



Perspectives Newsletter

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A not-for-profit art league serving the needs of the Greater Brandon Area art community for over 55 years.

Remember... we will be meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the Brandon Junior Women's Club house located at 129 N. Moon St. in Brandon.

FREE

for first time
visitors & BLFA
members*

**Join the BLFA on Monday, May 15 at 6:30 p.m. for
Neuro-Tech Art**

The Workshop this month is Neuro-Tech Doodle or Neuro Art presented by **Lois Miller**. Neuro-tech doodle looks like neuro pathways of the brain. Relaxing and calming. This process can be used for de-stressing, potentially find a solution for problem solving or simply the joy of creating without pressure. Sounds fun and interesting.

Lois will have the project prepared for you and all you have to **BRING** is a **FINE LINE BLACK PERMANENT PEN**.

At next month's meeting, we'll add the color.

We have had quite the increase in attendance. Please RSVP so we can plan to have enough supplies.



Everyone please text your RSVP to Bonnie Phillips @ (813) 810-6885

*Free for first time attendees. If you are not a first-time attendee to the workshops and have not yet joined the BLFA, the fee for the workshop is \$20. You can pay the \$35 annual BLFA membership dues at the workshop.





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Beth Smedley
Karen Koseck

Refreshments: Karen Koseck

Revolving Shows:

Roxanne Tobaison

Square Off
Member Show
ArtWorks

Show Reception: Doreen
Donovan, Roxanne Tobaison

Website: David Bahm

Anyone interested in volunteering for any position, contact Bonnie Phillips @ iteachpainting@me.com (813) 810-6885. Text or leave message.

Submit news, articles and photos to: Beth Smedley at Smedley.Creative@gmail.com or mail to: Editor, P.O. Box 451, Brandon, FL 33509



BONNIE'S BRUSH PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I'm excited that the League is growing and enjoy meeting new artists and those who just like anything art related. We have some good Workshops and Demonstrations planned for the future so please invite friends to share in the FUN. I'm going to do my best to keep the meeting short so we can get to creating.

HELP is needed to fill positions on the Board. The same members are working to hold us together year after year. We need your input at Board meetings beginning in the Fall. Talk to me at the meeting or give me a call as new ideas are welcome. Shows - HELP FIND AN APPROPRIATE PLACE TO HAVE SHOWS. Put on your thinking cap, make a call, visit a potential building. Fine artist, you have connections, help us!

Last month was FUN painting with Mary Himmel. Thank you for sharing. I posted a picture on Face Book of Carlene Earl with a big smile holding her completed painting. What decorative artists call a "Big Brush" responded saying she so enjoyed seeing the happiness on her face. That's what we are about folks, happy artists. Help spread the joy of art.

FUN DIGITAL ART SHOW - Your help is needed to make this a success. Don't let us down. ENTER by sending photograph of your work to Karen Koseck or, to make it easier, photographer Randy Matthews, will photograph it for you at the May 15 meeting. Any medium, any size, any style, any subject (with in reason). What can be easier? Do it! Then at the June 19 meeting, the BLFA will celebrate and announce the winner at a WEINER DINNER. Yes, we will have a gourmet dinner of hot dogs with all the trimmings and YOUR covered dishes, and award a FUN trophy to the BEST OF SHOW. If this is a success it may lead to a digital Fine Art Show.

Bring your neuro art to the June meeting because after the Weiner Dinner celebration, we will be adding color to it.

Please consider bringing a finger food to share.

See you all on Monday, May 15.

Bonnie Phillips
BLFA President

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REMINDER

If you plan on entering the FUN Digital Art show, please bring your entry to the May 15th Member meeting to be photographed.

Entries will be displayed and voted on via the new BLFA instagram page.

[instagram.com/brandonleagueoffinearts](https://www.instagram.com/brandonleagueoffinearts)

Entry is free. Members may one picture of their entry to Karen Koseck @

CreativeJunkTherapy@outlook.com

Please include member name, title of the work and medium.

OR bring them to the May 15th BLFA general meeting
and they will be photographed professionally for you.

Deadline for entries is May 22, 2023 and voting by "like" will begin
on Tuesday, May 23. Voting will end on June 17, 2023.

Please encourage friends and family to view the BLFA art show on instagram.

Winners will be announced at the member meeting, **Monday, June 19**
with a celebratory pot luck dinner. A sign up list will be at the May member
meeting for the dish you would like to bring.



Time to Renew Your Membership

To renew your membership, tear off the membership renewal form and return to BLFA with your check made out to BLFA.

If you are mailing this form to pay your dues and have NO Changes, include a check and just write your name and phone number, and check the box for individual or family.

If you are a new member or have a change, send/submit check with the updated information filled out below and check the appropriate box.

Please print legibly.

Thank you for supporting the Brandon League of Fine Arts

2023 Membership Form

To join or renew your membership in the Brandon League of Fine Arts, please either pay at one of the general meetings or by mail. **Please make your check out to BLFA.** And mail this form with your payment to **BLFA membership, PO Box 451, Brandon, FL 33509.** Membership dues are \$35 for one or \$45 for Family.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Media: _____ Website _____

Please contact us about being a League Volunteer. Your Interests: _____

We send our newsletter by email. This saves BLFA money each month..... files are sent in a PDF format.

Type of membership (Please check one): Individual – \$35 Family – \$45

Bay Area Cardiology Painting Exhibit Change-Over

The BLFA is fortunate to have the opportunity to display and sell their artwork at Brandon Bay Area Cardiology offices. Members must pre-register to participate. Details will be sent out when a change-over is scheduled.

Registration required with Roxanne Tobaison:
roxtob@verizon.net

Bay Area Cardiology Locations

BRANDON

635 Eichenfeld Dr. – Brandon, FL 33511
(813) 684-6000

RIVERVIEW

13029 Summerfield Square Dr. – Riverview, FL 33578
(813) 443-0880

TGH – HEALTHPLEX

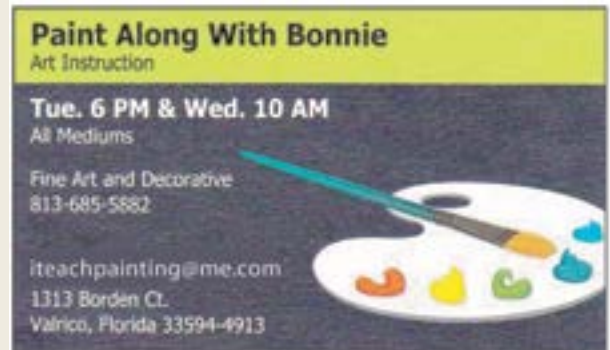
10740 Palm River Road – Tampa, FL 33619
(813) 684-6000

Museum of the American Arts and Crafts Movement

355 4th St N, St Petersburg, FL 33701

We need 10 or more for the special tour rate and does not have to be just BLFA members.

Group trip has been postponed until March. If you are interested in going, let Bonnie Phillips know.
iteachpainting@me.com



Acrylic Painting at April BLFA Member Meeting

We all had a great time painting the Queen Anne's lace.





CREATIVE JUNK THERAPY

772 W Lumsden Rd. in Brandon
In La Viva Plaza • (813) 324-9777

BLFA is happy to be able to partner with Creative Junk Therapy offering a diverse creative experience in a friendly and relaxed atmosphere. Instructors are experienced and professional. Classes tend to fill up quickly, so please visit Creative Junk Therapy's FB page and/or website for additional classes and schedules.

[Facebook.com/CreativeJunkTherapy](https://www.facebook.com/CreativeJunkTherapy)

www.CreativeJunkTherapy.org

Oil Painting

\$15 per session or
\$56 for 4 sessions

Wednesdays, 10:30-1:00

Join other aspiring artists in this self directed group to paint, develop and share oil painting techniques and inspiration.

**supplies not included*



Facilitated by Christopher Klein

Wednesdays 10:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Christopher Klein

Discover the many aspects of Oil Painting: Composition, Color and Paint Application for Depth, Perspective and Luminosity. Cost \$15.00 per person, or 4 sessions for \$56.00.


* Supplies not included. See ticket attachment for recommended supply list. Space is limited to 8 participants.

Watercolor Pencils

\$30 Supplies included

Saturday 5/20/23 11-2pm

Karen Koseck shows you the possibilities of watercolor pencils from drawing to painting.



Instructed by Karen Koseck

Saturday, May 20, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Karen Koseck

Explore the possibilities of watercolor pencils from drawing to painting. Learn the fundamentals of watercolor pencils for a new versatile way to create a work of art anywhere!


Step-by-step, hands-on instruction demonstrating how to draw your image, blending and layering. Watercolor pencils are a unique way to combine basic drawing, blending and layering color to create a rich vibrant piece of art. Karen shares tips and tricks to simplify the process. \$30 all supplies included. Ages 7+

Paint with Bob

\$32 Supplies included

Saturday 5/27/23 3-6pm

Karen Koseck takes you step by step as we paint Golden Ray of Sunshine acrylic painting with Bob Ross.



Instructed by Bob
Demo by Karen Koseck

Saturday, May 27, 3 - 6 p.m.

Karen Koseck

Join Karen Koseck as we paint Golden Ray of Sunshine with Bob Ross. Karen Koseck takes you step by step while we follow along with Bob Ross to paint his Golden Ray of Sunshine painting with acrylics. Enjoy this fun easy class, as Bob says "anyone can do it!"

\$32 All supplies included. Eat, drink, paint and be happy!

WatercolorsNmore

\$25 BYO supplies
\$30 Supplies included

From beginners and beyond. Explore watercolor techniques with Roxanne for making your work sing.



Instructed by Roxanne Tobiason

Thursday, June 8, 12:30 - 3 p.m.

Roxanne Tobiason

Explore watercolor techniques and processes with award-winning artist, Roxanne Tobiason. Understand the supplies and how to control water and paint.

\$25 hands-on instruction. Supplies included for \$5.

Supply list: watercolor paper 140lb or higher, mixing tray, tube watercolors (Red, Orange Yellow, Yellow Ochre, Dark Green, Aquamarine Blue, Persian Blue, Violet, Burnt Umber, Burnt Sienna). Basic brushes 3/4" or 1" flat and Number 6 or 8 medium Round brushes. Ages 12+

Beginner Watercolors

\$25 per person BYO supplies
+ \$5 supplies included

Facilitated by Roxanne Tobiason



Saturday, June 10, 10:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Roxanne Tobiason

Learn the fundamentals of watercolors for how to blend colors, control water and create shadow and depth. Roxanne shows you step by step instruction will help you learn how to apply watercolor and create basic shapes using fun, easy techniques. A new project each month.

\$25 hands on instruction for BYO supplies.



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Watercolors - Beyond

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\$30 Supplies included

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Saturday, June 10, 1:30 - 4 p.m.

Roxanne Tobiason

For beginners and beyond. Explore watercolor techniques with Roxanne for making your work sing.

Join award-winning watercolorist Roxanne Tobaison for this hands-on watercolor workshop. Explore watercolor techniques and processes. From understanding supplies, harmonizing the piece, to controlling water and paint.

Inspired Acrylic Painting

\$25 BYO supplies
\$30 Supplies included

Ongoing class for beginners or
more experienced painters
wanting to go beyond the basics
in acrylic painting.



Saturday, June 24, 3 - 6 p.m.

Karen Koseck

Ongoing class for beginners and experienced painters wanting to go beyond the basics in acrylic painting. Explore the basics of acrylic painting, composition, color, light and layering for depth and perspective.

Discover a options for painting subject matter including, seascapes, foliage, still life, cloudscares, weather, wildlife etc. Karen will demonstrate and guide you so you can learn to evolve your image intuitively and develop your own style.

Brandon League of Fine Arts

April MEMBERS MEETING MINUTES

Date: Monday 4/17/23 **Time:** 6:43pm

Meeting Opened by: Bonnie Phillips

Officers Present: Bonnie Phillips, John Tudek, Karen Koseck, Roxanne Tobaison, Beth Smedley
Second Vice President (Membership) – Barbara Tudek

Members present: 12

Guests: 7

*Note – Guests may attend twice without paying after that for a \$10 fee

Treasures Report – John Tudek

Balance \$

Petty Cash: \$

To be filed for audit.

Secretary Report: Karen Koseck

Karen Koseck read meeting notes from February meeting. No notes were taken for March meeting.

Approved: Guy Bahm

Second: Beth Smedley

Newsletter: Beth Smedley:

Meeting minutes will be included in newsletter going forward.

Connect with Beth with any information for newsletter.

Paint Out: Need someone to coordinate Paint outs.

Photography: Guy Learn volunteered to take pictures during meetings.

Publicity: BLFA has revolving exhibits at Brandon Area Cardiology and Tampa General Hospital. It is free to members to show and sell their work.

Roxanne Tobaison reported a sale at Brandon Area Cardiology. We need more participants.

Shows:

Virtual Art Show May 22nd 2023 – Karen Koseck

Bring 1 piece of artwork to 5/22/23 meeting.

We will need your name, the medium, and a title for the piece.

Artwork will be photographed by Randy Mathews.

Artwork will be posted to BLFA Instagram Tuesday 5/23/23.

Promote to friends and family.

Public will vote for their favorites by “liking” the image of the artwork they want to vote for.

Deadline for voting is 6/17/23.

Winner announced at 6/19/23 meeting and on Instagram.

Potluck winner dinner at 6/19/23 meeting.

If you need assistance setting up or seeing Instagram, please contact Karen Koseck at creativejunktherapy@outlook.com

Website: David Bahm has been updating the website www.BLFA.us. There is a link in the newsletter.

New Business:

No break for the summer

We need corporate sponsors.

Refreshments: Members please bring food and snacks to meeting. BLFA will provide refreshments.

Monthly Workshops:

Lois Miller will be demonstrating Neurotech Drawing at the May meeting.

Motion to Adjourn: Chris Klein

Second: Karen Koseck



Interested in Membership to the Brandon League of Fine Arts, please contact
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