

Art Beat

December 2023

newsletter for the Scottsdale Artists League

Letter from the President of Scottsdale Artists League

Hi My Fellow Artist Friends and Art Lovers,

Here we are almost to December! "Tis the Season for giving..... Oh, how I remember being a little kid, looking longingly through the Sears catalog....so many goodies catching my eye!! I would turn the pages down, hoping Santa would bring me my heart's desires. Over the years, I've come to know the delights of receiving even more joy when I give gifts, whether they be treats, a compliment, my love, my art, or something else; and I remember when our kids first experienced the joy of giving.

It was actually St. Patrick's Day about 10 years ago. Our boys were young teenagers – long past believing in Santa or the Easter Bunny or the Tooth Fairy – but they still loved the magic. On that St. Patrick's Day, someone (and we still don't know who) filled our yard with a treasure hunt of St. Patry's Day delights. This person went ALL OUT – and in the end we found a pot of gold (those little candy coins). It was so entertaining. Later that day we had a friend and her three little boys over for dinner. We were detailing our fun morning of the delightful hunt gifted us by "St. Patrick." Forgetting that little ones still believe in the magic, the three little boys were hurt that St. Patrick hadn't visited their house. Uh oh....



So the next day we packed some of the goodies up and headed to their house. We recreated some of the magic in their yard and then watched from across the street as they looked for all of the treats St. Patrick had left for them. BEST GIFT EVER – watching these three little boys and the excitement they literally couldn't contain!! They were dancing and hopping and skipping around with glee!!! Our boys were completely overcome with emotion. (My momma heart was bursting with joy and gratitude!) To this day our boys love stopping at lemonade stands and giving extra-large "tips" because they remember how thrilled they felt when other adults were generous to them. One of our boys (correction – our adult son) now jokes that it's illegal to not stop and buy something when you see a kid selling anything. I agree!

Holidays can be challenging in so many ways. I wish for you this Season both the joy of receiving and the joy of giving, including kindness to yourself. And I wish you strength, delight, and peace.

Warmly and with much love,

Shannon



-General Meeting-

Shannon O'Donnell: President

General

The meeting was officially called to order at 6:45

Shannon reminded that Membership renewal is due November 1st.

There are 103 members and 48 still need to renew.

The first 15" was used for social time: for visiting, refreshments, AOM voting, 50/50 raffle sale, visits to Jean Rossman's sales table.

Proposed bylaw Change

Proposed bylaw change for no meetings in July and August.

Shannon read the current bylaw: Regular meetings shall be held on the first Tuesday of each month unless otherwise authorized by the Board of Directors.

And proposed bylaw: Regular meetings shall be held on the first Tuesday of each month except July and August, unless otherwise authorized by the Board of Directors.

The proposed bylaw change passed by a show of hands. There will still be board meetings those months.

December Meeting

4x4s boards were left on each table for those who wish to paint them for the holiday party. We will all draw numbers to see who gets to choose first of available paintings until all are chosen.

Members can sign up for \$20 Sales Table at this December meeting. Members provide their own small table and sell their items.

Please come around 5:15 if you want to help set up.

There will not be a critique at this meeting and the party starts at 6:45.

Shows Update

Creative Leather Furniture venue:

The show will be December 2nd, 10am – 4pm. Prospectus and hold harmless were available on back table at meeting and on SAL's web site too. Everyone showing can have a sling at your panels. Shannon mentioned they could use help with the set-up as a new show and asked for donations of paintings for a fundraiser. Paintings should be small, 11x14 or smaller for maybe \$5.00 ea. or 5 for \$20.00. Please get donated paintings to Shannon or Shelley before November 28th



Sweetwaters Café Show:

New show November 30, 2023.

There are only 24 hangers for paintings and there were more pieces of art at the September 21 art change out.

Shannon would like to thank those that were not able to hang all their art for being understanding.

Pearson Show:

There were 13 participants with total sales of \$4,710.74 and net income of \$839. It was a great show, with good weather, slings perfected and lots of professional items.

Westminster Show:

Barbarann announced there are 13 artists and 49 paintings at the current show. The People's choice and Artist's choice was won by Brigitte Scanlon for her horse painting. The next change out will be January 15, with the reception on January 20, 2024



Fundraising

Donna Lewis: Treasurer

Expenses, insurance, rent – all costs. In the past Desert Botanical brought in \$\$ \$ but not now for 3 years. During covid membership was down to less than 100 members. Therefore there is the push for fundraising to get back to a healthy financial situation and also to provide scholarships.



More Information and Announcements

Member Award or in Shows:

Marie Provine: Tempe Artists Guild, Theme is Signs of the 60's & 70's in Tempe November 27 – Jan. 28, Tuesday - Saturday 10-5

Barbarann: Artist of the Superstition Studio Tour, Apache Junction. Barbarann told a story of a customer at this show who looked her up to tell her she bought a painting of hers in an antique shop and ended up buying another of Babarann's paintings at this show.





Bragging Bench:

Artists of the Month may bring a piece of art, whether they are working on it or finished. It is a good way to share and keep us updated on their new work.

At the end of this section (page 5) are photos of Artworks on display on November 7.

Board Meeting:

Shannon said she appreciated people coming to the party at her house for the board meeting. Look at photos taken during the event on page 53, 54 and 55. She added that The November Board/Business meeting will be on Zoom Tuesday, November 28, 6:30 pm. Look for the e-blast.



Sal November Sale Table

<u>Jean Rossman</u> set up a table with different items to give an idea how to organize items for sale.



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Bragging Bench



by Dave Flitner



by Barbara Bantit



by Freddie Lieberman

Meet the Artist

Barbara A. Bantit who joined SAL last September, has been introduced in the November News Letter. Unfortunately photos of her artworks have not been received in time before uploading the November's News Letter to the web site.

Here are the photos of two artworks she submitted.





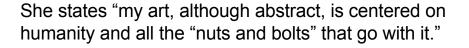




December 2023 Presenter



Shelley Koenigs introduced the presenter: **Shari Ashton**.





Here and in the following page you can see photos taken during her presentation.











Thank You Shari

December 2023 Speaker

There will not be any speaker during December 2023 General Meeting



-Artist of the Month Rules-



Rules for Artist of the Month Contest



All artists who enter must have attended 3 General Meetings within the calendar year.

One cannot take artwork from Critique and enter the piece into the show at the same meeting. A later meeting is fine.

- Dues cannot be outstanding.
- Paintings must be framed or Gallery-wrapped((at least 1 1/2" wide) and painted on all sides.
- If you win a 1st Place ribbon you cannot enter again until the next year.
- Artwork must be original, no "copies of the Old Master" or other works permitted.
- No wet paintings.

Sign in at the table, fill out a slip with TITLE and MEDIUM of the painting and the number assigned to you Display your work on the white clothed chairs in front of the stage with Title and number slip in front of your artwork

For members who attended the General Meeting vote a 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place ribbons will be awarded.



Artist of the month, November 2023







First Place
Jackie Schwartz
for "Black Dress"

About this painting: Nothing Submitted

Biography: Nothing submitted



Second Place
Leslie Austin
for "Blue Wash Trail"



Third Place Joan Langdon for "Dog Portrait"

SAL Member Critique



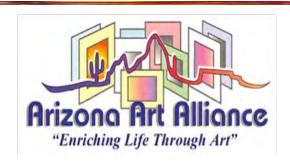


Jim Garrison was leading the critique during November 7th General meeting and he was assisted by **Dave Flitner**. All members are invited to participate with their work and suggestions. Critique begins promptly at 5.30pm and runs to 6.30pm prior to the General Meeting. Guests are welcome.

- •Paintings and drawings do not need to be framed. Unfinished pieces are welcome for suggestion to finish them. Participants in the critique please do not bring paintings freshly wet, oil particularly, as the paint gets on our hands and clothes from handling the pieces and then paint is transferred to other works and the carpet in the critique area. If you have a frame to put the painting in for handling purposes that will be appreciated.
- •Two works per member will be accepted.
- •work submitted after 5.30pm may not be critiqued depending on volume of work.
- •work submitted for critique cannot be submitted for artist of the month on the same evening.

Jim Garrison, critique master Dave Flitner, assistant





November/December News from Arizona Art Alliance



Greetings,

Trusting this finds you well.

This month I am combining the November and December newsletter into one. With the busy holiday season approaching, I want to spare you an overflowing inbox. Be sure to scroll down to see what's happening over the next few weeks.

With Thanksgiving looming around the corner, I find myself feeling evermore grateful for the many blessings in my life; my family, friends and an incredible community of artists. Over the years I have cultivated a practice of Gratitude. Indugle me a moment, while I share that here.

Gratitude is often described as the art of recognizing and appreciating the positive aspects of life. A daily practice of gratitude holds profound significance in shaping an individual's well-being; it becomes a transformative force that can elevate one's perspective and foster a more fulfilling existence.

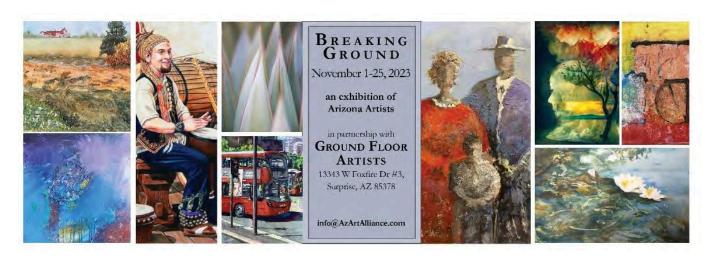
Incorporating gratitude into daily life, whether through spoken expressions or maintaining a gratitude journal, has the power to shift focus from what may be lacking to what is abundantly present. By consciously acknowledging and appreciating the blessings, both big and small, we can embark on a journey of positive reflection. This shift in mindset not only enhances mental resilience but also contributes to emotional well-being.

In that spirit I close with a heartfelt appreciation for all of you in making my work in the world that much more meaningful. I appreciate the communications and connections forged. I invite you to our open house over three Sundays in December and welcome the opportunity to raise a glass, extend a warm hug, and have an opportunity to visit and get to know you better. Dates and address are below.

Wishing you and yours good health, strong connection, and deep joy. Tess

Tess Mosko Scherer she | her Executive Director Arizona Art Alliance info@AzArtAlliance.com | 928-300-7185 #ArtTogetherNow

Breaking Ground Exhibition



Breaking Ground

A Juried Fine Art Exhibition | November 1 – November 25, 2023 Ground Floor Artists Gallery | 13343 W Foxfire Dr #3, Surprise, AZ 85378 Arizona Art Alliance in partnership with Ground Floor Artists presents Breaking Ground, an exhibition of artwork created by Arizona artist-members of Arizona Art Alliance's member organizations.

Nearly one-hundred works of art were entered into the show. Jurors Zach Valent and Jay Hardin had the daunting task of selecting the work for the exhibition. Thirty-eight pieces were selected for the show. Arizona Art Alliance has a strict jurying policy looking for artwork that exemplifies excellence in skill, originality, and expression.

CONGRATULATIONS TO AWARD RECIPIENTS:

1st Place: Dennis Sullivan "Appreciation"

2nd Place: Jana Kohutiarova "Dreaming in Color" 3rd Place: Melanie Harman "Laurence Road"

The following Honorable Mentions were awarded:

Caroline Jenney "Longwings in Honeysuckle" HAWK Jones "Do Not Fear Tomorrow" Pat Obrien "Levels" Tanya Lemma "Water Lilies" Barry Farmer "Division"

Artists from the following organizations are included in the show.

Arizona Artists Guild | Arizona Clay Association | Arizona Watercolor Association | Ground Floor Artists Mountain Artists Guild | Sedona Visual Artists Coalition | Sonoran Arts League | Vanguard Artists
WHAM | Wickenburg Art Club

Visit https://azartalliance.com/breaking-ground-virtual-exhibition-2023 to visit the virtual exhibition

Arizona has a robust art community brimming with opportunities for artists. Arizona Art Alliance member Arts Organizations host exhibitions, workshops and other opportunities for their members. The exhibitions are generally juried arts competitions with themes that push the boundaries. Click the links below for current and upcoming opportunities to exhibit, to learn, and network Be sure to visit their receptions to learn more about their organizations and how you might get involved.

- -Arizona Artists Guild
- -Arizona Clay Association
- -Arizona Pastel Artists Association
- -Arizona Watercolor Association
- -Ground Floor Artists
- -Mesa Art League
- -Mountain Artists Guild
- -Phoenix Artists Guild
- -Provision Coffee

- -Scottsdale Artists League
- -Sonoran Arts League
- -Sedona Visual Artists Coalition
- -Tempe Artists Guild
- -Vanguard Artists
- -Vulture City
- -Westbrook Village Fine Arts -

Association

- -WHAM Art Association
- -Wickenburg Art Club

November and December pop-up shows and studio tours to visit





TESS MOSKO SCHERER & DAVID LLOYD BRADLEY

AzAA President, David Lloyd Bradley and Executive Director, Tess Mosko Scherer invite you to meet and mingle at their home.

Studio Open House December 3, 10 & 17 | 11:00-3:00 4327 E. Lewis Ave. Phoenix, Az 85008



Slope Holiday Market + Parade

Saturday, December 9th (5-9PM, setup around 3PM)

In my opinion, this event replaces the ole' Sunnyslope Art Walk. They close Hatcher Rd from 7th ave to Central. It is organized by The HUB & Joe from the Eye Opener. Vendor spaces are \$50, due after acceptance.

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Blues & Brews Festival

Sunday, November 12th (11-5 pm) App fee is \$75 Organized by North Mountain Brewing Company https://northmountainbluesandbrewsfest.godaddysites.com/vendors



A great resource to search for street art shows, fairs and festivals. Visit AzAA Web site for more info.

Visit AzAA Web site for info on these art shows and events in Arizona

- -ASU Art Museum
- -Eric Fischl Gallery @Phoenix College
- -First Studio
- -Herberger Theater
- -Mesa Community College
- -Olney Gallery:
- -Yavapai College, Prescott:
- -University of Arizona Museum of Art
- -Heard Museum
- -Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary Art
- -Tucson Museum Of Art
- -Sedona Arts Center

- -Phippen Museum:
- -Phoenix Art Museum:
- -Shemer Art Center:
- -Tempe Center for the Arts:
- -Museum of Contemporary Art Tucson
- -Chandler Museum
- -Yuma Art Center
- -West Valley Art Museum
- -Phoenix Sky Harbor Museum
- -Scottsdale Arts

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR ARTISTS



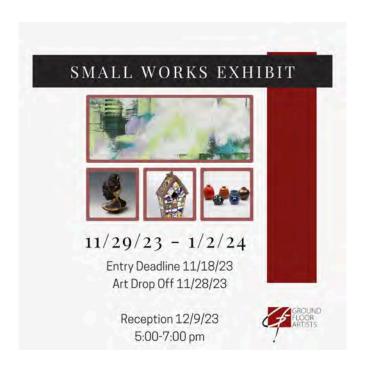


Portland on the Park Exhibition Cycle 13 is now open!

This Arts Program was created to connect the residents to the arts and culture community.

A total of 24 artworks have been purchased for the collection to date, and 46 additional works have been purchased by residents.

Submissions are due November 21, 2023 @ 5:00pm. Visit AzAA web site to learn more.







Phoenix Art Museum's Lehmann Emerging Artist Awards is now open!

The selection committee will award up to two grants of \$10,000 each, and each recipient will be invited to present work in the Museum's 2024 Lehmann Emerging Artist Awards recipients' exhibition, scheduled to open in October 2024, and will receive a Lifetime Membership to PhxArt. Submissions are due December 17, 2023.

This call for art is in collaboration with Artlink.

READ MORE AND SUBMIT

The 60th Annual Glendale Arts Council Juried Fine Arts Show prospectus is out.

Drop off of art December 29th 3-5PM and December 30 9AM-Noon.

The Fruit Packing House at Sahuaro Ranch park 59th Avenue and Mountain View Rd. Glendale, Az

Juror: Carol L. Bendell, pastel artist.
Carol received her BFA from the School of the Art
Institute of Chicago. Carol has worked as an Editorial
Illustrator, Fine Art Reporter, and Art Instructor at
numerous Art Centers, Schools and Colleges, as she
continued to be an exhibiting artist. She has exhibited
her work throughout the US and Europe.

Questions or to request a prospectus, contact Carolyn Tolliver 602-908-3149



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TIP OF THE MONTH



Fostering creativity can sometimes be a challenge. At one time or another we all get blocked. I find one of the things that works for me is play. Play can take on many forms from hiking in the desert to exploring new materials. For me, engaging in playful activities allows me to explore ideas without the constraints of rules or expectations. This freedom fosters a creative atmosphere that encourages risk-taking and outside-the-box thinking, crucial elements for innovative

artistic endeavors. Play is a potent elixir for artists to stir creativity. It has taken me a long time to learn this and to put it into my practice.

Play should not be looked upon as a frivolous endeavor but a deliberate and impactful strategy for nurturing creativity. By embracing play, you can transcend the boundaries of routine and ignite your curiosity while fostering a positive mental state.

For professional artists, play serves as a powerful tool to break free from creative blocks. The structured nature of many artistic pursuits can sometimes stifle spontaneity and limit the flow of fresh ideas. Playful exploration opens you to the rediscovery of joy in your practice through the unlocking of new dimensions of creativity. Whether it's experimenting with different mediums, trying unconventional techniques, or even engaging in collaborative play sessions with fellow artists, these activities inject a sense of excitement and novelty into the artistic process. David and I have been known to spend weekends collaborating in artistic experimentation and exploration. It refreshes both of us as we return to our respective studios.

Play acts as a stress-reliever, a much-needed respite for navigating the challenges of a professional artistic career. The pressures of deadlines, client expectations, and the quest for perfection can take its toll. Play provides a therapeutic escape, offering a space where you can reconnect with the intrinsic pleasure of creating without the weight of external pressures. This mental reset not only enhances overall well-being but also contributes to a more vibrant and inspired creative output.

In essence, the benefits of play for artists extends far beyond mere amusement. It is a catalyst for unlocking untapped reservoirs of creativity, a remedy for creative stagnation, and a pathway to maintaining a healthy and fulfilling artistic practice. So, the next time you find yourself in need of a creative spark, don't underestimate the power of play—it might just be the key to unlocking your next masterpiece.

Visit AzAA web site to see past articles of Professional Development Tips

with Gratitude

The **Gratitude Project** is a collection of nearly 800 works of art by members of the Arizona Art Alliance that were gifted to Health Care Facilities as a way to thank the Health Care Workers for their commitment and sacrifices during the Covid Pandemic. This project honors and acknowledges the hard work and sacrifice by every nurse, doctor and staff member in the face of an unprecedented healthcare event. They are the heroes and heroines of this unprecedented time.

Today we acknowledge the 262 artists who createed these amazing works of art that touched the lives of so many through their generosity of spirit in sharing their art in such an incredible way.

David Amsellem Ann Scardello Andrea Landes Katie Moran Alice Pelchat Kristetl Nielsen Larry Beausoleil SR Grace Haverty Carolyn Hoffman Betsy Aguirre Alicia Plogman Laura Cohen-Hogan Chris Sommerfelt BettyLou Tobin Laurel Hardin Alika Kumar Lisa Wayman Karen Gray Marion Droge Brenda Triechler Louise Carrroll Arlene Miller Maria Karlosak Dawn Zintel Pamela Root Douglas Miley Carolyn Tolliver M Velesano Marjie Rogers Britt Steinmann Patricia Ribeiro Chris Brewer Marianne Levin Carole Matthews Marvella Frey harold A. nelson Ruth Philliben Donavan Marilyn Burrows Christina Clark Jet Slettten Nona Miller E. Dumney Marna Mclendon Sherry Kimmel Joan Eberhardt Ellen Nemetz Pat Rospenda Calen Sink Elizabeth Scriba Mary M. Valesano J. Wayne Holden Josh Thompson Vivian Andersen Isabela Huin Mary S. Heberlein Jerre Smith Julia Alver Jean Rossman Bruce Sink Micha King Julie Fonner Jana Lee Aspin Michele Heilman Jennifer Henry Melanie Harman Sherry Whitney Kathleen Kramer Jane Underhill Nancy Byer Joan McGe Linda Thiel Tanya Lemma Juanita Welsh Phyllis Lindsey Joan McGue Silvia Roberts Kristen Rudd Dyanne Locati Kristine Dutton Judy Lindquist Sheila Bellinger Joan Millman Wayne Holden John Kaskela Lee Morris Julie Frye Susan L. Jody Miles Ann Osgood Melanie Mead Lilly Miley mary Clare mcCartin Sally Riester Carmen Timm Brigitte Scanlon Dee Podhorn Linda roberts Mary Lou Arnold Shari hancock Jean Morgan Cara Huigh Linda Jones Linda S Thomas Susan Baltzer Pat Washmburn Delfina Valentini

Sue Lewis Franco Valentini Linda Umphrey Jean Piserchia Ivonne Borland Barb Waggoner Ilona L. Halderman Linda Vieser Virginia Brooks Arlen Madole Jo Allebach C. Ferring Pamela Kaiser Sue Hunter leanette lee Barbara E. Lang Kim Mraz Carree Pati Watkins Clarice McIlvain Jill Lacy Barbara Niemi Linda Royers Darlene Ritter Joan Fuller Pat Book Joanie Wolter Don McPartlan Dede Robinson Mary J. Klug Linda Phillips Barbarann Mainzer Mary LaRue Wells Donna Davis Soonthorn Checvasit Diane Freeman Nancy Palmisano Lorraine Sanders Sheri Lee Cahn Heather Young Jan Crane Terri petty Lynn Smith Ami Ray Leslie Austin Tom laFleur Judy Wolfe Jan Kay A. Clark Marsha Lazar Klinger Diane Haugen Tony Oldham Lori Favara Kay Verstracte marti Thorson Donna Levine Anese Spearman Lady Russ Barb Hurley Peterson Lynn Conner Beth Zink P. Lindsey Anonymous Bill Sears Marjory Peterson Lois Doty Carla Cross Anshu Priya Pamela Shearer Carol Fuqua Marty Wolfe Lynda Lee Gimby Paul Ray Carole Perry Arleen Gitelman Mary Beth Cornelius Cheric Palmer mary Humme Peggy Hunt Christine Sherer Becky Spradling Nan Adams Claralee O'Leary Zell Nancy Thomas Shannon O'Donnell Cone Flower Debborah Charboneau Pat O'Brien Corleen Chang Paul Naughton Doris Marie Provine Susan O'Hara Cynthis Eral Pauline Mounsey Janet Sargent Sara Becker Ellie Chamberland Judy Delmonico-Roll Fran Douglas JoAnn Wintermantel-Sheryl Caldwell Ricki Nordmeyer Emily Ruvane Johnston Doralce Ewing John Marko Ross Snodgrass Zondlo Traci Mann Gail Boyd Laurel B. Hardin Judy Bruce Sharon Cottle Judy DeFeo Violet Burton Jim Garrison Julia Patterson Janet Fagan Yaoyao Crilly Susan M. Decker Kathleen Balderston John Mainieri Marty Gibson Joanna Pregon Susan Roper Kay Steputis Judy Wolf Maureen A. Fairbanks Kate Toussaint John Fontana Tim Janicki Shirley Worden Mimi Damrauer Rosemarie Orlick Judith Rhue V. Miller Cindy Chambers Sandi Lunsford Maggie Tippets Nancy Breiman P Dapenbrok-Sallins-Kelly Abraham Gary Binder Nancy Pendleton Sylvia Mousseux Ann Reynolds McKanzie Lucy Wong Yung Crawford Pamela Fingerhut Deb manning Nancy Brigg Robin Ray Sue Nrton-Scott Frieda M Lemke

These artists are members of Arizona Artists Guild, Arizona Watercolor Association, Az Clay Association, Mesa Art League, Mountain Artists Guild, Phoenix Artists Guild, Scottsdale Artist League, Sonoran Art League, Tempe Artists Guild, Vanguard Artists Association, Westbrook Village Fine Arts, WHAM.

The works of art were gifted directly to healthcare workers and to Hospice of the Valley, Carl T. Hayden Veterans' Administration Medical Center, Paradise Valley Community College School of Nursing, and were on temporary display at the Mayo Clinic.

A heartfelt thank you to all who made this project so remarkable. To see the collection of work, visit AzAA web site.

Community Outreach



ARIZONA ARTISTS GUILD (AAG) N. PHOENIX – 4th Saturday/ month

- -Veterans: in-person 10-2 pm
- -Creative Distraction: Virtual 2:00-3:00
- -Creative Journey: In-person 3:00-5:00 for anyone experincing loss or grief including healthcare workers arizonaartistsguild.net
 ArtistsofAAG@gmail.com call for details | 602-944 9713

MESA ART LEAGUE

MESA – 2nd Thursday/month 9-2 pm 4th Thursday each month 12:30 pm Last Saturday of the month 1-4 pm loralee.MAL@cox.net | 480-223-3641

SONORAN ARTS LEAGUE CAVE CREEK

-Thursdays 10:00-12:00 pm martiw04@comcast.net | 530-613-9038

MOUNTAIN ARTISTS GUILD PRESCOTT

-First Wednesday: 5:30-8:30 pm -Third Thursday: 10:00-2:00 pm guild@mountainartistsguild.org 928-445-2510

WHAM (What's Happen'n Art Movement) SURPRISE

-2nd Monday/ month 10-2 pm -4th Thursday/month 10-2 pm MartysFineArts@gmail.com | 623-584-8311

Planning an Art Show Event

Arizona Art Alliance rents Quality Show Panels:

- --medium gray carpet on metal tube frame, can display on both sides --measures 38.55 inches wide and a total height of 84 inches
- --fasten together in any configuration of two or more
- --light, strong and easy to handle
- --with or without lighting (costs for lighting are extra)
- --all the required bracing and handling accessories
- --set-up and delivery (fees apply)

Visit azartalliance.com/rentals/ for more information.

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Visit our website to learn more about the Arizona Art Alliance.





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Pearson Show





Pearson & Company Garden is a lovely venue for an Art Show located on the Main Street in downtown Scottsdale. The show was held from Nov 2 through 4. The location attracted many people, both local and tourists, who during their visit expressed nice comments about the quality and beauty of artworks on display. The result was quite satisfactory even if not all of the 13 artists exhibiting at this event have enjoyed sales. The total volume of sale was \$4,710, larger than the volume of sale last April (\$3,100). All artists enjoyed being there and talking about their art with customers.

After all, an Art Show is an opportunity for each artist to meet potential buyers, introduce them to the art they create and add a new name to the artist's own customers database. Photos on this page and the following (26/29) show the set up of each artist including photos with artworks on easels for larger paintings. On pages 30 through 38 are photos taken during the show hours with customers looking around or talking to artists. On the evenings of November 2 and 3, we have treated customers to wine and chips. We thank you, Leslie, for arranging this hospitality. A group photo with all artists participating in the show is on page 30.



Shannon O'Donnell





Delfina Valentini



Maggie Tippetts



Donna Lewis



Karen Loftus





Gary Binder







Rita Goldner

Freddie Lieberman





Franco Valentini



Kathleen Lawrence-Davis

Leslie Austin





Sheryl Blahnik

The Gang



And here below are photos taken during the three-days event





...and if you like it what are you waiting for to buy it?





...I like that one too. I hope he is going to buy it for me as a gift!



I have to think about it. I will be back tomorrow.

Welcome to the SAL's Art Show at Pearson Company. If you love ART you will find here beautiful artworks to buy.





The more I look at these artworks and the less I understand why humans have interest in them.

So, do not even look. Do like I do. Put your head underwater.





Wow, you are an artist too! I am glad and hope you will join SAL soon.



... ... like the painting of the cow. But where we live cows are all black!

....Do you really like the rooster? Yes...but...may be... I do not know!





....Kathleen, tell us something more about your paintings



Two beautiful smiles!





...they are all beautiful. It is difficult to select which one to buy! I'll think about it.



I am amazed by the beauty of these paintings. I would buy them all but have no more available walls!

...I think it is better to have a little wine and stop worrying!



...Is this is the one you want to buy? You made the right selection lady!But I did not make my decision yet!

...you said you like it. Why are you so puzzled!





...It is beautiful venue for an Art show. You are right Lady! We hold this show twice a year!

I hope one day to be able to paint like you do. Thank you my dear for the nice compliment!





....and now a toast with Prosecco to celebrate the Show!

...are you really sure?





I am surprised you do not find the color you want? I have pendants in any color available in the rainbow. Look at this one!

...Yes, but let me look around and I 'll be back!

Nice dogs! What breed are they...Golden Retrievers? Yes and they are Aesthete and this is the why we visited the Show!





Any sale makes me happy.

...and I am happy too!







Happy or no happy we continue to paint to be ready for the next show.

"Sweetwaters Cafe" Show



The 17th round at Sweetwaters Coffee and Tea is on since September 21st through November 30th. Individual photos of artworks on display can be seen in the following pages. Best wishes to all artists participating for a successful show.













































Westminster Village Show



Westminster Village Show is running since October 16th 2024. and will end up January 15th , The current show has 13 artists participating with a total of 49 Paintings on display. The reception held Saturday 21st. 2023. The residents and the was on artists participating the **ART** WALK voted for their favorites in the reception. Brigitte Scanlon got both People's choice and during choice awards. Best congratulations to **Brigitte and** Artist' best wishes all artists exhibiting for a successful show. to

People 's and Artists' Choice
"Majestic"
by Brigitte Scanlon





Here are photos of all artworks on display























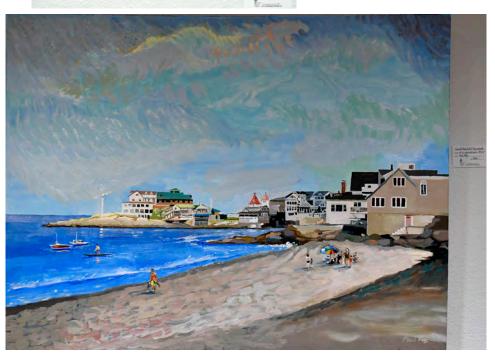












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PotLuck Meeting at Shannon's

From your editor.

The last Tuesday of each month is dedicated to the Board Meeting. For the last Tuesday of October Shannon called for a Potluck at her home in order for members to socialize more and know each other better. What else than food to attract people and meet the goal? More than 20 artists participated to the event and enjoyed the large variety of food available while sitting around the pool and under the huge orange trees (Shannon's pride). As usual I decided to take some photos during the event. Instead of using one of my large and heavy pro cameras I decided to use a small that is much lighter. Each time I take a photo I check the result right away and this time each result was good. When I down loaded the photos something went wrong. Most of the photos were blurred. I corrected them as best I could and included the most acceptable ones. I hope you will still enjoy them.

Let's start with a partial view of the lighted swimming pool with a bright turquoise color.



Any new artist bringing new food received a welcome from "Bo", Shannon's adorable dog.





The table with all the delicacies has been prepared.





and shortly after, it was opened to all guests.



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The evening ended with laughs and talking



under the giant orange tree,



and around the swimming pool.

Thank you Shannon for the lovely evening and thank you to all fellow artists who attended. **We should make it more often!**

Curiosity

About cost of living!

(Even then people complained about it)



1938 COST OF LIVING LIVING \$3,900.00 New House \$1,731.00 per year Average Income \$860.00 New Car \$27.00 per month Average Rent \$420.00 per year **Tuition to Harvard University** 25¢ each Movie Ticket 10¢ per gallon Gasoline 3¢ each United States Postage Stamp FOOD 59¢ for 10 pounds Granulated Sugar 50¢ per gallon Vitamin D Milk 39¢ per pound Ground Coffee 32¢ per pound Bacon 18¢ per dozen Eggs

Hard to believe!

(Then they found out that soda drinks contribute to obesity)

Funny corner

"Art is as good for the heart as jokes or cartoons are great for the soul"





"I told grandpa that I got Bluetooth, so he's in there making a dentist appointment for me. Can you explain to him that Bluetooth is technology?"



Inspiring Sentences and Notes

"The way to achieve your own success is to be willing to help somebody else get it first" lyania Vanzant

"I suppose leadership at one time meant muscles, but today it means getting along with people." *Mahatma Gandhi*

"Earn your leadership every day." Michael Jordan.

"Earn your success based on service to others, not at the expense of others."

H. Jackson Brown Jr.

"The purpose of human life is to serve, and to show compassion and the will to help others." Albert Schweitzer



Complaints page



Let's be serious, if you have to complain for something you do not like about SAL, the News Letter Site. the Web or us straight or write you can speak to to let us know is wrong, sending your email with suggestions directly what to:

shannon@paintingsbyshannon.com or Francosp@centurylink.net.

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Greetings,

This month our country is celebrating Thanksgiving. I assume you all know what Thanksgiving represents and how it originated. Also, I assume you would not mind if I refresh your mind about this great festivity.

The holiday originally had religious grounding in giving thanks to God. Today, it has religious meaning for some, and is entirely secular for others.

A group of colonists from England had arrived in the area now known as New England in 1620. They named their landing spot Plymouth and started a settlement there. The colonists struggled with the area's harsh winters and unfamiliar environment. They received some assistance in growing food from friendly members of the Pawtuxet and Wampanoag tribes of Native Americans.

As legend has it, the next fall, the colonists' governor invited their Wampanoag friends to join them in a three-day feast to celebrate the bounty of their harvest. Today for many Americans, Thanksgiving is about food, family, and friends. Extended families often gather in large groups to share a traditional meal and activities like games, music, outdoor activities, and watching sports on TV.

The traditional Thanksgiving meal is bountiful. Common menu items can include turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, sweet potatoes or yams, stuffing, squash, cranberry sauce, green bean casserole, macaroni and cheese, glazed carrots, relishes, rolls, cornbread, and pumpkin pie and apple pie for dessert. Of course, there is broad variety at Thanksgiving feasts, and different cultural and ethnic traditions serve widely varied menus.

Thanksgiving is a great time to consider the ways we can bring people together and share our gratitude for the things we value most. As we reflect on the tradition of giving thanks and what we are grateful for, at the top of the list should be wife/husband and children, mother and father, extended family and friends.

I am sure all of you have experienced Thanksgiving, and if you are invited to attend a celebration, I encourage you to go. You will enjoy the atmosphere and the food. **Happy Thanksgiving!**



Franco