

2025 NEWSLETTER & CLASSES

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IOHN SCHISLER

FREE FIRST FRIDAY OPENING RECEPTION NOV 7, 2025 5 - 7 PM



Award-winning painter and traditionalist

John Schisler brings his still-life paintings to
the Thaler Gallery in November. Born in
Baltimore, he studied at the Conrad Miller

Studio in Fells Point where he learned the use of Maroger mediums and the techniques of the Dutch Masters. John's style is classical/contemporary realism. Keeping with the tradition of the Old Masters, he makes the black oil that is then used to make medium as well as oil paint by mixing with powdered pigments, a basis for the mediums of such masters as Titian, Rubens, and Rembrandt.

ANNUAL MEMBERS JURIED SHOW



FREE FIRST FRIDAY OPENING RECEPTION
DEC 5, 2025 5 - 7 PM



The most creative place to do your holiday shopping is right at the Ocean City Center for the Arts, where you'll find handmade, one-of-a-kind gifts you won't see anywhere else. Our December opening showcases not only the best art of 2025 with a exhibit of award-winners and a competitive juried show but also a special show of Small Works in Studio E that are big on creativity while small in size and price.

Events



FREE! Saturday, Nov. 15 6 - 8pm

No covers, just creators - a vibrant celebration of authentic, original expression across all creative mediums: poets, comedians, musicians. Performers are Marsh Lovers, Sympaticocious, BooZoo, and The Gould Standard.

WINTER NIGHT AT THE GALLERY: LET IT SNOW! AGES 6-13

Friday, Dec. 12, 5 - 8 pm

We'll start with a light dinner. Then kids will create one-of-a-kind snow globes and learn to fold and cut snow flakes and decorate them so they sparkle like snow. We'll create snow in a science experiment, make a snowman, and decorate cookies. Parents may drop-off children for a fun-filled evening.

Members \$25 per child, future members \$30 per child



PRESENTED BY THE LOWER SHORE PERFORMING ARTS CO.

Ocean City Center for the Arts Saturday, Dec. 13, 7 - 9 pm Sunday, Dec. 14, 4 - 6 pm

Kris Kringle takes on the cynics in this musical adaptation of the beloved holiday classic performed by our talented friends at the Lower Shore Performing Arts Co. Don't be a humbug! Come get in the holiday spirit!

Tickets \$25 at OCart.org or call 410-524-9433



Nov Exhibits Dec

THALER GALLERY



JOHN SCHISLER ANNUAL MEMBERS
JURIED SHOW

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FEAST FOR THE EYES

A visual celebration of food, flavor, and form

BEST OF 2025

Winners of Art League exhibitions in 2025

STUDIO E



GWEN I FHMAN **SMALL WORKS**

Petite artwork for big gift impact



SCHWAB SPOTLIGHT



JAMEY KREBS & B.K. SLOCUM

ANGELA PIERCE



FELBER ARTISAN SHOWCASE



JOANN STRATAKOS PENNY AMICI



PRINCESS ROYALE Anabela Ferguson

COFFEE BEANERY Gail Stern



BURBAGE STAIRCASE Aria Islam





Prices shown are members/non-members. Scan for all the information you'll need. Classes change daily. Or go to:

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PAINTING & DRAWING

NOV 4 & 5, DEC 2 & 3

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

NOV 5 TO DEC 10

5-Week Pastel Workshop: Value and Color Theory with Katie Cassidy 10am - 12:30pm \$210/\$252

NOV 8 & 9

2-Day Painting Contemporary Realism Seascapes Workshop with Jon Bandish 9:30am - 3:30pm \$275/\$330

NOV II & 18 & 25

3-Day Comprehensive Watercolor Workshop with Leo Kahl 9:30am - 3:30pm \$375/\$450

NOV 14

Paint Hummingbirds in Watercolor: Purple Passion with Leo Kahl 9:30am - 3:30pm \$125/\$150

NOV 20, DEC 18

Local Colors Watercolors: Winter Landscapes and Winter Beach Scene with Gerilyn Gaskill 10am - 1pm \$30/\$38

NOV 21, DEC 17

Open Painting/Art Studio for Art League Members No instructor; no pottery 1 - 3pm Free

DEC 3

Acrylic Palette Knife Painting with Leo Kahl
9:30am - 3:30pm \$125/\$150

DEC 13

Northern Lights Acrylic Painting with Cindy Strouse 1 - 3:30pm \$30/\$36

ADULT & KIDS POTTERY

NOV 5, 12, 19 DEC 3, 10, 17

Homeschool Pottery with Sarah Halcott Noon - 1:30pm \$25/\$30

NOV 3, 10, 17, 24 DEC 1, 8, 15, 22

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

NOV 3, 10, 17, 24 DEC 1, 8, 15, 22

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

NOV 5, 12, 19, 26 DEC 3, 10, 17

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

NOV 5, 12

Winter Pottery Luminaries with Sarah Halcott
5 - 7pm \$65/\$78

NOV 19

Pottery Gingerbread Mug with Sarah Halcott 5 - 7pm \$45/\$54

NOV 26

Pottery Snowman Snow Globe with Sarah Halcott
Noon - 1pm \$30/\$36

DEC 3, 10

Pottery Mushroom Mugs with Sarah Halcott 5 - 7pm \$55/\$66

DEC 17

Sgraffito Pottery Rabbit Dish with Sarah Halcott 5 - 7pm \$45/\$54

WRITERS & BEYOND

NOV I

Writing Class: Basic Grammar and Punctuation with Susan Canfora 10am - 1pm \$30/\$36

NOV 15, 22

Writing Critique Workshop with Susan Canfora 10am - 1pm \$30/\$36

NOV 16, DEC 14

Free! Writers Group
No instructor; group discussion
1 - 3pm Free but please register

DEC 7

Writing Class: Organizing the Writer's Thoughts with Susan Canfora
10am - 1pm \$30/\$36

PHOTOGRAPHY

NOV I

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

DEC 13

DSLR Photography with Tom Kennedy 1:30 - 4pm \$35/\$44

FOR KIDS & FAMILIES

NOV I

Mindful Colors: Yellow 6-13 with Jazer Manuel 1 - 4pm \$30/\$36

NOV 8, DEC 13

\$5 Drop-in Family Art Day: Hats & Mittens or Paint a Sbowman with Barbara Buford 10am - Noon \$5/\$6

NOV 16

Turkey Day Crafts Ages 5-13 with Amy Bounds 2 - 3:30pm \$20/\$25

FOR KIDS & FAMILIES

NOV 23

Global Art Explorers: Mixed Media, Ages 5-13 with Sinead O'Harte 10am - Noon \$25/\$30

DEC 12

Winter Night at the Gallery Let It Snow! Ages 6-13 with Mary Anne Cooper 5 - 8pm \$25/\$30

DEC 14

Holiday Kids' Crafts Ages 5-13 with Amy Bounds 1 - 2:30pm \$20/\$25

GLASS

NOV 6, 20; DEC 4, 18

Fused Glass Jewelry: Earrings, Pendants, Bracelets with Pete Gibson 5 - 7:30pm \$80/\$96

NOV 7, 21

Fused Glass Holiday Plates and Holiday Ornaments with Pete Gibson 10:30am - 1pm \$65/\$77

NOV 8, 22; DEC 6, 20

Fused Glass Holiday Tree or Menorah with Pete Gibson 10am - 12:30pm \$95/\$114

THE UNIQUE + HEALING

NOV 9

Feather Tying for Fishing Flies or Fashion Earrings with Gregory Cwalina 11am - 3:30pm \$30/\$36

NOV 12

Collage Harvest to Make Wooden Box or Coasters with Martha Mihaly-Black 10am - Noon \$40/\$48



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THE UNIQUE + HEALING

NOV 12

Paint Night with Adult Beverages: Fall Branches with Rebecca Morgan 5:30 - 7:30pm \$30/\$36

NOV 13

Fall Centerpiece Floral Arranging with Joan Guerriero 10am - Noon \$38/\$45

NOV 16

Crochet Holiday Ornaments for Beginners and Advanced with Mary Anne Cooper 11am - 12:30pm \$20/\$24

Wine Bottle Stoppers Using Decoupage Oyster Shells with Lisa Guerriero 11:30am - 1:30pm \$30/\$36

NOV 20, DEC 18

heART & Soul Healing Art: Make a Mosaic in a Frame; Create Expressive Art with Barbara Buford 5:30-7:30pm Free but pre-register

NOV 22

Pour Paint Holiday Ornaments with Cindy Strouse
1 - 3:30pm \$30/\$36

THE UNIQUE + HEALING

DEC 7

Pop-Up Holiday Gift Tags with Barbara Miller 11am - 1pm \$30/\$36

NOV 10; DEC 8, 15

Epoxy Charcuterie Boards with Glass Embellishments with Joan Guerriero 10am - Noon \$38/\$45

DEC 9

Holiday Door Swag or Wall Hanging with Joan Guerriero 10am - Noon \$38/\$46

DEC 13

Etched Glass Ornaments with Lisa Guerriero
11am - 1pm \$30/\$36

DEC 17

Paint Night with Adult Beverages: Angel with Joan Guerriero 5:30 - 7:30pm \$30/\$36



Unframed 18x24" print - \$15 Framed 18x24" print with a gold seal embossed with "Ocean City 1875 - 2025" - \$150 (limited edition)

COLLECTIBLE POSTER CELEBRATES 150 YEARS OF OCEAN CITY AND 20 YEARS OF PLEIN AIR

Our beautiful new poster celebrates 150 years of Ocean City with 8 paintings created by our own plein air artists over the 20 years of "Artists Paint OC." A full 18x24 inches, the limited-edition poster is available in two collectible versions, available at the Arts Center.



SHARED VISIONS

OPPORTUNITIES FOR WRITERS, OUR LITERARY ARTISTS

- **I.** Join our monthly free Writers & Beyond group on the 3rd Sunday of every month, 1-3pm, for collective inspiration.
- **2.** Journalist Susan Canfora is holding writing classes through November and December to help new or timid writers get going and established writers polish their skills.
- **3.** Answer the call for our yearly Shared Visions show in January. Submit your writings at OCart.org/call-for-entries.

GIFTS YOU WON'T FIND ANYWHERE ELSE IN OUR FELBER GIFT SHOP

Give them a gift that will stand out from the crowd. Every item in our Felber Gift Shop is handmade and one-of-a-kind, and most are created by our local artisans. Check out our beautiful selection of books by regional authors for the readers on your list. Gift certificates available, too!

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GIVING TUESDAY

Dec 2, 2025

Inspire Creativity

GIVE TO THE KIDS CAMPAIGN

Now thru Dec 25, 2025

Grow Young Artists



END OF YEAR GIVING CAMPAIGN Now thru Dec 31, 2025

Keep Art Thriving

OC Film Fest Black Friday BOGO Ticket Sale

BUY ONE 4-DAY PASS FOR THE OC FILM FEST MARCH 5-8, 2026 **AND GET ONE 4-DAY PASS FREE!**

Only available Nov 28 - Dec 1 so mark your calendars. Film Fest 4-day passes are regularly priced at \$125 each, so this is a huge savings and perfect for gifts. 4-day passes include all in-person screenings of feature films and short film blocks and all in-person events.





IT'S "TREES FOR THE ARTS" TIME **AT WINTERFEST OF LIGHTS!**



for your favorite tree and support the arts in OC

PER VOTE



Local groups are vying for a \$1,000 prize in our tree decorating competition. Vote for your favorite and support the Art League.



See all the trees and cast your votes by scanning the QR code above.

SUPPORT OUR CORPORATE PARTNERS

VAN GOGH - \$2,500 Candy Kitchen Shoppes ~ Delaware Elevator ~ Nori Sushi Pit n Pub ~ Princess Royale Oceanfront

RENOIR - \$1,500 Atlantic Planning & Development ~ Bethany Resort Furnishings Jolly Roger/Bayshore Development ~ Sunsations ~ Trimper Rides

MONET - \$1,000 T.E.A.M Productions ~ White Marlin Open

CEZANNE - \$500 Bayside Skillet ~ Cambria Hotel ~ Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore ~ Harrison Group ~ Longboard Cafe ~ Mancini's Brick Oven Pizzeria Old Pro Golf ~ Residence Inn ~ Sea Quest Fashions ~ Valentine Accounting ~ Worcester County Developmental Center

GAUGUIN - \$250 Albright's Associates ~ Atlantic Dental Cosmetic & Family Dentistry Ayres, Jenkins, Gordy & Almand ~ Bank of Ocean City ~ Blue Fish Restaurant & Sushi Bar Bonfire Restaurant ~ Deeley Insurance Agency ~ Dr. Robert & Sandra Esham ~ Fenwick Inn ~ The Framing Corner ~ Gregory Poulos Photography ~ Hilton Garden Inn ~ Hooked Restaurant ~ Hotel Monte Carlo ~ Innerbloom ~ Just Tree Creations ~ Mann Properties OC Wasabi ~ Pew Pew Publishing ~ PKS Investment Advisors ~ RAK Inc. Rick Meehan & Katy Durham ~ Royal Plus Electric ~ Saltwater 75 ~ Trattoria Lombardi's Pizza ~ We Are Limitless Studios ~ The Wilde Family/Tides Inn

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In Honor of Inga Tuvesson: Katherine & Andrew Kennery General Scholarship Fund: Carla Hackley

SEASON OF GRATITUDE



Dear Members and Friends,

As 2025 draws to a close, we reflect on the incredible creativity and community spirit we've shared at the Art League of Ocean City this year. From beautiful exhibitions and community art events, to inspiring classes, and outreach programs, your participation has made it all possible. Together, we've shown that art is not only a source of beauty but also a bridge that connects us.





This season of gratitude is the perfect time to say thank you — to our members, donors, volunteers, artists, and visitors. Your support sustains our mission and ensures that art remains accessible and meaningful for everyone in our community.

As you consider your end-of-year giving, we hope you'll remember the Art League in your plans. Your tax-deductible gift helps us continue to provide exhibitions, educational programs, scholarships, and outreach that bring the arts to people of all ages and backgrounds. Every contribution, large or small, makes a lasting impact on our community.

We also invite you to join us at our Annual Meeting and Holiday Luncheon on Thursday, Dec. 11 from 11:30-1:30. It's a time to celebrate our accomplishments, honor the volunteers and supporters who make our work possible, and look ahead to exciting opportunities in 2026.

As we celebrate the holidays, the Art League continues to be a place of light and joy. Our galleries will be filled with unique, handmade works of art, and our Holiday Artisan Fair on Friday, Dec. 5 from 5-7p.m. and Saturday Dec 6 from 11a.m-4p.m. will showcase artisans and authors whose work is perfect for holiday gifts. We hope you'll find something special, and support local creativity.

On behalf of the board and staff of the Art League, we wish you and your loved ones a joyful holiday season and a new year filled with inspiration.

> Rina Thaler Executive Director

Crystal Collins Board President



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SATURDAY, NOV. 15 - 8AM-12PM **VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK - OCEAN PINES**

- Family-friendly fun for all ages and experience levels
- Shop the Artisan Marketplace
- Jam with Radio Ocean City LIVE and in-person
- Snack on Grateful Grub Food Truck & Kona Ice

8-9AM Check-in **9AM** Kids Run for ages 9 and under 9:30AM 5K run **IOAM** 2-mile walk around the pond \$15 children 9 and under \$25 adults Pre-registration required. Color is eco-friendly.

SCAN TO REGISTER AND FOR INFO

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