pastel

## THANK YOU TO OUR GARDEN COMMITTEE...

**Chair:** Barbara Lewis Spivak **Members:** Sue Eckstein, Myra Fox, Rosemary Konatich, Karen Reichenback Ilene Silberstein and Jim Crawford

Our short-term goal was to clean up the patio and areas for the Members' Reception in June. We weeded, trimmed bushes, dug out and revised existing gardens. Pots on the patio were planted with annuals. Committee members brought their own tools, including, trowels, shovels, claws, loppers and clippers, even a pick-axe! They also contributed plants from their own gardens. Special thanks are due Rosemary Konatich who drew up plans for the rose garden and designed it to have perennials blooming from spring to fall, including iris, daylilies, daisies, phlox and echinacea.

Longer range projects include the creation of a Sculpture Garden on the right side of the property, as well as the creation of an azalea garden at the rear of the property on the left adjacent to the stone wall. We will plant Forsythia along the rear white fence and relocate the current lilac. We hope to expand the rose garden and to create an additional perennial garden.

I hope other members of TAG will consider joining the Garden Committee and help us to make Elderfields even more beautiful than it already is.

Barbara Spivak at blspivak@verizon.net

## Encaustic Painting by R&F Paint

On June 16 we held a demo for our members which gave a brief introduction to the encaustic process.

Margueritte Casparian, children's book illustrator, graphic designer and artist, spoke about the history of encaustic paint. She also demonstrated the different techniques one can use when working with encaustics. Margueritte provided materials so that everyone had an opportunity to try the methods for themselves. This well attended workshop attracted artists from all disciplines, oil painters, photographers, and watercolorists.

Thank you to Ilene Silberstein and Barbara Silbert for organizing this event.



2011 ANNUAL **STUDENT** ART EXHIBITION

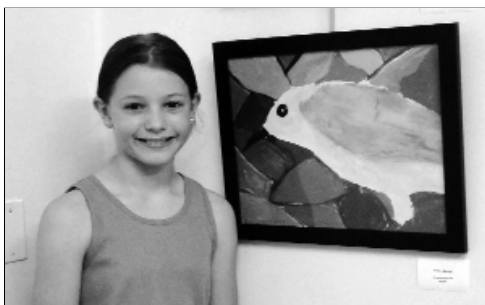
# CELEBRATION OF THE CREATIVE SPIRIT

May 7 - 15

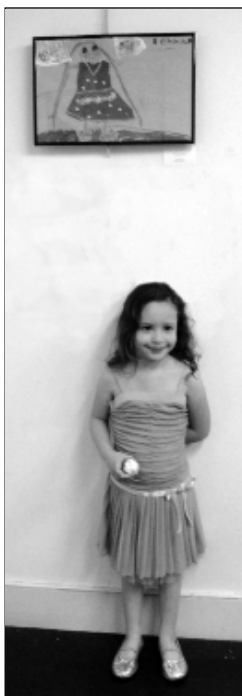
Our Annual Student Show - *Celebration of the Creative Spirit* was a great success. We are lucky at The Art Guild to be surrounded by so many talented artists! Thank you to our head of education, Elaine Cook, who chaired the exhibit.



Rosemary Konatich  
Watercolor Class



Student, Children's Art Studio



Student, Art Explorations



Student  
Fashion for Teens



Student, Children's Art Studio



Irene Cotter  
Watercolor Class



Artists' Exhibit Booths

6TH ANNUAL

## Art in the Park

at HARBORFEST

SUNDAY, JUNE 5



For more information, contact  
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**Free Art Workshops**

SPONSORED BY  
**THE ART GUILD OF PORT WASHINGTON**

**EXHIBITS OF ARTWORK BY LOCAL ARTISTS**

In Sunset Park on lower Main Street

It was another fun year of *Art in the Park at HarborFest*. The free workshops were well attended and the free button-making was also a big hit. Many artists put up booths to exhibit their artwork. The weather was beautiful which made for a really enjoyable day!

Thank you to Eileen Neville who taught the *Watercolor Workshop* and to Katie Hill for teaching *Fun with Clay*.



Kate Hill teaching *Fun with Clay Workshop*.



On Friday, June 3, The Art Guild held a reception and award ceremony for the 2011 Fourth Annual Members Showcase at Elderfields Historic Preserve in Manhasset. Franklin Hill Perrell, the former curator of the Nassau County Museum of Art and current Executive Director of the Roslyn Landmark Society was the judge for the exhibit.

Seventy-five artists participated making this a wonderfully eclectic exhibit. Thank you to exhibit chairs Ginger Balizer-Hendler and Ellen Hallie Schiff.

#### Honorable Mentions:

- Frances Ianarella, *Black Vase with Oranges*, Oil
- Kathy D'Amato-Smith, *Umbrella People*, Oil
- Mario Tucci, *Tutti-Frutti*, Oil



1st Place: Diana De Santis, *Tom*, Pastel



Student Award: Will Rubenstein  
*Hiding Behind Broken Glass*  
Photography



2nd Place: William Heaps  
*Sam Almost Sixteen*, Acrylic



3rd Place: Shelley Holtzman  
*New Hampshire*, Acrylic



Front: Bruce Laird, Barbara Silbert, Ivan Frisch, Councilman Fred Pollack, Susan Tiffen, Ellen Hallie Schiff Back: Ginger Balizer-Hendler, Lois Levy, Founder Terri Shkuda, Shelley Holtzman, Ilene Silberstein, Diane Bares



#### THE SHKUDA AWARD FOR BROADENING CREATIVE PURSUITS

Last year The Art Guild founder, Terri Shkuda, generously initiated a \$100 prize to be awarded at the annual Members Showcase exhibit to the person who best epitomizes the four principles of The Art Guild: Encouragement, Education, Exploration and Exhibition. Congratulations to this year's recipient, Lois Levy.

Lois accepted this honor with her mom by her side who was also celebrating something ... her 90th birthday!

**CONGRATULATIONS!**

**the art GUILD** 2011 Nassau County Student Scholarship

**WINNERS**

**DANA FAMIGLIETTI**  
Garden City High School

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**SAMANTHA KNIGHTLY**  
Valley Stream Central High School

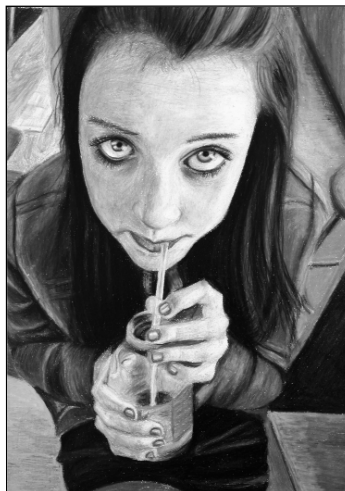
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**JORDANNE PRIME**  
Valley Stream Central High School

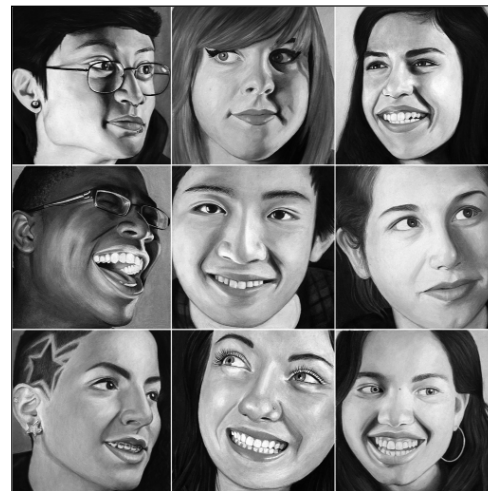
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**STEPHEN REISIG**  
Massapequa High School

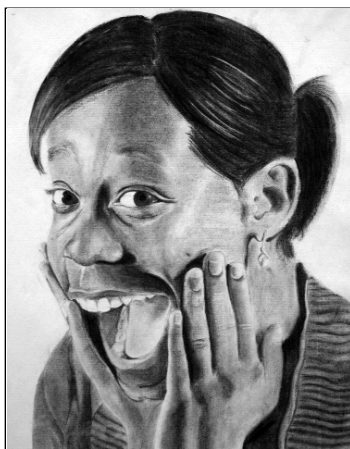
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Dana Famiglietti, *Snapple*



Samantha Knightly, *My Art Family*



Jordanne Prime, *Jordi*



Stephen Reisig, One of a series of 3 *Self Portraits*

The Art Guild's first annual *Art From the Heart* fundraiser provided funds for the *Nassau County High School Scholarship* which was presented in June to four graduating seniors. The scholarship was open to all genres of art including fashion design, photography, digital design and architecture. Over 50 applications were submitted from seniors from over 30 high schools in Nassau County. It was a very challenging task to decide the four winners of the \$500 scholarships. There is an abundance of talented young artists in our community. We hope to make this an annual scholarship for graduating seniors.

**the art GUILD** **WORKS'11**  
@ THE GRAPHIC EYE GALLERY

September 29 - October 30



Top:  
Shari Jacobs

Below left:  
Kathleen West

Below right:  
Ellen Hallie Schiff

The Art Guild's Works'11 Members' Exhibit was held at the Graphic Eye Gallery located on lower Main Street in Port Washington. Co-chaired by Ellen Schiff and Shelley Holtzman, 26 artists displayed a total of 103 artworks. The exhibit was beautifully hung by Eileen Neville with help from Maureen Klemes, Elaine Cook, Ellen Schiff and Diane Bares. The reception on October 1 was well attended.

A special thank you to the Graphic Eye Gallery for allowing The Art Guild to hold meetings at the gallery while Elderfields is unavailable to us.







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## OUR MISSION

The Art Guild of Port Washington, Inc., is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization providing encouragement, education and a forum for the appreciation of the visual arts. The Guild strives to offer residents from local and neighboring communities an avenue to broaden their creative pursuits by providing:

- **Encourage.** Encouragement to artists and craftspeople through collaboration and interaction
- **Educate.** Educational opportunities, workshops, lectures and discussion groups
- **Exhibit.** A forum in which the community can appreciate the visual arts through exhibits and community projects
- **Explore.** An art facility where residents can come to broaden their creative experiences.

It is an organization open to all people with a common goal to advance the visual arts.

**SAVE THE DATE**  
**Fri, Feb 10**  
**Art Lovers**  
**Fling**

## BECOME A MEMBER OF THE ART GUILD

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION JANUARY 1 - DECEMBER 31

☐ **NEW MEMBER** ☐ **RENEWAL**

☐ **Individual** (\$45) Single Membership

☐ **Student** (\$30) Individual full-time student (up to age 22)

☐ **Senior** (\$30) Age 65+

☐ **Family** (\$55) A group of people living in the same household.  
Includes one vote per family

☐ **Friend** (\$75) Individuals or businesses that wish to support TAG

☐ **Sponsor** (\$150) Individuals or businesses that wish to support TAG

☐ **Patron** (\$500+) Individuals or businesses that wish to support TAG

☐ **If your company has a matching gift program please remember**  
**The Art Guild**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

DOB (if under 18) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s) Name(s) (if student is under 18) \_\_\_\_\_

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City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_

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Home Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

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**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_

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