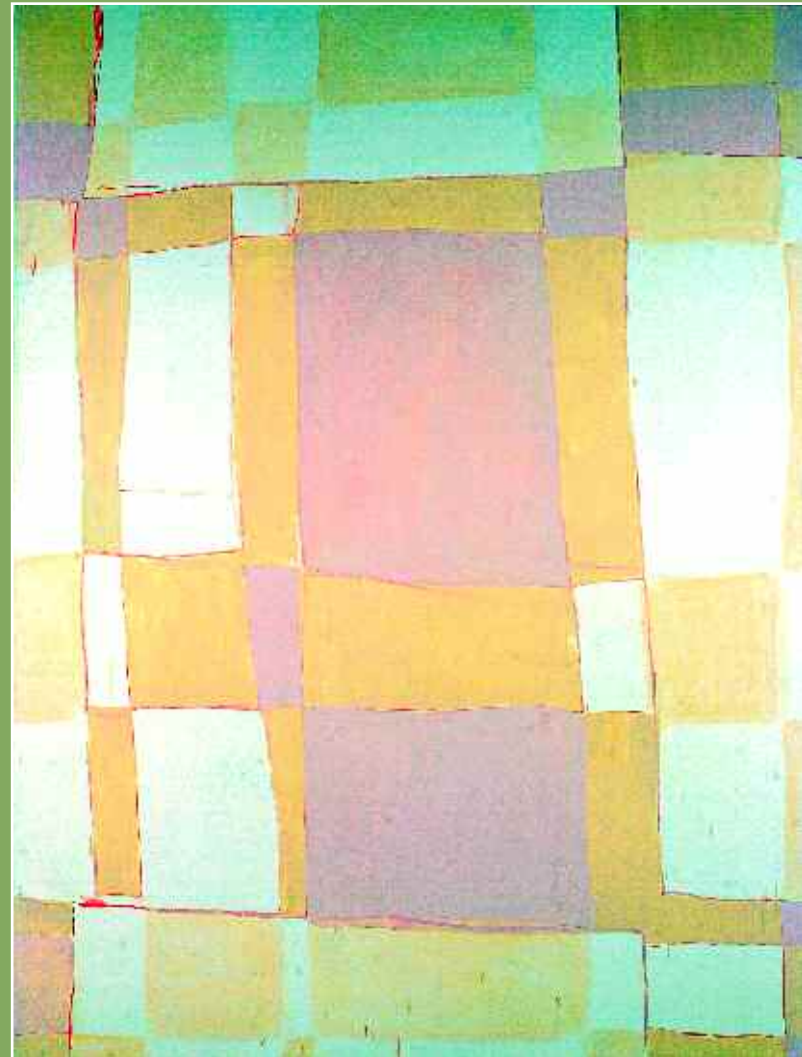




MPA

McLEAN PROJECT FOR THE ARTS
news and events – fall/winter 2008



Letter from the Executive Director



The 2nd annual MPAartfest is just around the corner and I can feel the excitement growing among artists, staff and the legion of volunteers that make MPAartfest possible! Please join me in thanking the many volunteers who

are working around the clock to get ready for the big day. See you in McLean Central Park on October 5th!

Nancy Powers Perry
MPA Executive Director

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Volunteer Focus



MPAartfest volunteers Dan and Karen DuVal are life-long residents of Northern Virginia who believe in giving back to their community in bushels. Karen, an active and dedicated member of MPA's Board of Directors who serves as the MPA Board liaison to the McLean Community Center, has also served as Chair and Co-Chair of "Share Our Strength," a hunger

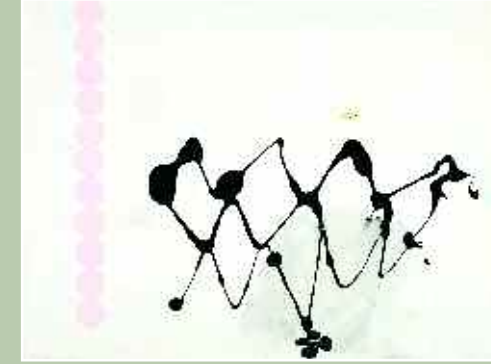
relief organization, is active with the Northern Virginia Conservation Trust and has hosted many community events at their historic home, Salona. Dan serves as President of the McLean Revitalization Corporation, has served as President of the McLean Planning Commission, and has been a board member of the McLean Citizens Association. Dan has graduated from "Czar of Waste Management" to "Festival Set-Up Coordinator" for MPAartfest. Karen signed on to assist Logistics Chair Michelle Crone

Karen and Dan met as law students at the University of Virginia; their son, Billy, just graduated from UVA this spring and is currently working in the Tyson's area.

The mission of the McLean Project for the Arts is to exhibit the work of emerging and established artists from the mid-Atlantic region; to promote public awareness and understanding of the concepts of contemporary art; and to offer instruction and education in the visual arts.

Cover image: Jo Smail, *Wild Grass is so Easy*, 1998, Oil on Canvas, 80"x 60"

MPA Exhibitions



Jo Smail, *Dropping in Unannounced*, 2005, oil on enamel on canvas, 36 x 48 inches

September 11 – October 25

Reception, September 18, 7 – 9 pm

Jo Smail: The Limits of Language, Selected From Ten Years

Emerson Gallery

Longtime Maryland Institute College of Art professor Jo Smail will exhibit work created over the last ten years, reflecting a time of tremendous personal and artistic change.

Pat Goslee: Memory|Full

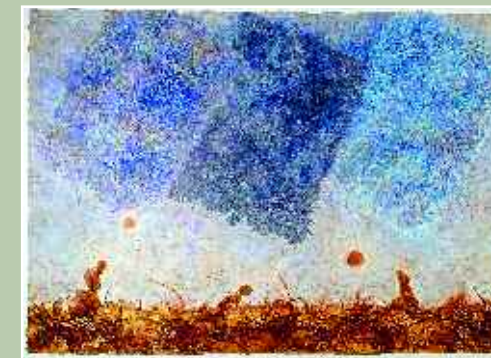
Atrium Gallery

Multiple layers, texture, color and movement come together in mixed media works by this Washington artist.

Sangbok Lee: Contemplation on Nature

Ramp Gallery

McLean artist Sangbok Lee exhibits works on paper and canvas that explore both nature and the nature of contemplation.



Sangbok Lee, *Early Morning*, 59 x 82 inches, mixed media on paper, 2008

November 6 – December 20

Reception, November 13, 7 – 9 pm

Georgia Goldberg: Light, Shadow and Air

Emerson Gallery

An entire gallery installation focusing on making the invisible visible.

Aimee Helen Koch: Undressed

Atrium Gallery

These photographs are from a series that investigates the runway model and it's influences on women's self-perception.



Pat Goslee, *Stir*, mixed media on paper, 2007, 30 x 22 inches

Protograms by Michael C. Mendez

Ramp Gallery

Photographs using experimental techniques explore the socialization and effects of alcohol and illicit substances in society.

January 8 – February 21

Reception: January 8, 7 – 9 pm

Cellular Perspectives: Works by Betsy Stewart and Patrick Craig

Emerson Gallery

Featuring two mid-career Washington area painters who share an interest in examining and enlarging visual images that reference the biological.

Fresh Paint: What's New at MPA

New MPA Website Up and Running

Make sure you check out www.mpaart.org to see the exciting changes we've made to make it easier to find out what's going on here and how you can get involved!

A Swinging Time at MPA Summer Art Camp

Campers enjoyed another fun summer of great instruction and lots of activities at MPA's many art camps. And at one of the closing art shows, the ghost of Johnny Cash showed up in a demonstration of performance art.



Connie McMahon gives planting tips for the Art of Container Gardening at a spring "Gals in the Gallery" event in Emerson Gallery.

MPA in the News

- The *Washington Post* reviewed MPA's show of encaustic paintings on April 25 in a two page spread.
- The *Northern Virginia Magazine* June/July 2008 issue chose MPA as Editor's Pick for 2008 Art Gallery.
- The *Washington Post Express* reviewed MPA's *Once Again, Again: Rhythm and Repetition* exhibition juried by Annie Gawlak of G Fine Art on July 17, 2008.



The ghost of Johnny Cash performed for the kids at one of the MPA summer camps.



(Above) A behind-the-scenes view of artists preparing their art installations for the *Once Again, Again: Rhythm and Repetition* exhibition in the Emerson Gallery this past spring.



Executive Director Nancy Perry, artist Jose Varela, and Exhibitions Director Nancy Sausser at the opening reception of the *Once Again, Again* show.

MPA Classes

ABRAKADOODLE

This popular series of imaginative art classes for young children is based on the learning principles of Jean Piaget.

Twoosy Doodlers

Ages 20-36 months

Six-week sessions begin the weeks of 9/15 and 11/4

Mini Doodlers

Ages 3-6 years

Six-week sessions begin the weeks of 9/15 and 11/4

Doodlers

1st-3rd graders

Six-week session begins 9/27

Holiday Card Workshop

Preschoolers-6th graders

11/15 Sat. 9:30-10:30 am

Splat Workshop

Ages 3-12

12/16 Tues. 1-4 pm or 4:30-7:30 pm

Many Ways to Create Art Holiday Art Camp

Ages 3-6

12/29-12/30 Mon-Tues. 9:30 am-12 noon

CHILDREN & TEEN ART CLASSES

Drawing, Painting & Making Things

Instructor: Anthony Brock

Ages 4-5

9/23-10/21 Tues. 1:30-2:30 pm

10/28-12/2 Tues. 1:30-2:30 pm

Ages 6-8

9/22-10/27 Mon. 1:30-3:30 pm

11/10-12/8 Mon. 1:30-3:30 pm

CORCORAN The following classes are offered in partnership with the Corcoran College of Art + Design.

Story Art: Parent-Child Workshop

Ages 3-5 Instructor: Natalia Malley

10/3-10/24 Fri. 1-2 p.m.

NEW! Thousand Points of Color

Ages 5-8 Instructor: Corcoran Faculty

9/28-11/16 Sun. 2:30-4:30 pm



Mom and son having fun at a Saturday family workshop in the DuVal studio.

Cartooning and Claymation

Ages 8-12 Instructor: Erik Swanson

9/25-12/18 Thurs. 4:30-6:30 pm

Pencils to Paint

Ages 8-12 Instructor: Erik Swanson

9/22-11/3 Mon. 4:30-6:30 pm

11/10-12/15 Mon. 4:30-6:30 pm

NEW! Painting Fundamentals

Ages 9-12 Instructor: Corcoran Faculty

10/18-11/22 Sat. 9:30-12 noon

Junior Studio

Ages 9-12 Instructor: Corcoran Faculty

9/24-12/17 Wed. 4:15-6:45 pm

NEW! Capturing Motion: Drawing

Ages 12-16 Instructor: Corcoran Faculty

10/18-11/22 Sat. 1-3:30 pm

Artistic Expressions

Ages 12-16 Instructor: Corcoran Faculty

9/23-10/28 Tues. 4:30-6:30 pm

11/4-12/16 Tues. 4:30-6:30 pm

ADULT ART CLASSES

CORCORAN The following classes are offered in partnership with the Corcoran College of Art + Design.

Drawing Workshop: Charcoal

Instructor: Erik Swanson

9/22-11/3 Mon. 7-10 pm

NEW! Drawing Workshop: Pastels

Instructor: Corcoran Faculty

11/10-12/15 Mon. 7-10 pm

MPA Classes & Public Programs

Introduction to Drawing

Instructor: Marise Riddell

9/24-12/3 Wed. 9:30 am-12:30 pm

Drawing Studio

Instructor: David Carlson

9/24-12/3 Wed. 7-10 pm

NEW! Rendering for Designers

Instructor: Corcoran Faculty

9/22-12/8 Mon. 1-4 pm

NEW! Painting Workshop: The Figure

Instructor: Erik Swanson

9/22-11/3 Mon. 9:15 am-12:15 pm

NEW! Painting Workshop: The Portrait

Instructor: Erik Swanson

11/10-12/15 Mon. 9:15 am-12:15 pm

Painting with Acrylics

Instructor: Julie Lansaw

9/25-12/4 Thurs. 9:30 am-12:30 pm

Abstract Painting

Instructor: Erik Swanson

9/26-12/19 Fri. 9:15 am-12:15 pm

Mixed Media Painting

Instructor: Corcoran Faculty

9/25-11/20 Thurs. 7-9:30 pm

NEW! Art in a Series

Instructor: Marise Riddell

9/24-12/3 Wed. 1-4 pm

Watercolor—Beginning

Instructor: Barbara Januskiewicz

9/23-12/2 Tues. 1-4 pm

Watercolor—Continuing

Instructor: Barbara Januskiewicz

9/23-12/2 Tues. 9:15 am-12:15 pm

Open Studio

Open drawing sessions with models

9/23-12/16 Tues. 7-9:30 pm

9/25-12/18 Thurs. 1-4 pm

For a complete listing of classes and for further details about our public programs, visit our website: www.mpaart.org, or call MPA at 703.790.1953.

Open Painting Studio

Open painting sessions without models

9/26-12/19 Fri. 4-9 pm

Public Programs

FAMILY ART WORKSHOPS

For ages 4-8 and parent; \$10/family

MINDSCAPES

10/18 Sat. 10-11:30 am

Wacky Machine Sculptures

11/22 Sat. 10-11:30 am

ADULT PROGRAMS

Dumbarton Oaks Tour

Tuesday, September 16, 9 am-3 pm

Washington National Cathedral Tea & Needlepoint Tour

Wednesday, October 8, 12:15-4:30 pm

Art Appetizers

Come mix and mingle in Emerson Gallery,

Thursday, October 23rd at 7pm.

\$15 a person.

Gals in the Gallery

Ladies night out at Emerson with a "Fall Fashion" theme. Date and time TBA.

Visit www.mpaart.org for details.



Visitors to last year's MPAartfest enjoying the children's art exhibit.

News & Special Events

Skies Cleared for MPA's 2008 Spring Benefit at Prospect Hill

MPA's 2008 Spring Benefit celebration at Prospect Hill, the home of Howard and Lee Forman, brought together over 400 MPA supporters for a spectacular garden party in May featuring Guest of Honor Sam Gilliam, Washington's preeminent artist and an original

(Left to right) Spring Benefit Co-chair

Michelle Olson, MPA Board of Directors

Chair Suzie Bissell, Hosts Howard and Lee Forman, Co-chair

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Sponsor WEST*GROUP, and MPA Executive

Director Nancy Perry.



(Above) Guests at the MPA Spring Benefit enjoyed a short shuttle bus ride over to Prospect Hill. (Above, right) Artist Sam Gilliam addressed the gathering as Guest of Honor.

(Right) MPA Board Chair Suzie Bissell greets the Hon. Charles and Lynda Robb at the 2008 Spring Benefit.



MPAartfest



MPAartfest Chair Bari Levingston and her committee chairs prepare for the upcoming festival.

Countdown to MPAartfest Oct 5

Come to McLean Central Park Sunday October 5 and be greeted by forests and walkways filled with student art from 15 area schools, and a new feature, "Thinking Outside the Box," an exhibition of artistic works of senior citizens from McLean and surrounding



A family enjoys McLean Central Park during MPAartfest last year.



Artwork of area school children as displayed at the 2007 MPAartfest.

MPAartfest is grateful for the support of the Fairfax County Supervisor John Foust, the Fairfax County Park Authority, the New Dominion Women's Club, the Friends of McLean Central Park, the McLean Community Center, the Greater McLean Chamber of Commerce and the many corporate and individual sponsors who make the event possible. Sponsorship opportunities are still available including sponsoring an artist tent. For more information go to www.mpaart.org or contact Sheri McGrath, Development Director at 703.790.1953 or smcgrath@mpaart.org.

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Seniors taking part in ArtReach education workshops at MPA.

ArtReach Working with Seniors

ArtReach, under the guidance of Director Sharon Fishel, is expanding its outreach into local senior centers. Ed Shahin, member of the McLean Community Center Governing Board, has helped connect MPA with senior groups and centers that are interested in

participating in art workshops and classes here or at their facilities. This Fall Sharon is scheduled to present slide lectures and watercolor workshops at Chesterbrook Residences, Lewinsville Senior Center and Vinson Hall.



Residents of Women's Shelter Tour MPA

(Above) Exhibitions Director Nancy Sausser leading residents of Rachael's Women's Center on a tour of MPA on June 5, 2008.

Special Ed Students Learn Art Through ArtReach



MPA's ArtReach program supplements public school art education for area special education students (above), who enjoy seeing the art and working on projects at MPA and with ArtReach Director Sharon Fishel at their schools.