



Brush Strokes

The newsletter of the Palm City Art Associates

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What's Been Happening

Palm City Art Associates is strong as ever. With over 90 members and a great attendance at meetings, we have had a wonderful line up of demonstrations for all to enjoy. Since January we have had a watercolorist and two oil painters. It is very interesting to see all the different techniques. Please go to page 2 to learn more about the artists that presented. In April we have an interesting demonstration by one of our members, Barbara Schmitz. She has a unique way of journaling trips that you do not want to miss. [CLICK Here](#) to learn more.

The nominating chair will be announcing the new slate of officers at the April meeting. Come see who will be installed in May.

It is time to change out our venues. The next Wellness Center change-out will be, April 21, from 10:00 – 12:00. Please email Nancy Mich n.mich@yahoo.com if you would like to hang a painting or changeout one. Remember if your painting has been hanging for a year, you need to remove it. All the information you need is on the website, including the labels for the back of your painting. There is a \$10 hanging fee collected at drop off.

A change-out will be scheduled soon for Hammock Creek Golf Club and Reubens Restaurant—watch for an email announcing dates. Please [CLICK HERE](#) to get more information and the labels to hang at one of our venues.

Jennifer Hearn from Martin Arts reported on a new show opening this summer called, “Be Squared—A Member Exhibition”. This show has no entry fee, just a donation of a 8”x 8” canvas painting. If you have a square piece of artwork you would like to enter, check out this [link](#) to find out all you need to know. Deadline to register is May 1, 2022.

Save the Date

May 11th @ 1PM

(at our monthly meeting)

Meet the 2022 scholarship recipients

Here is your chance to meet the art students that were chosen for our scholarships. The scholarship committee is very excited for this year's winners. You don't want to miss to see why they were chosen. Please come out and support our yearlong efforts.



It is that time of year. Time to pay your dues. Please try to pay before the end of May. You can always bring your form and payment to a meeting, or mail to: PO Box 107 Palm City, FL 34991. There is a form attached to this [newsletter](#) for your convenience.

Demos at the Library 2022



Stefanie Pollack thrilled us with her fluid watercolor strokes this January. She demonstrated how to use the negative space with color when painting white flowers.

She is an award-winning, Florida watercolor artist who loves to make people feel happy with her bright colors and uplifting themes!

She began art lessons at the age of 12 with the Art Director of Ford Motor Company in Michigan and then went on to study at Texas Woman's University, North Texas State and Wayne State University. She also attended workshops in Florida and San Miguel de Allende, Mexico.

In 1984, She began showing her work professionally at local art festivals. Today she participates in more than 20 festivals around the country, teaching workshops as well as showcasing her work in galleries from New York to Key West. We were very lucky to have her demonstrate for us!

In February **Karen Leffel-Massengill** amazed us with her oils. She painted for us a landscape showing us how to focus on the value relationships correctly to maximize the effect of light.

She has enjoyed immense success on the art show circuit, being accepted into many of the top art shows in the nation to include Coconut Grove, Ann Arbor State Street Art Fair, Ann Arbor South University Art Fair, Winter Park Sidewalk Festival and Artigras. She has won numerous awards at these shows and has been selected as the poster artist for five different shows.

In 2018, Leffel-Massengill was awarded second place in the All Florida Show "Sweet" shown at the Elliott Museum in Stuart Florida, first place at the annual Backus Gallery competition for her piece titled "Double Vision" and as a national winner in the national competition sponsored by Plein Air Magazine in the the bi-monthly "animal" category with her painting titled "Female Cow Bird."



Member, **Mallo Bisset** came and entertained us in March painting an underwater scene in oil only using a palette knife. We enjoyed watching her paint while listening to her interesting stories. You are always sure to pick up a few life skills from her.

She always specializes in palette knife oil paintings. Her paintings are textured and almost always full of color. Her artwork celebrates the things that make her happy. While her subject matter does vary, she is greatly influenced by love of color, animals, and nature. She has always lived close to the sea, so water and the color blue seem to be a part of her and often make it onto her canvas.

Please go to our website to view upcoming demos [CLICK HERE](#).



The **33rd Annual Art Show** People's Choice Award went to **Holly Cannon!** with her **Moment of Solace, pastel.** All The winners from the show are now posted on our website at palmcityartassociates.org

Member News

Congratulations to Mallo Bisset for winning the Sage Award.

Five of our members were prize winners at the Art Assoc. of Martin County Annual Show: Holly Cannon (best of show), Barbara Lyons 1st in mixed media, Betty Mulholland 2nd mixed media, Sylvia Wood, 2nd in watercolor, and Billye Miraglia, first place Acrylics. Congrats to all! The show is at Trinity United Methodist Church in Jensen Beach.

Check out this website if you would like to make your art into something special.
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**Next meeting
at 1PM at the Library
April 13th**

**Demo with
Barbara Schmitz**

Nominating Chair
will be
announcing new
slate of officers.

- Please check our website often for up to date information at palmcityartassociates.org
- Please send photos or articles to be considered for the newsletter or website to ltiano@mac.com



PALM CITY ART ASSOCIATES MEMBERSHIP FORM

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY:

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WHAT YEAR DID YOU JOIN? (approximate) _____

Meetings are held at 1 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month at the Cummings Library. The address is 2551 Matheson Road and is located on the corner of Matheson Road and SW Martin Downs Blvd (714) in Palm City. The meetings are held October through May.

To promote the arts among the youth of our community we offer annual scholarships to talented Martin County high school seniors who plan to continue art education at the college level.

Members may vote, hold office and show their work in all PCAA exhibits and shows immediately upon payment of membership fee.

A Single Membership fee is \$35.00 per year and for **Couples** is \$65.00. Membership is renewed yearly and dues must be paid before May 31st. Your paid membership is on a fiscal year, which begins on May 31. Your check, payable to **PCAA, Inc.** may be mailed to P.O. Box 107, Palm City, FL 34991. BE SURE TO INCLUDE THIS FORM WITH YOUR CHECK.

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