



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.

**Join the BLFA on November 21
at 6:30 p.m.
at Creative Junk Therapy
for
Art Starters!
with Shelly Valdez**



In this hands-on workshop, we will be playing with various "art starters" using sprays, stencils, and a variety of other paint techniques. You will see that sometimes you just need to get the process started with some mindless and fun experimental techniques.

If you have a creative block, or the vast white of a piece of paper or canvas is intimidating to you, come join us! You may be surprised at what you come up with. However, It's not always about the final product, sometimes it's just about getting over your fear and making that first mark!

Save the date, and come and join in the fun!!

Brandon League of Fine Arts 2022 Christmas Party

Date: Monday, December 12, 2022

Time: 6 p.m.

Place: Shrimp Boat Restaurant
1020 Bloomingdale Ave., Brandon
(inside the glass patio)



There will be some games while we are waiting for our dinner, but no gift exchange or 50/50. Dinner is not complimentary, but... you don't have to cook this year.

Sign up attendance sheet will be at our next Members meeting.
Monday, November 21, 2022.

RSVP to Doreen Donovan, Party Chairperson at
Doreen.Donovan@yahoo.com





BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President: Christopher Klein
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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: OPEN

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

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,

Our next member meeting on Monday, Nov. 21 is being held at Creative Junk Therapy. The address is at 772 W. Lumsden Road, Brandon FL. 33511. It is located at the corner of Kings Ave. and Lumsden in the La Villa Plaza Shopping Center. It is at the inner corner of the complex. Same time, 6:30 pm.

Our Demonstration in October was a Workshop with Beth Smedley. She had us working with extreme textures. It was a great time. We came home with some really interesting pieces of Art.

Our Demonstration in November will be a hands-on ART STARTER workshop with Shelly Valdez. Shelly is an educator so she knows what she's doing, and it will be a learning experience as well as fun time.

Unfortunately, we must cancel the Square Off Exhibit this year. There is a conflict, and we are looking into having the Exhibit at another time.

Our Christmas Party is Monday night, December 12, 2022, 6:00 pm. at the Shrimp Boat Restaurant. We will be dining in the glass patio. We will have a sign-up sheet at the Members Meeting Monday November 21, 2022. There will be games while we are waiting for our dinner. (Dinner is Not Complementary) Save the date and come and join in on the fun! You can email Doreen Donovan, Party Chairperson, at doreen.donovan@yahoo.com. You can also contact Chris Klein at (516) 220-8246.

We will be having our Election of Officers at the General Meeting. Please be there for nominations and voting.

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.

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 November 21, 2022. Be there at 6:30 pm for a good and creative time. If you haven't been to Creative Junk Therapy, you are in for a creative treat.

The next Board Meeting will be November 28, 2022, at Creative Junk Therapy. 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 keep praying for the good health and great success of you all.

Christopher Klein
2022 BLFA President





Creative Junk Therapy is GROWING!



Artists, crafters, upcyclers and creatives of all kinds, Creative Junk Therapy is looking for you. We are preparing to expand our business to include air conditioned, private rental space for studio, office and storage. We are also growing our space for consignors, art classes and gallery.

The number of spaces is limited, so contact CJT for details and to be added to the list.



Visit us on Facebook for a calendar of art/crafts classes.

772 W. Lumsden Rd. Brandon, FL 33511 • (813) 324-9777
CreativeJunkTherapy.org • CreativeJunkTherapy@outlook.com

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



Florida State Fair Creative Living Arts Competition

Enter online at FloridaStateFair.com.
Click Participants, then Creative Living.

Entry forms must be postmarked by Friday, Dec. 9, 2022
Entries delivered to Florida Center at the FL State Fairgrounds
Thurs., Jan 12 - Sat., January 14 • \$3.00 per entry

Paint Along With Bonnie

Art Instruction

Tue. 6 PM & Wed. 10 AM

All Mediums

Fine Art and Decorative
813-685-5682

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

Beginner Watercolors



Facilitated by Roxanne Tobiason

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

Sat., November 19 & December 10
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.

Facilitated by Roxanne Tobiason

Sat., November 19 & December 10
2 - 4:30 p.m.

Roxanne Tobiason

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

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

Wednesday, December 14
11-3 p.m.

Barbara Tudek

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

Create with Mixed Medium

\$30 - Supplies Included

Saturday, 12/22/22 10:30 - 1:00



Create a beautiful leaf print on masa paper and additional small projects experimenting with various paint and alcohol ink. *Students must press leaves 3 day prior to class.

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Saturday, December 22
10:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Barbara Tudek

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*Students must press leaves 3 days prior to class.



**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.



Interested in Membership to the Brandon League of Fine Arts, please contact
Chris Klein at ChristopherLeoK@verizon.net, cell: (516) 220-8246

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