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Chaparral Artists, a non-profit organization, is one of the oldest artists groups in the Morongo Basin.

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PREVIOUS MEETING March 11, 2019

Our March meeting provided an engaging segment dedicated to an art critique. Several members brought in a piece they were either finished with or in the process of framing, and many helpful suggestions and tips to think about for future art pieces were offered. Thank you, members, for

providing your suggestions and helpful remarks!

Other business covered during the meeting included announcing the change in our March trip from a paint-out and picnic at Whitewater to a paint-out and picnic at Covington Park on March 23. Whitewater Preserve is still closed due to flood damage. Ed Keesling announced the 2019 Joshua Tree Art Expo on September 14-15, sharing the committee's goals for the event. This year the Art Expo committee is asking for volunteers to paint/sketch/create during the day, giving visitors a chance to see an artist at work. Time slots can be 1-2 hours in length, between 10am and 4pm, on both Saturday and Sunday. Artists will work outside, under the covered patio, of the 29 Palms Art Gallery. If a group, like Chaparral Artists, can fill both days with demonstrators, they will be offered a 10x10 space to sell artworks free of charge, however, Chaparral shared that they will likely turn down the offer, because of the work and all day commitment

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involved with the event. The Chaparral Youth Art show intake days and reception were announced, as were Susan Davenport's featured artist show in Morongo and Kim Clements photography showings at the Hi-Desert Medical Center.

The door prize went to Marcia Vanderbilt and the 50/50 winner was Lalo Lucio. The turnout for our March meeting was excellent, the food was tasty, and the opportunity to catch up with everyone was great!

UPCOMING MEETING April 8, 2019

Our NEXT meeting will be April 8, 1-3pm at the Center for Healthy Generations. The judged Photography show is in May and we hope to lend support to our photographers by opening the discussion up to how our photographers might improve their final product. Suggestions might focus on what creates the best composition, whether people like

colorful, subdued, or black and white photos. Matting/framing suggestions are also very welcome. Photographers, remember to bring a flash drive with three photography images that you would like to share with the group for critique.

CHAPARRAL OUTINGS

The NEXT outing will be on Saturday, April 6. We are visiting the Living Desert in Palm Desert and leave Jack in the Box, Yucca Valley at 8am. General Admission is \$20, Seniors are \$18. The lower desert is warm, dress in layers but plan for 80-degree peaks. Bring your lunch or get lunch onsite. Due to possible high heat, this trip could easily be a half-day commitment, however, it isn't unreasonable to spend the entire day at the Living Desert from 9am to 5pm. Plan accordingly with like-interested individuals when arranging carpool opportunities.



Cheetahs, Living Desert—Pat Quandel

A couple of people enjoyed Covington Park during our LAST outing on Saturday, March 23. Chaparral had planned a picnic and paint-out, where everyone could enjoy the many opportunities nature had to offer.

Unfortunately, attendance was very light this time. Remember that these outings are arranged to provide the group with a time to discuss art, enjoy a location as a group, or simply to spend time getting to know one another a little better. Chaparral Artists strive to provide more great opportunities for members to gather together in addition to our monthly meetings. We rely on members to come out and have fun with us at these outings. We are putting great effort into these trips that we hope will benefit more than a small number of individuals. Let's all get out and discover new art opportunities together!

ARTISTS OF THE MONTH

April's Featured Artist at the Center for Healthy Generations, 57121 Sunnyslope Drive in Yucca Valley is Mary Fetterly. Her art captures a quirky, experimental quality, blending mixed media on a variety of painting surfaces.

April's Featured Artist at the Presbyterian Church, 56750 Mountain View Trail in Yucca Valley, is June Fingler. June paints in a classic watercolor style that captures the realistic beauty of all life.

MEMBERS ART ON DISPLAY

Susan Davenport is the featured artist at the Art Colony for the month of April. A reception for her show will be held on April 6 at the Art Colony in Morongo Valley, 11-3pm. She works in numerous mediums, but will be featuring her watercolors, acrylics and oil paintings.

Kim Clements is displaying her photography at the Medical Center Galleries, within the Cafe and the ER Lobby, until the end of April. Raini Armstrong is showing one of her watercolors in the Cafe as well!

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 us at our Gmail address of ChaparralArtists@gmail.com to provide us with the dates and locations that you are displaying your art!

JUDGED YOUTH ART March 17, 2019

The first show of the year, the judged Youth Art show, was a fantastic success! We received over 50 entries ranging from preschool to 12th grade. Jennifer Grandi coordinated the show,

working closely with Krista Wargo, an art teacher at Yucca Valley High. We thank the volunteers who helped coordinate, and we especially thank the teachers for inspiring their students to create, and for collecting submissions and going the extra mile to get beautiful art to us for display.

Rainbow Stew was packed with friends, family, and art supporters during the reception. Ribbons and cash prizes were handed out to attending winners, and several sales were made! Student art and ribbons will remain hanging until April 11. We highly recommend visiting Rainbow Stew and enjoying the artistic talents of the youth in the Morongo Basin! Judging results are as follows.



Youth Art reception, Rainbow Stew



Lucie Hart next to her Best of Show entry

Grades Pre-2

- 1st Hamilton Lewis, "Mama's Love"
- 2nd Annabella Cook, "Spirit"
- 3rd Anndalyn Lewis, "Rainbow Crying Rain"

Grades 6-8

- 1st Adam Castillo, "Mountain"
- 2nd Trinidee Cappel, "Geranium"
- 3rd Lola English, "Lighthouse"

Grade 9

- 1st Lucie Hart, "Aphrodite"
- 2nd Sydney Hartzell, "Hissy Fit"
- 3rd Esther Borghese, "Roses"

Grade 10

- 1st Lillian Esanibel, "Limitless"
- 2nd Madalynn Fowler, "Spider-Man"
- 3rd Alexiana Quinones, "Koi Chess"

Grade 11

- 1st Claire Sanchez, "Doll Tears"
- 2nd Allison Arteberry, "Mountains and Trees #2"
- 3rd Mia Castillo, "Fruit Cycle"

Grade 12

- 1st Steven Rosales, "Lava Flow"
- 2nd Alyssa Atkins, "Spotted Waves"
- 3rd Ryan Hudy, "Blindly Stiven"

Best of Show

Lucie Hart's "Aphrodite"

CHAPARRAL SHOWS

April will be our Spring Judged Fine Art show at Rainbow Stew. Art should be delivered on April 11 from 4:30-6pm or April 12 from 12-2pm at Rainbow Stew in Yucca Valley. The awards reception will be on Sunday, April 17 from 1-3pm at Rainbow Stew.

The **Spring Photography Show** will be in May, which gives you plenty of time to make your final adjustments, print and frame up your entries!

MEMBER ACTIVITIES

Raini Armstrong, along with other interested individuals, has been assisting a well known archeologist with rock art recording in Johnson Valley. The process is labor-intensive and time-consuming, but it comes with the hope that a cultural heritage site can, in part, be preserved through documentation efforts.

The process isn't glamorous, but if you like nature, camping, rock scrambling, and laboriously documenting as many features as you can spot, you'll end up having a great time. Daniel McCarthy, with the Desert Institute, arranged a total of five sessions to be spent in a remote area of the Rodman Mountains Wilderness zone. The location we are documenting is relatively small, and we are tasked

Chaparral Administrative Assembly

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with recording every man-made alteration, new and ancient. We measure, photograph, sketch, and document these alterations. Daniel hopes to provide a full account of the site so future protection endeavors can be devised. This kind of documentation might also aid in giving a better idea of when ancient groups of people traveled over the land, and why they moved through certain areas. As more data is collected in the region, answers might be formed to questions like, which group of people traveled through the Rodman mountains and why. Educated ‘guesses’ can always be given. This documentation effort will eventually help to support such guesses.

Chaparral Artists, are you involved in an activity that you would like to share with us? Send us a short description about your latest project or trip, and we will do our best to include it in one of our newsletters!

EVENTS CALENDAR

February – April

theARTISTS gallery featuring the photography of Kim Clements in the ER Lobby at the Hi Desert Medical Center 6601 White Feather Rd, Joshua Tree, CA 92252

April

Art Colony featuring the art of Susan Davenport, **reception April 6 from 11-3pm** at the Art Colony of Morongo Valley, 11165 Vale Dr, Morongo Valley

April

Featured Artist, June Fingler at the Desert Hills Presbyterian Church, 56750 Mountain View Trail, Yucca Valley

April

Featured Artists, Mary Fetterly at Center for Healthy Generations, 57121 Sunnyslope Dr., Yucca Valley

April 6

Living Desert, 47900 Portola Ave, Palm Desert Meet at Jack in the Box in Yucca Valley. We will leave promptly at 8am

April 8

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

April 11

Fine Art Judged Show Intake Day1, 4:30-6pm at Rainbow Stew, 55509 Twentynine Palms Highway, Yucca Valley

April 12

Fine Art Judged Show Intake Day2, 12-2pm at Rainbow Stew, 55509 Twentynine Palms Highway, Yucca Valley

April 14

Fine Art Judged Show Reception & Awards 1-3pm at Rainbow Stew, 55509 Twentynine Palms Highway, Yucca Valley

May 4

Reflections of Nature, 103 S. Main Ave., Fallbrook Meet at Jack in the Box in Yucca Valley. We leave promptly at 7:30am

May 13

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