

Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation

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By 2nd Vice – Lynda Griffin



**NATIONAL VETERANS
CREATIVE ARTS COMPETITION**

Thank You! Thank You!

It is an honor to express my deepest gratitude for the opportunity to serve as your 2nd Vice President. It has been a true honor, and I thank you from the bottom of my heart for your trust and support.

I would like to extend a special thank you to all of the Chairmen and volunteers under Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation (VA&R) for your incredible dedication. I am truly grateful for the hard work of our veterans across all locations:

- **Creative Arts:** Anita Ritter (Phoenix), Sally Fine (Prescott), and Theresa Marks (Tucson).
- **Service to Veterans:** Sara Decker.
- **VAMC Facilities:** Sabina Iniguez (Phoenix) and Trish Aljets (Tucson and Prescott).
- **State Homes:** Candy Neagle (Phoenix), Nancy Morrow (Tucson), Lojray Alvarez (Flagstaff), and Trish Aljets (Prescott). Gift Shops: Viki Jackson (Phoenix), Melani Pyland (Tucson), and Trish Aljets (Prescott)
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You have all done an awesome job. To our chairmen and our wonderful volunteers: Thank you for everything you do and continue to do to support our veterans.



Phoenix Creative Arts Festival Competition



2025 National Winners!



Felix Fortuna
Destroyer of Valor
Military Service



Daniel Combs
The Seuss Amongst Us
Printmaking

Let us all remember the ALA Mission Statement in everything we do!

In the spirit of Service, Not Self, the mission of the American Legion Auxiliary is to support The American Legion and to honor the sacrifice of those who serve by enhancing the lives of our veterans, military, and their families, both at home and abroad. For God and Country, we advocate for veterans, educate our citizens, mentor youth, and promote patriotism, good citizenship, peace and security.