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**PLEIN AIR PAINTER DOREEN CURRIE TO LEAD 2-DAY WORKSHOP
AT SAMA-LIGONIER VALLEY**

Ligonier – The Southern Alleghenies Museum of Art at Ligonier Valley will host a two-day painting workshop with artist Doreen Currie this fall. Currie, whose oil paintings are currently on view at the Museum in the exhibition *Doreen Currie: Plein-Air Paradigm*, will provide instruction to beginner and intermediate artists alike from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on October 25 and 26.

The workshop will begin with an indoor lesson as guests paint their own Thanksgiving scene from a still life of fall staples such as pumpkins, gourds, Indian corn, autumn leaves and vines. Currie will provide a demonstration and step-by-step instruction, as well as answer questions and offer feedback on the participants' progress. Weather permitting, the second day will feature an outdoor lesson as the group paints a fall garden scene. Artists painting in oil (water-based), acrylic and watercolor are welcome to participate in the workshop.

Attendees will need to bring their own materials, including a French or outdoor easel, multiple canvasses, a variety of brushes, paint thinner or turpentine, palette knives and paper towels. Suggested colors include cad red or alizarin crimson, ultramarine blue, cad yellow light, yellow ochre, burnt sienna and titanium white.

Cost for the workshop is \$60 per person. Reservations are required by October 23 and can be made by contacting the Museum at (724) 238-6015 or ligonier@sama-art.org.

The Southern Alleghenies Museum of Art at Ligonier Valley is located at One Boucher Lane and Route 711 South in Ligonier. Hours of operation are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 1 to 5 p.m. weekends. The Museum is a handicapped-accessible facility and is open to the public free of charge. For more information, call the Museum or visit www.sama-art.org.