



ART MATTERS

NOVEMBER 2008

Helping Hands

Mint Hill Arts has achieved so much in the last 18 months, and there is one reason for that—our members. The strength of MHA lies in the open exchange of ideas and the willingness of our members to take action to make ideas a reality. If you have spent time in the gallery you have seen this give-and-take first hand. We have so many new faces at MHA now, and each of us has a talent or piece of knowledge to contribute. See below for just a few of the ways you can participate. Your help is needed and appreciated. Take a moment now to consider how you can contribute to our continued success.



Mint Hill Arts

The Grace Building
7714 Matthews-Mint Hill Rd
Mint Hill, NC 28227
(704) 780-3487

www.minthillarts.org

Gallery Hours:
10am-3pm, Tues-Sat

How You can help this month

Sign up to gallery sit. Email katek@carolina.rr.com

Come to the gallery committee meeting, Tuesday Nov 11, 7pm

Are you good at creating forms or good on the phone? Email laura@minthillarts.org

See another need you can fill? Email laura@minthillarts.org or see a board member.

November Exhibit Friday, Nov. 14

Join us for Mint Hill Art's November exhibit, "Three in One", spotlighting three artists' works in different media.

Sylvia Coppola has been working in clay since 1976. She is the owner of Duck Creek Pottery, is a teacher, and is represented in many galleries throughout the country.



A multimedia artist and instructor at CPCC, **Larry Ferguson** will feature his interpretation of the landscape in oil and watercolor.



Charles Pilkey lived and taught in Japan for 14 years, and his sculptures are displayed in many parts of the world. This show will feature works in wood and metal.



November Calendar:

Portrait Drawing

Tue, 11/4, 7-9pm

Gallery Committee

Meeting

Tue, 11/11, 7pm

November Opening

Reception

Fri, 11/14, 7-9pm

Life Drawing

Tue, 11/18, 7-9pm

November meeting

Tue 11/25, 7-9pm

Happy Thanksgiving!

Thu, 11/27

The **Coffee Table Books** have arrived. If you ordered a book, please stop by the gallery to pick it up.

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Thank You Luncheon for Grace

On Friday, October 24, we welcomed our neighbors at Grace for an appreciation luncheon to thank them for all they have done for Mint Hill Arts. Kevin and Max were each presented with a MHA Coffee Table Book as a token of our appreciation. Friendship and good food were enjoyed by all. Thanks to everyone who contributed to making this event a success.



Thank You from MHA

- Lauren Belletete and [Bell Data Systems](#) for contributing the cost of November's post cards and to Carlos Alvarez Cotera for designing each month's cards and flyers.
- Grace Innovations for donating a computer monitor.
- Bill Litaker for donating a computer stand.
- Carol Sikula for donating to the library.
- Heidi Furr for donating a projector.
- Lisa O'Connell, Kimberly Stoll and Ann and Bill Litaker for facilitating the luncheon.

November meeting Mary Susan Vaughn

M. Susan Vaughn is an American Impressionist who paints in oils and pastels. Her background is in international business and law from Georgetown University, but her life long love is art. Encouraged by her family, she successfully pursued a career in the art field. Her work can be found in galleries in Charlotte, Greensboro, and Bethesda Md.

For her presentation at Mint Hill Arts, she will not only be demonstrating a painting, but talking about her creation RedEasel.com, which is a wonderful multi-use website for artists, galleries, art suppliers, and the public. Time permitting, Ms. Vaughn will also discuss artist's websites, as she also provides this service. Check out her own website www.vaughnfineart.com and also www.redeasel.com



What's Happening at the
Mint
www.mintmuseum.org

Opportunities

Rocky River Vineyards

is taking applications for its Fall Festival on Nov 8. For info and application, contact [Kim Palumbo](#) or call 704-781-5035.

b.brown gallery

will be holding a going out of business sale Nov 4-8. Discounts on frames and art.

The Mint Hill Women's Club

is seeking donations of artwork for their annual auction, Nov 17. The funds raised go to a variety of charities. MHA has been the recipient of generous donations from the MHWC in the past.

December Exhibit at MHA

Call for small works. Aimed at gift-giving, we will feature *artwork not larger than 11x14 inches including the mat - but not the frame*. Intake will be the first week in December. Contact [Saga Van Atta](#) for details.

Mill Stone General Store and

Gallery of Winston-Salem is accepting artists for the store. Contact [Patricia West](#) for info.

Paint Outs

Our Oct. guest, Phyllis Eaton Steimel leads a group of Plein Air painters on weekly paint outs throughout the Piedmont.

www.pleinaircarolina.com

Scott Boyle, also a past guest, leads paint outs in the Gaston County area.

www.scottboyleart.com

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If you haven't had a chance to check out our fall class lineup, now's the time! We have an impressive offering of classes in everything from drawing and painting to mixed media and children's classes. View the full list at www.minthillarts.org. Registration is available now.

November and December Classes at MHA

Adult Classes

Bruce Chandler - Encaustic:

Oil and wax technique dating back to 600 B.C. Create realistic, abstract or non-objective works of art.

Saturday: 11/8

Sunday: 11/9

Two-day workshop \$120

10:00am – 4:00pm

1:00pm-5:00pm

Carlos Alvarez Cotera: "Learn to draw in 15 minutes, practice for a lifetime"

Wednesdays: 11/5, 11/12, 11/19, 11/26

Sundays: 11/9, 11/16, 11/23, 11/30

Four 2 hour sessions: \$80

6:30-8:30pm

12:00-2:00pm

Carlos Alvarez Cotera -Not so Loose Watercolor:

Painting without the use of heavy washes to achieve more realism

Thursdays: 11/6, 11/13, 11/20, 12/4

Four 3 hour sessions: \$120

6:00pm-9:00pm

Pam Hacker - Watercolor in Free Style:

Watercolor technique moving to abstract and very loose style. Paint loose and large.

Fridays: 12/5, 12/12

Two 8 hour sessions: \$150/lunch included

9:00am-5:00pm

Michelle Wagner - Beginner Wheel Throwing:

(Age 18 & up) Learn the basics of working on the wheel at Michelle's home studio in Matthews.

Classes are \$180.00 for a 4 week class (total of 8 Lessons) Contact Michelle at 704-999-0005 for open times and dates.

Coming Soon:

Spring Schedule featuring classes for adults and children. Classes begin in February.