



Perspectives Newsletter

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FREE

The Brandon League of Fine Art's First Hands-on Workshop

Acrylic Heart Painting

Monday, February 21

6:30 p.m.

Center Place

RSVP Strongly Suggested



With a new year the BLFA is trying something new, fun and instructional. The 2022 format will include more interaction between artists through hands-on workshops.

This is the first one and it's **FREE**. Hosted by our very own Make-It and Take-It instructor, Bonnie Phillips. She will be leading a hands-on workshop in acrylics. We will be painting this gorgeous Valentine heart. Feel free to invite friends and family who may be interested to come have fun. All supplies will be provided so please RSVP so Bonnie knows how much art materials to bring.

2022 should be an exciting time for the Brandon League. BLFA will be hosting workshops every month. We are still in the planning stages but membership will be an important part of it. If you have any ideas on a workshop you would like to attend or teach, please let Chris Klein know. We welcome all suggestions. With life getting somewhat back to normal, we want this year to be an outstanding time for the BLFA artists, art and learning.

Questions or comments, please contact **Chris Klein @ ChristopherLeoK@verizon.net**

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Monthly Programs: OPEN

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Paint-It & Take-It: on hold

Paint Out, Field Trips: OPEN

Photography: Roselle Cronan

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Roxanne Tobaison

Website: David Bahm

Meetup: Barbara Tudek,
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members,

We want to notify the Membership that we have instituted a **new start time** for our General Meetings. We are starting our meetings at **6:30 p.m.** on the 3rd Monday of the month we meet. We hope that the time change will be advantageous to our Members. It is felt that the earlier time frame might be a help to the working people and the Members who bring younger people interested in Art with them.

Our next General Meeting is Monday, February 21. It will start at 6:30 p.m. The details of the meeting are in this newsletter.

We have changed the format of the meetings to get more interactive. We will be doing Workshops and the details will be clearer as we advertise them.

Our free hands-on workshop in February will be Acrylic Painting. Bonnie Phillips will be leading it. If anyone has an idea for a fine art workshop, please let us know what you are thinking.

I am very interested and feel that it will help with my growth as an Artist. I hope you are all as interested as I am. Please read the instructions in this Newsletter.

The **Strawberry Festival** is coming up. The rules for the Art Contest are out and can be downloaded from their website.

We will have more information on the availability of hanging our work at Bay Area Cardiology after the first of next year.

It is past time to mail in our dues. Some of you have already sent yours in and we thank you. We want to get all our payments in as soon as possible. Please help us out and send them as soon as you can.

If anyone is looking for a position on our Board or on one of our committees or would like to volunteer to help out, we are always thankful for the application of your talents to our League. A few of the positions have been filled, but we need to fill more. It is rewarding work as far as I have seen from my personal experience. It also connects us closer to each other as a Society of Artists.

We will have more news for you at the General Meeting on Monday, February 21 at 6:30 p.m.

The next Board Meeting will be February 28 at Creative Junk Therapy, 772 W. Lumsden Road, Brandon. All Chair people are asked to attend as their votes count on issues. All Members are invited.

I continue to pray for the good health and great success of you all.

Christopher Klein

2022 BLFA President



TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

Tear off the membership renewal form and return to BLFA with your check made out to BLFA to renew your membership. *The last date to pay up and get in the directory is January 31st.* Dues are payable by January 31st. If you haven't paid by then, you won't be in the directory.

If you are using this form to pay dues and have NO CHANGES, then just write your name and phone number and then **check the box for individual or family**.

If you are a New Member OR have a change, please fill out the appropriate information, and then **check the box for individual or family**.

Please Print legibly.

Thank you.

Membership Renewal Form for 2022

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

Another Florida State Fair Year of Winners



1st place decorative arts drawing - The Woods



1st place Fine Arts drawing - James



1st place Decorative Arts Water media - New York City



2nd place Decorative Arts, Water media - Love



3rd place Decorative Arts Water media - Sunny Flowers



3rd place Fine Arts Water media - Down Under



1st Place Decorative Arts, Water Media



HM Decorative Arts Water media - Chalk

Winning art from Deborah Biasetti



1st Place, decorative arts, mixed media - Palm with floral below



2nd Place, Fine Arts, water media - Man and Nature



2nd Place, Fine Arts, painting - Apple Time



2nd Place, decorative arts, acrylic & oils - It



1st Place, Fine Arts, water media - Pretty in Pink

Winning art from Barbara Tudek



1st Place Decorative Arts, Water Media - Happy Little Lucas



1st Place Fine Arts, Water Media - Sleeping beauty



HM, Decorative Arts, Water Media - Slinky Shark



3rd Place, Decorative arts, Water Media - Venetion Sunset



HM, Decorative Arts, Water Media - Playtime



3rd place, Decorative arts - Girl with toy



HM, Fine Arts, Water Media - Violet's Wish



1st Place Decorative Arts, Water Media - Sunny Day song



2nd place, Fine Arts, Water Media - The Adventure

Winning art from Fran Hudak



2nd Place, Decorative Arts Creative Spark- batik



1st Place, Decorative Arts animals, - Red Wing Hawk



2nd Place, Decorative Arts people - boy in blue



1st Place, Decorative Arts yellow table



1st Place, Fine Arts, Pen, Ink, Markers, Black & White - Favorite Chair



HM, Fine Arts, Pastel -- Seven Mile Melt

Winning art from Bonnie Phillips

Winning art from Doug Steinbarger



Winning art from Carolyn Greeson



HM, Fine Arts, Painting - Ode on a Roseville Pitcher

Winning art from Chris Klein

The Brandon League of Fine Art's FREE Hands-on Workshop for March



Watercolor Painting
Instructed by Award-Winning Artist
Roxanne Tobaison

Monday, March 21
6:30 p.m. at Center Place

RSVP Strongly Recommended. This has been a sold out class at other venues. In order to save a seat and have enough supplies provided, reserve your space by emailing Chris Klein: ChristopherLeoK@verizon.net

Workshop will be Seascape



Roxanne Tobaison started painting watercolors in 1979. From the first brushstroke, she knew this was very satisfying and emotionally rewarding. Having lived in Florida all her life... her realistic paintings help to record the Tampa Bay Area, she loves. The FREE watercolor workshop will be Monday, March 21st. Supplies will be provided – (If you have your own watercolors/brushes/paints - please bring). **RSVP needed to be sure and have enough supplies.**

Member Classes at Creative Junk Therapy

Watercolor Workshop: Intermediate



Class Hosted By Roxanne Tobaison

2nd Saturday of every month
11:00 am - 2:00 pm

\$25 supplies not included

Join Roxanne Tobaison at Creative Junk Therapy this intermediate watercolor workshop. Very popular class - suggest registering early to save your seat!

Mixed Media Painting

\$25 - All Supplies Included



Join Barb Tudek to enhance your artistic skills and create a beautiful unique mixed media painting.

Instructed by Barbara Tudek

Create a beautiful feather using advanced pouring methods. Pouring is all the rage. Join award-winning artist, Barbara Tudek for this popular class.

Happi-mess Robots

\$45 Supplies included



Assemble your own Robot!
The ultimate upcycle for that junk drawer.

Instructed by Beth Smedley

Make your own personalized upcycle robot. For the first time, Beth Smedley is sharing her robot-making secrets. Bring any special charms or small do-dads to make it your own.



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Karen is always looking for new instructors. Contact her for more information.