



Cerulean Arts

GALLERY • STUDIO

SPRING 2009

The weather is warming and the days are getting longer. Here at the gallery we're looking forward to some great exhibitions and our new series of weekend workshops. Have a wonderful spring and we hope to see you soon!

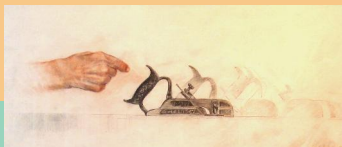
- Mike & Tina



Gallery Talk with Jill A. Rupinski

Artist Jill Rupinski gave a moving talk about the drawings in her solo exhibition *Completion*. Based on sketches Rupinski made last year of her ailing father, the eight sanguine and black pencil drawings are a moving tribute to his life as a carpenter. Attendees were able to hear about all the elements in her drawings that at first seem inconsequential

yet are so critical to the overall composition. Additionally, the artists in the audience were interested to hear about her method of drawing over a gray-toned ground. If you missed the exhibition, you can still view her work at www.ceruleanarts.com/exhibitions-past.htm



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday, February 27 5 - 9 pm

Opening Reception
Confluence: River Paintings
by Ann Northrup



Buoy Boat at Illinois Missouri Confluence, oil on canvas, 2007

Saturday/Sunday, March 7 & 8 9 am - 12 pm

Mixed Media Collage 2D & 3D
Workshop with Anthony Ciambella

Sunday, March 15 1-4 pm

Meet the Artist
Ann Northrup
Gallery Talk at 2pm

Saturday/Sunday, March 21 & 22 9 am - 12 pm

Egg Tempera Workshop
with Anthony Ciambella

Saturday/Sunday, March 28 & 29 9 am - 12 pm

Portrait Drawing Workshop with
Jill A. Rupinski

Saturday/Sunday, April 4 & 5 9 am - 12 pm

Drawing What You See
Workshop with Ron Wyffels

Friday, April 10 5 - 9 pm

Opening Reception
Marc Connor, Laurie Riccadonna,
Christopher Schade, Zoe Pettijohn
Guest Curator Joshua Marsh

Sunday, April 12 Closed for Easter

Weekend Workshops at Cerulean Arts

Thanks to everyone for showing interest in classes at Cerulean Arts! This spring we're trying something a little different. Just about every weekend we have a different workshop or lecture planned. Featuring a talented pool of instructors who have also exhibited at Cerulean Arts, the workshops cover a wide range of topics. Each meets Saturday and Sunday from 9am-12pm and is only \$95! For class descriptions, check out the complete Spring 2009 Weekend Workshop and Lecture Schedule online at www.ceruleanarts.com/images/Classes/Spring_09.pdf. Registration is limited to eight students, so sign up today!



Collaboration to Benefit Profugo

Cerulean Arts is happy to help raise funds for the non-profit organization Profugo by offering for sale the adorable Dandles Dolls and Bears. Profugo's mission is "To break oppressive cycles and facilitate progressive improvement in the lives of individuals, in developing and under-developed communities worldwide". They hope

to accomplish this by creating "Centers of Development" which include a Health Center, a Business Development Center and a Microfinance Center. Their first project which they hope to open in August, 2009, will be in the Wayanad district in South India.

Dandles Dolls and Bears, each with their own personality and interchangeable clothes, were handmade in Sri Lanka following Fair Trade principles. At only \$10 each, they make a great gift for any child over three years old while also helping a worthwhile cause. Stop in and get yours today! To learn more about Profugo, visit www.profugo.org.

Phlower Power Window Decorating Contest

What better way to get ready for spring than by visiting the Philadelphia Flower Show. Cerulean Arts is excited to be participating for the first time in this year's window decorating contest. All entrants must include at least one poster from the 2009 Flower Show in their display and the rest in up to their imagination. Of course we also wanted to highlight some of the great art we offer for sale at the gallery. We're particularly proud of our display, which incorporates beautiful raku pots by Sarah Roche and stunning flower photographs by Brian Piper. Check out all of the participants' windows at www.flickr.com/photos/phlower_power and then vote for your favorite from Friday, February 20 through Monday, February 23 at phlowerpower@pennhort.org. Sponsored by the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, the 2009 Flower Show is on view from March 1-8. This year's theme is Bella Italia. For show information and tickets, visit www.theflowershow.com



Featured Decorative Artist – Circa Asia



Since 2001, the folks at Circa Asia have been travelling to Thailand and Viet Nam in an effort to find the region's most talented crafts makers and artisans. All items are traded fairly and Circa Asia is proud to ensure that each of their artisans is working in a safe and comfortable environment.

Additionally, Circa Asia is equally focused on providing earth-friendly products. A truly environmentally friendly resource, bamboo is the earth's fastest growing plant

and a fantastic way to enjoy both nature's beauty and finely handcrafted home accents. Versatile, sustainable and renewable, bamboo can be harvested in just 3-5 years. Stop in the gallery to check out our new bamboo vases, bowls, picture frames and handwoven tote bags.



New York International Gift Fair

Many people have asked where we find the unique decorative arts we offer for sale in our back gallery. Many of the artisans have been introduced to us at the New York International Gift Fair. Held twice a year at the Jacob Javits Convention Center, the fair brings together thousands of artists and companies that represent them from all over the world. While at times it can be quite daunting to choose from so many great things, we've come to focus on items from the "Handmade" section as well as those from members of the Fair Trade Federation. The past few fairs have also had special displays of decorative arts deemed sustainable which helps in our selection.

In addition to the bamboo items from Circa Asia mentioned above, the gallery is excited to be offering beaded jewelry from the highlands of Guatemala, blown glass wine stoppers, hand-painted bird feeders and flower pots plus handmade paper and fabric frames and journals from India. All should be arriving in the coming weeks, so stop by the gallery when you get a chance!



Saturday/Sunday, April 18 & 19
9 am - 12 pm

The Joy of Acrylic Painting
Workshop with Anthony Ciambella

Saturday & Sunday
April 25 & 26
NPACA Open House

Sunday, April 26
1-4 pm
Meet the Artists
Gallery Talk at 2pm

Saturday/Sunday, May 2 & 3
9 am - 12 pm
Drawing from Photographs
Workshop with Michael Kowbuz

Saturday/Sunday, May 9 & 10
9 am - 12 pm
Drawing on Drawing Workshop
with Ron Wyfells

Saturday/Sunday, May 16 & 17
9 am - 12 pm
City Landscape Workshop with
Michael Kowbuz

Saturday/Sunday, April 18 & 19
9 am - 12 pm
Portrait in the Landscape
Workshop with Jill A. Rupinski

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Cultivating an appreciation for art by holding exhibitions, offering unique decorative and fine art for sale and providing art instruction for personal fulfillment.

Gallery Hours:

Wednesday – Friday 10 am – 6pm
Saturday & Sunday 12 pm – 6 pm

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