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NEWSLETTER OF THE MESA ART LEAGUE SEPTEMBER 2023

WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello Fellow Art League Members,

Hope August treated you well. Can you believe we are already in September? September is going to be a busy month for us.

Please mark your calendars for these 2 very important dates.

September 8, Friday is the Mesa Arts Center Season Kick-Off and the league is going to have a table there. We could use some volunteers to help us with the passing out of literature, talking with interested artists and helping children with an art project. That night is also the Second Friday celebration on Main St. by the OneOhOne Gallery where we have a studio and several members are displaying their art there, come help us at our table, enjoy the music and food and then check out the art at the gallery. The Art Center is expecting over 2000 people. The celebration starts at 6 p.m. and ends at 10. Email me if you can help. I hope to see you there!

September 12, Tuesday is our monthly meeting. Please join us at 5 p.m. for networking and socializing, you are welcome to bring a dish or snack to share. We will begin the business meeting at 5:30 and the demo will start around 6. We have member Lucy Wong sharing her textile work along with her journey towards healing through her art. We will also be sharing our "summer" projects (bring a piece of art that you completed over the summer break), as well as Artist of the Month (bring a piece of art to enter in the friendly competition) and art critiques (bring a piece of art if you wish to have input on it). Please check your email this week for an email from me with the agenda and other information about the meeting. See you there!

Studio 9 is our room at the OneOnOne gallery on Main St, in Mesa. We will have Judith as our featured artist for this month. We also have several other members with many pieces of art hanging on the

walls both inside of our studio and outside in the main gallery. The gallery is open Fridays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Stop by and see the beautiful art. Remember, you can rent one of the walls and hang your artwork in a gallery, what a great opportunity for selling and sharing all of your hard work. Each wall is only \$50 a month to rent. Contact me if you are interested, email or text 602-373-1707. We have a few openings in the coming months.

I am so excited to see all of you again, either on September 8 or the 12th or both. KEEP ARTING!!!

Sending my best,

Tammie

SEPTEMBER DEMO/SPEAKER

Lucy Wong, Artist and Speaker, Independent Patient Advocate

I am a US Navy veteran and faced gender discrimination. I served my country as a medical technologist before OSHA existed to prevent workplace hazards.

While on active duty, excessive stress led to my scleroderma diagnosis in 1986. I had to face chronic illness and found sewing as my coping skill, including patternmaking and clothing construction and later quilting. Sewing has helped prevent my hands from any more deformities and kept them functional.

I use my Scleroderma Hand artwork to bring awareness, education and support for this rare disease and advocate for myself.

I enjoy sharing my sew and sew with anyone and want to demo for the Mesa Art League members in a Quilt Trunk Show format: Are comprised of quilts to promote designs available in books or patterns from various authors or designers. There will be three art concepts to be demonstrated: 1. fusible Arts, 2. use of inks, aloe Vera and markers, and 3. panels. My Art has led to creating YouTube videos; I am the one with the US flag that I made. I enjoy sharing my artwork with

anyone. I can be found on

Facebook. <u>Lucycaique@gmail.com</u> and my website: lucycaique.Wordpress.com

MEMBER NEWS

Kathy McClure participated in the Bristlecone Arts in the Park in Ely, Nevada, the first weekend of August. It was a very large show with hundreds of vendors.

Lucy Wong has had a work of art accepted for judging from the Every Life Foundation for Rare Diseases, 2023 Rare Artist contest!.

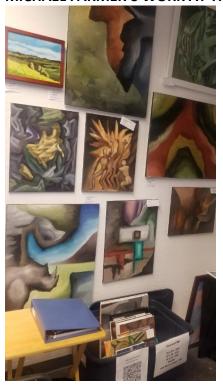


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BRENDA PACE'S WORK AT STUDIO 9

MICHAEL FARMER'S WORK AT THE STUDIO 9





TAMMIE PURSLEY'S WORK AT STUDIO 9



VETERAN'S WALL

be sure to check out mesa art leagues own gallery and consider reserving a wall to feature your artwork. very reasonable rental rates. bookings for 2024 are available. contact Brenda pace at ibpace1995@gmail.com

FREE DEMO BY WATERCOLOR ARTIST – RALEIGH KINNEY

Raleigh Kinney will be demonstrating his watercolor techniques at the OnOhOne Gallery On Saturdays on September 9, 16, & 23 from 11am to 2pm. You don't want t miss this!!!

CHECK OUT UPCOMING EVENTS IN DOWNTOWN MESA

Through the spirit of community building, **CRAFT** is an inaugural celebration showcasing the state's diverse artist communities. A collective of premier local artists coming together in a unique platform that serves as a conduit to connect already thriving art communities with unique subcultures that are showcased to the public. **CRAFT** aims to inspire audiences with galleries, interactive experiences, demonstrations, performances with creative minds representing any & all forms of artistic expression. Go to: https://mycraftlifestyle.com

VENUE CHANGE OUT DATES:

Aster Center Venue change out:

The Aster Center painting changeouts are the

first Thursday of the month starting September 7, 2023. Dropoff and pickup is between 10:00 and 11:00 am. We will be hanging this show for two months. The next changeout will be November 2, 2023. Over the summer there were 3 sales at this venue. Please notify me if you have a sale in the upcoming show. My email address is watercolorssbyjoni@gmail.com. Joni Anderson

ADALANTE HEALTH CENTER

Location: 1705 W Main St, Mesa AZ 85201

2023 schedule:

September-October, November-December-January 2024 Text Elizabeth at 317–460–5903. Availability is first come first serve.

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DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS by 25th of the month.

VETERANS ART CLASSES

Aster Senior Center at Mesa Downtown

247 N MacDonald, Mesa, AZ 85201

Meets on the 1st Thursday of the Month

Veterans Resource Center

165 N Centennial Way #101, Mesa, AZ 85201

Meets on the 3rd Thursday of the Month

MESA ART LEAGUE LEADERSHIP TEAM

President – Tammie Pursley

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Website - Karen Beasley/Alicia Short

Demos - need new chairman

Scholarship - need volunteer

Studio 9 – Brenda Pace

Art Shows – Phyllis Craig

Ad Rep – Diane Black

Veteran Liaison – J. Chris Brewer