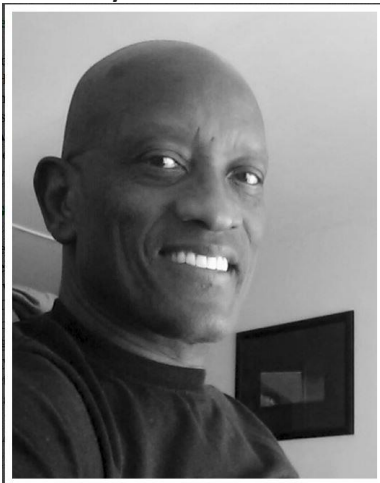


Morristown Art Association Newsletter

Apr. 24nd, 2018 (4th Tuesday) at 7 PM

Program : I am a product of the turbulent and emotion-packed 1960's, first only a street kid in the Lonsdale Homes Community of North Knoxville, then a rock-and-roll drummer in a regionally famous funk band 'Freddy and the Flamingo's' opening for such acts as Funkadelic, Bill Withers, Rufus Thomas, and Mary Wells, just to name a few. When my life was my **Art and Music**, sporting bigger than real Afro hair and fur- trimmed knee-high boots, rocking Knoxville's world. I later worked as a draftsman for TVA (Tennessee Valley Authority), and then I joined the Knoxville Police Department. A few years later, when the artistic urge was too strong to deny, I relocated to Washington, D.C., establishing **Geneva Galleries Inc.**

Vicissitude, the core expression of my artistic exploration, is based on an **abstract geometrical triptych** expressing what I felt and experienced as a young man in the south of the 1960's with the challenges of integration and trying to interpret the stories my father **Eldred Libby Taylor** told me about his childhood in Georgia. The idea for the three panels came to me over a six-year period, they represent the **Past, Present, and Future** of the black race, associated with each panel, are paintings and drawings I designed using Pencil and chalk pastel to represent that time in our vast history. It is my hope to engage my audience with subliminal imagery to tell the stories I feel should be preserved as a reflection of who we are and the **breavity** of our ancestral sacrifice and struggle for **freedom and equality**.



W. James Taylor

Challenges : All Challenges for 2018 are posted on the Web Calendar. For April you are challenged to paint "ROCKS". May is Smoky Mountains

Refreshments: Brynn Wolfe

Web Site – Morristownart.org

Repeat Post: Not all of our members have posted some of their paintings. I would like to urge you to send me a personal photo (If you haven't already) and up to 10 paintings. Be sure I have a bio and send them to bravio@hotmail.com If they seem too large, send them in separate mails. Make sure it is the Hotmail address.

I have started an “*Artist of the month*” section on the Web page and I use those who have pictures on the web. If you want to be included send me pictures. The artist is chosen at random. Marilyn Boston is the random choice for April.

Library Show: Feb-March – Irene Lawrence, April-May—**four members:** Carol Rouse, Frances Maynard, Kim Cole and Judy Luttrell, June- July Chris Smith Aug.-Sept-Raymond Tolman Oct.-Nov.- Photography Show Dec-Jan – Members’ Show.

Juried Art Show: This is coming – Are you ready with a fine painting??

High School Art Show Dates & Opening Reception

- **April 16 through April 30, 2018**
- **Opening Reception and Awards Presentation:** Thursday, April 19, 2018
5:00 pm to 7:00 pm
- **Awards Presentation** at 6:00 pm

Schools Included are: Claiborne High School, Cocke County High School, Cosby High School, Grainger High School, Jefferson County High School, Morristown Hamblen High School East and Morristown Hamblen High School West

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MAA Chairman, Frances Maynard; Cochairman, Judy Luttrell