



# Perspectives Newsletter

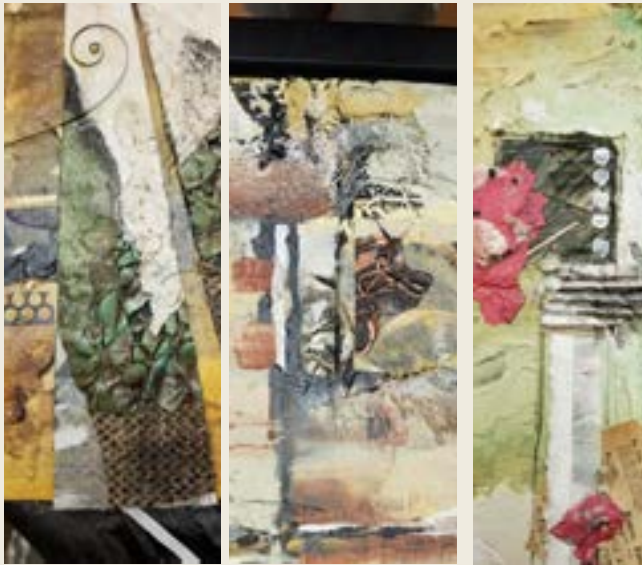
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## Join the BLFA on October 17 at 6:30 p.m. at Center Place for Mixed Media Extreme Texture with Beth Smedley



Mixed media describes artwork in which more than one medium or material has been employed. Assemblages, collages, and sculpture are three common examples of art using different media.

We will make some cool textures using unorthodox art techniques and materials. Join us to find out what and how you may incorporate mixed media into your art. Or just come and have some art fun! Apron recommended

**Remember to RSVP** so we can reserve a seat for you and Beth 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 Karen Koseck from Creative Junk Therapy introduced us to glow paint!



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#### COMMITTEE CHAIRPEOPLE

**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 @ [ChristopherLeoK@verizon.net](mailto:ChristopherLeoK@verizon.net)

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



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members,

I was happy with the quality and the quantity of the ARTWORKS 2020 open show. The work was good, and the participation was better than expected. We are coming back from the covid malaise and shutdown in great form. Our Membership is growing, and our members are happy, driven creatives who make the

world a better place for their participation. It is good to know you all.

Our General Meeting is Monday, October 17, 2022. It will start at 6:30 p.m.

Our Demonstration in September was a Workshop where Karen Koseck demonstrated creating artwork using "Glow in the Dark" paint. We painted many different pieces that glow in the dark or in a blacklight. There were some nice pieces of art, and a few made for Halloween. And we had fun.

Our Demonstration/Workshop in October will be with Beth Smedley. She will guide us in mixed media working with EXTREME texture. Beth is our Newsletter Editor and one of our most creative Artists, and she has a mastery of several media. I like the way she blends them to make unique statements. We will come out of this experience with more than we went into it with. Looking forward to that.

Center Place Student Show is scheduled for November. A few of our members have been and are currently teachers with Center Place.

Our Christmas Party is scheduled for December 12, 2022. We are deciding on the venue. We feel that we will have it at a restaurant in the area and pay as you go. It has been very successful the past few years. If we had a huge response, we could have it at Center Place. Ever since the Covid Shutdowns our numbers have not been high enough to justify all the work of throwing a party with everyone bringing a dish. With the increase in Membership, we might be able to pull it off next year. We have a good time wherever we end up, so let us know if you are able to join us.

We are taking a group trip to the Museum of the American Arts and Crafts Movement in Saint Petersburg in January 2023. We will be working up a system of car-pooling. If you are interested, please let me or Bonnie Phillips know.

We need someone to take over the Treasurer Position. Our current Treasurer, John Tudek, has done an amazing job and is willing to teach the next candidate how he manages our business. It will be for 2023, and you would start in January. If interested, please contact me.

If anyone would like 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. It also connects us closer to each other as a Society of Artists. We will have more information on the availability of the hanging of our work at Bay Area Cardiology at our General Meeting. Sales are possible and our work gets shown.

We will have more news for you at the General Meeting on October 17, 2022. Be there at 6:30 pm for a good creative time.

The next Board Meeting will be October 24, 2022, at Creative Junk Therapy at 772 W. Lumsden Road, Brandon FL. 33511. We get a lot done with a minimum of effort because we are all motivated to increase the efficacy of our organization. All Chairpeople are asked to attend as their votes count on issues. All Members are invited and welcomed.

*I won't stop praying for the good health and great success of you all.*

Christopher Klein  
2022 BLFA President





# Brandon League of Fines Arts Square's Off



## Judged Art Competition

December 2022

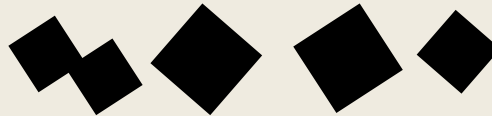
Center Place

619 Vonderburg Dr., Brandon

Take-in: December 29 • 9:30-12 noon

Reception: January 19 • 5:30 - 7 p.m.

Take-out: January 31 • 9:30 - 12 noon



1. There is a \$25 entry fee for one piece. \$40 for two and \$50 for three entries.
2. A 30% commission will be retained from any work sold during the exhibition. All work must be available for sale.
3. All entries must be square. Frames are optional and do not have to be plain black. Size must be a minimum of 5" x 5" and maximum of 24" x 24" plus frame. Entry weight must not exceed 5 lbs.
4. All work must be properly wired. NO SAWTOOTH hangers allowed.
5. All 3D work must be square and meet the same size and weight requirements as the framed art. It must also be able to hang on the wall.
6. Awards in the amounts of \$250, \$100, \$75, \$50 and BLFA Appreciation Award of \$50. Winners will be announced at the artist reception on January 19, 2023.
7. For additional information contact BLFA: [blfa33511@gmail.com](mailto:blfa33511@gmail.com)

## SAVE THE DATE

# 2022 Christmas Party

**Date:** Monday, December 12, 2022

**Time:** 6:30 pm. to 9 pm.

**Place:**

### **"Tis the Season to Party!!**

We may be meeting at a restaurant this year. Save the date and check the BLFA FB page and website for updates.

**Gift Exchange:** If you wish to participate, bring a wrapped \$15. - \$20. gift. Gifts must be wrapped. (Ex.) new art supplies, gift cards. Please no used items. This is not a white elephant exchange. If you bring a gift, You get a gift. You will get a ticket for the games.

We will also have a **50/50 drawing**. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6/\$5.

Remember you can win 1/2 the amount.

**Door prizes** will be awarded to winning tickets, one per family.

***Come feast and join in the fun  
and fellowship!!!!***



## 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.

### **BAY AREA CARDIOLOGY**

#### **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 January. If you are interested in going, let Bonnie Phillips know. [iteachpainting@me.com](mailto: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!**

**Paint Along With Bonnie**  
Art Instruction

**Tue. 6 PM & Wed. 10 AM**  
All Mediums

Fine Art and Decorative  
813-685-5882

[iteachpainting@me.com](mailto:iteachpainting@me.com)  
1313 Borden Ct.  
Valrico, Florida 33594-4913





## CREATIVE JUNK THERAPY

# Trash to TREASURE

## Upcycle Competition

BLFA and Creative Junk Therapy are gonna do it again next spring!  
Great entries last year. So get thinking about how to upcycle your stuff.

### Member Classes at Creative Junk Therapy

#### Open Studio

\$7 Per person BYO supplies

1-3pm Alternating Wednesdays

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



Facilitated by Barbara Tudek

Every other Wednesday afternoon  
1 - 3 p.m.

Barbara Tudek

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#### Beginner Watercolors



Facilitated by Roxanne Tobiason

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

Sat., October 15 and November 19  
10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Roxanne Tobiason

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

#### Beyond Basic Watercolor

\$30 BYO supplies

\$35 Supplies included

Ongoing class for painters wanting to go beyond the basics of watercolor



Instructed by Roxanne Tobiason

Sat., October 15 and November 19  
2 - 4:30 p.m.

Roxanne Tobiason

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

\* Do both Beginning and Beyond Basic classes for \$40.

#### Art and Soul Collage

\$35 • Supplies included

Tap into your creativity and create a unique dimensional multi-layered, multi-medium piece of art.



Instructed by Lois Miller

Sat., October 22  
Lois Miller

Lois guides students in gathering materials, layering process and adding decorative elements to create soulful collages.



## CREATIVE JUNK THERAPY

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

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



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