



Allied  
Artists  
of Johnstown, Pennsylvania

# Winter 2013

## Quarterly Newsletter

Shown: detail of Lora Marsh's oil on canvas 'Moonlit Tree - Winter'

### President's Letter

AAJ has hit a record high with the number of new members who have been selected to join our organization with our 2013 Winter Exhibition. Juror Patrick Ruane selected the works of sixteen individuals who chose to enter the Winter Exhibition, for inclusion in the exhibit. The show which includes 72 works from 41 artists will remain on display through February 23 at Ameriserv Financial Bank. Nine awards were given including the "Titanium White" award so named by Mr. Ruane as he donated the monies to add another award for a work he felt was deserving. Though it was one of the coldest and frost covered evenings of the winter, a large crowd gathered for the opening reception and awards ceremony on January 25. My heartfelt thanks goes to our co-chairs Annette Ballow and Judith Crookston who did a terrific job planning and organizing the 2013 Winter Exhibition. Thank you to all the members who assisted with receiving, hanging and refreshments. Please visit our web site at [www.johnstownart.com](http://www.johnstownart.com) to view the exhibition online.

If you received this newsletter, then you have also received the Spring Exhibition prospectus. If you know of anyone interested in entering the upcoming exhibit, please contact Judi Lansberry at [jlansberry@atlanticbb.net](mailto:jlansberry@atlanticbb.net) so she may mail them a prospectus. I hope to see each of you entering the Spring Exhibition especially if you haven't entered an exhibit in some time... **WE WANT YOU!!**

As a special request, please pay particular interest to two very important articles in this newsletter; one entitled "High Priority" and the other "Attention... Please Read This Plea". They contain information that you need to know about AAJ. Thank you and wishing you an early Spring!  
Diane

### \*\*\* HIGH PRIORITY - PLEASE READ \*\*\*

#### Allied Artists / Johnstown Symphony Orchestra Joint Project

Regarding the upcoming Johnstown Symphony Orchestra project that we have been working on for the past several months, for those who chose to participate, the following information is needed;

1. Do you plan to attend the symphony performance the evening of March 9? (There may be tickets available to AAJ members free of charge and a count is needed).
2. Are you available to be present the evening of March 9 to volunteer for set-up of art work and as a representative of AAJ during intermission breaks to discuss your work on display?
3. Do you have any easels which can be used for the evening to set-up? We intend to display as many works as possible but must supply the easels. The SAMA gallery will be occupied by its' current exhibition so works can not be hung.

PLEASE contact one of the symphony project co-chairs by Feb 22: Diane Safko at [aaj@johnstownart.com](mailto:aaj@johnstownart.com) or call (814) 421-1525 or Jim Richey at [jimrichey@hotmail.com](mailto:jimrichey@hotmail.com) or call (814) 242-6901 Give your response to the information requested above so we know who and what is available. Please help us make this joint effort a success by attending and/or volunteering to represent Allied Artists of Johnstown.

Also, please remember that anyone who has submitted works for this project will need to send Jim Richey a listing with the following information about their works for the symphony program guide;

1. Title of EACH WORK
2. Medium
3. Size (H x W in inches)
4. For Sale OR Not for Sale
5. Sale Price.

If you do not send Jim this information, your works will not be included in the program guide in hopes of being purchased. They will still be included in the project itself.

PLEASE COMPLY WITH THE ABOVE REQUEST ASAP! Thank you



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### 2013 Exhibit Schedule

Winter Exhibit: Jan 19 through Feb 23, 2013  
Reception - Friday, Jan 25 - 6:00 to 8:00PM  
Ameriserv - 216 Franklin Street

#### Special Event

Saturday, March 9, 2013 at 7:30 PM  
at the Pasquerilla Performing Arts Center, UPJ campus  
"Music in Pictures" - A Symphony Concert  
with Original Art Works by Johnstown's Allied Artists

Spring Exhibit: Mar 16 through Apr 20, 2013  
Reception - Friday, Mar 22 - 6:00 to 8:00PM  
Ameriserv - 216 Franklin Street

Summer Exhibit: Jun 1 through Jul 6, 2013  
Reception - Friday, Jun 7 - 6:00 to 8:00PM  
Art Works in Johnstown - 411 Third Avenue, Johnstown  
**NOTE: Large format work will be accepted**

Annual (Fall) Exhibit: Sep 6 through Dec 13, 2013  
Reception - Sept. 6 or Sept. 20(?) - 6:00 to 8:00PM  
SAMA Johnstown - 450 Schoolhouse Road, UPJ  
**NOTE: Annual Exhibit dates are tentative, to be confirmed at a later date.**

### AAJ has a new meeting place

We would like to thank Msgr Balta of St. Mary's Byzantine Church in Cambria City for allowing us the use of a large conference room in the church hall for our monthly meetings. The Allied Artists of Johnstown are appreciative of this, and special thanks to Dan Hesel for coordinating the efforts in making this a reality. Board meetings will now be held at St. Mary's Church Hall, 411 Power Street on the second Wednesday of each month at 7pm

### 2013 Board of Directors

President: Diane Safko	Vice President: open
Treasurer: Duane Webb	Recording Secretary: Annette Ballow
Membership: Judith Lansberry	Scholarship Chair: Donna Holdsworth
Patron Drive: Nadine Toth/Jim Richey	
Winter Show: Annette Ballow/Judith Crookston	
Spring Show: Lora Marsh	
Summer Show: Marcene Glover/Diane Safko	
Annual (Fall) Show: Kathy Burk/Ken Cotlar	
Newsletter/Website: Duane Webb	

### ATTENTION... PLEASE READ THIS PLEA IN ITS' ENTIRETY

An opening remains for the position of Vice-President as part of AAJ's Executive Board. The position of vice-president is an essential role which must be filled as soon as possible. Per AAJ's official by-laws, the vice-president shall assume the duties of the president in the event that he/she is unable to act, and may be assigned certain duties to assist in the daily operation of the organization. Assuming this position means you will attend the monthly board meetings and remain up to date on the issues and events that are a part of the operation of the organization.

If you are interested in sharing your abilities by becoming an essential member of the Executive Board please volunteer to support AAJ by filling the position of vice-president. We are a collective of over 100 members and there must be someone who is willing to help. Please contact Diane at [aaj@johnstownart.com](mailto:aaj@johnstownart.com) or by calling: (814) 421-1525.

THANK YOU

## LEARN TO PAINT LIKE THE IMPRESSIONIST MASTERS.

Alan Rauch, AAJ member and art instructor, will be teaching painting classes at Pennsylvania Highlands Community College Class begins April 9, 2013.

To register online: [www.pennhighlands.edu](http://www.pennhighlands.edu)  
Click "Continuing Education" and "Community education" art class brochure.  
Or call: 1-888-385-7325

## Attention Watercolor Artists

A WEEKEND WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP  
with BILL PERRY at the Bottle Works  
April 6 & 7, 2013 9am – 3pm  
Fee: \$75 includes both days



Recently, Johnstown native William Perry exhibited his watercolor paintings at the Bottle Works. For those of you who were amazed by his work - you may be interested in a workshop he will be teaching at the Bottleneck on April 6 and 7. Bring a bag lunch. For all the details, check out: [www.bottleworks.org](http://www.bottleworks.org) or call 814.536.5399 to register.

### Marcene Glover Instructing Classes at the BOTTLE WORKS

#### YOU CAN SKETCH!

Sat & Sun, April 13 & 14  
9:30am-3pm Bring a bag lunch  
Fee: \$60 includes both days AND materials

#### CREATIVE BRAIN BOOST!

Sat & Sun April 27 & 28 9:30am-3pm  
Bring a bag lunch  
Fee: \$60 includes both days AND materials  
Call to register for either or both - (814) 536-5399

### Welcome New AAJ Members!

John Akers  
Richard Christie  
Richard Hower  
Shelly Kosack  
Lance Marks  
Ben Policicchio  
Paul Rizak  
Sandy Vigna

Sherrill Begres  
Lenore Constantino  
Dawn Marie Johnson  
Patricia Lugar  
Megan Oceanrider  
MaryAnn Regula  
Christopher Tower  
Georgia Wild

**DID YOU KNOW?** You can post notices on our Blog at: [www.johnstownart.com](http://www.johnstownart.com)

### BRIAN DUMM EXHIBITING at CACCC in MARCH

Artist/illustrator Brian Dumm (and AAJ member) will be exhibiting at the Community Arts Center of Cambria County in March. The opening reception will be held Friday March 8th. The show will



Illustration above by Brian Dumm. See more at [www.bcdummillustration.com](http://www.bcdummillustration.com)

feature work which touches on Brian's experiences in both the commercial and fine arts, and reveals how the artist attempts to break down some of barriers that separate the two.

### 2013 AAJ WINTER EXHIBIT NOW SHOWING



A blustery winter day didn't keep friends and family from attending the artists opening reception on January 25th. Above; artist Lori Miglioretti (!) is standing next to her work 'Death by Chocolate'.

This show will be displayed  
January 19th to February 23rd  
at Ameriserv, 416 Franklin Street  
and can also be viewed on our website

#### Awards presented:

Maryann Regula - Bill and Judy Dembowski Award  
Stephen Jendricks - Bill and Judi Lansberry Award  
Larry Mallory - Eddie Spaghetti Award  
Rich Newill - Marilyn S. Kreitzburg Award  
Christopher Tower - Copies Plus LLC Award  
Richard Hower - Ned Wert Award  
Alan Rauch - Dan and Jane Hesel Award  
Sherrill Begres - Titanium White Award  
Alan Lichtenfels - Bob and Barbara Yetsko Award



above: a detail of Maryann Regula's pencil sketch entitled 'Grandma'

(Below) Larry Mallory's watercolor 'Out of Commission'. Besides his membership in AAJ, Larry is also the current president of the New York-based American Artists Professional League, serving in this capacity with them since 2009.

