

NEWSLETTER

MAY 2021

EDITOR'S MESSAGE:

Dear WITVA Members:

It has been an eventful past few months which culminated with our Graduate Scholarship Awards and our 25th Celebration of High School Art Virtual Exhibition. If you missed the High School Art presentation, a link to the event is in the SCHOLARSHIP section of our website.

We have exciting opportunities for our members with our virtual Renaissance Challenge and our Lighthouse Art Center in-person exhibit. See pages 4 and 5.

We appreciate our members' commitment to WITVA over the past trying year as we had to transition to the virtual world. Here's hoping that the future is bright!

"Armed with a paint-box, one cannot be bored, one cannot be left at a loose end, one cannot 'have several days on one's hands.'" (Winston Churchill) This holds true for all of our multi-discipline artists of WITVA.

CALENDAR

**ALL MEETINGS ARE
VIA ZOOM**

May 12: Deadline for June newsletter submissions to kghenke8@gmail.com

May 12: Art of Reading Book Club, 11:00 a.m.

May 21: Board Meeting, 1:00 p.m.

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25TH SPRING CELEBRATION OF HIGH SCHOOL ART VIRTUAL EXHIBITION

Sunday, April 11, 2021 was our 25th Spring Celebration of High School Art Virtual Exhibition. It was so nice to see a mixture of our members, teachers, principals, assistant principals, students and families. The presentation developed by Kris Henke was a joy to watch. We are grateful to her and all our committee members who shared the many facets of putting such an event together. We are grateful, too, to the teachers who were so happy to be a part of our 25th-year celebration. Thank you to Gerry Patureau, Visual Art Teacher at Palm Beach Central High School for his lovely opening remarks. We greatly appreciate having this shared relationship all these years.

The 40 students were judged on merit and five of them won our top Scholarships and Awards.

YASMIN DOMINGUEZ 11th grade is a student at Palm Beach Central High School. Yasmin won our WITVA CO-Presidents' Award of \$600.00. An excerpt of Yasmin's speech: "Thank you so much for giving me such a prestigious award. I'm so excited to receive this award. This portrait made me feel something. I always felt inspired by independent women and how strong we can be. I also want to thank my teacher, Mr. Patureau."

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An Indistinct Muse
Yasmin Doimiguez



Rising
Kassidy Dunn



Expression
Anahaika Mauvis

KASSIDY DUNN, 12th grade, a student at Royal Palm Beach High School, won the Robin Smolar Memorial Art Education Scholarship of \$500.00 donated by Suzanne K. Klein. Kassidy said, "I'd like to thank the judges and I appreciate this Scholarship Award. I hope I can continue to encourage people to do art and follow your passion."

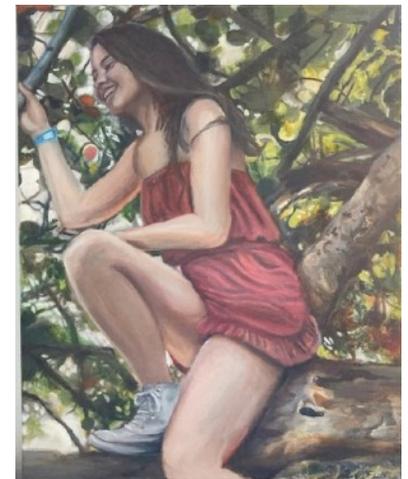
ANAHAIKA MAUVIS, a 12th grade student at Santaluces High School, won the Robin Smolar Memorial Art Education Scholarship of \$500.00 donated by Suzanne K. Klein. Nora Hussein is her teacher.

ABIGAIL SCHAEFER is a 10th grade student at Jupiter High School, and Sarah Knudtson is her teacher. She won the Susan Applebaum Scholarship Award of \$500.00.

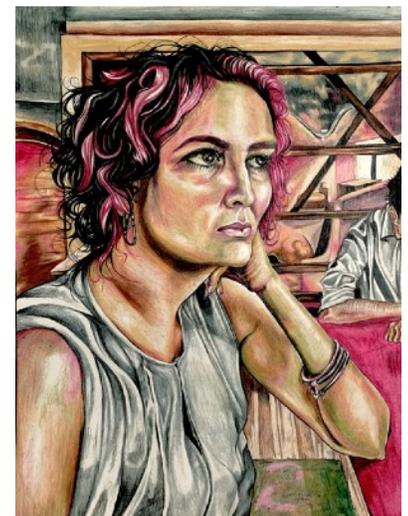
STEFFIE WILSON, a 12th grade student at Wellington High School, won the Shirley Gelfand Scholarship Award of \$500.00. Steffie said, "Thank you so much for this opportunity. Thank you to the judges and to my teacher Ms. Brown. I'm honored to be in this wonderful collection of artworks."

Many thanks to our two narrators, Susan C. Lewine and Maxine Schreiber, and congratulations to our Committee members: Phyllis Annunziato, Mary Caviaoli, Ruth Hartman, Abbe Kalman, Kris Henke, Lee Krull, Susan C. Lewine, Betty Magro, Maxine Schreiber. We thank all our wonderful generous donors to our Scholarship Fund.

Respectfully submitted,
Myrna Rodkin, Chair WITVA 25th Spring Celebration of High School Art



My Friend in Tree
Abigail Schaefer



Johanna
Steffi Wilson

GRADUATE STUDENTS PRESENTED WITH SCHOLARSHIPS

On March 19th, our two final graduate students presented their in-person presentations on Zoom. Each student's presentation was well thought out, and each gave a deep analysis of the work and future plans. After their presentations, our Graduate Scholarship Committee juried the students once again. Thanks to the generous contribution given by Velia Sweet, we can grant our graduates meaningful scholarships.

Our first-place winner is **CLAUDIA NEWMAN**, who states, "I create soulful representational images that feature a close analytical examination of the subject yet remain emotional and intimate. I draw inspiration from nature's simple beauty and my approach relies heavily on observation and drawing."



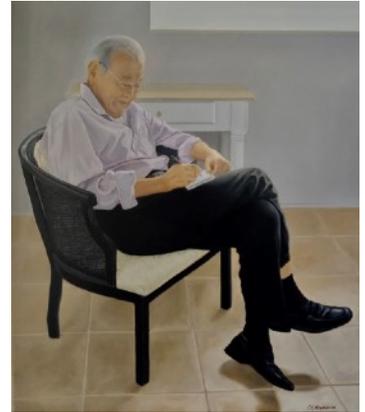
Claudia originally graduated from the University of Florida with a Bachelor's degree in Photography. Since then, Claudia has found a true medium of expression in oil painting. Claudia is just finishing her first year in Florida International University's Master's in Fine

Arts Graduate Program. Claudia received the Velia Sweet Scholarship Award of \$4,000.00.

Our second winner is **ELIZABETH PINO**. She attends Florida International University in the Master's in Fine Art Graduate Program. Elizabeth states, "There's something about emptiness that can be dark, ominous, and infinite. Sometimes we find ourselves drowning in it. Eyes speak the secrets of our soul."

Elizabeth's mediums are oil & acrylic paint. Elizabeth served as an assistant instructor at Imago Gallery where she helped children and adults of different ages understand the deepest concepts in art and perform art therapy techniques combining music and paint. Elizabeth now enjoys being an instructor and looks forward to becoming a professional artist. Elizabeth received the Velia Sweet Scholarship Award of \$2,000.00.

Respectfully submitted by Myrna Rodkin, Chair, WITVA Graduate Scholarship Program.



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CALL TO ARTISTS: WITVA's FALL SHOW AT THE LIGHTHOUSE ART CENTER

Women in The Visual Arts is excited to announce an exhibition at Lighthouse ArtCenter from September 7th through October 30th. This will mark our first, in-person display following COVID. Please read the information and application with care; and if any questions arise, email susantimothychorney@gmail.com. We are looking forward to your application submissions and to WITVA's fall show at the Lighthouse Art Center.

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susantimothychorney@gmail.com.

By the way, several of us visited Lighthouse ArtCenter recently, and if you haven't been there since they renovated, you should see it for yourself. The exhibit space is terrific! It is large and bright and beautifully lit.

I am looking forward to your application submissions and to WITVA's fall show at the Lighthouse ArtCenter!

*Best Wishes,
Susan Lewine*

DETAILS • DETAILS • DETAILS • DETAILS • DETAILS • DETAILS • DETAILS

- Exhibition Dates: September 7 - October 30, 2021
- Each piece must be delivered with two labels securely attached, one on the back and one folded over the front (do not adhere labels to your frame front.)
- Artwork may be priced for sale, or marked not for sale (NFS)
- Artists will be paid 60% on sales, Lighthouse ArtCenter reserves a 40% commission.
- All media are welcomed in this family-friendly exhibition.
- All work must be original art - no copies, gilees, or kits will be shown.
- Application and labels attached, please copy as needed.
- All work must remain on exhibition until the close of show
- Prior approval of the curator required if artwork is larger than 36" x 48" or weighs more than 35 lbs. Prior approval is also required if anyone other than the exhibiting artist is to pick up unsold work(s) at the close of show.

- 2D pieces must be gallery wrapped canvas or framed, and appropriately wired for hanging (saw-toothed hangers are not permitted).
- Pedestals will be provided on a first come basis

- **Applications must arrive at Lighthouse ArtCenter no later than August 9.**
- **Artwork must arrive at Lighthouse ArtCenter on Sept. 1**
- **Application fee \$35.00 for up to three pieces, however available space dictates that not all pieces will be juried into the exhibit.**
- **Make your check out to Lighthouse ArtCenter and note WITVA in the Memo or call (561) 746-3101 with your credit card information.**
- **Send the completed application along with high resolution photos of each clearly labeled piece to:**

Janeen@LighthouseArts.org

Lighthouse ArtCenter

373 Tequesta Drive | Tequesta | Florida | 33469 | (561) 746-3101 | www.LighthouseArts.org

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Lighthouse ArtCenter presents:



WOMEN IN THE VISUAL ARTS

Exhibition

September 7 - October 30, 2021

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone 1: (____) _____ Phone 2: (____) _____

Email: _____

Title of piece #1: _____

Media _____

Dimensions W: _____ H: _____ D (only if 3D): _____

Price \$ _____ Check if Not For Sale () Ins. Value \$ _____

Title of piece #2: _____

Media _____

Dimensions W: _____ H: _____ D (only if 3D): _____

Price \$ _____ Check if Not For Sale () Ins. Value \$ _____

Title of piece #3: _____

Media _____

Dimensions W: _____ H: _____ D (only if 3D): _____

Price \$ _____ Check if Not For Sale () Ins. Value \$ _____

*** Please note: Artists will receive 60% on sales of their work sold during the exhibition and there will be a 40% commission to the Lighthouse ArtCenter. Commission helps support the programs of the ArtCenter. ALL art MUST remain on display through the duration of the exhibition.**

TERMS AND CONDITIONS We are not responsible for entry materials lost in the mail, entry materials damaged in transportation, or malfunctions in entry materials due to human or technological error by the entrant or by Lighthouse ArtCenter staff. Entry materials of the artists selected for exhibition may be used by the ArtCenter for marketing, press, announcements, etc. We are not responsible for loss or damage to the accepted artwork during the course of the exhibition. Lighthouse ArtCenter will charge a storage fee of \$10 per day on any works not picked up on the required date. After 30 days, the artwork will become property of Lighthouse ArtCenter and may be discarded, donated or sold. By signing below, I agree to all terms and conditions for consideration in this exhibition.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

PLEASE ATTACH A COMPLETED LABEL TO THE FRONT & BACK OF EACH PIECE OF ARTWORK PRIOR TO DROP OFF. COPY AS NECESSARY

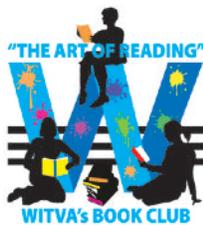
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ART OF READING BOOK CLUB

DATE: Wednesday, May 12, 2021

TIME: 11:00 a.m. via Zoom

BOOK: METROPOLITAN STORIES,

by Christine Coulson

Fictional accounts of behind the scenes at the Metropolitan Museum make an enjoyable read.

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Susan Chorney Lewine at susantimothychorney@gmail.com.

Some of the circles will be consolidated for a number of reasons:

- This will expand the scope of discussions and sharing.
- Several of the members belong to both groups, so a consolidation makes sense.
- We are now experiencing greater mobility with the availability of the vaccine.
- A number of members have or will be returning to on-site classes.

For these reasons, the following circles have been consolidated to form the new Circle, **3D Art: Ceramics and Sculpture, Crafters and Jewelry.**

If you have any questions, please contact me at kghenke8@gmail.com.

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WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBER, SAARA FINLEY

MARILYN LIEDMAN'S recent work, "Nova Scotia Boats 2", a watercolor, received the First Place Award in the Miami Watercolor Society Annual Spring Exhibition.

DEBBIE RUBIN was a Nominee at the 14th Annual International Color Awards with:

Nominee in Nature | Glorious Morning
Nominee in Wildlife | A Handsome Fellow
Nominee in Wildlife | Sunrise

Debbie also had an image published in a book about Ray Heid **MAN BEHIND THE DUSTER**, a wonderful biography about an Olympic Skier and Equestrian. She is also published in **LANDSCAPE PHOTOGRAPHY** magazine in both the April and March issues for her "Nesting" image and "Death Valley Sunset" images.



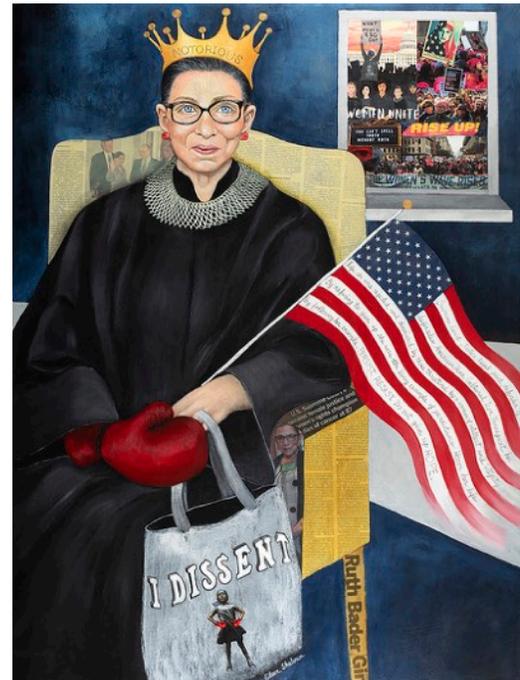


EILEEN SHALOOM won a first-place award in the National Association of Women Artists Online Exhibition, "Special Women/HERstory" celebrating Women's History month, March 1-May 31, 2021. The award was for her mixed media painting of Ruth Bader Ginsburg titled "Ode to an American Treasure." In the Florida Artists Group (FLAG) 71st Annual Exhibition, January 15-February 28, 2021, she won the Luminaries Award for her Mixed Media collage, "Unravelling."



MAXINE SCHREIBER is thrilled to announce that two of her paintings from her "This is What Democracy Looks Like" series were accepted into the **Palm Beach County Cultural Council's 2021 Biennial Exhibition**. The exhibit began on March 22nd and runs through May 28, 2021.

Maxine was also invited to be a part of the Cultural Council's Palm Beach County **Illustrators Exhibit** with original watercolors from her children's picture book, *The Story of Daphne the Duck*. This exhibit is running simultaneously in the North Gallery from April 2, 2021 until May 21, 2021. Please stop by the gallery at **601 Lake Avenue in Lake Worth Beach** to see both exhibits, and if you like Maxine's pieces make sure to vote for her for the People's Choice Award. You can also purchase her book in the gallery store.





SALLY COOPER is teaching an Abstract Painting Online Interactive Class through Old School Square Creative Arts School. Term 1 Spring/Summer starts April 29 and continues for three more classes May 7, 14 and 21 (4 Weeks). You will visit me in my studio via Zoom each Thursday for two hours and view live demonstrations, personalized instruction, learn about acrylic paints and mediums, receive handouts, critiques, meet new friends and more. Each class is recorded, and you will be able to view the videos for the entire term. There are two classes offered: 11-1 pm EST and 3-5 pm EST. Price \$143. To read testimonials from students please go to my website <https://sally-cooper.com/testimonials.html>.

Here are the links to register:

Abstract Painting (11 - 1 pm EST) FW 2020 - Online

<https://oldschoolsquare.secure.force.com/ticket#/events/a0S2I00000RwiStUAJ>

Abstract Painting (3 - 5 pm EST) FW 2020 - Online

<https://oldschoolsquare.secure.force.com/ticket#/events/a0S2I00000RwiTsUAJ>



ROSIE SHERMAN is very proud to say that her painting, "Rocky Shores", sold this month to a collector in Toronto.

LAURIE SNOW HEIN announced her next big adventure: **WHITE-WATER RAFTING (and painting!)** down the **COLORADO RIVER!** For more information, check out Laurie's website: <https://www.laurieheinartist.com/about>



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