



# 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.*

## Program

Monday, January 18, 2021

### “Paint It & Take It”

with Bonnie Phillips

6:30 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.



#### Creative Fun with Napkins

We won't be painting this month, instead we will do the craft project that was scheduled for the November meeting. How to use an artful paper napkin in art & craft projects. Be sure to arrive by 6:30, so you will have time to complete your project as we clean up at 7:15.



#### **FUN, FUN, FUN.**

After the brief meeting at 7:30 we will be swapping! Bring something to swap and leave with something cool! Do some cleaning and trade out some of your unused, GOOD condition Art Supplies, ie. paints, brushes, canvas, frames, magazines, books, anything art related.

Limit of 5 items.

Please bundle small items together to make a \$10 and up value. Remember to be fair when bundling.

This has been a huge hit in years past and is fun at the same time.

1. You bring the items.
2. Get a ticket for each item (bundle) and then we put the tickets in a bowl and pull out numbers.
3. When your number is called, you go up and select from the tables of neat art supplies.

Remember, someone's trash is your treasure.





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### COMMITTEE CHAIRPEOPLE

**Artworks Show:**  
**Christmas Party:**  
Doreen Donovan

### MONTHLY MEETINGS

**Refreshments:** OPEN  
**Reception Refreshments:** OPEN  
**Fundraising/Artfest:**  
Doreen Donovan  
**Hanging Committee:**  
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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome 2021

Dear Members,

I am looking forward to the year 2021 as President of Brandon League of Fine arts. As I reflect upon 2020, I realize that it was incredibly challenging for the League as well as its members. I am hoping that the new year will be challenging in positive ways and allow all of us to take part in opportunities to share ideas, paint together and exhibit our work.

We will be going back to a regular schedule of monthly meetings starting in January. We realize and understand that not all members are comfortable going out yet, hopefully that will improve at the year goes on. Our first **Members Meeting is January 18** at Creative Junk Therapy (CJT), 772 W. Lumsden Road. Teamwork is what makes an organization successful, and we have so much talent in the league that we will hopefully share this coming year. We have also managed to attract several new members despite the difficult environment.

We are excited to resume our **Paint Out** events this winter, so be looking for information and location details. It is our hope that we will be able to plan an outdoor show in the spring for members and other interested artists. Creative Junk Therapy continues to offer members the opportunity to display and sell artwork and teach classes/workshops. Several of our members, Diane Jorgensen, Beth Smedley, and myself sold artwork in December. This January, several members are offering workshops at CJT. Check the CJT FB page for dates and details.

The January meeting will be **Raffle Art Swap** in lieu of a demonstration. Start the new year by cleaning out your art room and bring useful items to swap for something you could use. We can mix, mingle and share ideas while the drawing take place.

The **Florida State Fair** has been postponed until April; the dates have not been determined. The deadline for entering has passed, hopefully some of our members have entered. I will notify the membership as soon as the new dates and drop off schedule is available.

The **Strawberry Festival** is coming up March 4 through the 14. I will be sending our information and hopefully I will have an update by the January meeting.

**Annual Dues are due in January.** I am attaching the 2021 membership application. Please send your payment or bring it to the January meeting. If you have no change in information just enter your name, phone number and email along with the amount remitted. The League needs membership support to continue current programs and grow.

Our slate of officers was installed for the 2021 year.

President, Barbara Tudek  
Vice President, Christopher Klein  
Secretary, Diane Jorgensen  
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The next Board meeting will be January 25 at 5 p.m. at Creative Junk Therapy, 772 W. Lumsden Road, Brandon.

Wishing everyone a healthy and artistic new year. Come share your gift of art.

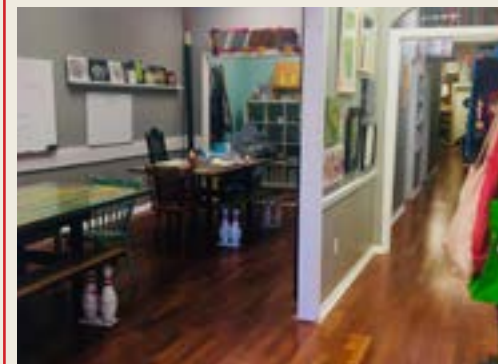
Barbara Tudek, President



## About Our New Meeting Spot - Creative Junk Therapy

In the corner of the La Viva shopping center at Lumsden and Kings

Creative Junk Therapy is a non-profit, creative reuse center to promote creativity, environmental awareness, and community through reuse.



Meeting space



Unique shopping



Place to sell and display art

## BLFA Member Workshops at CJT

So excited about this. We can have a real hands-on workshop! Members have an opportunity to demo their skills in a great (socially distanced) workroom. Mark your calendar for these workshops. Space is limited, so early registration is recommended.

- **Wednesdays, January 13 and 20 at 1 p.m.**  
**Exploring Water Medium, 2-part workshop with Barbara Tudek**
- **Saturday, January 16 at 10 a.m.**  
**Watercolor Seascape with Roxanne Tobaison**
- **Saturday, January 16 at 3 p.m.**  
**Mixed Media with Beth Smedley**

For more info, classes & workshops, click on this link: [facebook.com/CreativeJunkTherapy/events](https://facebook.com/CreativeJunkTherapy/events)

## Member Art & Accomplishments

### Roxanne Tobiason

Juried into the 2021 Online Florida Watercolor Society Show

*"Resurgence – Layers of Life"*



### Francine Hukak

Watercolor class



### Beth Smedley

Mixed media  
*"Caramel Landscape"*







The BLFA General Membership Meetings are going to be held at Creative Junk Therapy, 772 W. Lumsden Road in Brandon.


Paint It and Take It at 6:30 followed by short meeting at 7:30 and the program.

**Paint Along With Bonnie**  
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