



Perspectives Newsletter

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Program

Monday, March 15, 2021



“Paint It & Take It”

with Bonnie Phillips

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

Inktense Watercolor Pencils

Join Bonnie this month as she will explore the possibilities of Inktense Watercolor Pencils. These water soluble pencils have a brilliant intensity of vibrant color and is permanent when dry. Once it's dry the colour is fixed and you can work over the top of it, and, because of its permanent feature it's great for using on fabric such as silk and cotton!



Watercolor Experimentation with Karen Koseck

Our friend, Karen from Creative Junk Therapy will be providing a **hands-on demo** for members to experiment with different types of watercolor (pan, tube, crayons, and pencils). We can experiment using them on various surfaces like wood, metal, glass, plastic, fabric, and tile. Each will be different and unique to inspire different looks and textures in your piece.

Karen will bring the supplies, you can bring your creativity.

Karen Koseck is the Executive Director of Creative Junk Therapy. After a 30+ years working in corporate finance she

has embraced her passion for art and creativity by creating a non-profit startup creative reuse center in Brandon.

Originally from the suburbs of Chicago, IL, their family made Brandon their home almost 20 years. The desire to pursue her passion for art has evolved to teaching and providing resources for others.





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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members,

We have lots of great news to report this month. I am excited to inform our members that we will be returning to Center Place beginning with our April Members Meeting.

Last week the Board met with the new director of Center Place, Libby Hopkins. The new director is very enthusiastic and excited about BLFA resuming their partnership with Center Place. This includes the Members Show in May as well as the Art Works show in September. Center Place will be opening its doors on March 20 and the Brandon League of Fine Art will have table at the open house. I will be sending a reminder to members as soon as we have the details.

Our appreciation goes out to **Karen Koseck, Creative Junk Therapy (CJT)** for hosting us when we were without a home and we will continue to support her with workshops/classes. Several of our members have artwork on display for sale. There are several classes at CJT coming up in March. The February classes were great fun hopefully we will see greater participation as the months go on.

Our **NEXT MEMBERS MEETING** will be on Monday, March 15 at 7:30 p.m. at Creative Junk Therapy. Looking forward to seeing everyone at the meeting.

There will be a fun **Paint and Take It** in March with Bonnie Phillips at 6:30 prior to the meeting. Bonnie will be demonstrating the use of InkTense Pencils.

The February demonstration was presented by Jenessa Jacobs. Jenessa gave an amazing demonstration on live streaming and discussed techniques to present and market your artwork. We had actual live stream demo at the meeting, which you can watch on BLFA FB page.

Annual dues are due now and we will be preparing the 2021 membership directory. The deadline for inclusion in the 2021 directory is March you can mail your dues or even better you can bring it to the meeting.

Paint Out – The next “Paint Out” will be March 27 at Eureka Springs Conservation Park in Tampa. See details in this newsletter. Hopefully, some of you will be able to join in and paint take photos or just relax and enjoy nature and friends.

Brandon League of Fine Arts Member Show is coming up in May. YAY! It is time to start preparing your entries. I am looking forward to a beautiful successful show. Detailed information will be forthcoming since we have not had time to plan.

There are still several opportunities to join a committee and contribute to the Brandon League team. We still need volunteers to take over, Monthly Programs, Paint Out, Artist Reception and a Photographer. If you would like to join in, please speak to someone on the board even if you cannot Chair a committee you can offer some assistance.

Our next Board Meeting will be March 22, 5:00 p.m. at Creative Junk Therapy. Hope to see you all at our next members meeting.

Come share your gift of art.

Barbara Tudek
BLFA President



Paint Out at Eureka Springs Conservation Park

Saturday, March 27 • 10 a.m. or until you get tired

Let's Get Out,
Enjoy the
Day and the
Sunshine!

We plan to arrive around 10 a.m. and stay for lunch and beyond. Bring your beverage, snack, lunch, and paint. Take photos or relax and enjoy the park and good company. Sure sounds like a great outing. And the weather should be perfect.

Please email me if you plan to attend so I can estimate how many to plan for.

BarbaraTudek@gmail.com or call 813-662-0840.

If anyone would like to carpool let me know, we can meet at LaViva shopping center at Lumsden and Kings.

The Eureka Springs Conservation Park was first established in 1938 by botanist and traveler Albert Greensburg as a botanical garden of rare and unusual tropical plants. He also created the first Florida tropical fish farm springs that were near his botanical gardens. In 1967, Greensburg donated his prized site to Hillsborough County, making Eureka Springs Park the only botanical garden in the park system.

Lovers of horticulture will savor the 31-acre natural beauty, especially the largest publicly owned collection of ferns in Florida. Nature connoisseurs can gaze at the park's rose garden and orchid room, as well as stroll along walking trails



and the boardwalks that wind through a lush floodplain forest of maples, cypresses, and tupelo.

The park also features a greenhouse, picnic tables and shelters, a reservable Eureka Springs party pavilion, and interpretive trails.

BLFA Member Workshops at CJT



February's Paint It-Take It. We made cards using napkins.



February Shell Scape class from Bonnie Phillips



Roxanne conducted a value study watercolor workshop.

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

Upcoming BLFA Workshops at CJT

If you haven't attended one of these workshops... they are really fun and social in a terrific, safe and inspirational setting. Shop cool stuff at CJT.

For more events, classes and creative inspiration visit:

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



Join **Barb Tudek** in exploring painting techniques and materials to create a unique vibrant piece!

Students will create images with a variety of water based paints on a multitude of surfaces to create depth, texture with plants, stencils, stamps and layering to create an extraordinary image.

This is an ongoing weekly class and projects may need multiple sessions to complete. Cost is \$25 includes supplies



years of experience to share in this class. Roxanne will show you step-by-step to create your own seascape. You can paint along or bring your own image to work from.

Supplies needed:

11X14 sht watercolor paper (90-40lb or higher)

This lesson is a landscape. We will learn composition and color balance.

Liquid watercolors: Pthalo Blue, Permanent Blue, Colbalt, Quinacridone Gold, Yellow Orcher

Cost is \$25.00 per person, materials can be provided for an additional \$5.00

CJT is proud to host **Roxanne Tobaison** for a watercolor workshop. She is an award-winning watercolorist with many



Saturday March 20th 3-6PM

Interested in learning Macramé but not sure where to start? This intro project helps you learn the two foundation knots of this fiber art along with lots of tips & tricks!

In this hands on workshop Doreen Donovan will guide you in making basic knots and beading. It's easy, fun and beautiful. You can choose from white, blue, natural and light green.

\$16 per person includes supplies



couple hours. Bring your own image or follow a lesson plan, Your choice.

Supplies are not included. Basic brand paints are fine, but you can use whatever suits your style and budget.

Recommended Supply list: Canvas Board 11X17 or 8X10, Round Brush #2, Filbert Brush #8, Flat Brush #6 or 1/2

Medium body acrylic paint colors: Titanium White, Black, Thalo Blue, Ultramarine Blue, Red - Medium, Yellow - Light or Medium, Burnt Umber, Raw Sienna

Cost \$20.00 per person, not including supplies, but material can be provided for additional \$5.00.

Visit [facebook.com/CreativeJunkTherapy](https://www.facebook.com/CreativeJunkTherapy) for dates.

Join **Karen Koseck** for some acrylic painting techniques. Beginner to intermediate classes. Learn acrylic painting techniques and create your own personal work of art in a



The BLFA General Member Meeting is March 15 and is 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
Art Instruction

Tue. 6 PM & Wed. 10 AM
All Mediums

Fine Art and Decorative
813-685-5882

iteachpainting@me.com
1313 Borden Ct.
Valrico, Florida 33594-4913



CREATIVE BOWLING BALL BASH



Come pick up a bowling ball for \$10, make something creative, cool & crazy, and bring it back to be judged by the community!

Dates:

Pick up By 3/28/21



Drop off 4/10/21 by 12pm

Community Judging 4/10/21 @12pm

Winner Announced Facebook Live 4/17/21 @2pm

First Prize: FREE BOWLING

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