



# The TCA Newsletter

P.O. Box 385, Tewksbury, MA 01876

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## A Message from the TCA Staff

*Autumn . . . It's such a glorious time of year. As we admire the beautiful fall foliage we not only see red, yellow or orange, but as artists we also take in the subtle shades of alizarin crimson, ochre, and sienna. We not only see the sun shine but take notice of the amazing effects of its light on the bark of trees, and the shadows cast in interesting shapes. It's not enough for us to simply observe life; it's all to fleeting, every moment a treasure. We see the composition; we imagine our palette, our tools, our lens. We want to capture it, hold onto it and with our art we need to express it and share it and all in our own unique way. How blessed are we to have been given such a gift.*

*With Thanksgiving right around the corner we often reflect on that which we are grateful for and being an artist is certainly one of them. At TCA we are also thankful for all of you and the beautiful work and the diverse perspectives that you bring to our organization.*

*We would like to offer a very special note of appreciation to Mavis, Dennis, Elaine, Jodi, Christina, Maria, Rita and Joanne. The TCA would like to thank you all for having stepped forward to volunteer your time and efforts to TCA and especially for your help with our big fall show. If not for your help we could never have accomplished it all. We are very grateful for all you've done to make our organization what it is today and we thank you . . . again and again.*

*The TCA Staff*

Let's Work Together!

### **Creative Art Sessions are back! Please Join Us!**

In our new art space in the Green Room at  
Tewksbury State Hospital

*Come paint, draw, sculpt or whatever it is you like  
to do as an artist while in the company of your  
creative peers.*

Sundays, from 1pm to 3pm

Feb. 12 & 26 • March 11 & 25 • April 8 & 22  
May 6 & 20 • June 3 & 24 • July 15 • August 12

*The Tewksbury State Hospital, Chapel Road, off East St  
The Green Room is located behind the Chapel*

### **Vote for our Tree at the Festival of Trees!**

**Opening: Friday, December 2 at 6pm and a free  
concert at 6:30pm, Tewksbury Public Library  
Trees will be on display until December 31 during  
normal Library hours.**

Your Participation is Very Important

### **Be sure to attend our next TCA Open Meeting**

*For all members*

**January, 10 2012 at 6:30**

**During this meeting we will  
hold elections for Chairperson  
and Vice Chairperson.**

***Consider joining our creative staff!***

***Staff members save \$10 per year off membership  
during their time of service!***

**Upcoming Open Meetings:**

**February 22, 2012 at 6:30**

**September 19, 2012 at 6:30**

**September 26, 2012 at 6:30**

[www.tewksburycommunityofartists.com](http://www.tewksburycommunityofartists.com)

Lots coming up at the Brush



Come and discover our unique gallery and artists' studios, located in a restored mill in Lowell. Enjoy our outstanding, museum quality, exhibitions and educational programs that focus on regional, national, and, international artists. Take time to visit our studios, which provide affordable and accessible space for area artists who work in a variety of media. Since the studios are open to the public on a daily basis, there is always an opportunity to talk to and observe the artists at work, as well as purchase artwork directly from their studios.

### Second Annual Knit-a-Thon

November 20, 2011.



Knit mittens and hats for needy children and teens. Gather with fellow charity knitters as they knit and munch on goodies!

### Holiday Marketplace

November 26 during Lowell's city-wide *City of Lights* celebration and runs through December 31. Find original artwork and handcrafted items made here in Lowell by our own Brush artists.



### Fourth Annual Cookie Competition

Vote for the perfect cookie on Saturday, December 10 and Sunday, December 11 from 11 - 5 pm

### Annual Brush Members' Art Exhibition with the New England Sculptors Association

Artist Reception December 10, 2 - 4 pm

December 10, 2011 - January 21, 2012

featuring the artwork of members from both the Brush Gallery and the New England Sculptors Association.

### The Gifts of Wine and Art

Monday, December 12, 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Sample the fine wines from the cellars of Lowell's own **Tutto Bene**. Enter to win a beautiful gift basket including a bottle of Dom Perignon! Proceeds go to support our exhibition programs.

*I try to apply colors like words that shape poems,  
like notes that shape music.*

**Joan Miro**

Just for Fun!

## You must be an Artist if. . .

- The highlights in your hair are from your palette and not Clairol.
- You are having lunch with the girls and the fragrance you wear is eau d'linseed oil.
- You get a feeling of calmness from holding and stroking the bristles of your clean paintbrushes.
- You butter your toast with your fingers, just to feel its texture.
- You never look at a person's face as a whole. You break it up into shadows and lines and shapes, and think how they would look on a canvas.
- You know what shade of green the lichen on the trees is.
- You can't find a nice outfit for your date because everything has paint smears on.
- You chose to buy that new Russian Sable Number Six Round instead of a Big Mac, a Large Fry, a Milkshake, Desert, and five gallons of gas.
- You draw your letters instead of write them
- There are Prussian blue fingerprints on your phone.
- You *do* judge a book by its cover.

By [Marion Boddy-Evans](#), About.com Guide

Member News

## Valerie Borgal

**Whistler House Museum of Art /  
Lowell Art Association, Inc. est. 1878**  
243 Worthen Street, Lowell, MA 01852-1822  
978-452-7641

### Juried Member Show

Exhibit runs - Nov. 19 to Dec. 30, 2011  
Reception - Saturday, Nov. 19, 2011 2-4 pm  
Valerie's watercolor painting titled  
"Winter Shadows" is on display.  
*Hope to see you at the reception.*

## Meet, Jeannette Waugh

Jeannette Waugh attended New England School of Art & Design from 1991-1994, and graduated as an illustration major, with a certificate in graphic design.



*Jeannette Waugh wins third place and receives an honorable mention for her pastel work at the TCA Fall Show.*

She was hired at Nancy Sales Company (Nanco), in Chelsea, MA in 1995 to create artwork for souvenirs. In the early years, she drew all designs by hand to be reproduced on mugs, keychains, totes, and other giftware items. Over the years, she learned various design programs (Freehand, Illustrator, Photoshop, Quark) while on the job, and through continuing education classes. The later years of her employment, she designed hang tags, sewn in labels, signs, trade show advertisements and product catalogs which showcased their licensed plush characters. In February 2009, Jeannette was laid off due to the recession. Since then, she has been enjoying life as a stay-at-home mom.

This layoff was the catalyst to joining the Tewksbury Community of Artists. After graduating art school in 1994, the demands of everyday life quickly took priority over creating self-directed artwork. In 2009, Jeannette joined TCA with the hope of establishing a commitment to make time for her own art once again. With scheduled community art shows, she has found a new focus and goal to work towards. Jeannette's first show with the TCA was in the fall of 2009, where she entered 4 pieces and was awarded 2 ribbons. ('2nd Place' and 'Honorable Mention' for watercolor with colored pencil) She looks forward to creating and exhibiting new artwork for TCA shows in the years to come.

Jeannette grew up in Melrose, MA and has lived in Tewksbury, MA since 2004. She is married and has 3 young children. She is currently pursuing graphic design and illustration work on a per diem or per job basis. Once her children are a bit older and are all attending school full time, she looks forward to reentering the design field on a part time basis.

## Group Showings

*The Library shows are a perfect way to share your art with the public and to get your name out there. What a great opportunity for sales as well . . . some members have recently sold the work that they had on display. Just think, your piece could be next! All mediums are welcomed so mark your calendars and get your work ready for the next show!*

### Dates & Themes:

January 10, 2012 to February 7 – *White Wonders*

February 7 to March 6 – *Let's Eat*

March 6 to April 10 – *Portraits*

April 10 to May 8 – *Splash of Color*

May 8 to June 5 – *Seasons of Life*

June 5 to July 10 – *Around our Town*

July 10 to September 11 – *Summer Delights*

September 11 – *Remembrance*

The set-up and take down dates are listed above.

Time: Between 6:30 pm - 7:00 pm.

#### Entries limited to:

5 pieces per person for Members of TCA at no charge,

3 pieces per person for Non-Members at \$5 per piece

**All shows are first come first served. All others will be put on a waiting list.**

**TO PARTICIPATE:** Please make check payable to Tewksbury Community of Artists and include your name and number of pieces you'll be showing.

Mail to P.O. Box 385, Tewksbury, MA 01876

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