

# FWDP Newsletter

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## Fort Worth Decorative Painters Celebrating 39 Years



Dear Fellow Painters,

Our seminar with Paulette DiGesare was very successful thanks to Nancy's recruiting of outside participants and efficiently handling the details to save costs. Also, thanks to all that brought food; this really helped with expenses. The evening dinner turned out to be much better than going out to eat. I am proud of all pulling together as a team to make it a big success.

In April, Dora had a great idea and introduced us to the Artist Trading Card. Thank you, Dora, for teaching and being so generous in giving. I hope everyone paints theirs by the end of summer; let's have an Artist Trading Card exchange.

Bring your check book to the May meeting, as we need to sign up for both Saturday Paint Specials. These dates fall prior to our September meeting. We have Linda McDonald for June 1<sup>st</sup> and Peggy Thomas on September 14<sup>th</sup>. Our Saturday Specials are open to non-members, so spread the word the more the merrier!

We still do not have a chairman for the Christmas Party. So, we have reserved a room at Spring Creek Barbecue in Lake Worth for the night of Dec 9. We can still have an ornament exchange and do gifts of five. We can have our auction in November; so please keep painting, your donations are most appreciated.

Your Painting friend, Louise

Chapter Meeting May 20, 2024  
6:00 pm Social time  
6:30 pm Meeting time

Board Meeting Aug 26, 2024  
6:45 pm Zoom  
7:00 pm Meeting

## 2024 Elected Officers

### Elected Officers

PRESIDENT – Louise Smith

VP Programs – President Elect – Dora Jodoin

Secretary – Peggy Thomas

Treasurer – Sharlene King

Membership – Juanita Munoz

### 2024 Committee Chair

Newsletter – Nancy Genetti

Saturday Specials – Dusti Dancer

Seminars – Nancy Genetti

Raffle – Janis Briggs

Service Project -- Memory Boxes – Jan Park

Sunshine – Peggy Thomas

Publicity/Website – Suzane Godley

Hospitality – Sue Davis



## MONTHLY PROJECTS 2024



Light House  
Peggy Thomas  
February



Snowman  
Linda McDonald  
March



Butterflies  
Dora Jodoin  
April



Santa  
Linda McDonald  
May



Holly on Pillow  
Peggy Thomas  
September



Be Happy  
Dora Jodoin  
October



Holly Dish  
Dusti Dancer  
November



Poinsettia and Candle ornament  
Peggy Thomas  
January 2025

## SATURDAY SPECIALS

June 1

September 14



Peggy Thomas



Linda McDonald

## ***MAY HOSPITALITY IS PROVIDED BY:***

Non sweet - Janis and Juanita

Sweet - Dusti and Peggy Thomas

Thank you to all that brought food in April, we had plenty to go around. Sue Davis has taken charge of Hospitality. If you are to bring a dish but not able to attend; please contact her at [tdavis5791@att.net](mailto:tdavis5791@att.net)

## **RAFFLE -**

May raffle items will be provided by Jan Park, Nancy Genetti, Janis Briggs and LaRue Hughes.

Thank you to all that donated the raffle items in April. These are very much appreciated.

I didn't get to all of my projects and will be glad to give away several cut mat board. These are various sizes and colors for framing pictures. If you are interested please call me.

Louise Smith 817-771-4310

**New**



**New**

**SOMETHING NEW!  
PLACE YOUR AD IN THE NEWSLETTER**

**Approximate size: 2" x 3"**

**You can advertise items for sale....wish someone a special birthday.....congratulate someone,,,,,**

**\$5.00 per ad**

**Give money to Nancy along with your ad or  
use Zelle to go to the Treasurer**



## MAY PROJECT WITH LINDA



## SANTA

Pen and ink original design by Claudia Nice  
Painting instructions and teacher-Linda McDonald

### Supply List:

Original was painted in oil on 8 x 10 stretched canvas.  
Instructions for this Santa is in Deco Art acrylics. It is still done on a canvas surface but you may paint on any surface you have. Mine is a 10 x 10 flat canvas. Bring your usual painting supplies.

### AMERICANA ACRYLIC PAINTS :

Medium Flesh, Shading Flesh, Terra Cotta, Burnt Sienna, Santa Red. Bright Orange,  
Cranberry Wine, Plum, White, Black, Avocado. Hauser Light Green, Slate Gray

### BRUSHES :

Bring your favorites. I've used a 1/2 inch flat for the background. I've used small flats or filberts for the face: size 2, 4, 6, & 8. The cuff on the hat is done with a "scruffy" brush. To me, that is an old brush that has splayed at the tips. Bring sizes you have, or whatever you prefer to get that look (a stippler? To me those are too soft to give this look) I've also used a scruffy brush for the beard and eyebrows. You could use a fan brush if you prefer. Probably a stiff one would be best. And, of course a liner, various sizes. I prefer a scroller. This is just longer and holds more paint. That's what I use but use what you want.

There is prep work. I want to do the background together in class. Put your design on your surface.

Step 1: following photo: Paint hat Santa Red. It will take more than 1 coat. Paint Leaves Avocado. On the face find the four lines below the eyebrow, two that look like eye slits in the middle. You should have one curve above and one below the eye slit. Save the eyes by painting them Slate Grey. Using Medium Flesh and paint in the shape you see on figure one. Do not paint two layers, just one. Hopefully you can still see the lines through your base. Paint all those line with a liner and Burnt Sienna. Again these are place holders. Paint another coat of Medium flesh going around the lines, or lightly over them. Ear is medium flesh. Mouth is Santa red.

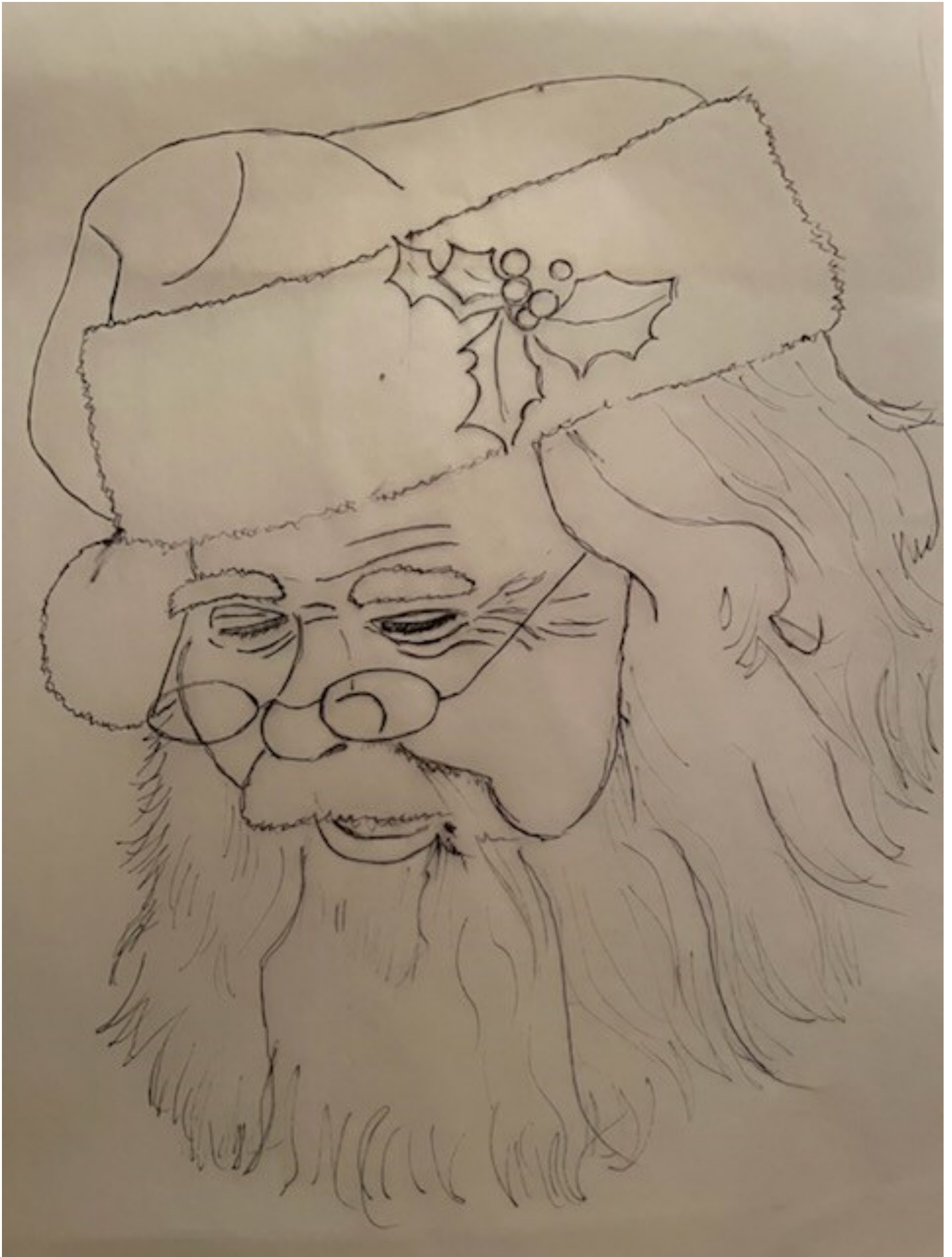
Step 2: follow step two photo. Shade red hat with Cranberry Wine, highlight with Bright Orange. Shade all the way around the outside edge of the face with Shading Flesh. Notice on the photo how far out it comes. We want a soft edge. If that didn't happen first time the take Medium Flesh and walk that into it until you have a soft edge.

We will work more on these areas in class.

If you have questions feel free to call or text: 972-213-7885

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From Beth:

## OCTOBER 14-18, 2024

I have just applied for a class at Jo Sonjas studio in Eureka, CA for the week of 14-18, 2024 to take her fruit flower and flying things seminar. Jan and I were suppose to do this a couple of years ago (best laid plans and all that) and by George, I'm going to go and feel the joy enough for both of us. I'll be taking a fabulous picture of Jan to class and my collection of tiaras, just like we'd planned. I'll be flying up and will reserve a hotel very soon, If anyone is interested in going to paint with Jo Sonja on those dates, check out her website for more info on signing up and let me know if you'd like to share a room. Sticks-in-the-mud may want to pass on this cuz I plan on making this a rig roaring memory of a lifetime Looking forward to hearing from anyone interested! The more the merrier!

Beth Stodieck

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### Aunt Estella's Dishpan cookies from Peggy

Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

Cream together:

2 cups brown sugar  
2 cups white sugar  
2 cups Wesson oil  
4 eggs  
2 tsp. Vanilla

Mix together:

2 tsp baking soda  
4 cups flour  
4 cups cornflakes  
1 ½ cups oatmeal  
1 tsp salt  
2 cups coconut  
½ cup nuts (pecans)

Add both mixtures together then roll into 1 inch balls\*. (\*I did bigger)  
Place on greased cookie sheet (or use parchment paper)

Yields 12 dozen 1 inch (or about 6 dozen my size balls)  
8 to 10 minutes



## May Membership News

There are no new members at this time.

I apologize for the delay on the directory, due to computer issues I have not been able to complete it. I hope to have it ready to send for approval soon, and ready at the September meeting.

Juanita

## UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS FOR THE SUMMER MONTHS

May 13 - Armida Guzman  
May 15 - Louise Smith

June 3 - Shannon Brewer  
June 24 - Suzane Godley

July 16 - Jan Park  
July 16 - Sue Davis  
July 19 - Dora Jodoin  
July 19 - Carolyn Martchenke  
July 27 - Mary Helen Horne

August 19 - Sharlene King  
August 20 - Becky Reed  
August 23 - Dusti Dancer  
August 28 - Juanita Munoz

September 11 - Sheryl Jones  
September 18 - Judy Wallis  
September 21 - Connie Alexander  
September 27 - Beth Stodieck

## Saturday Specials

June 1, 2024 will be our first Saturday Special of the year. Linda McDonald will be teaching her Fall pumpkin piece. The time to sign up is now!  
I will be signing up people at the May meeting. This will be the only time to sign up before the 1st so come see me.

Our 2nd Saturday Special will be September 14, 2024, this one will be taught by Peggy Thomas and she will be teaching a Santa piece. Since we will not have another meeting before then we will need to sign up for it at the May meeting also.

This means that we will have a sign up for each of the Specials at the May meeting!

Just a reminder that anyone can join us for a Saturday Special, membership is not required.  
Bring a friend or family member that wants to try their hand at painting.

The cost for the day is \$40 and that includes lunch. If you want to bring your own lunch the cost is \$25.  
We will paint from 10am to 4pm at the VFW Post in Crowley

VFW Post 6872  
3409 County Road 920  
Crowley, TX 76036

Dusti  
817-480-7308

## Fort Worth Decorative Painters Meeting

April 15, 2024

The meeting of the Fort Worth Decorative Painters members was called to order at 6:34 pm at the Botanical Research Institute of Texas. Those in attendance were Louise Smith, Sharlene King, Jan Park, Dora Jodoin, Peggy Thomas, Juanita Munoz, Mary Helen Horne, Becky Reed, Sue Davis, and Dusti Dancer. Connie Alexander joined the meeting by zoom.

Announcements: Louise Smith mentioned what a great seminar we had with Paulette DiGesare. Paulette had used a camera device connected to a laptop that projected to a tv screen and it was discussed that this may be a value to our group to acquire a similar device.

A motion was made to accept the minutes of the previous meeting by Sharlene King and it was seconded by Becky Reed.

Treasurer: Sharlene King reported the balance of the checking account which did not include expenses and revenue from the seminar.

Programs: Dora Jodoin Tonight Dora will teach a butterfly project using watercolor pencils and provided all the supplies needed. Next month Linda McDonald will teach a Santa portrait.

Membership: Juanita Munoz. Juanita reported that there were no new members. The roster is ready to print but she did not bring it to-night for preview to see if any changes need to be made. Louise suggested she send it out by email to the members so any changes could be done before waiting until the next meeting.

Monthly raffle: Janis Briggs. Peggy Thomas brought several surfaces to be painted won by Becky Reed; Linda McDonald (via Peggy) donated a pie carrier to be painted won by Juanita Munoz. Juanita also won a child's rocking chair brought by Becky Reed. Sharlene King brought a popcorn box won by Jan Park.

Service Projects: Jan Park. No updates.

Hospitality: Sue Davis. Becky Reed and Peggy Thomas brought the non-sweet items and Louise Smith and Sharlene King brought the sweets.

Newsletter: Nancy Genetti. Input due as usual the Wednesday after the Board meeting which is the first Monday of the month.

Seminars: Nancy Genetti. No new information on the next seminar. This seminar with Paulette DiGesare was a success even in spite of the eclipse and all attendees painted some lovely pieces. Lots of fun!

Saturday specials: Dusti Dancer. The first Saturday Special will be held on June 1. \$40 fee which includes lunch or \$25 without lunch. Sign up at the May meeting. This is Linda McDonald's pumpkin project.

Sunshine: Peggy Thomas. Birthdays coming up in May are Armida Guzman on the 13th and Louise Smith on the 15th.

Christmas Party: Discussion to choose where we can have a private room, no charge, and reservation for the second Monday in December.

New business: None

Meeting adjourned at 7:04 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Peggy Thomas.

## September Project

### Holiday Wreath by Kathy Swigon taught by Peggy Thomas

The artist has requested those doing the project purchase the pattern at a reduced rate of \$5. I have a lot of the material\* to make the transfer pattern (Pattern Ease) so I will do that portion so you won't have that expense. I can collect names at the May meeting to order the pattern packets. I can get them before the June 1 Saturday Special.

Prismacolor pencils:

Canary yellow 916

Crimson Lake 925

Dark Green 908

Orange 918

Black Cherry 1078

White 938

Carmine Red 926

Lime peel 1005

.Supplies:

Black permanent extra fine point Identi-pen

Textile medium. (She uses JoSonja.)

Pattern Ease tracing material\* (JoAnn Fabrics or Amazon)

Pillow cover (Hobby Lobby) or something you may have already.

Other supplies: Frixion erasable marker by Pilot, optional blue painters tape, P handheld or electric pencil sharpener, tissue or paper towels, colored pencil eraser, #8 filbert acrylic brush, hard cardboard for backing, dark gray graphite, stylus, water basin.

Preparation: Wash and dry pillow cover without fabric softener or dryer sheet. Iron out wrinkles. Trace design line drawing onto Pattern Ease with Identi-pen. Insert hard cardboard backing into pillow cover. Mark center of pillow and center of line drawing and align on pillow cover. Secure in a couple of places with blue tape and slip gray graphite under Pattern Ease graphite side down. Trace design onto pillow cover with stylus, checking to make sure that you use sufficient pressure to see the tracing. remove Pattern Ease and graphite. Make sure the cardboard backing is under the area where you are penciling, repositioning as needed.







## APRIL MEETING—DORA TEACHING







Bobbie Compbell seminar  
November 2 & 3rd

We will picking projects at the May meeting. Each person may vote for two projects. Please don't vote if you know you will not be attending the seminar. Vote soon after you arrive so the choices can be announced before we leave. A flyer will then be created and sent to all members (and any guests you would like to invite).

The Cost will be \$150 for the two day seminar and will include lunch both days.

For those that would like to join in Saturday night dinner, we will have a homemade meal for \$15.00, including a hearty soup, salad, rolls and dessert. This is a great time to get to know the teacher better and have some time to socialize without the noise of a restaurant, traveling there and perhaps waiting!

All information will be on the flyer with photos, surface sizes, etc.

I will be taking sign-ups for the seminar in May and at the Saturday paint days. Checks will be held until the seminar.





## To Check Out:

Facebook page for Artists: Artful Ties

Check out Zoom Classes at *Decorative painters academy*



The company that produced The Decorative Painter, the magazine from The Society of Decorative Painters, and Miho Halsey, who many of you know from The Society of Decorative Painters, have been collaborating on a new magazine just for us decorative artists!

Go to [www.artistrytodaymag.com/subscribe](http://www.artistrytodaymag.com/subscribe) to subscribe.



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 10-17, 2024



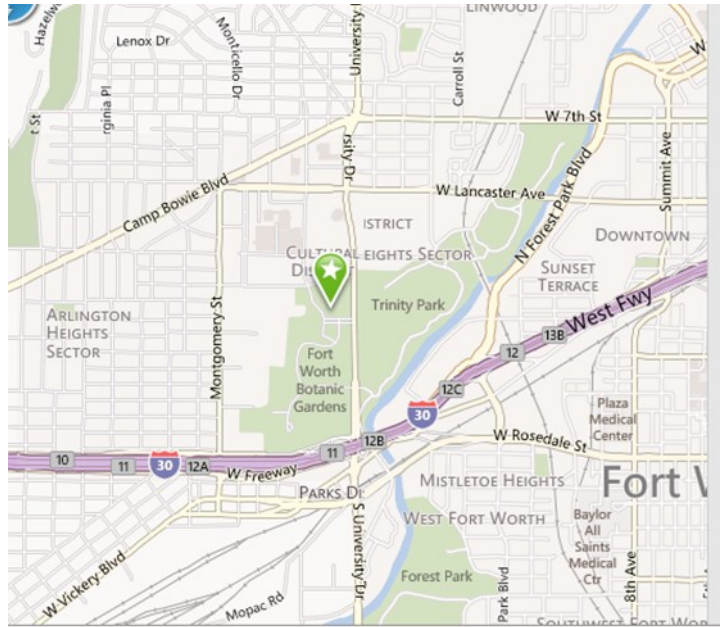
Bobbie Campbell will be here November 2 & 3.

## Fort Worth Decorative Painters

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Fort Worth Decorative Painters (FWDP)



**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.  
Fort Worth, TX 76107**

### 2023 Dates to Remember

January 22 – Chapter Meeting

February 19 - Chapter Meeting

March 19 – Chapter Meeting

April 15 – Chapter Meeting

May 20 – Chapter Meeting

June—Saturday Special—Date to be announced

September 16 – Chapter Meeting

September—Saturday Special—Date to be announced

October 21 – Chapter Meeting

November 18 – Chapter Meeting

December 9 – Christmas Party