



WOMEN IN THE VISUAL ARTS

NEWSLETTER

MAY 2024

EDITOR'S MESSAGE

Dear WITVA Members:

I am reaching out again to our members to find a replacement for the WITVA Newsletter Editor position. I have been in this position for five years now and would like to hand over the baton. Computer skills are necessary. You will be working with Debbie Shapiro, whose keen eye will proofread, and Lee Krull, who is our expert webmaster and the person responsible for the layout and posting the newsletter from the information you will collect and provide.

For more information, please contact me at kghenke8@gmail.com so we can schedule a time to discuss and answer any questions you may have.

Kris Henke
WITVA Newsletter Editor

CALENDAR

April 30: Circle of Artists via Zoom, 10:00 a.m.

May 6: Breakfast Club, International Pancake House, 10:00 a.m.

May 22: Book Club, 11:30 a.m., Boca Sound Country Club

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THE BEST OF THE BLUES

PRESENTED BY WOMEN IN THE VISUAL ARTS, INC.

OPENED: APRIL 18, 2024

BOCA RATON INNOVATION CAMPUS (BRIC)

4950 TELECOM DRIVE, BOCA RATON 3343

IMPORTANT CHANGE:

WE WILL BE HAVING A RECEPTION IN THE FALL, INSTEAD OF APRIL 18th.

This decision was beyond our control and resulted from a conflict with another event the same evening at the BRIC.

BRIC

USE THIS ADDRESS FOR BEST DIRECTIONS:

4950 TELECOM DRIVE, BOCA RATON, FL 33431

(THE BUILDING IS DIRECTLY BEHIND THE PNC BANK ON YAMATO ROAD. TELECOM DRIVE IS BEHIND THE BANK. THE SIGN AT THE ENTRANCE SAYS, 4950 BAPTIST HEALTH.)



JOIN US FOR WITVA'S BREAKFAST CLUB!

When?
Monday, May 6, 10:00 a.m.

Where?:
**The Original Pancake House
Somerset Shoppes, 8903 Glades Road,
Boca Raton**

To join us contact Sandy
at sandyryter@comcast.net

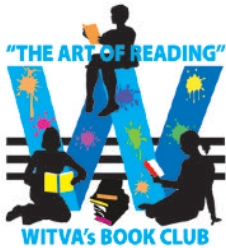


CIRCLE OF ARTISTS

The Circle of Artists Zoom group meeting is scheduled for April 30 at 10:00 a.m. All disciplines are included, and all members are invited to join the Zoom meeting. **Please send your photos of the artwork you would like to share and discuss with the group no later than April 29.**

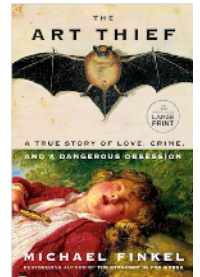
Do you have a topic you would like to discuss?
Please send your suggestions to
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ART OF READING BOOK CLUB



Join us at Broken Sound Country Club in Boca on Wednesday, May 22nd at 11:30 for our next book club gathering to discuss The Art Thief by Michael Finkel. The Cost for the buffet is \$23.00 pp. Please bring a check or cash.

Our hostess is Priscilla Silverberg who will give your name to the gate.
****Let Jill Snedman know you are coming at jtsnedman@gmail.com***



28th CELEBRATION OF HIGH SCHOOL ART, APRIL 7, 2024

It was a wonderful day from beginning to end as WITVA celebrated and awarded art teachers and their talented art students from Palm Beach County. Congratulations to our contributors and volunteers and to our WITVA Board.

The great attendance and appreciative audience was a testament to the coordination, commitment and organization of our fantastic scholarship committee members, **MARY CAVAIOLI, JENNIE EVE BARNETT, LEE KRULL and CYNDY OAKES.**



Above: Mary Cavaioli presiding; Below: Just a sample of some of the wonderful art in the show!



Photos Courtesy of Brent Bludworth

The ceremony began with looped images of the all the student art projected on the big screen.

Laura Brill Elmore, 954 Design was the guest speaker. She discussed art as a career and how art studies were beneficial to other careers as well.

Several top award students gave a short speech describing their work and what inspired them to create the piece.

High School Teachers Grant Winners were then announced followed by Student Awards with the individual student's art projected on screen as their name was called.

Students and teachers were then able to choose free art supplies and art books that were donated by our wonderful WITVA members directly after the ceremony.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS:

**Judith Koppel
Anne Newman**

SALLY COOPER'S painting "Traces" has been accepted into the American Watercolor 157th Annual International Exhibition and has been awarded the Jeanne Dobie Color Award. It will be on exhibit at The Salmagundi Club, 47 Fifth Avenue, New York City, April 2 - 26, 2024. "Traces" has also been selected to travel the US as part of the AWS Traveling Exhibition.



In addition, her painting "Unbound" has been accepted into the 2024 National Watercolor Member Online Exhibition and has also received the Edgar Ewing Award. You can view this exhibit on YouTube from May 1 - June 30, 2024.

Sally also is one of the 10 winners in the 2023 **ARTISTS MAGAZINE'S Over 60 Art Competition** for her painting "Island Flora." You can view a feature article in the May/June 2024 issue of **ARTISTS MAGAZINE**, which is out now.



SUMMER ZOOM CLASSES START IN JUNE!

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Genie Appel-Cohen
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CREATIVITY BONUS
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CLASS**

TRISH KAHN received Honorable Mention at the BaCA Arts United "Go Green" exhibition in Pompano Beach.



Dear WITVA Members,

Thank you for approving the slate of officers who will be serving WITVA from April 2024 through April 2025.

OUR OFFICERS:

President: Susan Lewine
Vice Presidents: Kris Henke and Sandy Ryter
Membership Chair: Abbe Kalman
Financial Officers: Betty Magro and Janet Schwartz
Recording Secretary: Laura Friedland
Corresponding Secretary: Gigi Melamed

Member News continued...

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MARILYN LIEDMAN is thrilled to announce that her watercolor painting, *Water Market Day*, took the Best in Show award at the 2024 Miami Watercolor Society Annual Spring Exhibition. The show is at the Wirtz Gallery in the United Community Bank, 5750 Sunset Dr, South Miami, FL, April 1- April 30.



SHARON KOSKOFF EVENT: LANDMARKS IN LAKE WORTH ART & ARCHITECTURAL WALKING TOUR

When: Friday Morning, April 26, 2024

(Rescheduled from March 8th)

Where to Meet: Rustico Italiano, 701 Lucerne Ave, Lake Worth

Time : 10:30 a.m. - 1 pm

Cost: \$24 per person in advance

Call Sharon Koskoff 561 699-7899

ANN SCHWARTZ has five of her collages on display at the exhibit "A Collection of Collages" at Art Gallery 21 at the Island City Cultural Center, 600 NE 21 Court, Wilton Manors from April 20-May 11, 2024.



KAREN H. SALUP was honored once again by Gallerium online galleries.



DEBBIE SHAPIRO received award ribbons for all four photographs she entered in the Florida Camera Club Council yearly competition. Over 1,000 photos were submitted from all of Florida's camera clubs.



Member News continued...

JILL SNEIDMAN'S five works were accepted into the ArtServe show "Looking Forward: Healing through Art" in Fort Lauderdale.



The theme indicated healing through art. Here is Jill's version of healing through her art:

"The water soothes the soul. The beach gives a calming sensory input from the sound of the ocean. The waves lap up on shore and the you can feel the comfort of the warm sand beneath your feet. Spending time at the beach or close to the water can lessen nervous system arousal. By spending time around the water, I try to convey a sense of serenity in each photograph I take."

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