

MISSION STATEMENT

The Vail Valley Art Guild is dedicated to enriching lives by promoting and fostering artistic growth by building awareness of the visual arts in Eagle County. We do this by:

Connecting local visual artists to an artistic community through exhibitions, gallery opportunities, local projects, membership meetings and workshops.

Supporting visual arts education for our youth, seniors and underserved.

Spotlighting artistic talent in the Vail Valley.

Vail Valley Art Guild is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit charitable organization.

www.vvagco.org



Art Guild at Avon Gallery
137 Benchmark Rd., Suite C2
Avon, CO 81620

GALLERY HOURS:
Thursday / Friday / Saturday
1 - 6 PM unless a class is in progress



VAIL VALLEY ART GUILD

ENRICHING LIVES THROUGH VISUAL ARTS

Paint Yourself Free!

VVAG kicked off the summer with Joan Fullerton's "Paint Yourself Free" workshop held June 10 through 12. Joan garnered maximum attendance in what has become a popular studio class for the past several years. Attendees were challenged, worked diligently and creatively, and achieved impressive art pieces under Joan's nurturing.



Joan Fullerton



Patti Dixon

It's not too late to participate in a summer workshop. See remaining offerings in this newsletter and visit www.vvagco.org for complete information and sign up today!



VVAG President Melissa Nelson with her finished work

FIRST FRIDAY GALLERY NIGHTS • JULY 4 • AUGUST 1 • SEPTEMBER 5

5:00 – 7:30 pm • Art Guild at Avon Gallery, 137 W. Benchmark Rd., C-2, Avon

EXHIBITS AND RECEPTIONS

FIRST FRIDAYS

Art Guild at Avon Gallery Receptions 5-7:30 PM | If you are an exhibitor, please bring a dish to share.

LOCATION: The Art Guild at Avon gallery, Seasons Building, Unit C2, Avon

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OTHER EVENTS

PUBLIC ART WALKS IN AVON

5:30-6:30 PM // July 11, 25; Aug 8, 22; Sept 5

Participants will meet at the Art Guild at Avon gallery at 5:30 to obtain maps of Avon's public art.

We need volunteers to man the Art Guild at Avon gallery during this time.

ANNUAL ALL-MEMBER FINE ART EXHIBIT AND SALE "ART AND JAZZ" AT CMC
Reception: Friday, September 19 | Each member may submit up to 5 works

ANNUAL AFFORDABLE ART FAIR • AUGUST 9

Bunkhouse: Minturn Market • 8 AM- 2 PM

*This event is an annual fundraiser for VVAG. Members **donate** works they no longer wish to sell, or even partially finished items. The public loves this event, however we **NEED** your donated works to make this event successful. Stay tuned for details.*

ARTIST MEMBER MEETINGS

Meeting Social 1/2 hour at 5 PM | Meeting starts at 5:30 | Bring a dish to share if possible

All meetings will be held at The Art Guild at Avon gallery, Seasons Building, Unit C2, Avon

RSVP at: vvagco.org/events

Please note we are always looking for members to share their demos or artistic skills with our members at these meetings. Please call Joann: 970-471-0853

July 28	For the July member meeting Patti Dixon, Bibi Rivera and Melissa Nelson will have "intentional" clothes painting – not just the clothes you spill paint on. Bring your white jeans or sweatshirts – or anything else that needs decorating! Patti is leading spray painting and we will also have regular fabric paint for more specific designs.
Aug 18	Details developing! All-member Potluck at VVAG President's Home
Sept 15	Join us at The Art Guild at Avon gallery!

PHOTOGRAPHY GROUP MEETINGS

All meetings will be held at the Art Guild at Avon gallery from 7-9 | July 31, August 28



All Day First Friday
July 4th • 1-7pm

All Day - Food, Drinks & ART Exhibit • Free and Open to the Public!

Art Guild at Avon Gallery // 137 Benchmark Rd., Suite C2

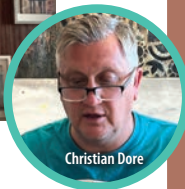
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Summer WORKSHOPS!

Register today! Classes are filling up fast!



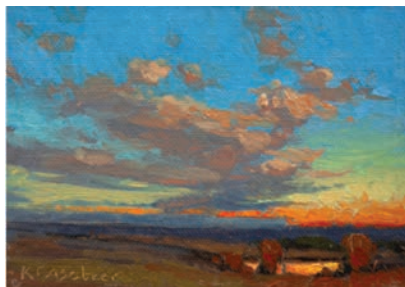
Christian Dore
Intro to Abstracts
July 14



Register for all workshops at vvagco.org/workshops.

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Lorenzo Chavez
Concept to Completion
July 20-22



Kim Casebeer
Color for Strong Landscapes
August 4 – 6

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Jami Nix Rahn
Beyond the Brush: Cold Wax & Oil
August 15 – 16



Randall Case
Making Painting Fun Again
August 20 – 21



AVON ART WALK

VVAG's first Art Walk of the summer with participants getting the lowdown on one of Avon's incredible outdoor sculptures.



Bob Will and VVAG Executive Director Russell Frederickson

The **Town of Avon Art Walk** is held twice a month on Fridays, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. They are FREE and present a fun opportunity to share with friends and out-of-town guests before your dinner reservation!

Stop by The Art Guild at Avon gallery at 5:30 p.m. to pick up a map of Avon's outdoor art before going on the walk. And better yet, plan on swinging by the gallery a little earlier to show off the gallery's current installation to your friends and snap up a one-of-a-kind creation by talented VVAG artists and photographers.

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June Member Meeting... creativity to the max!

On June 16, **Tara Novak** armed members with paint and spray cans to make our gallery's outdoor creative space colorful. Members had a blast (!) artifying newly donated café tables in bright, vibrant designs. Another reason not to miss our monthly membership meetings: informative, fun, and utilitarian!



Outtakes from Don Sahli's Workshop

On June 27 - 29, Don held another successful workshop, "The Landscape Deconstructed" to sold out attendance!



Library Shows



Come join us in celebrating our third year of displaying Veterans Art at the Vail Library during the month of July. In the past, mediums have included paintings, photography, wood working, sculpture and stained glass.

Veterans Art Exhibit Reception has been planned for: Friday, July 18th • 4:30-6pm

Vail Public Library

The public is graciously invited!





Rick Spitzer Vail Library Presentation

On May 6, Rick Spitzer presented a program at the Vail Public Library about the wildlife found in Eagle County. His talk covered the history, biology, ecology, and human impacts on local fauna. Rick, a Colorado native and longtime local who lives in Wildridge, has a degree in biology, taught high school biology, and worked 15 summers as a Supervisory Park Ranger Naturalist in Rocky Mountain National Park. He has been photographing wildlife for nearly 50 years. Rick is a co-founder of the Vail Valley Art Guild Photographers and an active participant in the Eagle County Community Wildlife Roundtable. If you are interested in joining with local photographers for monthly meetings, field trips, and photo challenges, please email Rick at spitzerr@comcast.net.



The Vail Valley Art Guild photography group met in Vail Village for a Mission Possible event focusing on wide angle images.

Library Show Opportunities

In collaboration with area public libraries, VVAG artists have the opportunity to display their works.

The following artists have scheduled month-long shows, so please visit and support your fellow guild members and encourage friends and family to visit their installations.

Vail Public Library / TBD

Gypsum Public Library October / Rick Spitzer photography

Avon Public Library / TBD

For more info: Chris Sena • cgsena5@gmail.com



EagleARTS will be hosting ARTwalk Street Fest on September 12th! This is a great opportunity for The VVAG and members to display their fine art, photography, ceramics, and sculpture work while also networking with the community, or



even come create "en plein air" along Broadway, as some of our artists have done in the past! More information and application available at <https://eaglearts.org>. Please reach out to **Tara Novak** at info@eaglearts.org for any questions.

FYI:

Parking for the Art Guild at Avon gallery is free in front of the Seasons building, based on availability; remember to register your car at the front desk.



As an all-volunteer, non-profit organization we can always use volunteers at any of our events. Please see Russell at the gallery to volunteer. /// The Gallery is open Thursday, Friday, Saturday, 1-6pm unless a workshop is in progress.

WORKSHOPS!

Workshop Rule of Thumb

Please be set up with your supplies by starting time. Register for all workshops at vvagco.org/workshops. Workshops will have a lunch break. All workshops will be held at Art Guild at Avon gallery in the Seasons Building, Unit C-2, 137 Benchmark Rd., unless otherwise indicated.

Non-member fee is priced at an additional \$20 for a 1 or 2-day workshop, and an additional \$30 for a 3-day workshop. Supply lists will be sent upon registration. Supply lists are also available on our website. Any questions, please call Joann: (970) 471-0853.



Become a VVAG Member

Become a member now, or renew your membership, to be eligible for entering your works into shows! Check out membership and donor levels. www.vvagco.org

VAIL VALLEY ART GUILD PHOTOGSNEWS

VVAG Photographers proudly share recent works.....

Steve Pope



Canyon Indonesia

Shirley Welch



Eat Your Vegetables

Raymond Bleez



Dry Lake Pillars

Allan Finney



Panther Chameleon

Kit Cammermeyer



Empress Hotel Canada

Norm Vogel



China Town Art

Rick Spitzer



Mesa Verde

Gary McDavid



Home in the Cotswolds

John Sheppard



Turkey Vulture

Michelle Cawood



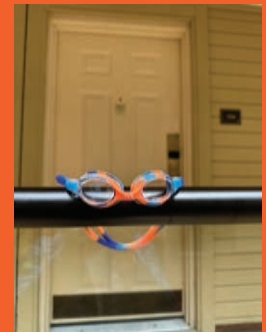
Colored Water

Sherry Dorward



Jaipur, Rajasthan

Eric Lickteig



Smiley Face

Chris Sena



Glass

For news about upcoming photography
"special assignments" or events, please
contact Rick Spitzer // spitzerr@comcast.net

Vail Valley Art Guild partners with the Vida Foundation to bring art to community kids



On Friday, June 13, VVAG President Melissa Nelson, VVAG Executive Director Russell Frederickson, and art instructor Jessica Pinto worked with 32 kids from the Vida Foundation to do a group art project cutting out and decorating "hand plants."