

50 nationally recognized artists compete to capture the best of Bucks County life • June 5 - 11, 2017



Collectors Preview at Tyler Tasting Party June 9 • Plein Air Public Festival June 10 & 11



ALAN FETTERMAN
FINE ARTS



Festival celebrates beauty, history of Bucks in a time-honored manner



Local Bucks Plein Air Artist Jane Ramsey at work

Bucks County Plein Air Festival — our community’s iconic creative event — is a week-long celebration of extraordinary landscapes, world-renowned artists, exciting Quick Draws, and wonderful free events from June 5 to 11, 2017.

You are invited to get creative and experience master painters in action and undiscovered newcomers ready to make their mark — as their easels pop-up and create their art on location in beautiful Bucks County. Celebrate creativity with us and enjoy receptions, exhibitions, demonstrations, and opportunities to collect your next masterpiece at the Bucks Plein Air Festival!

Fifty juried artists, from 20 States and Canada, are packing their paints, easels and brushes and coming to paint historic Bucks County in the Plein Air tradition. Their challenge – to capture the essence of the area, in that certain light; from the broad rolling hills, dotted with livestock and farms, woods

with hidden covered bridges and streams, to the quaint towns and river villages, seemingly untouched by the passage of time.

During Festival Weekend, June 10 and 11, all the of the artists’ paintings from the week will be on display for viewing and purchase, including the winning art, at Bucks County Community College’s Newtown Campus.

Join the celebration of the arts and experience the vibrancy and artistic excellence that is Bucks County Plein Air! Visit us at bucks-countypleinair.org.

SCHOLARSHIP

The proceeds of the Bucks County En Plein Air event benefit the Alan Fetterman Arts Scholarship at Bucks County Community College, the Central Bucks Chamber’s Bucks Fever program, and the future growth of the Bucks County Plein Air Festival which promotes the arts in the county and regionally.

Friday, June 9, 2017

Tyler Tasting Party

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TOP WINNERS FROM 2016



Bucks Plein Air Festival welcomes back last year’s top prize winners. Above, with his winning painting is W. Jason Situ, Best of Show & Alan Fetterman Fine Arts Medal Recipient El Monte, from CA. Other 2016 winners returning this year are: Elise Phillips, 1st Prize, Elverson, PA; Jacalyn Beam, 2nd Prize, Greenville, DE; Bill Farnsworth, 3rd Prize, Venice, FL; and Alison Menke, People’s Choice Award, Silver Spring, MD.

BUCKS COUNTY PLEIN AIR FESTIVAL

Saturday, June 10, and Sunday, June 11, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Bucks County Community College

Enjoy great art, fabulous music, tasty food truck fare, and the company of fellow art enthusiasts at the second annual Bucks County Plein Air Festival at Bucks County Community College's Newtown Campus. The Festival features some

of the finest artists from across North America, and intends to celebrate the arts in Bucks County. Don't miss the opportunity to purchase one-of-a-kind works from nationally- and internationally-acclaimed artists. The event is free to the public and runs from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on June 10 and 11.

QUICK DRAW CHALLENGE AT 11 A.M.

The 50 juried painters will compete in a 1-hour paint out on the grounds of the historic

Tyler Estate followed by judging and wet sale! Sponsored by Leslie Loeb and the Arts & Cultural Council of Bucks County.

BECOME A FRIEND OF BUCKS COUNTY PLEIN AIR

The Bucks County Plein Air Festival is a world-class arts event. If it is important to you to live in a vibrant arts community that values the richness of the region's extraordinary history and culture, join a community of arts enthusiasts at a truly remarkable celebration of the modern Plein Air painting movement. Become a Friend of Bucks County Plein Air by visiting www.bucks-countypleinair.com, emailing bcpleinair@bucks.edu, or calling 215-968-8224.



Artist Elise Phillips working on her painting, "Stover Myers Mill" (left), during the 2016 festival.

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

For four days, June 5 to 8, residents and visitors alike have the unique opportunity to observe 50 of North America's finest artists as they paint en plein air.

June 5: Afternoon painting in Newtown

Step back in time: Historic Newtown Borough, on the National Registry of Historic Places, with notable architecture spanning 300 years; or Tyler State Parks' hidden treasures, such as the Schofield Ford Covered Bridge (off Swamp Rd), and the Lenape Indians' Council Rock overlooking the Neshaminy.

June 6: Morning painting at Lake Nockamixon

Sunrise vistas, wildlife, and views of Mount Haycock, from the south side of the lake, await.

Afternoon painting in Perkaspie

Easels pop-up in a turn of the century small town full of charm. The Carousel in Menlo Park, a pre-revolution homestead and cemetery, and the South Perkaspie Covered Bridge in

Lenape Park, one of the oldest covered bridges in Bucks County.

June 7: Morning painting in Delaware River villages

Follow the Delaware River and Canal via Route 32, Lumberville to the North, with its foot bridge to New Jersey, the historic Black Bass Hotel and General Store to Centre Bridge, Phillips Mill & Carversville, with its Cotswold charm, to the South.

Afternoon painting in New Hope

The largest of the river villages, New Hope has deep roots in the arts both past and present. The one square-mile town includes 240 structures in its Historic District, spanning 300 years of architecture. There's the Parry Mansion, Bucks County Playhouse, Cannon Square, and Bridge Street's Mansion Row to enjoy. Today, it remains a huge draw to visitors and artists alike with its artisan shops, entertainment, restaurants and Inns.

June 8: All-day painting in Bristol

Established in 1681, Historic Bristol is the recent winner of Small



A painting of the 2016 Tyler Tasting Party, "Evening Serenade" by Joe Gyurcsak

Business Revolution's "Main Street" competition and Bucks County's southernmost river town. Once a major ferry stop, travelers would stay at The King George II Inn, which is

still in operation 335 years later.

June 9: Collectors Preview at the Tyler Tasting Party (Ticketed Event)

The Collectors Preview at the Bucks County Community College Foundation's Tyler Tasting Party, 6 to 9:30 p.m., offers the first opportunity to see the entire juried competition. Join us for a night filled with great food, wine, spirits, music, and art at the historic Tyler Mansion and Formal Gardens. The winners of this year's Plein Air Festival will be announced at 8 p.m. by guest host Alasdair Nichol, vice chairman of Freeman's and a regular appraiser on the Antiques Roadshow on PBS. Celebrate the artists and be among the first to view and purchase their award-winning pieces.

To purchase tickets to the Tyler Tasting Party, visit www.bucks.edu/foundation/events.

June 10 and 11, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.: Plein Air Festival & Quick Draw Demonstration and Competition



Award-winning artist, Dorothy Hoeschen, was the first to receive the Bucks County Resident Artist prize at last year's inaugural Plein Air Festival. Dottie loves the challenge of capturing the fleeting effects of light and conveying a feeling of place with freshness and spontaneity. Her work combines strong compositional elements and a concern for light and color.



Dorothy Hoeschen
Riegelsville

PATRICIA HUTTON GALLERY - DOYLESTOWN



Using traditional painting methods, New Hope artist, Peter Hunt, has a direct and spontaneous approach to painting, capturing the mood of the place and the light, which can be fleeting. He has been honored with many awards; a Desi award for illustration and has twice won the "Traditional Landscape Award" at the Phillips Mill annual exhibits.



Peter Hunt



BARRY KOPLOWITZ - STUDIO / GALLERY

Barry's goal is to create a painting or drawing that represents a "moment" and brings something to the viewer that helps them to see more of their world. "Elegant painting, where less is more" - J. Mackenzie of Plein Air Today Magazine



Barry Koplowitz
Chalfont



SFA GALLERY - FRENCHTOWN

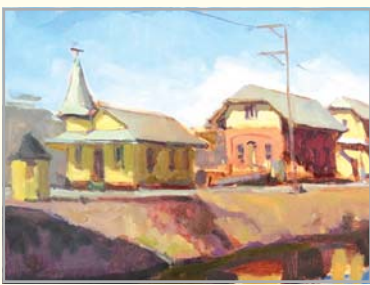


John Schmidtberger
Upper Black Eddy
John paints directly from life without using photographs. His paintings feature gestural brushwork, a vivid palette, and a keen sense of light. Maybe you've seen his work in the Michener?



Simon Mauer
Southampton
Simon works mostly in oil and watercolor to create paintings that preserve the mood and capture the delicate intricacies of his surroundings.

SIMON MAUER - SOUTHAMPTON



John derives his inspiration from the landscapes of Bucks County and the Central New Jersey region. His favorite locations include the farms and towns along the Delaware River.

John O'Neill
Southampton

JOHN O'NEILL STUDIO



Mary Manahan
Newtown

Mary fell in love with watercolors and finds nothing more satisfying than painting outside and being inspired by her environment. She delights in painting outdoor scenes utilizing the dynamic nature of watercolors to demonstrate the beauty of a fleeting moment in time. Mary finds nothing more satisfying than painting outside and being inspired her environment.



Capturing moods of nature is Mark McCoy's specialty. Several years ago, Mark obtained a book on Pennsylvania Impressionism and he was hooked. He began studying at the New Hope School of Painting and attended workshops on landscape and plein air painting.



Mark McCoy
Perkasie

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Barbra Lewis
Doylestown

Barbara, an accomplished portrait artist, trained at the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts. "There is an inner light that connects us all". Her portraits capture that light to express form, rhythm and character and have been exhibited at the Michener and the Woodmere Museums, among many others prestigious galleries.

FINE ART STUDIO ONLINE



Jane Ramsey
Perkasie

Jane is drawn to the emotion of scenes infused with light, shadow and color. She feels an urgency to capture the vanishing landscapes that make Bucks County unique; a passion for Bucks County vistas, a reverence for barns and farms. Inspired by color, light and shadow. Painting is pure joy.

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EASELS POP-UP! 50 TOP ARTISTS PAINT BUCKS COUNTY

June 6 • Northern Bucks

- Morning**
- Sunrise on Lake Nockamixon – Views of Mount Haycock, Scenic farms on country roads thru Bedminster & Haycock Townships
- Afternoon**
- Perkasio's downtown charm – trolley station, Pre-revolutionary homestead, Menlo Park – Carousel and Victorian cottages, Cemetery and working feed mill

JUNE 6 • ARTISTS HOSPITALITY CENTER

Chimayo Art Gallery
21 N. 7th Street, Perkasio
Open 11:00 a.m. – 4 p.m.

June 8 • Southern Bucks

- All Day**
- Historic Bristol, est. 1681 – recent winner of Small Business Revolution's "Main Street" competition, Bucks County's southernmost river town was once a major ferry stop, Historic King George II Inn – 335 years providing hospitality for travelers

JUNE 8 • ARTISTS HOSPITALITY CENTER

Bristol Centre for the Arts
308 Mill St., Bristol
Open 10:00 a.m. – 4 p.m.

June 7 • Central Bucks East

- Morning**
- Delaware River Villages and Canal – Follow River Rd (Rte. 32) to discover Lumberville's foot bridge, Black Bass Hotel, Carversville's Cotswold charm, continue on to Centre Bridge, Phillips Mill on your way to New Hope

- Afternoon**
- New Hope – birthplace of the American Impressionist/plein air movement, largest of the river villages with deep roots in the arts, both past and present, Historic buildings – Parry Mansion, Playhouse, Cannon Square and more!

JUNE 7 • ARTISTS HOSPITALITY CENTER

New Hope Visitor Center
1 W. Mechanic St., New Hope
Open 11:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.
2 pm - Art Demonstration, Joe Gyurcsak, Utrecht/Blicks Resident Artist

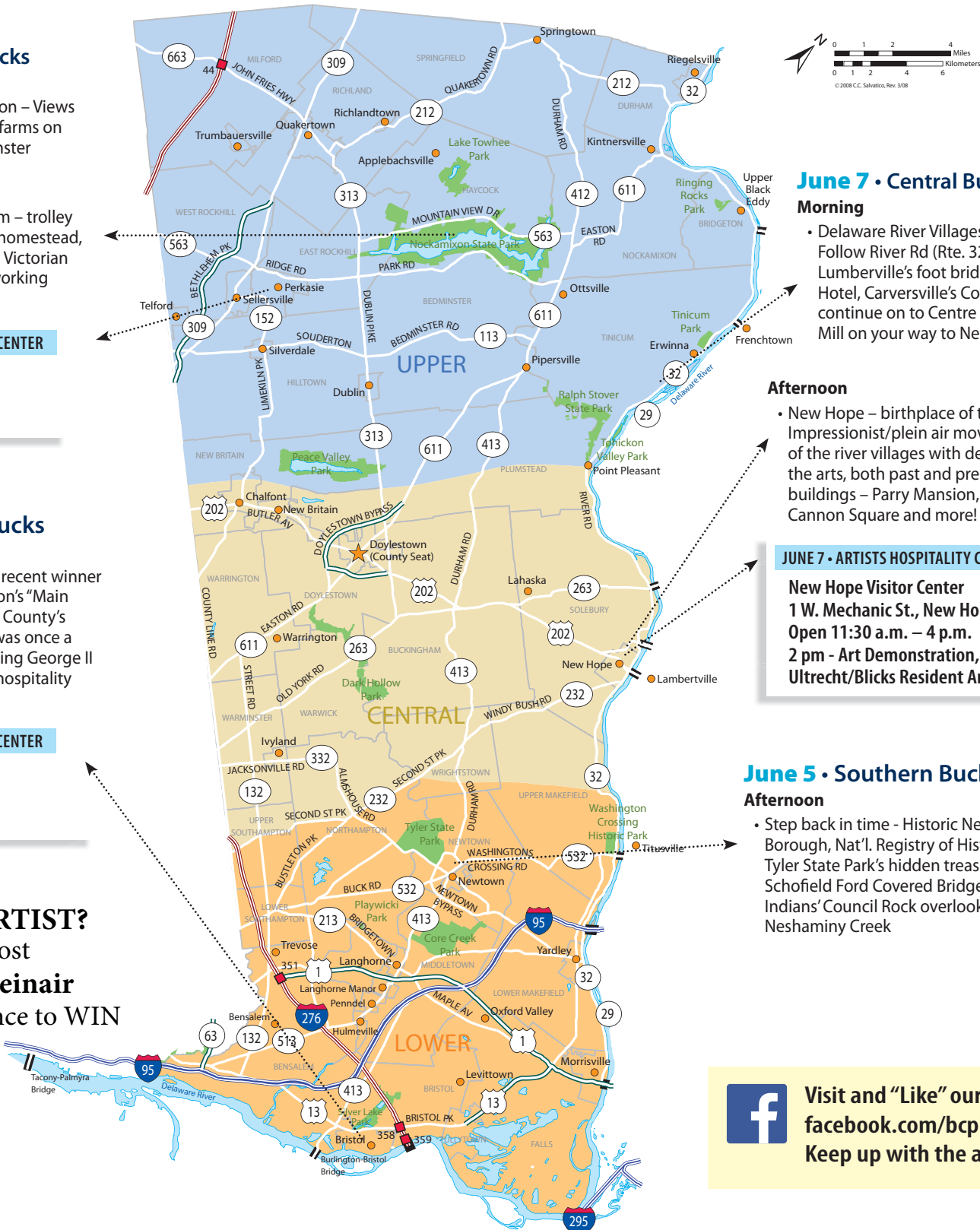
June 5 • Southern Bucks

- Afternoon**
- Step back in time - Historic Newtown Borough, Nat'l. Registry of Historic Places, Tyler State Park's hidden treasures – Schofield Ford Covered Bridge, Lenape Indians' Council Rock overlooking the Neshaminy Creek

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About our jurors



Andy Evansen
*President of the
prestigious Plein Air
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Andy gained recognition after winning an international watercolor competition through American Artist magazine in 2005. His paintings have won numerous awards and honors; in 2015, he received the High Winds Medal and his signature status from the American Watercolor Society. This past fall, three of his paintings were included in the 'American Masters' Exhibition at the Salmagundi Club in New York.

Andy has become an internationally sought-after artist, industry authority and featured presenter. He recently opened his own studio gallery, Evansen Art Studio, in Hastings, MN. To learn more about Andy and view his artwork, visit www.evansenartstudio.com.

Lisa was named the Director and CEO of the James A. Michener Art Museum in March 2012, after a successful tenure as Director of the Philip and Muriel Berman Museum of Art at Ursinus College. Since her arrival, Lisa has overseen the transformation of the Michener Art Museum's physical facility with new façade landscaping, revitalization of permanent collection galleries, refreshed curatorial efforts of Michener's impressive, evolving permanent collection, the cornerstone of which is the largest assemblage of Pennsylvania Impressionist paintings in public hands in the world. Lisa has juried over 85 art exhibitions and public art commissions and served on the Board of Directors of the Wayne Art Center, The Baum School of Art, and the Wood Turning Center of Philadelphia. To view what Lisa has curated for visitors this season, visit www.michenerartmuseum.org.



Lisa Tremper Hanover
*Director and CEO of the
James A. Michener Art Museum*

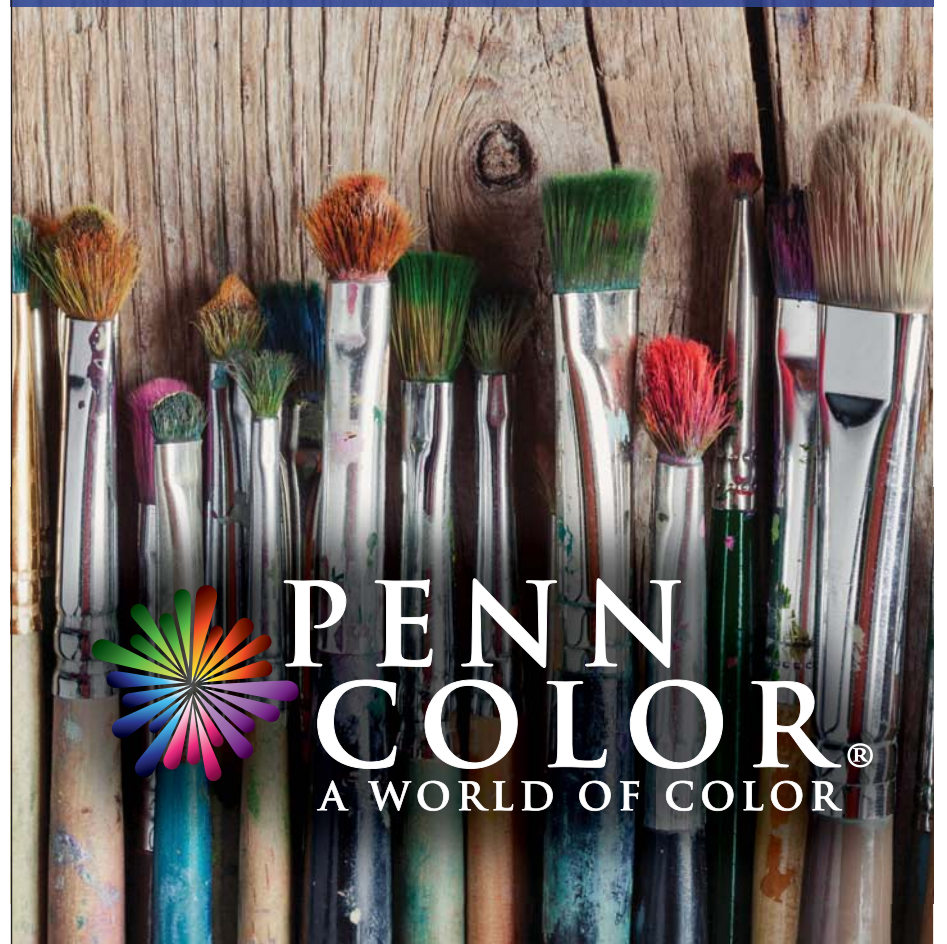


Alan Fetterman
*Bucks County Fine Artist
in Residence*

Alan is a highly recognized and award-winning American artist. He produces work sought and collected for continuing the Pennsylvania and Bucks County impressionist and en plein air traditions. As a Kay scholar and graduate of University of Pennsylvania, and Bucks County Community College, Alan transfers knowledge into art. He carries a personal and endearing connection to the rolling landscapes of Pennsylvania, especially those of Bucks County, where he lives. He's a long-standing member of the Philadelphia Sketch Club and a past member of New York City's Salmagundi Club and a driving force in the establishment of the non-profit Bucks County Plein Air Festival to benefit art education. To learn more about Alan and his artwork, visit www.alanfetterman.com.

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Tyler Tasting Party, June 9, 6 p.m.

Bucks County Community College’s Tyler Tasting Party, sponsored by The First National Bank & Trust Co. of Newtown, is the annual, can’t-miss social event where more than 30 of the area’s finest establishments gather on the beautiful grounds of the Tyler Mansion and Formal Gardens to offer guests a variety of delicious foods and spirits. Voted “Best Foodie Event” for a fourth year in a row on the Bucks Happening List, this year’s festivities will feature juried artwork from the second annual Bucks County Plein Air

Festival, the New York City’s own Flying Ivories dueling pianos show, and bar serving expertly crafted cocktails courtesy of Isaac Newton’s and Hewn Spirits. Proceeds of this event support student scholarships, as well as the preservation of historic Tyler Mansion and Formal Gardens, recognized on the National Register of Historic Places. For tickets and to request your favorite songs for the Flying Ivories, visit <http://www.bucks.edu/foundation/> events.

50 PARTICIPATING ARTISTS ● ● ● ● ● ● ●

Lauren Andreach, Atlantic Highlands, NJ
Natalia Andreeva, Tallahassee, FL
Jill Banks, Fairfax, VA
Al Barker, Bordentown, NJ
Jill Basham, Trappe, MD
Jacalyn Beam, Greenville, DE
George Bodine, Covington, KY
Thomas Bucci, Washington, DC
John Caggiano, Rockport, MA
John Dorchester, Media, PA
Katherine Galbraith, Pittsburgh, PA
Randall Graham, West Chester, PA
Joseph Gyurcsak, Hamilton, NJ
Dorothy Hoeschen, Riegelsville, PA
Hai-Ou Hou, Stevensville, MD
Peter Hunt, New Hope, PA
Susan Jositas, Trumbull, CT
Carol Kardon, Wynnwood, PA
Linda Kirvan, Bethesda, MD
Rick Kochenash, Chaska, MN
Barry Koplowitz, Chalfont, PA
Kirk Larsen, Hicksville, NY
Christine Lashley, Reston, VA
Barbara Lewis, Doylestown, PA
Benjamin Lussier, New York, NY

Susan Lynn, Merriam, KS
Mary Manahan, Newtown, PA
Simon Mauer, Southampton, PA
Mark McCoy, Perkasie, PA
Alison Menke, Silver Spring, MD
Nikolay Mikushkin, Syracuse, NY
Suzanne Morris, Richmond, VA
John O’Neill, Morrisville, PA
Jane Ramsey, Perkasie, PA
J. Stacy Rogers, Lewes, DE
William Rogers, Antigonish, Nova Scotia
Jason Sacran, Magazine AR
Monique Sarkessian, Malvern, PA
Patrick Saunders, St Louis, MO
John Schmidtberger, Upper Black Eddy, PA
W. Jason Situ, El Monte, CA
John Slivjak, Philadelphia, PA
Michael Solovyev, Montreal Quebec
Roland E. Stevens, Pultneyville, NY
Sherri Thomas, Larsen, WI
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