

## Arts4Life: Watercolor Painting

Explore your creativity with teaching artist Bernie D'Ettorre. The goal of this eight-week watercolor painting workshop is to introduce the complexities of watercolor painting and the necessary steps and techniques to succeed in any two-dimensional art form. The basic structure and design techniques you will learn in these workshops can be utilized in any art medium, be it oil, pastels or acrylics.



### Middleburg Heights Branch

15600 East Bagley Road / 440.234.3600

### Workshop Schedule:

Wednesdays, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, October 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>  
1:00 – 3:30 p.m.

**Week 1** – Materials, the Color Wheel & Graded Wash

**Week 2** – Mixing Direct & Split Compliments; Brush Techniques

**Week 3** – Composition & Basic Shapes

**Week 4** – High-Key & Low-Key Palette Selection

**Week 5** – Drawing in One- & Two-Point Perspective

**Week 6** – Creating Depth With Shading

**Week 7** – Foreshortening, Cast Shadow and Techniques Using Saran, Salt, Sponges & Spattering

**Week 8** – Mixed-Media Applications

### Exhibit & Reception

Wednesday, November 11<sup>th</sup> / 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

This workshop series is *free*, but registration is required. Interested participants must be able to attend all eight workshops. Register online at [cuyahogalibrary.org/arts4life](http://cuyahogalibrary.org/arts4life) or call Maureen Schulte at the Middleburg Heights Branch.

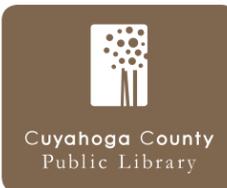


### About the Teaching Artist

Bernie D'Ettorre is a signature member of the Ohio Watercolor Society. She has participated in one-woman shows as well as juried events, including winning Best of Show – Lakewood Art League (2010 and 2011) and Best of Show Watercolor – Westlake Art League (2013). Bernie's work has been displayed at many local galleries as well as corporate centers and private collections in Ohio, California and England. She has taught watercolor classes at the Beck Center for the Arts in Lakewood and BAYarts in Bay Village.



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## Arts4Life: The Art of Digital Photography

Explore the art of digital photography with teaching artist Mark Nowak. This free eight-week workshop series is designed for both beginner and experienced digital photographers.

Participants will learn both the technical and artistic aspects of digital photography, including camera controls, lighting, vantage point, frame and creative controls.

*Prerequisite: Participants should bring their own camera and any other photography equipment needed to take photographs, such as instruction manuals, tripod, lens, flash and diffuser. At the end of the eight-week series, participants will show their finished work at a special Photography Showcase.*



### Strongsville Branch

18700 Westwood Drive / 440.238.5530

#### Workshop Schedule:

Thursdays, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>  
10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

**Week 1** – Work That Camera, Introductions and Using Your Camera

**Week 2** – Using Shutter Speed to Control Action

**Week 3** – Using Aperture to Control Depth of Field

**Week 4** – Using ISO settings to Control Quality of Images

**Week 5** – The Rule of Thirds for Balanced Images

**Week 6** – Using the Golden Spiral to Enhance Your Images

**Week 7** – Using Depth of Field

**Week 8** – Wrap-up Session

#### Photography Showcase & Reception

Tuesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> / 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

This workshop series is *free*, but registration is required. Interested participants must be able to attend all eight workshops. Register online at [cuyahogalibrary.org/arts4life](http://cuyahogalibrary.org/arts4life) or call Heather Timko at the Strongsville Branch.

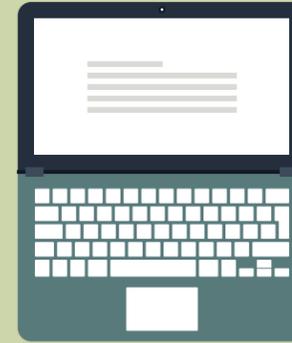


#### About the Teaching Artist

Mark Nowak is the lead photographer of Image Visions Photography. He has taught beginners photography courses for the Elyria Arts Depot and the Lorain County Parks Department. He is currently the president of the Erie Shores Photography Club and has been a photography judge for the Cleveland Photographic Society, Lakewood Photographic Society and Southwest Camera Club.

## Arts4Life: Memoir Writing

Everyone has a story to tell. Explore the art of memoir writing and personal storytelling with teaching artist Marsha McGregor. This free eight-week workshop series is suitable for both new and seasoned writers. Weekly sessions focus on brainstorming, listening, focusing and sharing. Participants are given print handouts of short memoir excerpts, poems, recommended reading lists, ideas for structuring a collection of memoir-based stories or a book-length memoir, and other helpful resources chosen by the instructor.



### Garfield Heights Branch

5409 Turney Road / 216.475.8178

#### Workshop Schedule:

Tuesdays, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>  
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

**Week 1** – People Who Shaped Me

**Week 2** – The Museum of Me

**Week 3** – If I Could Choose an Hour

**Week 4** – Where I'm From

**Week 5** – The Power of Pictures

**Week 6** – The Legacy of Letters

**Week 7** – What I Bring to the Table

**Week 8** – This Much I Know

#### Memoir Reading & Reception

Saturday, June 27<sup>th</sup> / 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

This workshop series is *free*, but registration is required. Interested participants must be able to attend all eight workshops. Register online at [cuyahogalibrary.org/arts4life](http://cuyahogalibrary.org/arts4life) or call Matt Skvasik at the Garfield Heights Branch.



#### About the Teaching Artist

Marsha McGregor is an award-winning published author who has been sharing her expertise and teaching writing for more than 10 years to students of all ages and skill levels. A member of the Association of Writers and Writing Programs and the International Women's Writing Guild, she was recognized as a Peter Taylor Fellow in Literary Nonfiction by the Kenyon Review Writing Workshop.

## Arts4Life: The Art of Photography

Explore the art of photography with teaching artist Herbert Ascherman, Jr. This eight-week photography workshop focuses on the elements that emphasize the artistry of photography and creating stunning photography experiences. Participants will each display two photographs at the culminating Art Show/Opening Reception event.



### Beachwood Branch

25501 Shaker Boulevard / 216.831.6868

#### Workshop Schedule:

Thursdays, September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, October 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>  
(No class on Thursday, September 24<sup>th</sup>)  
6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

**Week 1** – Introduction & Class Assignments

**Week 2** – History of Portraiture (Renaissance)

**Week 3** – History of Photography (Black & White)

**Week 4** – Portraiture

**Week 5** – Landscape/Nature, Architectural

**Week 6** – Close-up/Macro, Still Life

**Week 7** – Visit to the Teaching Artist's Studio

**Week 8** – Review & Final Critique

#### Art Show/Opening Reception

Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup> / 2:00 p.m.

*(Photos will remain on display in the Beachwood Branch meeting room during the month of November)*

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#### About the Teaching Artist

Herbert Ascherman, Jr.'s work has been exhibited and commercially published throughout the United States, Europe, Japan and India. Herb has been creating fine art and professional portraiture for 40 years, specializing in black and white and the resurgent art of platinum photography. Herb is internationally recognized for his photographs of people in creative, commercial and social settings.