Agenda d'Art

NEWSLETTER OF THE

SAINTE GENEVIEVE ART GUILD

JULY 2026

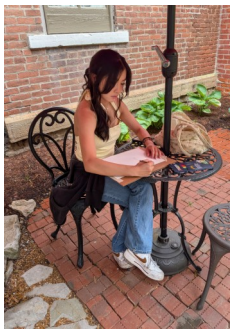
People's Choice - Adult - Juanita Wyman, pastel

Student (HS/College) MacKenzie Buckheit

2nd Annual Art in the Garden a Success

Despite an early forecast of showers, 28 people of all ages gathered at the gardens behind the Main Street Inn to create art "en plein air" on May 16. Supplies and guidance for beginners was provided by Guild volunteers.

People's Choice voting during the 4th Friday Art Walk picked the above two entries plus one child's painting not shown. Thank you to all who came to paint or watch those painting, and to those who helped make it happen.



Colony Instructor Fred Conway Honored

The 25th Anniversary of the Promenade des Arts will begin with an opening reception July 17th at 6 to 9pm. Each of the exhibits in this series honors a different member of the Ste. Genevieve Art Colony.

Fred Conway was a guest lecturer at the Summer School of Art in 1935,36 and 37. He brought excellent credentials from his tenure in Washington University's faculty. A master of watercolor, oil, and encaustic painting, Conway defied categorization. Equally adept at impressionistic watercolor, classical oil portraiture or vibrant abstraction in encaustic (wax and oil), his remarkable versatility is reflected in this free exhibit of 40 original museum-quality works.

Don't miss this opportunity to experience this collection of paintings not before shown in Ste. Genevieve. Hours 11-3, Th-Fr-Sa-Su, July 18 - August 9.

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Kid's Summer Workshops Popular

Every Monday for six weeks starting July 8th, instructors **Peggy Bay** and **Shelley Bishop** led workshops in making everything from puppets and masks to animal sculptures and collage. Most days were fully booked. Well done!

"With an oil you can do things over. With a watercolor, there's no second chance. It's all attack and no retreat."

Fred Conway

4th Friday Guest Artist Paints en Plein Air

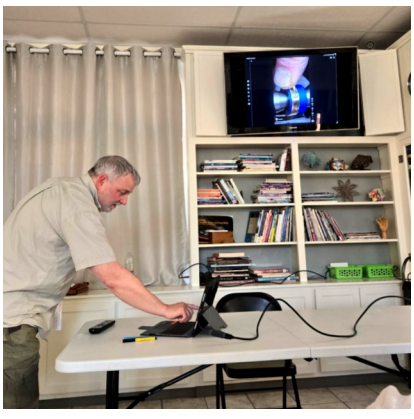
Konstantin Kublanov created an outdoor painting during June's Art Walk. On display inside the Art Center were 36 of his oils of local views.

The ever-present rain from the heavens is part of the finished painting. Thanks to Iris Vincent for the loan of the canopy.

Presentations at Guild Meetings

In May, neo-regionalist **Bryan Haynes** gave an overview of his career in illustration before becoming known for his fine art. Canvas prints of his work, such as the one shown at left, are on view at Two Rivers Gallery on Main Street.

In June, Guild members received some helpful advice on the use of Instagram for promoting art and art activities from member **Ray Cover,** shown at right. Ray specializes in engraving and teaches workshops on the techniques.



Members Receive Recognition

Linda Buis received People's Choice for artwork at Perryville's Maifest.

Rick Bayers was Featured Artist at Tree of Life in Festus in May.

Dianne Dickerson earned a second place in Farmington's plein air event, *Art in the Garden*, on June 13th.

Michelle Spencer was awarded Best of Show for "Day Break on Mingo" in the Gateway Pastel Society's Annual Exhibit, and the painting (at right) is now held by the Mercantile Library at UMSL. She also received Honorable Mention at the New Harmony Plein Air plus the Philadelphia Society Award.

Late Summer Adult Workshop on August 21

Michelle Spencer leads an all-day pastel workshop on Friday, August 21 from 9:30am to 3:30pm with a one-hour lunch break at the Art Center. Cost is $100. Space is limited to ten students to allow plenty of time for individual instruction. All materials are provided.

Participants will create a floral painting with pastel and strengthen their compositional skills. This workshop will work from a live set-up. Please register by July 31st.

Michelle calls pastel "one of the most expressive and forgiving painting mediums." "This class is designed to help you build confidence while creating beautiful art in a relaxed, encouraging environment."

General Information

Art Center
& Art Museum

REGULAR HOURS

11am-3pm
Friday, Saturday & Sunday

6-9pm
4th Friday Art Walk

Art Guild Meetings

are open to those interested in joining the Guild as well as current members. Regular meetings are on the second Tuesday of the month, at 2pm in January and February, and 6:15pm March through October at the Sainte Genevieve Art Center, 310 Merchant St.

This year we change out member art in January, April and August, followed by the annual Christmas Show in mid-November. The full calendar of scheduled events can be found on our website.

Meet Art Guild members through biographies and photos of their art on our website at **artstegen.org**

25th Anniversary

PROMENADE DES ARTS

Art Colony Instructor
Fred Conway

SPECIAL COLONY SHOW HOURS
THU - SUN 11-3pm
July 18 - August 9

Free Exhibit