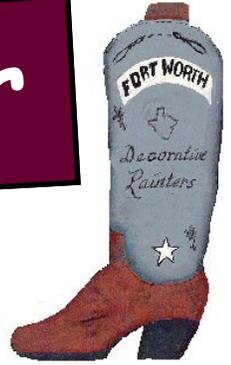


# FWDP Newsletter

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**Fort Worth Decorative Painters  
Celebrating 42 Years**



Greetings fellow painters! I hope everyone had a chance to finally thaw out and had no damage to their property. I want to thank Peggy for ensuring that despite the weather, members were still able to meet via zoom and paint. This was a big task. Peggy's pup on a tote was a hit. Zoom worked out extremely well given the weather and everyone was happy with their piece. Thank you to Dusti for stepping in and leading the meeting in my absence; it was greatly appreciated. This month we have Beth teaching her Santa. Beth will bring her prepped santa's to the meeting for those who reserved them. Thanks for doing this for us given our inability to meet in January in person. Dusti will touch a little on her upcoming project at our meeting. Don't forget to bring your Valentine themed item for our exchange at our February meeting, Please join in on the fun; bring one get one. Raffle and food items will be provided by the board. Sign up sheets will go around for future months. Seminar planning is currently in progress. We hope to be able to give specifics real soon. To continue to give more painting time at our monthly meetings, we will continue to only address essential information needing an update. With that said, please don't hesitate to ask if you have something you might need clarification on from the newsletter or something new that you want to bring up. Therefore, it's extremely important to read your monthly newsletter. It will have all the key information you need. Lastly, thank you Dusti for volunteering to help ensure that VP duties are executed flawlessly for 2026. Until we meet, happy painting.

Dora



This year's **2026 board** is as follows:

- President--Dora Jodoin
- Interim VP Programs-Dusti Dancer
- VP Membership--Sharlene King
- Treasurer--Louise Smith
- Secretary--Peggy Thomas

This year's **2026 Committee Chairs** are as follows:

- Newsletter--Nancy Genetti
- Saturday Specials--Dusti Dancer
- Seminars--Nancy Genetti
- Raffle--Juanita Munoz
- Service Project--Jan Park
- Sunshine--Becky Reed
- Publicity/Website--Suzane Godley
- Hospitality--Louise Smith
- Projector—Sue Davis
- Publicity and Website: Suzane Godley

HOSPITALITY: February meeting  
 Non-Sweet - Becky and Jan  
 Sweet - Sharlene and Louise

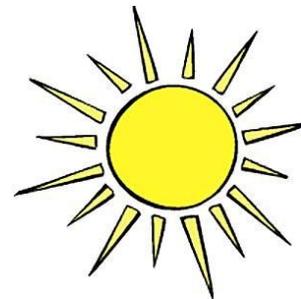


A HOSPITALITY sign up sheet to bring food for 2026 will be passed around at the February meeting. Food is a important part of our socializing time. Volunteer   to bring a dish to share with others. Please fill in 2 to 3 spaces. Your participation is greatly appreciated . Louise

**SUNSHINE**

Next birthdays are in March.

Becky



## **RAFFLE**

Looking forward to another great year.

The February raffle items will be provided by the board.

In our February meeting we will pass around the sign-up sheet for the raffle pieces. We are looking to have at least 4 items per month. The raffle remains one of our main fund raisers so your participation is greatly appreciated.

Thank you

Juanita



Be a Lucky Winner!

## **PROGRAMS**

Thank you Peggy for making the adjustments and teaching your project by Zoom since the roads were icy. Everyone did a great job on their puppies and you did a great job running from one room to the other!

Beth will be teaching a puffy Santa this month. Since we were not able to meet in person she will have prepped Santas at the meeting and more information elsewhere in the newsletter. If you have not contacted her to let her know if you are in need of a Santa please do so.

In March Dusti will be teaching the Trio of Pumpkins. Instructions to follow in the newsletter.

Our April Program will be the JOY Bottle taught by Louise.

Program information will be in the newsletter the month before and the month of the project being taught.

If you have questions about programs please feel free to call me. Dusti

## **SATURDAY SPECIALS**

We will be having four Saturday Specials again this year. Below are the dates and teachers.

March 28, 2026 Dusti is teaching the first half of the Clay Santa project

June 13, 2026 Peggy is teaching the Trio of Ornaments

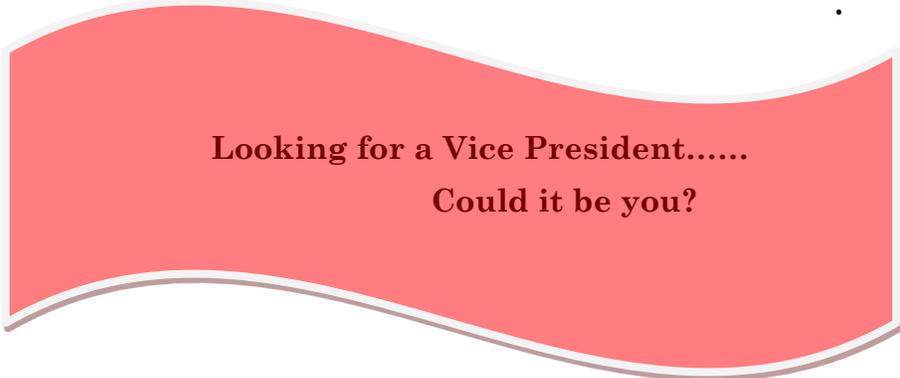
Sept. 12, 2026 Dora is teaching the Halloween Tic-Tac-Toe

Oct. 24, 2026 UFO day

Please mark your calendars and plan to join us, we always have a lot of fun!

If you have any questions let me know.

Dusti



**Looking for a Vice President.....  
Could it be you?**

## **Service Project**

We've changed our project this year. Our group will be making cards for Senior Living Centers. Some seniors don't have families or visitors, so cards would be greatly appreciated! Thinking of you!, Hello Spring, Happy Easter, Hello Summer are just a few suggestions. I will have cards to paint and will collect cards at each meeting.

Happy Painting!! Jan

## February Project

**PLEASE READ THRU THESE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE THE MEETING SO YOU KNOW WHAT TO BRING!!!**

### **Puffed Santa**

By Beth Stodieck, 1/2026, for FWDP

**Paints:** Please bring your favorite Santa and face painting colors. These are just the colors I happened to pick when starting this project but many of you have found face/fabric/beard colors combinations you like. Please feel free to adlib or bring the colors one of your favorite designers uses for their Santa projects.

Boysenberry Red (cheeks)

Burnt Sienna (shading face)

Fleshtone (face)

Foliage (stripes)

Napa (shading coat and hat)

Santa Red

Winter White

Blue Harbor or Sapphire (eyes)

Cadmium Yellow (stripe highlight)

Fiery Red

Irish Moss (green highlight)

Paynes Grey (shading beard)

Slate Grey (beard and hair)

### **PRE-CLASS PREP:**

**Face** - Fleshtone or your choice of flesh color

**Beard/Mustache/Hair** - Slate Grey or your choice of hair background

**Coat and Hat and Lower Lip** under mustache - Santa Red or your choice

**Eyes** - your choice of white

**Hat Fur** - Slate Grey or your choice of fur background

- Bring a copy of these instructions! They will not be available at the meeting!!!!
- Surfaces are already prepped and ready. (special thanks to Dusti and Juanita for their generous help!)
- Surfaces will be \$5 each, **CASH ONLY!**
- Extra surfaces will be sold in the order they were requested
- Bring GOOD, Quality liner brushes to ensure soft, wispy hair
- Bring line drawing and transfer supplies to apply pattern during business meeting so we can get right to it after the meeting is finished.



FACE:

**Bt Sienna** - Shade around face, behind nose, very lightly around eyes.

*Note* : the eyes are a teardrop but the cheek is a concave line coming up on the bottom. Just a pale line with a tiny fine liner brush goes there to define eye edge.

**Boysenberry** - Float around outer bottom of face above mustache up the cheek to the underside of eyes, beside hair, on the lower half of nose. Use pale washes and do multiple coats after each coat dries instead of one heavy float.

**Blue Harbor** or **Sapphire** - Round iris dot at the bottom of eyes.

**Payne's Grey** - Pupil in eye, eyelashes on the outside edges of the eye with the tiniest, fine liner brush you have. Really! 20/0, 30/0 small!

**Winter White** - pale wash or dry brush below eyes to highlight cheek after cheek is dry, across top of nose, between the eyes and on bottom lip. Highlight dot for glint in the eyes.

COAT/HAT:

**Bt Sienna** or **Payne's Grey** - Shade, with wash of color, around the borders of the fur, not on the hat or face behind it but on the fur itself.

**Napa** - Shade above fur and around all edges on hat, under beard basecoat and hair and all the way around the outside edges of the coat.

**Fiery Red** - Drybrush highlight down the middle of the hat and down the middle of each side of jacket.

**Winter White** - IF NEEDED, drybrush and lightly brighten highlight down center of hat.

**Foliage** - Freehand stripes on hat.

**Irish Moss** - Drybrush the center of each stripe.

**Cadmium Yellow** - even smaller drybrush highlight on each stripe.

**Winter White FUR** - Stipple *lightly* down center of fur, working from center to edge. Build up the white slowly, letting each coat dry completely before adding another layer in SMALLER area than the prior coat.

**Paynes Grey** - Shadow under mustache and lip, under fur on hair, BEFORE doing hair and beard.

HAIR/MUSTACHE/BEARD:

**Winter White** - Do ALL layers of beard, hair and mustache EXCEPT for the last, top highlights with inky paint. Not all hairs have to go all the way from top to bottom. Do shorter strokes. Doing your hair/beard in layers of washed squiggles gives it depth, not just color. Each layer has a little more paint in it. Let each layer completely dry between coats. Take your time! The same technique works with your fur, also.

## February Pattern



Fort Worth Decorative Painters Meeting  
January 26, 2026

The January meeting was only painting of the project by zoom as the ice storm prevented an actual meeting. Those present were Linda McDonald, Connie Alexander, Sharlene King, Becky Reed, Jan Park, Louise Smith, Peggy Thomas, Dusti Dancer, and Sue Davis.

Respectfully submitted, Peggy Thomas

BooHoo .....no photos of meeting due to being on ZOOM during ice storm!

## March Program: A Trio of Pumpkins

Pick your surface of choice and adjust the pattern to fit. My original was painted on a 9.5x7.5 chalk board. It works great on an oval bentwood or paper mache box. Use something from your stash.

Americana Paints: Light Buttermilk, Antique White, Marigold, Primary Yellow, Burnt Sienna, Country Red, Honey Brown, Milk Chocolate, Spiced Pumpkin, Burnt Orange, Irish Moss, Neons Torrid Orange, Antique Maroon, Jewel Green, Black Forrest Green, Soft Black, and Lamp Black

Bring your regular painting supplies including your favorite brushes and a few dry brushes and a liner brush.

Before Class prep: Sand and seal surface, basecoat Lamp Black. If you are painting a box or surface with a base you may want to paint the base/bottom Burnt Orange.

Basecoat the following:

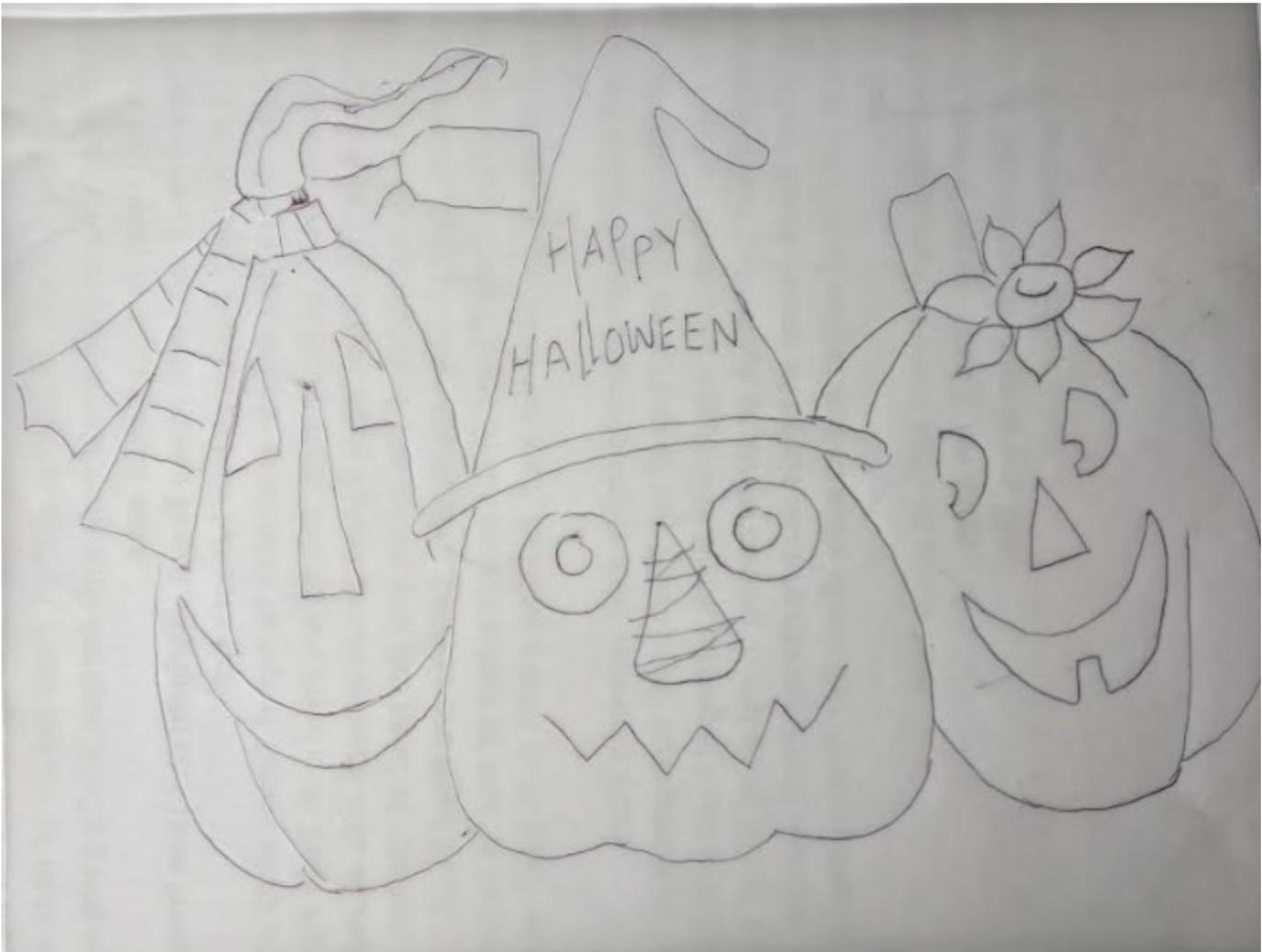
Pumpkins - Burnt Orange

Hat, Fabric Tie, and Leaf - Jewel Green Note: the Tie has Jewel Green and Black checks

Stems - Milk Chocolate

Sunflower Petals - Marigold Sunflower Center - Burnt Sienna

Tag - Antique White - If you don't have Antique White use Lt Buttermilk or Bleached Sand or something similar.





January— Peggy  
Pup on a Tote



February—Beth  
Puffy Santa



March—Dusti  
Pumpkin Patch



April—Louise  
Joy/Noel on Bottle



May—Dusti  
Clay Santa—painting



September—Louise  
Witch on Gourd



October—Sharlene  
Nutcracker Card



November—Louise  
Cupcake Chef

January 2027 Meeting—Peggy  
Swan Lake



**SATURDAY SPECIALS**



March 28—Dusti  
First half of clay Santa (Clay  
part)



June 13—Peggy  
Trio Ornaments



September 12—Dora  
Tic Tac Toe Board

October 24—UFO Day

Come paint what you want.....finish a  
project, start a new one...come for com-  
panionship and fun!

## Tech Tips - Add a website shortcut to your iPad's home screen

I used this to add a shortcut for our Zoom meetings and FWDP webpage.

### Using Safari (or other browser)

1. **Open Safari:** and go to the website you want to save (see tip #2 below).
2. Tap the Share icon in the toolbar (it looks like a square with an arrow pointing up, usually to the right of the address bar).

Scroll down to the share menu and tap [Add to Home Screen](#).

4. Edit the name for the shortcut if you wish.

Tap "Add" in the top right corner.

The new icon will appear on your Home Screen, launching the website directly when tapped, just like an app.

### Tip # 2

If you Click on a link Peggy has sent which opens the Zoom with all the numbers already entered, then follow the steps above, you'll never have to enter the numbers again. The shortcut will automatically enter all that and open the meeting.

(You can do this step even when the meeting isn't active.)

### Tip # 3

If you received a text message with the Zoom meeting link, you can forward it to your email.

Then open email on your iPad, touch the link and it will open Zoom with meeting # and passcode already entered.

(You can do this step even when the meeting isn't active.)

*Disclaimer: This worked for me. Your results may vary.*



To Check Out:

Facebook page for Artists: Artful Ties

Check out Zoom Classes at *Decorative painters academy*

It is so fun to have lots of photos in the newsletter and be able to look back on them. We also put in some very old pictures which are quite fun to see! I would like different members to take photos at the meetings, paint-ins etc. and send to me for the newsletter. It is great to have photos from different members to show different perspectives.



Oklahoma City Painting Palooza

Aug 9-15, 2026

FWDP Meets the Third Monday of February, March, April, May, September, October & November.

January Meeting 4th Monday and the Christmas Party 2nd Monday in December.

At the

Botanical Gardens  
3220 Botanic Garden Blvd.  
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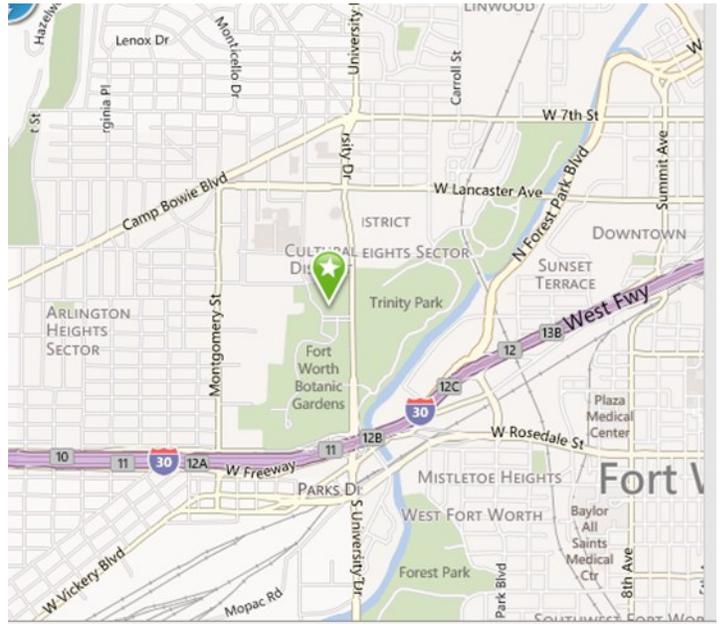
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## 2026 Dates to Remember

January 26 – Chapter Meeting

February 16 - Chapter Meeting

March 16 – Chapter Meeting

March 28—Saturday Special—Clay Santa with Dusti

April 20 – Chapter Meeting

May 18 – Chapter Meeting

May—tentative seminar

June 13 —Saturday Special—Trio of Ornaments with Peggy

September 12—Saturday Special—Tic Tac Toe board with Dora

September 21 – Chapter Meeting

October 19 – Chapter Meeting

Oct 24—Saturday Special—UFO Day

November 16 – Chapter Meeting

December – Christmas Party