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## agenda d'Art

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## Historic Jean Baptiste Valle House To Host Second Annual Art Guild Garden Show May 14-15

The historic Jean Baptiste Valle House will host the second annual "Art on the Veranda" exhibit by the Sainte Genevieve Art Guild May 14-15, featuring garden-themed art by local and regional artists. "I think people will find some very interesting work at the show," Guild President Juanita Wyman said. "We have an excellent selection of artists and the pieces I've seen are very beautiful. They fit in perfectly with the theme of the town's garden event." The Guild exhibit is being mounted in cooperation with the Bolduc House Museum, which owns the house, and the D'IMAJJ artists' group, which has its permanent home at the Valle house. It is the second year for the garden show at the location. The garden theme will be played out in several ways at the historic site. The Valle House and its superb garden...believed to be the oldest formal rose garden west of the Mississippi River...will be open for free tours throughout the weekend.

On Saturday the Bolduc House Museum will host its first-ever "La Vie En Rose" rose-growing competition on the grounds. The competition will be judged by rose experts Irene S. Holmes, founder of Petals by Irene; John Karel, retired director of Tower Grove Park; and Marissa Sedmark, rosarian with the Missouri Botanical Garden. The D'IMAJJ artists' group, which has its permanent home at the Valle house, also will feature garden-themed art. "There will

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### Artist Showcase

#### Peggy Bay

The brief 15-minute presentation at the front of each Guild meeting is a great way to learn about each member's art experiences. Peggy surprised those expecting to hear about her award-winning pastels. That she had once mastered the skills necessary to render native birds in basswood added additional breadth to Peggy's artistic repertoire. She illustrated the tools and the process with examples of a bird-in-the-making. Having enjoyed a 30-year career as an art teacher in the Fox C-6 School District as well as teaching adult education art classes at Jefferson College provided Peggy with ample opportunity to experiment with various media. Her most recent adventure is opening her own garden art business called "Hand-made in Prairie Hollow", featuring whimsical pieces rendered in weatherproof polymer clay. Peggy will have her garden art for sale at the Welcome Center during the May 14-15 Garden Walk.

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be a lot to see at the house," Wyman said. "There's the artwork, the entries in the La Vie En Rose competition, and, of course, the beautiful garden that has been an inspiration for many artists over many decades." Both the Guild exhibit and the D'IMAJJ exhibit will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. All work will be for sale. The Jean Baptiste Valle House is located at 99 S. Main, across from the city Welcome Center.

#### Local High School Students Honored by Art Guild; 2016 Student Art Scholarship Winner Named

Ste. Genevieve High School Senior Ashley Bess was awarded the \$500 Bette Geraghty Memorial scholarship. The annual scholarship is open to all county seniors that present a portfolio of their work and are planning to major or minor in art. Ashley is holding one of her pieces of pottery that was included in her portfolio. Ashley plans to attend Mineral Area College in the Fall. Scholarship entries were featured at the Guild-sponsored 4th Annual High School Art Show held April 8-10 at the Welcome Center. The Show is an ongoing effort by the Ste. Genevieve Art Guild to



(Above): Juanita Rapp Wyman and Ashley Bess

encourage young people to study and participate in artistic fields. This year's judging committee was particularly impressed with the quality of the 3-dimensional work submitted, and it was a very creative paper sculpture by SGHS student Kamrie Gettinger that took Best of Show. The cash prizes awarded were \$75 for Best of Show, and \$25 each for First Place in four categories. The First Place winners were Joe Ahne (SGHS) Beginning Color, Amy Huck (SGHS) for Advanced Color, Stephanie Graham (SGHS) Black and White Mediums, and Emma Basler (SGHS) for 3-Dimensional. The entire list of winners, including 2nd, 3rd and Honorable Mention is on our website at [www.artstegen.org](http://www.artstegen.org). High School Art Show committee chair, Juanita Wyman, said, "I'm very appreciative of the art teachers at both high schools for their involvement in setting up the show, and of Sandra Cabot, Tourism Director, for providing the venue again this year, and to the Guild members who volunteered. By working together they made this show possible".

#### Dozen Artworks Donated to Auction Benefiting Regional Rehab Center

Twelve members answered the call from neighboring Park Hills for donations, including a regular participant, member Dianne Dickerson. A big "thank you" was received from the Eighth Annual Friends in Action Clubhouse Art Show and Sale held April 8th at the Farmington Public Library. A record amount was raised to benefit the FIA Clubhouse, a psychosocial rehabilitation center operated by BJC Behavioral Health that provides a place for those with severe mental illness to socialize, participate in activities, build life skills and gain independence.



(Left): Peggy Bay's exhibition for April's 4th Friday.



"We had a successful first year and we're looking forward to the 12 months ahead. So we're celebrating during the May Fourth Friday with new art and some special surprises. We hope everyone will join us."

The gallery is the result of a unique collaboration between the six D'IMAJJ artists (Donna Hart, Iris Vincent, Mary Peura, Anita Alsup, Jan Kraus, and Jean Rissover) and the Bolduc House Museum. It opened in May 2015. The Jean Baptiste Valle House is located at 99 S. Main, across from the city Welcome Center. It is open from 10am to 4pm Wednesday through Saturday, and noon to 4pm on Sundays.

### Other Guild Artists on the 4th Friday Walking Map

Pick up a 4th Friday map at the Welcome Center or any flagged venue. While art is all along the route, watch for Sainte Genevieve Guild members as follows: Juanita Wyman is featured at European Entitlements. Lisa Palmer is showing at Rust. Tom Hooper's gallery (ASL Pewter) at 183 S 3rd St opposite the Southern Hotel. Photographer Larry Braun has work at What Nots and Oddities at 316 Market St. The Galleria Ste Gen on Main features several Guild artists. One piece of Guild art is displayed at the Welcome Center as a promotion of the event. The Art Walk is sponsored by the Ste. Genevieve Downtown Renewal Project and is free (and fun).

### 4th Friday Art Walk Featured Artists Announced

In addition to the Guild Member Show at the Sainte Genevieve Winery at 245 Merchant, a spotlight is being cast on individual members during each walk. During the 4th Friday Art Walk, the featured artist(s) will be available to discuss their work, and snacks are provided by the Guild. Pastel paintings by Peggy Bay (pictured) were the inaugural feature in April, and the public is invited to meet the following artists on 4th Fridays:

**May 27:** Victoria Gallagher Cummings and Janet Kraus

**June 24:** Dave Carter

**July 22:** Iris Vincent and Cloice Lindwedel

**August 26:** Jane Naeger and Mary Peura.

### D'IMAJJ to Celebrate 1st Anniversary during May 4th Friday

The artists' group D'IMAJJ will be celebrating something special during the May Fourth Friday Art Walk...the first anniversary of the opening of the D'IMAJJ gallery in the historic Jean Baptiste Valle House. "We're very pleased to be marking this anniversary," D'IMAJJ spokesman Jean Rissover says.

### Artists on the Net

Member Mary Peura told us about ArtLoupe, a smartphone app created by Art Saint Louis to connect buyers and artists. It's free to download and use (either Apple or Android). The only cost is a 10% commission on sales. ArtLoupe contains many other free features including virtualization tools, portfolio management, social sharing and syndication. Mary has uploaded a dozen of her art images and is enthusiastic about this new marketing tool. Another member using the internet to promote his work is Derek Gollaher. He was a featured artist on the blog ArtFoodHome.com in February 2016, and was included in a 10 Point Profile on Ladderandkey.com.

## Members Exhibiting Elsewhere

Dave Carter has two oil paintings juried into an exhibit in Park Forest, IL (near Chicago) that opens May 3rd. Larry Braun has two photographs accepted (only 100 out of 500 entries made the cut) into the 2016 Mississippi River Photo Shootout contest. Exhibition Dates: April 29 through June 19, 2016 with a reception Saturday May 14, 2016 5:00PM to 8:30PM at Jacoby Arts Center in downtown Alton. All entries can be viewed online. Although Larry didn't win any of the prize money, there's still the People's Choice to be decided. Congratulations to Lisa Palmer for achieving accreditation in the North American Quilling (not Quilting) Guild.



## Perry County Community Foundation Hosts Exhibit Featuring Ste. Genevieve Art Colony Artists

Several Guild members took in the very impressive exhibition of art titled "Painting the Midwest: Selections from the Collection of Timothy and Jeanne Drone" in Perryville April 21-24th. Bonnie Samuelson, who spoke with Timothy Drone at the event, shared that the works represented about a third of the collection he had amassed over the past 40 years, and that none were for sale. The exhibit had previously been shown at the St. Louis University Museum of Art, and was brought to Perryville where the Drones own a second home. The superior quality of the display, beautifully illustrated free catalog and expansive venue in the recently completed Robinson Construction training facility made quite a favorable (if enviable) impression on those attending. Many of the pieces have been gifted to the Collection of St. Louis University High School, so this opportunity to view them locally was very much appreciated by area art lovers.

## Tool for Finding the Best Composition

According to an article by Ian Roberts in The Artist's Magazine, the easiest way to find a pleasing arrangement of abstract shapes is with a viewfinder. A viewfinder is a simple device that allows you to isolate or "crop" a scene within a rectangular area. You can adjust the

viewfinder back and forth, left and right, and up and down, looking for the most dramatic and engaging composition. Use it to find big, simple shapes against small ones and light ones against dark ones. As you locate these shapes and value masses, you start the process of translating the three-dimensional world into two dimensions. You can also adjust the proportions of height to width. Would your composition be better in a square, a horizontal or vertical format? The viewfinder allows you to quickly play with dozens of options.

We borrowed the following information from award-winning artist Michele Wells' April 9th workshop, an Introduction to Plein Air Painting. In the Guild-sponsored workshop she covered setting up and various pieces of equipment she uses, including a viewfinder (see photo.) Michele uses the [judsonart.com/plein-air/pc/view-catcher](http://judsonart.com/plein-air/pc/view-catcher), and puts marks on the sides to indicate the formats she uses most... 9x12, 11x16, etc. She likes the size of this viewfinder because she can slip it into a small sketchbook. She also recommended holding up the viewfinder and positioning it by aligning it to a corner, edge, etc. of some fixed object, so that you can re-position it in the same place each time. Attendees found Michele's shared breadth of experience very valuable for painting out of doors. (The 12th Annual Ste. Genevieve Plein Air Event is September 22-25.)

(Top from left):  
Perry County Community  
Foundation's Exhibit Space

Michele Wells demonstration  
at Plein Air Workshop

**Save the Date —**  
**12th Annual Sainte Genevieve**  
**Plein Air Event September**  
**21-25 2016**

# Spring 2016 Events

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May	14-15	10 to 4:00 p.m.	Garden Walk Art Exhibit — Jean Baptiste Valle House
May	14	3-9:00 p.m.	Grand Opening — The Rhinehart & Rhinehart's Gallery, 302 Market St.
May	24	6:15 p.m.	Guild Meeting — Patke Room, 255 Market
May	27	6-9:00 p.m.	4th Friday Art Walk — Exhibit opening at Sainte Genevieve Winery, 245 Merchant St., featuring Victoria Gallagher Cummings and Janet Kraus.
June	24	6-9:00 p.m.	4th Friday Art Walk—Exhibit opening at Sainte Genevieve Winery, 245 Merchant St., featuring Dave Carter.
July	22	6-9:00 p.m.	4th Friday Art Walk—Exhibit opening at Sainte Genevieve Winery, 245 Merchant St., featuring Iris Vincent and Cloice Lindwedel.
August	23	6:15 p.m.	Patke Room, 255 Market. Artist Showcase and Meeting (No Guild meetings in June and July)
August	26	6-9:00 p.m.	4th Friday Art Walk. Exhibit opening at Sainte Genevieve Winery, 245 Merchant St., featuring Jane Naeger and Mary Peura.

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The support by Guild friends, sponsors and patrons allows the Guild to serve both local artists and the larger community through its educational and cultural programs.

(Membership for active Guild artists is \$36 per year. Visit the Guild website for requirements for participation as an active artist.)



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