

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.

Halloween is right around the corner so...

Join the BLFA on September 19 at 6:30 p.m. at Center Place for

Glow Paint with Karen Koseck



Karen will be exploring possibilities of using glow paint in your artwork. We will use glow paint to create another dimension for highlights or layered to create depth and perspective.

Remember to RSVP so we can reserve a seat for you and Karen can bring enough supplies.

*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 \$10. You can pay the \$35 annual BLFA membership dues at the workshop.

RSVP to Chris Klein @ ChristopherLeoK@verizon.net, cell: (516) 220-8246

Last month Doreen Donovan led us in painting with coffee!





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Artworks Show: Board Christmas Party: Doreen Donovan

MONTHLY MEETINGS

Refreshments: Karen Koseck
Reception Refreshments: OPEN

Fundraising/Artfest: Doreen Donovan

Hanging Committee: Chairman: Barbara Tudek Crew: Deborah Biasetti, John Tudek, Kathryn Howard, Diane

Jorgensen, Art Jorgensen

Members Show: Doreen Donovan, Roxanne Tobaison

Membership: Barbara Tudek

Monthly Programs: Board

Newsletter: Beth Smedley **Paint-It & Take-It:** on hold

Paint Out, Field Trips: OPEN

Photography: Barbara Tudek

Publicity: Bonnie Phillips

Revolving Exhibits: Roxanne Tobaison

Website: David Bahm

Meetup: Barbara Tudek, Karen Koseck, Beth Smedley

Anyone interested in volunteering for any position, contact Chris Klein @

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



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members,

I had a really nice discussion with an Artist Friend about joining Art Groups like ours. My take on it is that we need like minds who are as sensitive and remarkable as ourselves to be in close communion with. We have our ups and downs, and Artists tend to soar higher than the rest. We are sometimes

netted by the lower minded who try to pull us back down to their levels, but our creative weaponry can cut the nets before we are fully snagged, and we can soar anew. It is important to let the younger Artists in your life know of the merits of these organizations. I believe that we cannot hold onto what we don't pass on. You are all amazing human beings in my estimation, and I am happy that I had someone to guide me to think about Art leagues and groups in my early growth. Spread the Love...

Our **General Meeting Workshop is Monday September 19, 2022.** It will start at 6:30 p.m. Our Demonstration in August was a Workshop with Doreen Donovan who demonstrated creating artwork using Coffee. We had a really nice time and a lot of laughs. The work produced was interesting.

Our Demonstration in September will be a Workshop with Karen Koseck. She will have us working with "Glow in the Dark" Paints. Karen is an amazingly creative artist. She will have us glowing with wonder as she brings us into the visual magic of playing with colored light.

The **ARTWORKS 2022 Show Reception** was a success with very nice food and great conversation. The show itself is of very high quality. No piece entered could be considered less than excellent. You must see it to believe it.

Our next competition that will be the open to all artists is the **Square-Off 2023 show**. The take-In will be **Thursday, December 29, 2022**. It will run to January 31. Get your work squared up for another Art Show experience. The rules have been relaxed in that we can use frames other than matte black and if you are using Gallery Wrapped canvas, you can paint the sides. The rules will be published soon. I just wanted to get you all moving on thinking about the square format.

We will have more information on the availability of hanging/sellig our work at Bay Area Cardiology at our General Meeting. There have been sales of the work of our members.

If anyone is looking for a position on our Board or in one of our committees, we are always thankful for the application of your talents to our League. 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.

The next Board Meeting will be **September 26, 2022**, at Creative Junk Therapy at 772 W. Lumsden Road in Brandon. We get a lot done with a minimum of effort because we are all motivated to increase the efficacy of our organization. All Chair people are asked to attend as their votes count on issues. All Members are invited and welcomed.

I have not stopped praying for the good health and great success of you all.

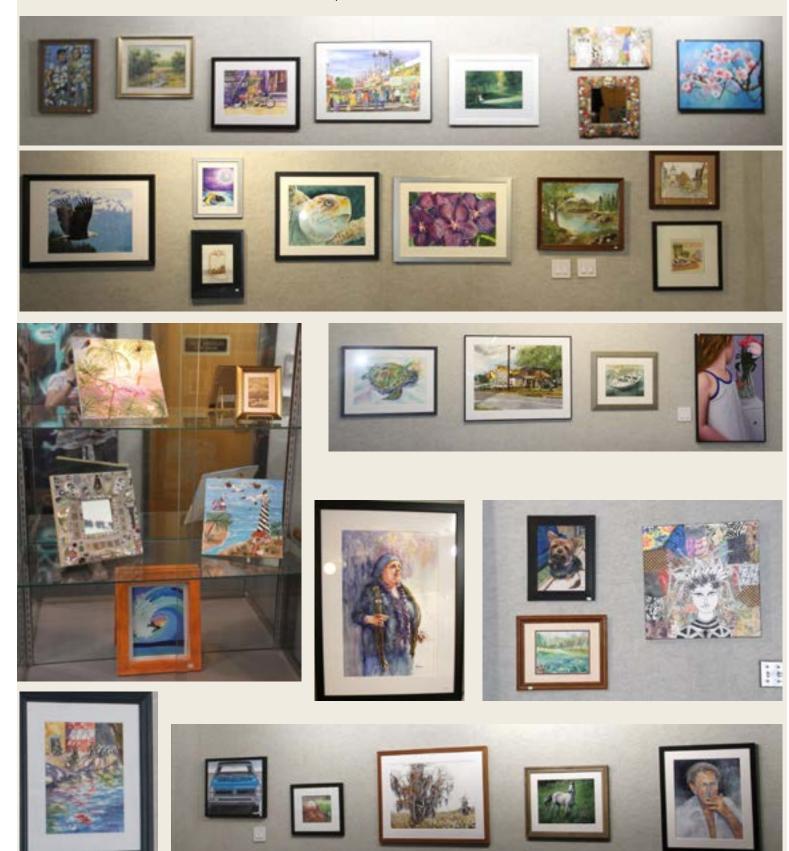
Christopher Klein

2022 BLFA President

ARTWORKS 2022

Mook Gallery at Center Place September 1-29

This annual, juried exhibition is organized by the Brandon League of Fine Arts and hosted by Center Place Fine Arts and Civic Association. This is an open show and all artists were invited to submit their new work.



ARTWORKS 2022

And the Winners are...

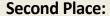
Judge: Alice Anderson

First Place:

Donna Morrison: Circle B Bar Reserve.

(Watercolor)

This large watercolor painting has a beautiful natural pallet of earth tones with incredible details offering great contrast in the tree in the foreground to the dying tree in the background with birds swarming around it.



Michael King: Skippers Smokehouse. (Watercolor)

Skipper's smokehouse comes alive in this large watercolor painting showing its character as a music venue, but not hiding any of its Floyd attributes. Including telephone wires and poles, gaudy signs and road signs surrounding it.

Third Place:

Kathy Durdin: Clogging to the Wandering Hour. (Watercolor)

This watercolor portrait is demonstrating beautiful figurative work with attention to the lighting and the textures of the stately woman's outfit. She stands with purpose against a very loose colorful background.

Honorable Mention:

Doug Steinbarger: Pennsylvania Pasture. (Pastel)

This pastel of a field and brook caught midday with a hazy filtered light and rendered with great details in the beautiful trees surrounding evokes a serene setting.

Honorable Mention:

Marsha Nelson: Wild Stallion. (Photograph)

This photograph of the dappled horse caught as though he was dancing in the field of wild grasses and flowers captures a spirit of freedom and natural beauty. A great capture.



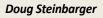


















See Member art hanging in the waiting area.

The BLFA is lucky to have the opportunity to display and sell their artwork at Brandon Bay Area Cardiology offices. Members must pre-register to participate.

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Museum of American Arts and Crafts Movement

Let's schedule a group tour of the Tampa Bay Area's newest museum -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. Suggested dates:

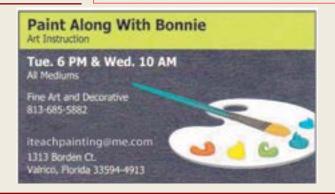
Thur. 10/13 or 20, or Fri. 10/14 or 21.

Let Bonnie Phillips know. iteachpainting@me.com

Member Classes at Center Place

Chris Klein teaches adult oil painting on Wednesdays, 9:30 a.m. - noon AND Surreal Experience Wednesdays, 5-7 p.m.

Call Center Place at 813-685-8888 to register!



Member Classes at Creative Junk Therapy



Sat, September 17h and October 8 10:30 – 1:30

Create vibrant unique images with texture and layering using variety of mediums and materials for dynamic result.



Wed., Sept. 14, 26, Oct. 12, 26

Get together and work on a project of your own or join a group project. Learn from each other stimulate your creativity!



Sat., Oct. 15 10:30-1

Learn the fundamentals of watercolors and basic techniques to create a harmonious result.



Sat., Oct. 15 2-4:30

Learn the fundamentals of watercolors and how to blend colors to create a unique palette.



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

