



West Hills Art League

To promote individual growth of the members and public appreciation of the arts.

<http://www.westhillsart.org/>

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## *Demonstrator Corner*

### *Look Who's Coming!*

The WHAL meeting will be on Thursday, May 21st at 7:30 PM at the Sharon Community Presbyterian Church, 522 Carnot Rd., Moon Township. Mike Budai will be our demonstrator for the meeting. He will discuss the process of screen printing, including stencil and photo emulsion techniques. Also discussed will be the practicality of the medium in the art world, current trends and practices, and its use in everyday life. Mike will also demonstrate a two color process print, from the creation of the artwork through the process to the final product. The group will be able to participate in the printing process, and will leave with a finished print.

Mike Budai is a professional printmaker, based in Pittsburgh, Pa. He first began printing in 1994, working in screen printing and block/linoleum printing. He obtained his Bachelor's degree from Edinboro University of Pennsylvania in 2000, with a Major in Animation and Minors in Printmaking and Art History. Since then, he has gone on to create hundreds of screen printed posters for rock concerts in Pittsburgh and across the U.S. and Europe. He utilizes hand-drawn images and cut stencils to create his work, and does not employ the use of a computer in the creation of his designs. He has been commissioned to provide illustrations for the Three Rivers Arts Festival, Pittsburgh's Unicorn Mountain comic

anthology, Temporary Residence Records, The Carnegie Museum, Graveface Records, and Scion Cars, amongst others. He has shown his work in numerous galleries across the U.S. and Europe, including Signed and Numbered (Salt Lake City, Ut.) University of Tennessee, Rotofugi (Chicago, Il.) University of Maryland, Modernformations (Pittsburgh, Pa.) and the Richard Goodall Gallery (London, UK.) In addition, he travels to several poster conventions (called Flatstock) throughout the year, located in Austin, Tx., Chicago, Il., and Seattle, Wa. He was awarded "Poster of the Year" in 2007 by the readers of the Austin Chronicle.

## *Member News*

We will be nominating and voting for president and vice president at our May meeting. Kim Iyer is nominated for president and Cindy Gilberti for vice president. If you would like to nominate yourself or someone else you may do so by calling me at 412-264-9150 or by nominating at the meeting.

## *More Member News*

Nancy Bush had a painting accepted in the Hoyt Annual Juried Regional Art Exhibit. Opening is May 10, 2-4

Nancy also has a Studio Easel for sale. Large on wheels, Originally \$250 - \$300 Sell for \$150 Call Nancy Bush at 412-264-4826

Cynthia Weidner's painting "Abstract Thoughts" sold at a local gallery. Congratulations to both Cindy and Nancy.

### *New Art Center*

**Art Case**, located in Bridgewater, PA., is a working art center featuring studio space, art classes and opportunities to purchase original, local art. Exhibitions and other events are being scheduled now. Art Case seeks to be a place for artists to work, teach, and learn. I hope that in time the operations will become cooperative.

#### **Current Fees**

*For teaching a class:* 30% of the registration is paid to Art Case. The remainder of the registration and any materials fees go to the artist/teacher.

*Studio space:* \$60 per month

*Art sales:* 20% of sale is paid to Art Case. Artists willing to help with gallery sales times or other operation tasks will receive a discounted rate.

For more information visit:

[http://www.artcasepa.com/Art\\_Case/Welcome.html](http://www.artcasepa.com/Art_Case/Welcome.html)

If you are interested in studio space or teaching a class, please contact Jean Frey at 703-347-1172 or via email at [Jeanfrey@aol.com](mailto:Jeanfrey@aol.com). 🚩

### *Call for Artists*

This summer the Midland Arts Council will be holding its fourth annual art exhibit to coincide with the widely renowned Midland Fourth of July Celebration. This year's exhibit will once again focus on some of the area's most talented artists and will be a juried show. In addition, several artists will be invited to display their work.

The juried show welcomes artists to submit their two-dimensional works (painting,

watercolor, photography, etching, graphic design, etc.) First prize of \$500 will be awarded as well as the annual Mayor's award and others!

For more information visit:

<http://www.midlandartscouncil.com/htm>

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The Summer Gallery—2009

June 28 - July 4, 2009

The Atrium of The Lincoln Park

Performing Arts Center

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### *Gallery News*

Pittsburgh Technical Institute presents:  
Waterworks 2009, Pittsburgh Watercolor Society Members Annual Exhibition  
The Gallery at PTI,

Exhibition dates: May 8 - 27, 2009

For more information, contact

Ruth Delach: **412-809-5305** or

**[delach.ruth@pti.edu](mailto:delach.ruth@pti.edu)**

Directions to PTI are available at [www.pti.edu](http://www.pti.edu)

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🚩 William Vrscak, Watercolor, May 22-24 and Sept. 25-27

• Linda Wallen, Van Gogh's Techniques, August 7-9

• Kathryn Galey, Watercolors, April 17-19 and September 18-20

• William Wentz, Watercolor Landscapes & Still-life, May 1-3 & October 16-18

- Anna Tomczak, Antique Photo Print Processes, July 31 – August 2