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PREVIOUS MEETING

May 8, 2019

Our May meeting was an exciting affair with Jeni Bate as our guest speaker and demonstrator. Jeni Bate is a mixed media artist with a flair for presenting skies in all their glory. Her process is genuinely engaging, combining her vividly beautiful watercolor skies, her lovely poetry, and some excellent collage

techniques. Jeni starts by painting large, her skies often taking up an entire sheet of watercolor paper. She then cuts her finished artwork into fun shapes and other pieces! Jeni takes the little cutout gems and rearranges them on a fresh canvas. The rearranging process can be just as necessary as the initial energy she pours into her painted skies because they go back onto a clean surface in a different arrangement than how she originally painted the sky. During this process, she can add her poetry to the scene, inspired by the surrounding life that gave birth to the artistic representation. Jeni also might include additional painted elements in acrylic or oil recompose the final image. Jeni will conduct a class on June 22 at Rainbow Stew in Yucca Valley to demonstrate this technique to anyone wishing to try their hand at an enjoyable process. Refer to the last page – the calendar – for more information.

Other business covered during the meeting included announcing the May Photography show and reception, and

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announcing the Chaparral artists on display in the Basin. Kim Clements announced the Women's Fashion show and Luncheon at the Presbyterian Church in Yucca Valley and announced a call for art for the Summer show at the Church. More information can be found "Upcoming Display Opportunities" of this newsletter. Patricia Quandel shared the fun had during the May 4 Chaparral outing to the Fallbrook Art Center. Pat also collected information about an animal sanctuary called Lions Tigers & Bears located in Alpine, California that might offer an exciting trip opportunity if enough members are interested in it.

Khryso Heart LeFey is displaying his art at the Joshua Tree Library until July 29. Khryso is also the featured artist at the Art Colony of Morongo Valley through June.

The door prize went to Lynzy Kunz, and the 50/50 winner was

Sonja Arnel. We had an excellent turnout for our May meeting with 21 in attendance, and as always friends, food, and conversation make for a fun gathering!



Jeni Bate demonstration



Completed art piece from the demo

control over the pastel medium as well as her energetic flair with the acrylic medium.

June's Featured Artist at the Presbyterian Church, 56750 Mountain View Trail in Yucca Valley, is Raini Armstrong. Her watercolors will feature nature scenes and lively skies.

CHAPARRAL OUTINGS

We do not have any Chaparral Outings planned for the summer months. Our next planned event will be in September, a paint-out and photography opportunity at Gubler's Orchids in Landers. Stay cool and creative over the summer everyone!

MEMBERS ART ON DISPLAY

Nancy Miehle is showing her art at Bob Dunn's State Farm office, Sharon Vetez's Dermatologist office, and the Hi-Desert Medical Center Scheduling office.

Khryss Heart LeFey is the featured artist at the Art Colony of Morongo Valley. The opening reception for Khryss's exhibit will be Sunday, June 9 from 2-5pm. Immediately following the reception, Khryss and Grey will be hosting

a party at their clubhouse. The party is an open house from 5-9pm. A gluten-free, low-carb entree will be provided, as well as sugar- and caffeine-free beverages in addition to typical soft drinks. Guests are welcome to bring food, but are not expected to do so.

Kathy Miller is the Signature Gallery artist for June at Gallery 62 in Joshua Tree. Join her and other excellent artists and patrons at the 2nd Saturday reception on June 8, 6-8pm.

If YOU are showing art at a gallery inside or outside of the Morongo Basin, please share your accomplishments with us! Contact a newsletter committee member, or email ChaparralArtists@gmail.com, to provide us with the dates and locations that you are displaying your art!

UPCOMING DISPLAY OPPORTUNITIES

The Deadline to submit your art to the Joshua Tree Art Expo is next month, July 15! The Art Expo is an exciting event, and the judged show carries some excellent prizes, but the most exciting thing to announce this year is their decision to award prizes in three SEPARATE categories: Two-Dimensional Art,

UPCOMING MEETING June 10, 2019

Our NEXT and last meeting for the season will be June 10, 1-3pm at the Center for Healthy Generations. Let's make it a great one before we venture into the summer months filled with art projects, excursions, and family!

ARTISTS OF THE MONTH

June's Featured Artist at the Center for Healthy Generations, 57121 Sunnyslope Drive in Yucca Valley, is Joan Scott. A mixed media and soft pastels artist, Joan 'wows' us with her beautiful

Photography, and Three-Dimensional Art. This means that your work will be judged against like-categorized artworks, rather than a single category of art. For more information on how to enter the contests, visit the Joshua Tree National Park Arts website at

jtnparts.org/call-for-art

Let's represent our amazing Chaparral Artists this year!

The Morongo Basin Cultural Arts Council provides a wonderful array of display opportunities with their Art in Public Places program. To be eligible to display your art at any of the ten venues across the Basin, you must be a resident of the Basin and be a member of MBCAC. For more information, please visit the MBCAC website at mbcac.org/art-in-public-places/

The Desert Hills Presbyterian Church will have a Summer Show during July and August. Chaparral members are invited to hang 1-3 art pieces. For more information about the venue or to get on the list call Kim Clements, 442-236-1230.

ART CREATION OPPORTUNITIES

Nancy Miehle is hosting a Paint with Chaparral Artists event on June 13, 6pm at her house! Paint & Sip events have become such a fun distraction from the

everyday stresses of life, and Nancy has prepared a lovely Chaparral hosted version of this favorite paint & sip practice. Everything will be furnished so come and relax and enjoy the company of other artists while you created a masterpiece of your own to take home. Wine, beer, soft drinks, and appetizers will be provided. Cost of attendance is \$30 per person. There will be a limit of 14 people so call Nancy at 760-369-7030 to reserve your spot!

Jeni Bate will teach her Watercolor Collage Workshop on June 22, 10:30am-1pm at Rainbow Stew. You will create your own watercolor collages from pieces left over from the creation of Refracted watercolors, with the option to further embellish in acrylic and other collage materials. You will have a lot of fun creating artwork that is part mosaic, part collage, and a lot of imagination. You will go home with as many artworks or greeting cards that you can complete in the time. I give guidance on all the creation tips I've learned over the years of developing my signature technique, and on composition, to make the best of your creativity. Cost of attendance is \$45 per

person, all materials included. Pre-registration is required so call/text Jeni at 310-720-1552 or call Rainbow Stew at 760-418-5170.

The Center for Healthy Generations offers numerous health classes, art and craft classes, and social gathering opportunities to the community. One such art-centric offering is a Watercolor Instruction class taught by Raini Armstrong on Friday mornings from 9-11am. All experience levels are welcome. Raini offers insights into the watercolor medium by providing subjects to paint. She often allows two weeks to 'complete' a scene, with the understanding some exercises require less or more time to complete. At the beginning of the year, students can expect a summary of basics to be covered between January and February, and in the following months, the focus will be on practicing topics such as skies, winter scenes, silhouettes, desert life, and so on. The cost for the class is \$5/session OR \$17/month. Each student should bring their own watercolor materials.



Watercolor by Raini Armstrong

JUDGED PHOTOGRAPHY SHOW

The judged Photography show received so many excellent entries! We received over 30 photographic beauties that were divided into eight categories. Judging results are as follows:

Sunrise/Sunset—1st, 2nd, 3rd

- “Bathed in Morning Light” by Pat Quandel
- “Sunrise over the Coppers” by Pat Quandel
- “Crystal Sunrise” by Julianne Koza

Animals—1st, 2nd, 3rd

- “Equus Eye” by Julianne Koza
- “Coyote in the Snow” by Kim Clements
- “Bug!” by Pat Quandel

Plants/Trees—1st, 2nd, 3rd

- “White Out” by Tami Roleff
- “Roadrunner Yucca” by Nancy Kimes
- “Aspen Blue” by Kathy Miller

Landscapes—1st, 2nd, 3rd

- “Streams of Light” by Julianne Koza
- “Out of Oz” by Raini Armstrong
- “Music in the Air” by Raini Armstrong

Man-Made—1st, 2nd, 3rd

- “Wet” by Deborah Roberts
- “Yard Art” by Tami Roleff
- “Window to Georgia O’Keefe’s Ghost Ranch” by Julianne Koza

People—1st, 2nd, 3rd

- “Her Path is Set” by Raini Armstrong
- “Twilight on the Lake” by Julianne Koza
- “Damp” by Deborah Roberts

Birds—1st, 2nd, 3rd

- “Dreaming” by Pat Quandel
- “Quail Duo” by Kim Clements
- “On the Fly” by David Clements

Flowers—1st, 2nd, 3rd

- “Grey Beauty” by Prim Sampatti
- “Bee and the Bell” by Pat Quandel
- “Poppies” by Tami Roleff

BEST OF SHOW

- “Her Path is Set” by Raini Armstrong

PEOPLE’S CHOICE

- “Crystal Sunrise” by Julianne Koza



Julianne Koza with her People’s Choice awarded “Crystal Sunrise”

UPCOMING SHOWS

Chaparral Artists have no summer shows at Rainbow Stew scheduled. Pickup for the **Judged Photography** show will be on June 13 from 4:30-6pm or June 14 from 12-2pm at Rainbow Stew in Yucca Valley.

EDITOR’S REQUEST FOR ARTICLES

The Chaparral Sketch is a great way to keep up-to-date with Chaparral Artists events across the Basin. Our focus is on Chaparral and its members, however, we would like to branch out and provide articles that entice everyone to support

one another. We provide a calendar of our own events and functions, but we can expand that if needed. We offer articles covering Chaparral events and receptions, but we would like to provide one or two art-centric interest pieces. We would also love to share YOUR art accomplishments, hobbies, and thoughts on the topics keeping you entertained.

If you attend an art-centric events during the month, or if you have found success with a new art medium or hobby, please submit a blurb about your findings. Credit will always be given to those who send in articles that end up being published in the newsletter.

Thank you!

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EVENTS CALENDAR

June

Featured Artist, Raini Armstrong at the Desert Hills Presbyterian Church, 56750 Mountain View Trail, Yucca Valley

June

Featured Artists, Joan Scott at Center for Healthy Generations, 57121 Sunnyslope Dr., Yucca Valley

June

Art Colony of Morongo Valley featuring the art of Khryso Heart LeFey, Covington Park, 11165 Vale Dr., Morongo Valley

June 8

Kathy Miller in the Signature room at Gallery 62 with the Opening Reception on Saturday, June 8 from 6-8pm, 61607 Twentynine Palms Highway.

Joshua Tree

June 9

Featured Artist, Khryso Heart LeFey at the Art Colony of Morongo Valley with the Opening Reception on Sunday, June 9 from 2-5pm, Covington Park, 11165 Vale Dr., Morongo Valley

June 9

Extended reception with Khryso and Grey LeFey Sunday, June 9 from 5-9pm, Valley View Mobile Manor, 10888 West Dr., Morongo Valley

now – July 28

Joshua Tree Library featuring the artworks of Khryso Heart LeFey, 6465 Park Blvd, Joshua Tree

June 10

Chaparral Artists Meeting 1-3pm at the Center for Healthy Generations, 57121 Sunnyslope Dr., Yucca Valley

June 13

Chaparral Artists Paint & Sip with Nancy Miehle Thursday, June 13 starting at 6pm at 57604 Sunnyslope Dr., Yucca Valley pre-registration required, call 760-369-7030

June 13

Photography Judged Show Pickup Day1, 4:30-6pm at Rainbow Stew, 55509 Twentynine Palms Highway, Yucca Valley

June 14

Photography Judged Show Pickup Day2, 12-2pm at Rainbow Stew, 55509 Twentynine Palms Highway, Yucca Valley

June 22

Watercolor Collage Workshop with Jeni Bate Saturday, June 22 from 10:30am-1pm at Rainbow Stew, 55509 Twentynine Palms Hwy, Yucca Valley pre-registration required, call/text 310-720-1552 or call Rainbow Stew at 760-418-5170

July 15

Deadline to submit entries for the 7th Annual Joshua Tree National Park Art Exposition

July 28—September 29

Kathy Miller on display at Natural Lives Day Spa, 6448 Hallee Rd #8, Joshua Tree
