



# MGAL

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# NEWS

## FEATURED ARTIST - JIM HENDERSON

Many people have asked me, "from where does your inspiration come?" I would have to say without a doubt, that being born in the deep South, Jackson, MS, and spending many summers and holidays with my grandparents in Inverness, MS, gave me unlimited resources and remembrances of home and countryside. The many organic shapes of nature found in southern landscapes led me to an interest in painting them.

My art has been described as expressionistic and has been influenced by artists like Van Gogh, Freida Hamm and others that use stylized shapes. I have adopted a line and ink approach that blends large colorful shapes with heavy ink lines and marks. Trees, barns, old houses, and country roads take on my impression of their shape and style. My goal is to evoke in the viewer a remembrance of old familiar places.

Jim is not only a fantastic artist, but is our MGAL president!

## FROM THE BOARD

First of all I would like to say hello and introduce myself. My name is Carol Roark and I hope to bring us a bit closer together and more informed with this brief monthly newsletter. I have met most of you as I am the outgoing president of MGAL and now as Publicity Chair, I want to create a sense of community. Please join in helping me with this by contributing to our Facebook Group. Post your work, your upcoming shows, your studio. Let's get engaged with each other!

The MGAL board met June 9th. There is still a need for an Education Chairperson (finds our speakers for our general meetings!), an Exhibition Co-Chair and a Volunteer Coordinator. Please consider sharing some of your time.

Our **Spring Juried Exhibition** is underway with the opening reception June 23. Again help us promote this show by sharing and posting your work on social media.

Future show dates for 2022-2023 are -

**MGAL Member Showcase** Sept. 1st -30th, 2022

Online at WKNO

**Winter Juried Exhibition** - Nov 1st - 30th, 2022

St George Episcopal Church

**Spring Juried Exhibition** - March 1st - 30th, 2023

Memphis Botanic Gardens

**Star Artist Juried Exhibition** - May 1st-30th , 2023

Shainberg Gallery

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