

# Manasquan River Group of Artists

Established 1938

## Newsletter



M. R. G. A., P. O. Box 614, Manasquan, [www.mrga38.org](http://www.mrga38.org) New Jersey 08736 April 2022

### President's Message

#### April 2022 Presidents Message

We have a lot going on this Spring for MRGA members. The Brielle Show will be underway, and the Spring Lake Community Center Show makes a welcome comeback to showcase art exclusively for MRGA members. The Brick Show is also on the docket and the Wall Show is scheduled for this November/December and the details will be forthcoming.

Annual dues are due by June 30 for 2022, but there will be a bonus this year that will carry through to the end of 2023. See details in this issue.

Don't forget, beginning in September, our first Friday of the month General Member Meetings will take place at a new time, with refreshments starting at 4:30 followed by our business meeting at 5 p.m. We do not meet in July and August.

Enjoy the upcoming Spring weather and submit your entries to the Brielle and Spring Lake shows. Also, congratulations to the Point Pleasant Show winners.

Bob Stetz  
President



Please visit the website for MRGA [www.mrga38.org](http://www.mrga38.org) Our website is being updated regularly by Sheila Soyster. Please contact Sheila with any information: [sheila624@comcast.net](mailto:sheila624@comcast.net) or 732-892-7692. Thank you Sheila.

## **New General Meeting Time Change**

The starting time for the monthly general member meetings has come under discussion frequently and recently the Trustees have decided to make a change to the starting time. Beginning with the first Friday in September (9/02), and from then on, our general meetings will begin at 4:30 pm starting with refreshments, followed by the business portion starting at 5 pm.

### *Member News*

*Duet: Fine Art Landscapes*  
*Opening Reception 5/1/22, 1 - 4*  
*Ocean County Artists Guild, 22 Chestnut Street,*  
*Island Heights, NJ*  
*Brian Lundy & Carol Colvin*

A horizontal strip of four images. From left to right: a photograph of a waterfall cascading into a pool; a painting of a tropical landscape with palm trees and a body of water; a painting of two colorful parrots perched on a branch; and a photograph of a stone archway framing a path leading through a garden.

This is a mother and son show depicting landscapes from the perspectives of a painter and a photographer.

As a painter, Carol Colvin has been creating art for over 40 years. After having started in watercolor, she sometimes enhances those paintings with collage, ink, acrylic and pastel. Mixed media has been a constant in her art career, winning numerous awards. Pastel and oil mediums are also a favorite because of the immediacy of the pigment and how each has its own unique personality and delivery.

As a photographer, Brian Lundy has taken a hobby from his youth to a professional level. He has been a photographer in New Jersey for more than 30 years. He has enjoyed photographing landscapes, sports, special events, weddings, portraits of children and adults, family portraits, and even models. His award winning photographs have graced magazine covers, as well as calendar images.

**BRICK PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
**\*\*\* ENTRY FORM \*\*\***  
**JUNE 30 to JULY 28, 2022**

**Receiving Art Thursday, June 30th**

**Drop Off: 12:30 to 3:00**

**Art Removal Date, Thursday, July 28th: 12:30 to 4:30.**

**Reception Dates Available:**

**Tuesday, July 12th 2-4**

**Tuesday, July 26th 2-4**

**Thursday, July 28th 12:30-2:30 and removal after reception.**

**Thinking 7/28 will be the Reception date as well as Art pick up!**

**ARTIST (print).....**

**SIGNATURE.....**

**TITLE.....**

**MEDIUM.....**

**PRICE: \$.....**

**TEL #.....**

**E-MAIL.....**

**\*\*\*SIGN OUT SIGNATURE.....**

**Also all participating Artist info has to be corrected and given to Brick Library 2 weeks prior to show!**

**NEWSLETTER INFORMATION-**

All submissions for the newsletter and changes to your address, phone or email should be sent by by email to MaryAnn Goodwin at [maryanngoodwinarts@gmail.com](mailto:maryanngoodwinarts@gmail.com) by the 20th of the month for the next newsletter. Newsletters are prepared the prior month for September, October, November, December, January/February (Single issue in Feb.), March, April, May, and June. When announcing an award please give the title of your work. Photographs should include the names of the persons in them except for a large group. "Classifieds" will run only once unless you request a repeat.

**PLEASE NOTE:**

Please continue to send any member news, artwork and opportunities to MaryAnn Goodwin at [maryanngoodwinarts@gmail.com](mailto:maryanngoodwinarts@gmail.com)

## *Art Opportunities*

Ocean Grove Chamber of Commerce is planning a garden tour on Friday, June 17th 11AM- 4PM. They are soliciting for artists to display 3-4 pieces of floral art in the gardens on the tour. Artists may sell from portfolios Prints and cards; Floral art, ONLY! Please contact: Jessie Thompson, Executive Director Ocean Grove Area Chamber of Commerce 81 Main Avenue Ocean Grove 732-774-1391 For any questions and to apply.

# Manasquan Art Walk



**Main Street Manasquan  
Saturday, June 18th, 2022**

**10:00a.m. to 4:00p.m**

***Rain Date Sunday June 19th 2022***

**Browse and buy beautiful art by local artists!**

For more information and application for spaces, go to [www.womansclubofmanasquan.org](http://www.womansclubofmanasquan.org) or contact  
Lorraine Campbell at [camp1950@gmail.com](mailto:camp1950@gmail.com) • Dorothy Cowan at [dorothycowan54@gmail.com](mailto:dorothycowan54@gmail.com)

# MRGA Point Pleasant Beach Library

## Winter Art Exhibit

41 paintings by members of the Manasquan River Group of Artists have been on display at the library since early January. The works have been enjoyed by many and were judged for artistic excellence by local artists Denise and Greg LaPlaca, who were very impressed with the entire collection. The winning works are shown below along with judges' commentary.

Unfortunately, due to Covid restrictions, there will not be a reception this year. Pick up of paintings is March 31st, 10 am to 4:00 pm.



### First Place – *My Friend Carl* by Lou Riccio

Judges' comments: *The mood conveyed in this painting is like no other. The attention to the subtle nuances of color and details create so much depth. The artist has not only created a likeness of his friend Carl, but has created an emotional connection to the viewer.*

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Place

#### *Temple Bar*

by Melinda Saminski

Judges' comments: *The bright harmonious colors make Temple Bar a very inviting painting. It makes the viewer want to go there and grab lunch.*





### 3<sup>rd</sup> Place

#### *Saturday Afternoon*

by Robert Stetz

Judges' comments: *The detail in Saturday Afternoon is amazing, especially for watercolor. The range and variety of tones of color create so much depth in this work.*

### Honorable Mention

#### *Last Catch* by June Coles

Judges' comments: *The artist did a great job of recreating the energy and excitement of a fishing blitz.*



### Honorable Mention

#### *Autumn Wiggles*

by Vinnie Nardone

Judges comments: *Encaustic is not an easy medium to work with. The color and line qualities are expressive, fun and vibrant. This artist took a chance with something completely different.*





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# ART EXHIBITION

Original Artwork and Prints for Sale

April & May 2022



**PUBLIC  
INVITED**

RECEPTION  
Saturday MAY 21  
1-4 Pm/Awards 2 Pm

**PUBLIC  
INVITED**

## Mrga Special Membership Offer To John F. Peto Studio Museum

Museum Address: 102 Cedar Ave., Island Heights N.J. 08732

e-mail: [info@petomuseum.org](mailto:info@petomuseum.org)...Tel : 732-929-4949

Museum Administrator: Amanda Alsheimer

50% Discount on all 1 Yr. Memberships ..Expires From Date of Activation)

Discounted Individual Membership: \$25 (One Individual Only)

Discounted Senior Membership: \$15 (One Individual Only)

Discounted Family Membership: \$30 (Spouses & Family Members)

Guest Entry Fees: Adult \$10

Guest Entry Fees: Senior \$8

Guest Entry Fees: Children Under 12 yrs. Free

- **Please make check payable to John F. Peto Studio Museum**

**MAIL TO: Vinnie Nardone,**

**3 Lamb Road, Brick Township , NJ 08724**

• Home Tel # 732-903-7468 or Cell # 732-319-1772

• E-mail: [Nardoneart@comcast.net](mailto:Nardoneart@comcast.net)

- **Or deliver check to Vinnie at next MRGA meeting.**

# Some Photos from the April General Meeting Demo by Jenny Santa Maria Pysanky Egg Decorating

**Note:** Be sure to see the information on the workshop for MRGA members where you can learn this technique, to be held at Curtis on April 29th. Limited to 20 members on a first come first served basis - to register contact Vincent Nardone via email or phone.





*Pysanky Egg Decorating Workshop*  
*By Jenny Santa Maria*

April 29th, 3 pm to 5:30 pm  
At Curtis House

\$25. Fee - Materials supplied

20 members maximum on a first come first served basis  
email or call Vincent Nardone to register

**2023 MRGA Dues Bonus**

The annual dues payment for membership is due by June 30th. We are changing our fiscal year from January 1st to December 31st, beginning in January 2023. The payment of your dues by June 30th of this year will carry your membership through the remainder of 2022, up to December 31st, 2023. Please pay your dues on time by sending your \$30.00 check to Laura Lutz, Treasurer,

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