



Brushstroke



ARTWORK OF THE MONTH – “THE BLANKET BY ELVIE BECKER

THE BLANKIE

Portrait of a baby with his favorite blanket covering his head. Size is 12” x12” oil on panel. She uses oils, charcoal, and colored pencils.

Elvie is a self-taught artist who uses various mediums and is inspired by the Masters of the Renaissance. She is a member of the Mesa Art league, Gilbert Visual Art League and attends workshops at the Scottsdale Art School (SAD).

She loves to paint portraits in oils. She has completed Scottsdale Artists School’s “The Academy”, a two year course in drawing in charcoal and painting the figure and portraits in oil with renowned artist Tim Rees. Has attended workshops held by artists Jerry Salinas, Tina Garret, Ramel de la Torre at SAS. She won awards from the “The Best and the Brightest” and “Fresh Paint” Contests sponsored by SAS. Some of her works can be seen in the All Saint’s Catholic Church on Recker Rd. in Mesa.

Elvie has been a Mesa Resident for almost twenty five years. Elvie retired from Mesa Public Schools as a Teacher’s Assistant in classrooms with Special Needs Children. She is a wife, mother and grandmother.

Her motto is; “ancora imparo” (Michelangelo’s)

The Newsletter of the Mesa Art League April, 2024

WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello Creative Friends,

Happy April. Hope this message finds you and your families and friends doing good. I have had a very exciting month. We had championships being won by my grandkids, hundreds of Easter eggs being found in my backyard and more than a pound of chocolate bunnies consumed. Oh yeah, a bit of art was done in between all of this. I am working on some new art journals and small art pieces for the #100daychallenge. I am at day 42 out of 100. It has been so fun to make something so small.

This month is our election month. We are excited to have Jacque Hillman and Alicia Short running for open spots on the Executive Board. We are still looking for someone to run for secretary. If you would be willing to take notes at the meetings, let me know. Your help would be greatly appreciated, we are a fun bunch!!!

Tammie

Meeting date & time: - NEXT MEETING Tuesday, March 12 – 5:00pm Location: Greenfield Glen Club House - 1021 South Greenfield Rd.

Election of new officers to be held at the next MEETING

Ballot (so far)

Vice President – Jacque Hillman

Secretary – need volunteer

Treasurer – Alicia Short

FEATURED ARTIST AT THE MESA ART LEAGUE ART STUDIO 9 GALLERY– LU WALD



THE ONEOHONE GALLERY

The gallery is open on Friday and Saturday's from 10am – to 4pm.

To be a part of the gallery, the featured wall is \$100 per month during high season which is September through May; \$50 for half wall (3 ½ walls available). It is preferred that you sign up for 2 months. The contact for this is: Tammie at mesaartonline@gmail.com

DEMO FOR APRIL MEETING – ALCOHOL INKS BY MICHELE SIMONEAUX

Michelle will present a slide show and short videos showing alcohol ink, blending and backgrounds as well as projects she has done covering each subject. She will share a bit about the history of alcohol ink, papers to use, her favorite pens, what blending solution is and does, and different uses of the alcohol ink. She will also have a small art piece on the table that people can practice coloring with markers.

MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

Lucy Wong won the award for best presentation of her “My House”, in a quilt challenge by the AZ American Quilt Guild, the Rippers. She will give a presentation about her childhood reflections on June 1, 2024 at the Gilbert Historical Museum at 10 am.

Kristin Dragos has a variety of her original art and prints on display at the Painted Tree Boutique in Chandler.

VENUE CHANGE OUT DATES:

MESA SENIOR CENTER

Location: 247 MacDonald St. Mesa

It's exciting to see sales are happening at The

Aster Senior Center. I encourage members to participate. The changeout is every other month so there won't be a changeout in April. The next one is Thursday, May 2, 2024. We will not have a changeout over summer so those dropped off May 2, will hang until September 5.

If there are questions, contact Joni Anderson at 602-284-7926, WatercolorsbyJoni@gmail.com. questions, please call or text Joni Anderson at 602-284-7926.

ADALANTE HEALTH CENTER – 1705 W. Main St. Mesa

Openings for the following:

Open months are: April–December

Contact Elizabeth at 317-460-5903



Location of Classes

Aster Senior Center at Mesa Downtown

247 N MacDonald, Mesa, AZ 85201

Meets on the 1st Thursday of the Month

Veterans Resource Center

165 N Centennial Way #101, Mesa, AZ 85201

Meets on the 3rd Thursday of the Month

Newsletter Editor – Alicia Short:

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DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS by 25th of the month.

website: mesaartleague.com

Facebook: Mesaartleagueaz... to post photos of art

MESA ART LEAGUE LEADERSHIP TEAM

President – Tammie Pursley

Vice President – Diane Black

Treasurer – Nancy Briggs

Secretary – Lu Wald

DIRECTORS:

Historian – Suzanne Leslie

Publicity and social media – need volunteer

Artwork of the Month – Elizabeth Scriba

Membership and Newsletter – Alicia Short

Website – Michelle Simoneaux

Demos – Lucy Wong

Scholarship – contact mesaartonline.com

Art Shows – Karen Beasley and need another person

Ad Rep – Diane Black

Veteran Liaison – J. Chris Brewer



Mesa Art League Membership Application

Date: _____

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Phone : _____ Mobile Phone: _____

Email: _____ website: _____

Address: _____

City _____ ST _____ Zip _____

year round resident? Winter resident? Veteran

Your medium: _____

Renewal (\$45) due January of each year Membership good through the end of the year.

NEW MEMBERS DUES STRUCTURE:

If joining January through June - \$45 Family membership \$60

If joining July through December - \$25 Family membership \$35

We appreciate your volunteer time. Should you wish to volunteer, please choose the area you feel most comfortable assisting with, please check at least one:

Hospitality Publicity Demonstration Membership Social Media Art Shows Venues

Lead a workshop Other _____

Other Memberships and Supporters – A tax deductible Charitable Contribution for: DONATIONS APPRECIATED:

Friends of MAL - \$50 Sustaining - \$75 Patron - \$250 Corporate - \$750

Veterans Outreach Art Program - \$ _____ Other _____

The Mesa Art League is a 501c3 not for profit Art Organization providing art assistance to the ART and VETERAN community of Arizona. A participating artist membership is open to all persons over 18 years of age and offers the opportunity to vote and hold an office. Participation also includes but is not limited to the displaying of ORIGINAL ART in all of the Mesa Art League art shows and venues.

To Pay on Line: by PayPal or Credit card you may go to MesaArtLeague.com under Membership page. The membership form is under Forms **please print it out and mail to the address below.**

To pay by check: Make payable to Mesa Art League and mail to Mesa Art League, Membership – P.O. Box 7733, Mesa, AZ 85216-7733 **Please include this form with payment.**

DUES ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE

For Office only:

Membership Paid Date: Month _____ Date _____ Year _____

Check number and Date: # _____ Date _____

Taken by (Please Print) _____