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Mark Your Calendar

Thursday, September 25, 2025 6–8 PM Fall Members Juried Exhibition Reception at the White Bear Center for the Arts.

Tuesday, October 21 6:30 PM Social time, 7 PM Heidi Nelson, watercolor portrait demo in person at the Bloomington Center for the Arts room 2020.

Monday, November 17 6:30 PM Social time, 7 PM Marie Panlener presents a slide show of portraits followed by hands-on portrait sketching at the Bloomington Center for the Arts, Room 2020.

Tuesday, December 16 6PM Annual holiday potluck and show.

Tuesday, January 20, 2026 6:30 PM Social time, 7 PM Oil still life Zoom demo by Gary Carabio.

Thursday, February 26 6-8 PM Spring Juried Exhibition Reception at Hopkins Center for the Arts.

Tuesday, March 17 6:30 PM Social time, 7 PM Collage Zoom demo.

Tuesday, April 21 Como sketch on site in the conservatory.

Tuesday, May 19 6 PM Potluck and show and tell at JuliAnne Jonker's home in Apple Valley.

September 2025 Meeting

Our September meeting will be our reception for our Fall Member Juried Exhibition at the White Bear Center for the Arts (WBCA) on Thursday, September 25, 6–8 PM. WBCA will be providing the refreshments. Our juror, Katayoun Amjadi, will be presenting the awards and speaking about the winners and the show in general at the reception. Hope you will all be able to attend! Bring your family and friends too!

Drop-off of accepted artwork will be Saturday, September 20, 10:30 AM–2:30 PM. Please deliver early if possible. Remember to have your paintings properly wired for hanging. Thanks to all of you for entering the show!

WBCA 4971 Long Avenue, White Bear Lake, MN 55110. 651-407-0597

Member News

Don Aggerbeck received a Special Merit Award for his watercolor "Clearwater Creek," which was included in the Robbin Gallery Members Exhibition this summer. He also had a watercolor, "Here and Now," accepted in the Wyoming Creative Arts Community In Show. Don's watercolor "Hiawatha Corridor Tracks" was accepted in both the American Watercolor Society Associate Members Online Exhibition and the Minnesota State Fair. It received an honorable mention award in the State Fair.

Andrea Canter invites you to Second Saturday Open Studios at Casket Arts, September 13, 11 am-4 pm. Studio 218 will have an in-studio clearance sale, most work 30% off (excluding work priced $50 or less and a few new works), in studio only. Also featuring the extraordinary pianist Kavyesh Kaviraj (1:00-2:30). 681 17th Ave NE, Minneapolis.

Calvin deRuyter will be part of a large exhibition of artwork from "4 Points of Light," a consortium which also includes artists Stephen Henning, Jackie Henning, and Lyssa Lovejoy. The exhibition will run from Sept. 17-Oct. 29, with an opening reception on Friday, October 10, from 6-8 PM, at Creative Flow Art Center (CFAC), 110 77th Way NE, Fridley, MN. "4 Points of Light" will be the opening exhibition for this brand-new art education center, which is an offshoot of the RumRiver Art Center.

MaryAnne Kinane received third place at the Art of Possibilities, Courage Center, Golden Valley, MN, for her watercolor "Splendor of Fall" and a distinction award at 4% Gallery for "Gooseberry Falls."

Daniel Hendricksen participated in the 2025 Into Nature Plein Air Competition at White Bear Center for the Arts in August and received the Best of Show Award for his painting "Summertime Beach Day," an acrylic on canvas painting (14"x11") from the show's juror, Suhaila Insanullah. Dan was very surprised and honored by the award - surprised especially for an acrylic work to be awarded in a show with so many wonderful oil paintings. Dan said it was truly a joy to be painting those clouds on such a beautiful day in July because it was just one of those "in-the-flow" kind of moments that are rare and precious!

Diane McDonald has two paintings in the Waterways Exhibit in Gallery 3 at Anderson Center at Tower View in Red Wing, Minnesota, from August 30 to November 15.

Roberta Rosenberg is proud to announce that her seascape "Tidal Moments" has been selected for the Waterways Exhibit at The Anderson Center in Red Wing, MN.

Larene St. Gabriel-Dargay announces that the tribute for artist Roman Janeczko is scheduled for Sunday, October 26th. It will be held at Holy Cross Church, 1621 University Ave NE, Minneapolis, MN 55413, from 1 PM to 2:30 PM It will be an art display of his sculptures in Kolbe Hall, a separate building behind the church. For questions, call James at 612-930-0860. There will be a sign that says Roman Janeczko's Art Display downstairs in the event room. Refreshments will be served.

Wayne Sisel has a painting, "Artist's Desktop," in Red River Watercolor Society's 32nd Annual National Watermedia Exhibition, which opens on August 25 and runs through September 19 at the Diederich Art Gallery, Minnesota State University in Moorhead, MN. Kim Johnson is the juror.

Member News continued

Art Weeks' watercolor "Rounding the Bend, Mescal Trail, Sedona" on hot press paper was accepted into the Transparent Watercolor Society of America (TWSA) Biennial Online Exhibition. The exhibition will be featured on TWSA's website for the month of September and also on YouTube after September 30th.

Learn more methods and techniques! Four of our members teach at Minnetonka Center for the Arts: **Barbara Lidfors, Dan Petrov, Art Weeks, and Jim Geisinge**r. Check it out at . MinnetonkaArts.org

Congratulations to these MAA members who were selected to be in the State Fair Fine Art Show: **Michele Combs, Elizabeth Franklin**, **Ronda Dick** and **Don Aggerbeck**.

In Memorium

We are so sorry to give you the news that MAA member, **Fred Dingler,** passed away on August 1. His service was on August 21.

Here is the obituary link: https://www.whitefuneralhomes.com/obituary/frederick-fred-dingler

Amazingly, Fred was the watercolor juror for the MN State Fair this year.

Fred was such a happy person and such a pleasure to know. He was extremely talented. I will miss him very much.

Fred held a workshop in Minnetonka. He was always upbeat, always wanted to help students with achieving their best work. And he was so talented! I think because he was an ad guy, he was used to making interesting, beautiful things very rapidly. He was incredible.

He will be missed. He had a joy in whatever he pursued. ~Elizabeth Franklin

Mary Ann Morgan Studio and Greg Lecker are sorry to announce that Gallery Immaginé artist **Tom Dimock** passed away Saturday, July 19, 2025. Here is what his stepson Steve Kahn said on Facebook:"I'm very sad to say that my stepdad, Tom Dimock, passed away peacefully. He had a very aggressive, fast cancer, and it took him within a month and a half or so. We will miss him so much. I am forever grateful for his love. He was a very brilliant artist and the best husband ever to my mother, and I am eternally grateful for that."

Tom has been a member of the Minnesota Artists Association and Northrup King Building community for more than 15 years, first at Dock 5 (#184) and then as a founding member of Studio #183. Tom rarely missed a First Thursday, Art-A-Whirl®, Art Attack, or Northrup King Nights. When he was absent, it was to open his own solo show or a show with the Minnesota Artists Association. His wife Betsy used to come to a lot of our events. Our thoughts and prayers are with Betsy and their family.

Tom Dimock
Celebration of Life
Edina Cremation Society
7110 France Ave S, Edina, MN 55435.
Saturday, September 13, 2025; 12 PM.

"Ultimate" Sale of Tom Dimock art
Gallery Immaginé,
#183 Northrup King Building
1500 Jackson Street NE
Minneapolis
Saturday, September 20, 12-8 PM
(a combined afternoon Open Studios
and evening Northrup King Nights)
Sales Discounts, sign a book of remembrance.

MAA Awards Two at the Minnesota State Fair Fine Art Show

Superior Autumn, by Kairong Liu, acrylic, 34 x 70 inches, $7165

Two paintings were selected for awards by the MAA, and each piece received a ribbon and $100.

"Superior Autumn," by Kairong Liu, was chosen by MAA board members Shakun Maheshwari, Marjorie Moody, and Marie Panlener to be a recipient of one of the two awards offered to those artists who were accepted into the Minnesota State Fair Fine Arts Show. This acrylic painting is a classic Lake Superior scene from a high view looking out into the distance to see a further point of land reaching out into the water. One sees the yellow birch, orange maples, and red sumac, followed by a softly rolling meadow of grasses rippling with the breeze. Fingerpaint-like marks make a boisterous display of bright confetti in the foreground, portraying blooms and butterflies. A variety of brush marks throughout fade to the gray cloud and distance-dulled green hill in the background. The lake has customary blue water with a lovely bit of periwinkle adding a reason to swoon. If I had a spare $7165 plus tax sitting around doing nothing, I'd probably buy it. ~MP

"Jammin'" is a very joyful, colorful, and whimsical artwork with figures and musical instruments moving and grooving throughout the piece. It appears to be made by cutting each part out of different jigsaw puzzles according to the artist's choice of color. The faces have intricate patterns with various shapes and colors to distinguish the different planes. The violinist has her violin tucked under her chin and a delicate touch of the bow, while the keyboard player has large fingers banging away. The horn player's lime-green fingers look like Roman numerals, and the vocalist is pictured in the front center with her mouth open singing. One can really feel the music in this extremely creative piece! ~Marjorie Moody

Jammin' by Laurie Rossin, collage, 44 x 64 inches, $15,000

Mission

The mission of MAA is to educate, encourage, and inspire visual artists of all mediums and skill levels, offer fellowship and a supportive environment for creativity, and be a vital presence in the community through our programs and exhibitions.

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MAA Dues are Due

Our annual dues of $30 ($45 family membership) are due September 1, 2025, for the calendar year of September 1, 2025 through August 31, 2026. Please make the check out to MAA and send it with the following information to Treasurer Wayne Sisel.

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