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2025 NEWSLETTER & CLASSES



FREE FIRST FRIDAY OPENING RECEPTION
MAY 2, 2025 5 TO 7 PM



JILL KOHUT

Watercolors in Bloom

Watercolorist Jill Kohut specializes in painting flowers, and this exhibition fills the

wall of the Thaler Gallery with beautiful blooms. Jill is a signature member of the National Watercolor Society, a recipient of a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Pennsylvania Watercolor Society, and exhibits throughout the East Coast. She is also an educator, teaching drawing, painting, photography, and graphic design to students of all ages.

MICHEL DEMANCHE The Yellow King ... Residuum

This exhibition presents residuum of hope or delusion through acknowledgement of the many layers of meaning presented in *The Yellow King* and *The Yellow King* 2.0. What we live in at present, another new reality. *Residuum* ~ Something that remains after a reaction or process has taken place – normally a substance remaining after a physical or chemical reaction. *Delusion* - As a false opinion about a matter of fact which need not necessarily involve, though it often does involve, false perceptions of sensible things.

Events



FREE! ORIGINALS ONLY

Saturday, May 17, 6 - 8pm

No covers, just creators - a vibrant celebration of authentic, original expression across all creative mediums. This bi-monthly event brings together poets, comedians, musicians, and performers to showcase their unique voices and stories. Join us to experience a fresh spoken word piece, a stand-up set, or original music that speaks from the heart.

Performers are Brad Allen and his esCape hatCh, Parker's Garden, BooZoo, The Thayer Brothers, Amy Thompson.











FREE! FILM NIGHT AT THE ARTS CENTER

Saturday, June 21 6 - 8pm



A repeat performance of one of the most popular film blocks during the 2025 OC Film Fest. Films shown include *The Henry Hotel, Eyes of the Fort, The Conner Stories, 150 Years of Smiles, Greetings from Ocean City Maryland, Tales from the Dock: The Legacy of Hooper's Crab House, Unparalleled Butchery: Assateague 20, and Down on the Boardwalk.* The Historial Film Challenge was sponsored by the Town of Ocean City. Free admission.

JUNE IS Clay-a-palooza MONTH

featuring

CLAY GUILD OF THE EASTERN SHORE

Join us while we celebrate the art of clay all month with Clay-a-palooza events and opportunities to try pottery for yourself.

ARTIST TALK WITH ROBBIE JOHNSON

Wednesday, June 4 6-8pm Free

Our Pottery Studio Manager will talk about the in-house Clay Studio at the Arts Center and how to try your hand at pottery.

FIRST FRIDAY ARTS CENTER TAKEOVER

Friday, June 6 5-7pm Free

- 5-7pm: Clay Guild Marketplace & Sculpture Garden
- 5-6pm: Ocean Pottery Throwdown Throw your own tea bowl or pitcher, or try throwing a vase blindfolded. Prizes!
- 6pm: Scholarships announced and awards given
- 6:30-7pm: Pottery Speed Trials Always wanted to try the potter's wheel? Here's your chance for two minutes!
- 5-7pm: Pottery Ping Pong Remember the goldfish ping pong toss at county fairs? This game's the same! Place a ping pong ball into a piece of selected pottery, and it's yours!

SATURDAY KIDS' CRAFT POTTERY

Saturday, June 7 11am - 1pm Free Make a pinch pot in the Courtyard. Fun for all ages.



OUTDOOR RAKU POTTERY WORKSHOP

Sunday, June 8 11am - 4pm

with Robbie Johnson

Select 1-2 bisqueware pots thrown by Robbie. Then he'll guide you through glazing techniques like metallic rainbows, white crackle, or horsehair finish. Your pieces will be fired immediately, so you can take them home the same day. \$50/\$60

June May



THALER GALLERY

JILL **KOHUT**

MICHEL DEMANCHE



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Mixed Media Group Show

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CARLA BESSETTE Clay-a-palooza

featuring CLAY GUILD OF THE EASTERN SHORE

SARI JO FOX

SCHWAB SPOTLIGHT



CAROLYN ABERBACH

CLAY GUILD OF THE EASTERN **SHORE**

Imogene Halcott







Patricia Rose

FELBER ARTISAN SHOWCASE



ONLINE "Portals" **Group Show** **RACHAEL PAROLSKI** CLAY GUILD OF THE EASTERN SHORE

Imogene Halcott



Victoria Noonan



COFFEE BEANERY Patricia Farley

PRINCESS ROYALE Angela Vinson

BURBAGE STAIRCASE Abi Lightner



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ART SPRINGS IN MAY

MAY I

Fused Glass Jewelry with Peter Gibson 5 - 7:30pm \$80/\$90

MAY 2

Glass Window Ornaments with Peter Gibson 10:30am - 1pm \$65/\$75

MAY 3

Fused Glass Picture Frames with Peter Gibson 10am - 12:30pm \$95/\$110

MAY 4

Beginner Crochet & Patterns with Mary Anne Cooper
11am - 12:30pm \$20/\$24

MAY 5

Epoxy Charcuterie Boards with Joan Guerriero
10am - 12pm \$38/\$45

Adult Hand-Building Pottery with Robbie Johnson 3 - 4pm \$45/\$54

Adult Pottery and Wheel with Robbie Johnson 5 - 7pm \$65/\$78

MAY 6 & 7

2-Day Watercolors - Boats with Gerilyn Gaskill 9:30am - 3pm \$100/\$125

MAY 7

Kids' Pottery - Ages 7-13 with Sarah Halcott 5 - 6:30pm \$35/\$42

Adult Pottery and Wheel with Sarah Halcott
2 - 4pm \$65/\$78

Online Watercolors - Lilies with Nancy Ellen Thompson 9:30am - 12:30pm \$30/\$38

MAY 8

Floral Arranging with Joan Guerriero
10am - noon \$38/\$45

Landscapes on Black Canvas with Jacki Yamin
10am - noon \$30/\$36

MAY 9

Speed Painting Watercolors with Leo Kahl
9:30am - 3:30pm \$95/\$115

MAY 10

Free Family Art Day with Barbara Buford 10am - noon Free

MAY 12

Adult Hand-Building Pottery with Robbie Johnson 3 - 4pm \$45/\$54

Adult Pottery and Wheel with Robbie Johnson 5 - 7pm \$65/\$78

Colorful Koi Fish Collage with Randee Exler
10am-noon \$35/\$44

MAY 13

Acrylic Shadows/Light with Joanne Guilfoil 9:30am - noon \$30/\$38

MAY 14

Homeschool Pottery Ages 7-13 with Sarah Halcott Noon - 1:30pm \$35/\$42

Adult Pottery and Wheel with Sarah Halcott
2 - 4pm \$65/\$78

Online: A Travel Journal with Jacki Yamin
10am - noon \$25/\$30

MAY 15

Local Watercolors - Clouds with Gerilyn Gaskill 10am - 1pm \$30/\$38

MAY 15

Watercolor Open Studio No instructor 1:30 - 3:30pm Free

MAY 17

Try Out Pastel Painting with Katie Cassidy
10am - noon \$35/\$42

Cold-Press Soapmaking with Mithila Jegathesan 1 - 3pm \$50/\$60

MAY 19

Adult Hand-Building Pottery with Robbie Johnson 3 - 4pm \$45/\$54

Adult Pottery and Wheel with Robbie Johnson 5 - 7pm \$65/\$78

MAY 20

Beginning Acrylic Painting with Joan Guerriero 5:30 - 7:30pm \$30/\$36

MAY 21

Adult Pottery and Wheel with Sarah Halcott
2 - 4pm \$65/\$78

Kids' Pottery - Ages 7-13 with Sarah Halcott 5 - 6:30pm \$35/\$42

MAY 22

HeART & Soul with Barbara Buford 5:30 - 7:30pm Free

Fused Glass Jewelry with Peter Gibson 5 - 7:30pm \$80/\$90

MAY 23

Fused Glass Spring Flowers with Peter Gibson 10:30am - 1pm \$65/\$75

Vintage Silverplate Jewelry with Neal Denion Noon - 3pm \$82/\$96

MAY 23

Organic Copper Cuff Bracelets with Neal Denion
4 - 7pm \$82/\$96

Sea Glass Art
with Bonnie Artz
1 - 3pm \$35/\$42

MAY 24

Fused Glass Picture Frames with Peter Gibson
10am - 12:30pm \$95/\$110

MAY 26

Adult Hand-Building Pottery with Robbie Johnson 3 - 4pm \$45/\$54

Adult Pottery and Wheel with Robbie Johnson 5 - 7pm \$65/\$78

MAY 27

Paint Seascapes & Landscapes with Joanne Guilfoil 9:30am - noon \$30/\$38

MAY 28

Homeschool Pottery Ages 7-13 with Sarah Halcott Noon - 1:30pm \$35/\$42

Online Watercolor Portraits with Jacki Yamin
10am - noon \$25/\$30

Adult Pottery and Wheel with Sarah Halcott
2 - 4pm \$65/\$78

MAY 29

Local Spontaneous Watercolors with Gerilyn Gaskill
10am - 1pm \$30/\$38

MAY 30

Adding Watercolor Details with Leo Kahl
9:30am - 3:30pm \$95/\$115

MAY 31

Abstract Pour Painting with Cindy Strouse
10am - 12:30pm \$30/\$36





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MAY 31

Art of Photography Intro with Tom Kennedy 9:30am - 12:30pm \$35/\$44

JUNE IS

Clay-a-palooza

MONTH

JUNE 2

- *Adult Hand-Building Pottery with Robbie Johnson 3 - 4pm \$45/\$54
- *Adult Pottery and Wheel with Robbie Johnson 5 7pm \$65/\$78

JUNE 3 & 4

2-Day Watercolor Workshop with Gerilyn Gaskill 9:30am - 3pm \$100/\$125

JUNE 3

Acrylic Composition Rules with Joanne Guilfoil 9:30am - noon \$30/\$38

JUNE 4

- *Adult Pottery and Wheel with Sarah Halcott 2 - 4pm \$65/\$78
- *Kids' Pottery Ages 7-13 with Sarah Halcott 5 - 6:30pm \$35/\$42

Online Watercolors
with Nancy Ellen Thompson
9:30am - 12:30pm \$30/\$38

JUNE 5

Fused Glass Jewelry with Peter Gibson 5 - 7:30pm \$80/\$90

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Clay-a-palooza

ACTIVITY

JUNE 7



- *Kids' Pottery Ages 7-13 with Sarah Halcott 2 - 3pm \$35/\$42
- *Adult Pottery Wheel or Hand with Sarah Halcott 4 - 6pm \$65/\$78

JUNE 9

Epoxy Charcuterie Boards with Joan Guerriero
10am - noon \$38/\$45

- *Adult Hand-Building Pottery with Robbie Johnson 3 - 4pm \$45/\$54
- *Adult Pottery and Wheel with Robbie Johnson 5 - 7pm \$65/\$78

JUNE 10

Flower Pounding Notecards with Sue Bromm 1 - 2:30pm \$45/\$54

JUNE 11

- *Homeschool Pottery Ages 7-13 with Sarah Halcott Noon - 1:30pm \$35/\$42
- *Adult Pottery and Wheel with Sarah Halcott
 2 4pm \$65/\$78

JUNE 12

Local Watercolors - Waves with Gerilyn Gaskill
10am - 1pm \$30/\$38

JUNE 12

Vintage Silverplate Jewelry with Neal Denion 4 - 7pm \$82/\$96

JUNE 13

Pour Paint Ocean Waves with Cindy Strouse
10am - 12:30pm \$30/\$36

Vintage Silverplate Jewelry with Neal Denion 9:30am - 12:30pm \$82/\$96

JUNE 16

- *Adult Hand-Building Pottery with Robbie Johnson 3 - 4pm \$45/\$54
- *Adult Pottery and Wheel with Robbie Johnson 5 7pm \$65/\$78

JUNE 17

Impressionist Acrylics/Gouache with Joanne Guilfoil
9:30am - noon \$30/\$38

JUNE 18

*Kids' Pottery - Ages 7-13 with Sarah Halcott 5 - 6:30pm \$35/\$42



*Adult Pottery & Wheel with Sarah Halcott 2 - 4pm \$65/\$78

JUNE 19

Fused Glass Jewelry with Peter Gibson 5 - 7:30pm \$80/\$90

JUNE 20

Glass Window Ornaments with Peter Gibson 10:30am - 1pm \$65/\$75

JUNE 21

Fused Glass Picture Frames with Peter Gibson
10am - 12:30pm \$95/\$110

iPhone & iPad Photography with Tom Kennedy 9:30am - 12:30pm \$35/\$44

JUNE 22

Crocheting a Motif
with Mary Anne Cooper
11am - 12:30pm \$20/\$24

JUNE 23

- *Adult Hand-Building Pottery with Robbie Johnson 3 - 4pm \$45/\$54
- *Adult Pottery and Wheel with Robbie Johnson
 5 7pm \$65/\$78

JUNE 25

*Adult Pottery and Wheel with Sarah Halcott 2 - 4pm \$65/\$78

JUNE 26

Watercolor Open Studio No instructor 1:30 - 3:30pm Free

JUNE 27

Child/Adult Painting Partners with Jacki Yamin
1 - 2:30pm \$20/\$25

JUNE 30

- *Adult Pottery and Wheel with Robbie Johnson 5:30 7:30pm \$65/\$78
- *After-Camp Kids Pottery with Robbie Johnson 3:30 - 4:30pm \$25/\$30

Imprerzive Experiences

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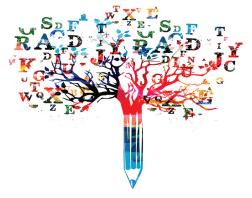


4-SUNDAYS GLOBAL ART EXPLORERS FOR KIDS 7-12

Sundays, June 1, 15, 29 and July 13 1-3pm

with Sinead O'Harte

Kids will connect to different countries, inspired by geography, history, and culture, making drawings, paintings, sculptures, and collages in an supportive and fun environment. Every class is different; attend all classes or just one class. Students receive a Passport to be stamped at each Artful Expedition. 4-week bundle - \$80/\$90 Individual classes - \$22/\$26



MONTHLY WRITERS & BEYOND ~ FREE ON SUNDAYS

Sundays: May 4 and June 22 1-3pm

In May, author Mary Ann Wangemann will present her process to publication. In June, writers will meet to respond to a group-selected prompt or word. Free but please register ahead of time.





2-DAY "DAY AT THE BEACH" WATERCOLORS

Saturday and Sunday, June 21 and 22 10am-3pm

with Amy D'Apice

Get to know the beach from an artist's perspective! This 2-day workshop will cover a variety of subject matter, beginning with a simple seascape before moving on to lifeguard stands, umbrellas, beach towels and cabanas. By the end of day two, you'll be rendering bathers lounging in the hot sun. \$275/\$330



2 DAYS, 4 WATERCOLOR PAINTINGS

Friday and Saturday, June 27 and 28 9:30am - 3:30pm

with Leo Kahl

Watch and learn as master watercolorist Leo Kahl demonstrates four separate loose and romantic watercolor scenes while sharing his in-depth ideas and execution tips. Students will replicate each exercise along with Leo's help and encouragement! \$190/\$228



COMING IN AUGUST: KIDS 3-DAY MINI THEATER CAMP

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, August 18, 19 and 20 10am-2pm with Kathryn Redden

Students will learn the process of acting, character development, components of a play, stage movement, and other important elements that go into a theater production. Each session is filled with various aspects of theater, participating in group acting exercises, and rehearsing the "play" the kids will perform on the August 20th. \$100/\$120

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IMPACT OF THE ARTS



Dear Friends and Supporters,

The summer is upon us, and we are excited to share our recently completed economic impact report that highlights the vital role our organization plays in the community and the local economy.



The report illustrates that the Art League not only provides a platform for artists and art enthusiasts but also generates substantial economic benefits. Our programs, exhibitions, and events attract thousands of visitors, which in turn supports local businesses. The findings show that the Art League has an economic return on investment of \$100

for every dollar that has been invested.

Moreover, we are proud to note that our educational programs including after school enrichment and summer camp reach a broad and diverse audience, allowing us to reach kids and adults who may not have had prior access to the arts. Being artists ourselves, we know how important it is to find a community that empowers people to find their creative purpose.

As we embrace the summer season, we are reaching out with a heartfelt appeal for your support. Your donations are crucial in sustaining our programs and expanding our outreach efforts. Every contribution, no matter the size, makes a difference in our ability to provide art education, host exhibits, and organize events like Originals Only and Clay-a-palooza that inspire and enrich lives.

Please consider making a donation to the Art League of Ocean City's Impact of the Arts Campaign. Your generosity will ensure that we continue to thrive and provide a nurturing environment for artists and art lovers alike.

Thank you for being an integral part of our community. Together, we can continue to cultivate creativity and make a lasting impact on Ocean City and the surrounding areas.

Rina Thaler
Executive Director

Crystal Collins
Board President



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Bus Trips

BARNES FOUNDATION MUSEUM PHILADELPHIA

Thursday, May 15, 8:30am - 7:30pm

Bus departs 8:30am from ACME parking lot, 94th Street, Ocean City, returns 7:30pm

\$95 members/\$115 non-members

The Art League's Robinson Fellow Jennifer Carter will lead our group through the Barnes Foundation where you'll view an exclusive exhibition of Cecily Brown's Themes and Variations, only on view in two museums in America. And you'll fall in love again with works by Impressionist, Post Impressionist, and early Modernist artists. Join fellow art lovers on this wonderful excursion. Snacks and water provided on the bus. Seating is limited so please register early.









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Free Gaturday Kids Crafts

Get creative this summer with a series of crafts designed especially for kids and families. There's a new project each week. Free!

May 31 - Creative faces
June 7 - Plant pressed clay
June 14 - Popsicle stick airplanes
June 21 - Bottle chimes

