Laura Rutherford Renner: “Gone”

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Contribute
Please consider making your tax deductible contribution now. These funds will be put to good use providing enhanced services to our members and friends.

Membership dues cover only a small portion of the PSC’s operating expenses. Competition for funding for arts organizations like the Sketch Club is increasingly competitive and total funding for the arts is shrinking. Your additional support will keep the PSC an active support for visual artists in the Metropolitan Philadelphia area.

The Philadelphia Sketch Club is an IRS designated 501(c)(3) non-profit organization which allows your donations to be tax deductible.

You can call the office at 215-545-9298, mail checks to the Sketch Club or visit the Contribute page of our Website to give online at: http://sketchclub.org/support-us/

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The Sketch Club’s AmazonSmile Link: http://smile.amazon.com

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Purchases made by Sketch Club supporters using AmazonSmile in May resulted in a $27.15 AmazonSmile contribution to the PSC. It’s not much, but every cent helps. So don’t forget, use the above link when purchasing from Amazon and increase the PSC’s income.

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To learn more about AmazonSmile go to: http://smile.amazon.com/gp/aw/ch/about
Volunteers are *Always* needed!

We are now seeking a PSC member with great organizational skills to assist in managing the Member Dinner arrangements. If you want to get involved in this important PSC activity, please contact us ACAP at: executivedirector@sketchclub.org

Other volunteer opportunities:
- Gallery Sitting
- Accept/Return Work
- Special Projects
- Assist with Exhibition Tasks

Help the PSC with important positions within the PSC that need volunteers to take over! Contact Faad Ghoraishi at to help your club with future events

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If you’re not following the Philadelphia Sketch Club on Facebook re-tweeting Sketch Club tweets yet, it’s time that you did. We have well over 2000 Facebook followers. Get the word out about the Sketch Club. Please click the like button and share your comments and invite your friends to like our page.

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Include links on your website, blogs and social media to The Philadelphia Sketch Club to increase traction across social media platforms.

Follow us on Facebook Twitter now!

Thanks to Don Brewer for managing PSC social media sites.
Membership

Become a Member of the Philadelphia Sketch Club!
If you’re reading this edition of the Portfolio and you’re not a member of the PSC, you should consider joining the more than 200 other Philadelphia area artists who have. The PSC is one of the most active visual art venues serving center city Philadelphia. The PSC is a hands-on organization that offers its members the opportunity to participate in all aspects of creating and presenting work to the public. It presents over 20 scheduled group and solo exhibitions annually and offers a wide range of daily workshops. Get info and an application here.
If you are a member of the PSC, please feel free to share the Portfolio with your artist friends and encourage them to become members.

Membership Renewal
You can check the status of your membership by going to the Current Members page on the PSC web-site: http://sketchclub.org/sample-page/memberspace/. All current members are listed. An asterisk (*) means that the membership has expired but is within the 60-day grace period for renewal. Names in red are active links to the individual’s web site.
Renew Now! http://sketchclub.org/annual-dues-payment/
If you have any questions about your membership, please don’t hesitate contact us at membership@sketchclub.org or call the office: 215-545-9298.

New Members this Month
The Sketch Club welcomes new members recently approved by the Board of Directors.

- Tom Ogline
- Clara Soyoun Kim
- Fred Hamilton
- Mary Rhodomeyer
- Frederick Plumley

Current Sketch Club members can review new member applications at: http://sketchclub.org/member-applications/. The members only section and documents are password protected. If you’ve forgotten the password, please contact Ken Weiner at: membership@sketchclub.org.
Order Your Gala Tickets Here

The Philadelphia Sketch Club’s 156th Anniversary Gala
ORDER YOUR TICKETS NOW - RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

Please join us for our 156th Anniversary Gala on Saturday, October 15th. The Gala will be held at the Philadelphia Sketch Club, 235 S. Camac Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107, from 6 to 10 PM. You will have a fun time and get to mix with many prominent members of the artistic community. At the Gala, we will honor three of America’s top artists: Jan C. Baltzell, Eileen Taber Goodman and Cindi Royce Ettinger, with the presentation of the Philadelphia Sketch Club Medal. Below is a notice of the event that will shortly appear in ICON Magazine.

![Honoring Jan Baltzell, Eileen Goodman and Cindi Ettinger](image)

We have formed an Honorary Gala Committee whose membership includes many prominent individuals from the artistic community. The main job of the Honorary Gala Committee is to encourage people to attend the event. The Honorary Gala Committee currently includes: David R. & Holly Trottie Brigham (David is President and CEO of PABA and Holly is an Artist); William R. Valero, Director & CEO, Woodmere Art Museum; Lisa Trenner Hanover, Director & CEO, James A. Michener Art Museum; John & Cindy Affleck (John is President of Woodmere Art Museum’s Board of Trustees and a second generation Sketch Club Member whose father, Ralph Affleck, was President of the PSC in 1951/52); Bill Scott, Artist & Member of Woodmere’s Board of Trustees; Christopher Schmidt; Artist & Director of the Schmidt Dean Gallery; Dorothy J. del Bianco, Member of Woodmere’s Board and Collections Committee; Sharon Young, Director of Gross McCleaf Gallery; Stephen Towaral, Intern, Provost and Professor Emeritus, the University of the Arts; Sally Beller, Board Member at Woodmere and Drexel University; Karen Lightner, Head of the Art & Literature Departments at the Free Library of Philadelphia; and David Weiss, Vice President at Freeman, a specialist on the Antiques Roadshow and guest auctioneer for the Gala auction.

In addition to the medal presentations, highlights of the evening will include an unreserved live auction of artworks by the honored artists as well as some contemporary and historic works by Ralph Byr, Ethan Herrick Warbrick, Domenico Di Stefano, John Lear, Oliver Grimsley and others. There will be an open bar, hors d’oeuvres and a buffet dinner.
You can order tickets at [www.sketchclub.org](http://www.sketchclub.org) or by calling 215-545-9298. Please order tickets promptly as we must provide a headcount to our caterer plus our capacity may be exceeded by the demand for tickets. Here are a few of the artworks for the live auction:

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**LIVE AUCTION ARTWORKS**

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**Ethel Herrick Warwick, Floral Still Life, Oil on canvas**

**John B. Lear, Position Three, Watercolor & watercolor pencil, 1967**

**Ranulph Bye, Spring Landscape, Watercolor**

**Domenic DiStefano, Winter Landscape, Watercolor**

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Eileen Goodman, *Four Koi*, Watercolor

Jan Baltzell, *Untitled*, Oil on Mylar

Cindi Ettinger, *Road Two*, Etching, woodcut, chine collé

Oliver Grimley, *Love Rules*, Pen & ink

Signe Wilkinson, *What’s Art*, Signed print

Signe Wilkinson, *School Budget*, Signed print
Sketch Club Activities

Check-out the new Sketch Club Bulletin Board.

Recently, PSC members asked for some method of communicating between members of the PSC community. In response to this request, Board of Directors agreed to add a PSC Bulletin Board to the PSC web-site. You can visit and sign-up for this site at: http://bbd.sketchclub.org/. You can also find the link on the PSC home page. Answers to questions about using the PSC BB are found on the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) page: FAQs. The site is monitored by Ken Weiner, PSC Vice-president.

Anyone can view entries on the site but you must register to post topics or responses. For starters, we’ve built-in a number of topics. We encourage the creation of new topics as needed.

Try it out. See if it enhances your creative life.

Critique Night

Next Meeting: October 19th, 2016

Open to PSC Members and Non-Members

RSVP to Michelle Lockamy at 215-545-9298 or executivedirector@sketchclub.org

Critique Night is held in the Library of the Sketch Club every third Wednesday beginning at 7 PM. Bring work you've finished, work in progress, or just sketches for work you're planning! Photos, digital work, drawings, all mediums are welcome; we can project digital images on a screen for review, so you have the option to show work that may be too big or too heavy to transport to the Club. There is no one individual directing the critique, just your fellow artists and peers. Facilitated/monitored by Rich Harrington, PSC President

Photo Circle

Next Meeting: October 13th, 2016 from 6:30 to 8:30 PM

You can contact Steve anytime at si22@drexel.edu or 215-300-9192 (cell). Steve Iwanczuk, Photo Circle Monitor and Member of Philadelphia Sketch Club Board of Directors.
Sketch Club Activities

Enjoy the Sketch Club’s Garden – It’s wonderful in October

The PSC Garden is open all summer during gallery hours. Feel free to spend time in this quiet, picturesque environment.

Recently, PSC member **Chuck Tarr** was enjoying a quiet moment and he noticed the first lily blossoms in the garden’s pond and he couldn’t resist taking this photo.

**Gallery hours:**
Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday: 1 PM to 5 PM

Dinner Meeting

No Dinner Meeting in October. Plan to attend the Gala on October 15th instead

**Order Your Gala Tickets Here**
2016 Main Gallery Schedule

In the Main Gallery: 2016 Large Format Juried Art Show

**Oct. 7-29, 2016**

**Reception**
- Sunday Oct. 16, 2016, 2 – 4 PM at PSC
- PSC Medals and Cash Awards will be presented at 3:00 PM

![2015 First Place Award, Ron Weisberg, “Pipe Dream”, Oil](image)

The Next Show is the 2016 Philustration 8 Art Show

Deadline for On-line Submissions: **Oct. 23, 2016** at midnight

**Exhibition Dates:** Nov 11– Dec. 3, 2016

**Click Here for the Prospectus**
Enter online [HERE](https://example.com)
# 2016 Stuart Gallery Schedule

## Member Show – October 1 – 30, 2016
- 2016 Gala Show Auction – East-side
- Faad Ghorashi – West-side

## Reception
- Sunday Oct. 16, 2016, 2 – 4 PM at PSC

**Exhibition Schedule and Events Calendar Always Available at sketchclub.org**

Don’t forget, you can always see the schedule for the coming year on the PSC web-site. Go to the Calendars/Events menu and select Exhibition Schedule. Here’s the link: [http://sketchclub.org/exhibitions/](http://sketchclub.org/exhibitions/). And new for this year, we’ve added an Events Calendar under the Calendars/Events menu. This calendar will show a complete list of the dates for important activities and deadlines. See it here: [http://sketchclub.org/calendar/](http://sketchclub.org/calendar/)
All workshops are open to the public. There is no need to register before attending. You do NOT have to be a member of the Philadelphia Sketch Club to participate in the workshops. Our workshops are open to anyone who is interested in drawing, painting or printmaking. All skill levels are welcome. Fees: Model workshops: $8/session members, $9/session for non-PSC members; Printmaking workshop: $10/session; All workshops $6 for full-time students. Monitored by PSC members.

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Please Note: Those who use oil paints should bring their own container(s) to remove used solvents. Odorless solvents only.
Bill Kosman, Member of PSC Board of Directors, has been getting out a lot lately to the fiends and beaches of Normandy, France, and one reason is that the weather has been wonderful, just right for painting. And, Bill says, “the more I'm out there painting, the more I feel I'm able to express my view of the beauty here.”

If you have a minute, go to Bill’s Artist’s Blog for the full story and to see more examples of his work.

What you see in the Painter's Blog will be Bills's new studio up in North Philadelphia at the Loom Annex during Philadelphia Open Studio Tours on Oct. 22 and 23. I'd like to show you the new scenes from Normandy and the latest scenes from Philadelphia. If you can't wait, we can arrange a special visit by e-mailing me at billkosman@gmail.com

John Stopkoski, an active PSC member who attends the Tuesday Life Drawing workshop. John is a retired high school art teacher and Tyler graduate now living in the NJ shore area.
Art Natters: Members News

PSC member, Peter Quarracino is having a Solo Show at:
Chester County Art Association
100 North Bradford Avenue
West Chester, PA 19382

Peter Quarracino, Real and Imagined
October 28- November 17, 2016
Opening reception Oct. 27, 5-8 PM
mailto:pete@quarracino.com
www.quarracino.com
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Plein Air Painting at the Independence Seaport Museum
Instructor: Joseph Sweeney

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For more information, go to: Teaching List Fall 2016
Art Natters: Members News

Abstract Artists of Bucks County
Come to Bristol Centre for the Arts
308 Mill Street, Bristol, PA

Sept. 22nd to Oct 13th, 2016
Reception Sept 22nd, 6pm to 8pm

Meet the artists for a round table discussion at 5pm on the 22nd
Roger Boe, Robert Hansen, Armor Keller, Nan Kirstein, Lynn Miller, Rodney Miller, Loretta Montgomery, Rosemarie Strippoli
Calls for Work and Notices

Portfolio Headline Artist: Laura Rutherford Renner

Memories of Change is a compelling exhibit of new works by PSC member, Laura Rutherford Renner and Alla Podolsky that will be featured at the Artists’ Gallery in Lambertville, NJ from October 6th to November 6th, 2016, with an opening reception on Saturday, October 8th from 4 to 7pm, and the closing on Sunday November 6th from 3 to 6pm. The spaces and people that enable us to grow and thrive, the settings that are beset by transformation or neglect, will be the focus of the exhibit.

Philadelphia Sketch Club member Laura Rutherford Renner is an artist whose paintings on wood depict contemporary life in New Jersey and Pennsylvania. Her work has been included in various juried exhibitions and shows, recently as a juried member of Artists Gallery in Lambertville, NJ. In addition to her painting career, Laura is a practicing Occupational Therapist and the published author of several OT biographical articles. She lives in Collingswood, NJ. Laura has previously exhibited in Artists House Gallery in Philadelphia for nearly 10 years.

Artists’ Gallery is located at 18 Bridge Street, Lambertville, NJ 08530. Find more information at http://www.lambertvillearts.com/ or contact (609) 397-4588 or contact@lambertvillearts.com.
Don’t Miss this Opportunity: Sketch Club Web Site Front Page Image Contest

There’s still time to enter: Deadline Extended – Date to be Announced

The Sketch Club is wanting to refresh the look and feel of its web-site.

With PSC leadership authority, I’ve formed a ad hoc committee to plan and implement web-site changes. Working with sketch club member Cheryl Soltis, our PSC gallery manager, Michelle Lockamy and our summer interns Chelsea Lyons and Erica Richards, we will craft a new look for the site.

Over the next few months you will see changes. A logical reorganization of the main menu, text revisions and clarifications, more text and visual information and a new banner image.

Now, about that banner. I’m sure that you’re familiar with the banner on the PSC web-site shown above. This venerable banner has been the mainstay image of the PSC web-site for years. However, it’s time for a change.

Announcing the “Sketch Club Web-site Headliner Competition”

Here are the Rules:

1. Send us your idea of a great banner for the PSC’s web-site
2. It will be judged by popular vote by PSC membership
3. The winner will be announced at the Sketch Club’s 2016 Gala
4. The winning image will become the new web-site banner

Here are the specifications:

- **Deadline:** September 31, 2016
- Subject: appropriate but open to your imagination
- Format 1000 ppi across, 300 – 400 ppi wide.
- Resolution: high (300 ppi)
- File type: native In Design, Photoshop, etc.
Calls for Work and Notices

Or Hadash Staircase Gallery

Reconstructionist Congregation Or Hadash in Fort Washington, PA is housed in a historic building, formerly the summer mansion of well-known society families. We have adapted a formerly grand entrance staircase into what we call The Staircase Gallery.

The Staircase Gallery has been having 3 shows a year for over 14 years. We have had shows featuring a diverse group of painters, photographers, children’s art, and illustrators. We have incorporated writings and travel logs into exhibits for multi-talented artists who work in multiple mediums.

We are always looking for local artists who would like to show their work. The application process is to simply let us know of your interest, sending us a link to a site where we can see your work. If the Gallery committee feels your work would work in our space, we will contact you to schedule a show. The school students pass through the gallery so we must consider what is appropriate viewing for them in our decision making process. Many artists make a list of prices available for sales. We provide assistance in the hanging of the show and let the artist know what supporting documents are typically displayed.

We are currently scheduling for the 2017 season and going forward. If you would like to have a show in our unique and charming gallery, please let us know at mikeoswald@comcast.net. We will start the process and let you know what the steps are if we go forward.

Academy House Exhibition Opportunity

The Academy House art committee is now looking for pieces to display in our lobby starting sometime in April.
If any of your artists at the Philadelphia Sketch Club are interested, ask them to stop into the lobby (which now can be accessed only through 251 S. 15th Street) and look at the spaces currently being used. (The two pieces on the lobby level are smaller than we would prefer; the piece on the landing is an appropriate size.) If they think they have work that would be suitable for us, ask them to send photos and dimensions and we will take them up for consideration. Pieces displayed can be for sale, though the condo asks 20% of the selling price.

Photos can be emailed to this addressed or dropped off at the front desk with my name on the envelope.

Thanks,
Michael Goldman
academyhousearts@gmail.com
1425 Locust Street
Philadelphia, PA 19102
Calls for Work and Notices

Good Reads: Members Suggestions

From time-to-time, we receive suggestions for art-related material that we feel our members would find interesting.

This month, PSC member, Patricia Ilves-Corresel highly recommends two articles. Here are the links:


Member Classifieds

Photography Services for Artists

Do you need high-quality digital images of your work? Is glare a problem? Color balance not quite right? I can help you get great images of your 2-D or 3-D work suitable for digital file output or output for presentation and hard-copy presentation. I offer flexible availability, willingness to travel, special pricing for Sketch Club members. Contact: Ken Weiner

note2kenweiner@verizon.net; 215-280-6325.

Seeking Framers

Sketch Club members frequently ask about framing services. If you wish to provide framing services to PSC members, please contact the PSC at info@sketchclub.org or call the PSC office: 215 545-92908
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Back issues of the Portfolio are available at: http://sketchclub.org/portfolio-archive/