



Newsletter

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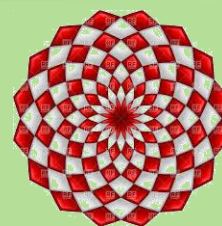


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RCA President's Message

Hello,

August . . . where has the year gone?? Have you been creative? Have you checked out our website lately? Emily, RCA's webmaster, is really doing fantastic on making it look great and keeping it updated. You'll know if your dues are up to date and you can have your art on the site with your contact information. Check it out!

I'm excited about seeing your new creations at the Autumn Art Festival on November 14th and 15th. The show will be here before you know it. Friday evening is a ticketed show opening and there will be great music and tasty treats. Saturday is free and open to the public. You may share a booth, and that can be a lot of fun. Invite your family, friends, coworkers, and neighbors. Keep in mind to make your booth inviting and neat, as too much clutter distracts from your art, remember this is an *ART* show, **SO LETS IMPRESS!**



Minette Hart Richardson

ATTENTION PLEASE!

Announcement!

**There is no artists talk/member meeting
in the month of August.**

For paid RCA Members, please see below:

If You are a Member, You're Invited!

RCA Member Garden Party Potluck



This event is for RCA members who have already paid their 2025 membership dues. In lieu of an Artist Talk/Member Meeting, we are gathering from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on August 12th at the home of Bob Hershberger and Sandy Carver at 204 N Forest Park Drive, north of the HS Football Field parking. Please bring your choice of a main dish, appetizer, salad, or dessert. Join us for a lovely informal gathering.

WooHoo! Collaborating Festivals

Exciting News! The County Fair and the Town of Payson are partnering to bring one big event for Rim Country residents and our visitors this year. We are combining The **County Fair, Arizona Annual Fiddle Fest Competition, and the Food Truck Festival** to bring a fun and exciting event here in Payson. We would love for you to participate in this big event by showing/selling your artwork, which we are expecting 15,000 guests to attend over the 3 day event.

Event Dates: Sept 4th, 5th, and 6th

Event times: Thursday, 10am to 10pm; Friday, 9am to 10pm; & Saturday, 10am to 10pm

Location: Payson Event Center, 1000 Country Club Drive, Payson, AZ 85541. More details coming soon on how to apply for a booth at this October event that is expected to attract 15,000 visitors! Sell your art!

Art Sales Opportunity

Needed: Artists in booths at "Sunday Doin's" on August 10th from noon to 4:00 pm. Only \$75 - share a booth if you like! We'll have student volunteers to help you set up and take down. Contact Elizabeth as soon as possible. This is a major RCA event and we want lots of artists there to shine in full color, so get in on the fun.



Plein Aire Painting Fieldtrip

Our Plein Aire Painting Fieldtrip will be on the Highline Trail, September 13th and 14th. This will be an overnight camping adventure provided to RCA artists by Wild Arizona. We will drive to a designated campsite near the Highline Trail and make camp. Wild Arizona can provide tents, sleeping bags and tarps to supplement what we artists bring for ourselves, as needed. They will also prepare dinner on the 13th, and breakfast and lunch the next day. We will be very near scenic outlooks, those who wish to hike further in, may of course do so, and we'll have a marvelous time together! Maximum 15 people. Please call Elizabeth Fowler at 928.970.1825 to sign up.

RCA Fall Fundraiser

As we have explained before, in the fall of 2025, RCA will try a new fundraising venture with a company called 'Flower Power.' We are going to try their 'Premium Holiday Program,' which starts on October 18, 2025. This program consist of selling real live Amaryllis and Paperwhite bulbs. Some have asked where Flower Power get their bulbs. Their Spring and Fall bulbs come from Holland. Their Amaryllis mostly come from Israel and some from Brazil.



Come early fall, we will ask all RCA members to start emailing all their friends, family members, & co-workers, to tell them about our goal and how to purchase. More to come!



Please go to the RCA Website
for more information about
RCAs Western Heritage
& Film Festival!



Produced by RIM COUNTRY ARTISTS & RIM COUNTRY REGIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

AUGUST 7-10, 2025

Bringing back old traditions, conserving our Western heritage through art and public gatherings, enhancing the World's Oldest Continuous Rodeo!

EVENT SCHEDULE

Thursday, August 7th

5 - 7 PM | FREE Cowboy Poetry at Noley's

Friday, August 8th

5 - 8 PM | FREE Western Dance at Macky's

Saturday, August 9th

11:30 AM - 1:30 PM | Film Festival Luncheon | \$100

At Rim Country BBQ, Bob Boze Bell, True West Magazine Publisher, and Stuart Rosebrook, Prescott's Sharlot Hall Museum Director, compare Tombstone to other westerns at the exclusive luncheon followed by the film!

Sunday, August 10th

12 - 4 PM | Sunday Doin's at the Rim Country Museum

*Fun for the entire family for **FREE!** Including pony rides, cultural exhibits, vendors, relay races, dummy roping, museum tours, games & food.*



MOVIES

AT THE SAWMILL THEATRES

Thursday, August 7th

12 PM | Stagecoach - 1939

2 PM | Butch Cassidy - 1969

Friday, August 8th

11 AM | Rio Bravo - 1959

2 PM | Junior Bonner - 1972

4 PM | Little Big Man - 1970

Saturday, August 9th

2 PM | Tombstone - 1993

6 PM | The Wild Bunch - 1969

Sunday, August 10th

4 PM | Silverado - 1985

At the Sawmill Box Office: \$8 per film
Through the Chamber: \$50 ticket for 8 films, \$100 luncheon ticket

Cash, Check or Credit Card accepted

Call **928-978-0490** or info@rimcountrychamber.com

For more festival details go to rimcountryartists.org



Rodeo Poster Contest Winner

Donn Morris won the Rodeo Poster Contest and has been awarded the prize money from RCA in the amount of \$500! Thank you to those of you who entered.

CONGRATULATIONS, DONN!



Plein Aire Painting: 8 Tips For Success



1. **Travel light.** The most important thing is to travel light so that you can more easily get to places and be comfortable. Remove everything you don't really need from your pack and keep only the essentials. Choose a setup that is most suitable for you in terms of weight, height adjustment, and carrying capacity.

2. **Simplify your palette.** A really basic plein aire painting technique when you are first starting out is to use a smaller number of colors. A limited palette or warm/cool primary palette is a good choice.

3. **Wear neutral colors.** Sunlight reflecting off your clothes onto your canvas can affect your perception of color. For this reason it is best to wear neutral colored clothing.
4. **Wear a hat.** This protects your eyes, and stops glare that prevents you seeing colors accurately.
5. **Don't hold your palette in your hands.** It is best to use a palette support such as an easel butler or leder easel to support your palette. This keep your hands free to change brushes or use a rag.
6. **Use fresh colors.** Working with partly dried pigment makes painting more difficult in a situation in which speed is important because of the changing light . Color that isn't fresh also does not adhere very well to the canvas.
7. **Prepare for wind by using a sturdy plein aire easel or pochade box.** If you do not have a sturdy plein aire easel or pochade box/tripod combination, the whole setup can blow over in the wind.
8. **Use an umbrella.** Find some shade or use a good umbrella to shade your artwork and your palette, and preferably you too. One tends to paint far too dark if working in direct sun.



<https://www.virtualartacademy.com/plein-air-painting>

Class Schedule Through October 2025

Register for Classes with Elizabeth Fowler at:
(928) 970-1825 ~ or ~ elizaufowler@gmail.com

Pay for classes at www.rimcountryartists.org in the 'Current Classes' tab.
We accept PayPal, MasterCard, Visa, Discover, and American Express

#	Instructor & Class	Date and Time	Location	Description of the Class
1	Shaun McClure Painting Class 'Healing Art – New Horizons'	Tuesday, August 26 th 4:00-6:30 pm	Senior Center	12"x16" stretched canvas; all supplies are included: \$65
2	Suzy Almblade Watercolor Painting	Saturday, September 27 th from 1:00-4:00 pm	Noley's Books Art & Whatnot	Paint, high quality watercolor paper, & frame included: \$50
3	Camille LeFevre Poetry Writing Class	Saturday, October 4 th 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm	Noley's	Learn to write poetry or enhance your current poetry writing skills: \$42
4	Peggy Donathan Pre-Cut Stained Glass Sun Catcher	Saturday, October 25 th 10:00 am to 2:00 pm	Payson, AZ: Register for Address	Create a stained masterpiece with Autumn colors for your home or as a gift. All materials will be provided: \$66
5	Kathleen Kelly Stained Glass 'Autumn'	Saturday, November 1 st 1:00-4:00 pm	Noley's Books Art & Whatnot	Fee: TBD

Painting by
Shaun McClure



Calendar of Events for August 2025

RCA Meetings

Event	Location	Date & Times	Notes
RCA Board Meeting	Casino Restaurant	August 5 th 3:30 – 6:00 pm	
RCA Member Meeting	Cancelled	August 12 th	See Member Luncheon on Page 2

Payson Events

Event	Location	Dates & Times	Notes
Movies in the Park	Green Valley Park	At Sunset	Schedule of Movies Below
Payson Farmers Market	816 S Beeline Hwy	Every Saturday 8:00 am to 12:00 pm	
Western Heritage & Film Festival	Various locations	August 7-10	See flyer on page 4 of this newsletter
Comedy Night	Payson Golf Club 1504 W Country Club Dr	Saturday, Aug 9 th Dinner 6:00 pm Show 7:00 pm	\$30 Per Person
Missoula Children's Theatre 'Snow White & the Seven Dwarves'	Payson High School Auditorium	4:00 Friday Aug 22 nd 6:30 Saturday Aug 23 rd	Auditions and rehearsals will be on the 18 th through the 21 st
World's Oldest Continuous Rodeo	Payson Event Center	August 14-16 14 th 6:00 pm 15 th & 16 th 7:00 pm	
Pine Labor Day Arts & Crafts Festival	Pine, AZ 3886 N Hwy 87	August 30 th & 31 st 8:00 am to 4:00 pm	

Arizona Events

		Notes
Prescott Art & Wine Festival	Yavapai County Court House 120 S Cortez St Prescott, AZ	Saturday & Sunday August 2 nd & 3 rd
Hopi Arts & Cultural Festival	Continental Country Club 5000 Old Walnut Canyon Flagstaff AZ	Saturday & Sunday August 23 rd & 24 th 9:00 am to 3:00 pm
Oak Creek Labor Day Arts & Crafts Show	Sedona Vista Village 6601 State Route 179 Sedona, AZ	Fri, Sat & Sun August 29 th to 31 st 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Movie Schedule

Aug 8 th	'The Lego Movie'	7:50 pm
Sep 12 th	'Harry Potter and The Sorcerer's Stone'	7:50 pm
Oct 25 th	'Monsters Inc.'	7:00 pm

All Movies are in Green Valley Park



Food Pairs Game

Select the Food with its Perfect Match

(Answers on page 10)



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|--------------------|-------|----------------|
| 1) Milk | _____ | A) Fries |
| 2) Fish | _____ | B) Dip |
| 3) Macaroni | _____ | C) Dumplings |
| 4) Peanut Butter | _____ | D) Donuts |
| 5) Salt | _____ | E) Jelly |
| 6) Pancakes | _____ | F) Meatball |
| 7) Spaghetti | _____ | G) Cream |
| 8) Bacon | _____ | H) Chips |
| 9) Peaches | _____ | I) Tomato Soup |
| 10) Ice Cream | _____ | J) Butter |
| 11) Hamburger | _____ | K) Cake |
| 12) Steak | _____ | L) Syrup |
| 13) Bread | _____ | M) Cheese |
| 14) Chips | _____ | N) Cookies |
| 15) Hummus | _____ | O) Eggs |
| 16) Coffee | _____ | P) Granola |
| 17) Salad | _____ | Q) Dressing |
| 18) Chicken | _____ | R) Carrots |
| 19) Grilled Cheese | _____ | S) Potatoes |
| 20) Yogurt | _____ | T) Pepper |

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RCA Classified Ads

Leather removed from a sofa, approximately 4 yards. In good condition. Camel color. *Free to a good home!* If you are interested please contact Julie Wittwer at jwittwe@yahoo.com or (602) 228-7586



RCA Classified Ads

If you have artist's equipment, supplies, or materials that you want to put in the RCA Classified Ads, please send the following to Dorothy Perry at 500DPerry@gmail.com

- 1) Color picture(s) of what you have to sell.
- 2) Brief description of the items, including dimensions if applicable.
- 3) Contact information for the person selling the supplies including name, phone number &/or email address.