



# 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.*

**Remember... we will be meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the Brandon Junior Women's Club house located at 129 N. Moon St. in Brandon.**

**Join the BLFA on Monday, March 20 at 6:30 p.m. for  
Easter Egg painting**

**FREE**

for first time  
visitors & BLFA  
members\*

Our hands-on workshop will be painting EASTER EGGS just in time for the holiday. Bring small brushes and your creative ideas to paint on a real egg-sized piece. If you want to embellish with your personal flair, feel free. Bonnie will have loaner brushes if needed, permanent pens, acrylic paint and Tooli-Art acrylic pens. You may want to use the craft lathe to make lines on your egg.



**Text your RSVP to Bonnie Phillips @ (813) 810-6885**

\*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.





#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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#### Christmas Party:

Doreen Donovan

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**Chairman:** Barbara Tudek

**Crew:** Deborah Biasetti,  
John Tudek, Carlene Earl

**Newsletter:** Beth Smedley

**Paint Out, Field Trips:** OPEN

**Photography:** OPEN

**Publicity/Meetup:** Beth Smedley  
Karen Koseck

**Refreshments:** Karen Koseck

#### Revolving Shows:

Roxanne Tobaison

Square Off  
Member Show  
ArtWorks

**Show Reception:** Doreen  
Donovan, Roxanne Tobaison

**Website:** David Bahm

Anyone interested in volunteering for any position, contact Bonnie Phillips @ [iteachpainting@me.com](mailto:iteachpainting@me.com) (813) 810-6885. Text or leave message.

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



## BONNIE'S BRUSH PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I'm excited! We are going to have an ART SHOW in June, not like we ever had before. This one will be digital and it doesn't matter the size, medium or subject (within reason). And... there will be a Creative Trophy, ribbons and no charge to enter! Winners will be announced at the June WINNER DINNER (covered dish). It will be fun. More details coming in the April Newsletter. This year we will be meeting through

the summer so if you are in town plan to attend.

**Welcome** visitors, Meetup visitors, new members and those who renewed. We will be posting the 2023 Membership list in April and we want YOUR name on that list, so if you haven't renewed, see the form attached or renew/join at next meeting on the 20th.

How do you like the new meeting place? It seems to suit us just fine. Thank you Beth Smedley for reworking a sandwich sign that will be put out front. Remember, handicapped will park in the back and all others across the street along the road. The ramp in back is being redone, probably not in time for the March meeting.

**CONGRATULATIONS** State Fair and Strawberry Festival winners! The League was well represented. Anyone else have exciting art news to share? Bring one of your pieces to the meeting for Show & Tell.

What to bring to the March meeting - a donation for the raffle, March raffle & 50/50 (not mandatory), snack for the refreshment table, your art for show & tell and a SMILE.

See you on the 20th at the Brandon Junior Woman's Club

Bonnie Phillips  
BLFA President

[iteachpainting@me.com](mailto:iteachpainting@me.com)





2023 Florida State Fair  
Creative Living Arts Competition

**WINNERS!**

Bonnie Phillips	Indian Maiden	1st	Best of Show
	Turtle/Coral	1st	
Barbara Tudek	A Woman	1st	
	Leaves in the Wind	1st	
	Over the Mountain	2nd	
Debbie Biasetti	Knight	1st	
	Dali	1st	
	Desert Herd	1st	
Beth Smedley	Tree Bag	1st	
	Sail Away	3rd	
Niki Romberger	Guard Dog	1st	Best of show
	Old Man	1st	Best of show
Chris Klein	Am Van Gogh Gothic	HM	



Leaves in the Breeze



A woman



Dali



Knight



Desert Herd

**Debbie Biasetti**



Over the Mountain

**Barbara Tudek**



Indian Maiden



Turtle/Coral

**Bonnie Phillips**



**Beth Smedley**

Sail Away



Tree Bag



**Chris Klein**

American Van Gogh Gothic  
Honorable Mention



**Niki Romberger**

Old Man  
Best of Show



Guard Dog

# Florida Strawberry Festival Fine Art Show

*Yes, we have Winners!*

Chris Klein	Farmer Brown's Goats	3rd
Debbie Biasetti	Business Leaders Choice Boy Ostrich	1st
Roxanne Tobaison	Caladiums	3rd
Douglas Steinbarger		3rd
Barbara Tudek	Babe in the Woods	3rd
Gunni Price		4th
Beth Smedley	Strawberry Theme 5 Strawberries	



**Barbara Tudek**



**Roxanne Tobaison**



**Debbie Biasetti**



**Chris Klein**



**Douglas Steinbarger**



**Beth Smedley**



**Gunni Price**

## 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.

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### 2023 Membership Form

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

## Bay Area Cardiology Painting Exhibit Change-Over

The BLFA is fortunate to have the opportunity to display and sell their artwork at Brandon Bay Area Cardiology offices. Members must pre-register to participate. Details will be sent out when a change-over is scheduled.

Registration required with Roxanne Tobaison:  
roxtob@verizon.net

## Bay Area Cardiology Locations

### 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 March. If you are interested in going, let Bonnie Phillips know.  
iteachpainting@me.com



## Really Fun February BLFA Member Meeting

*Roxanne is full of surprises. Our expert watercolor artist treated us to her Artist Trading Card (ATC) collection and ideas in zentangle art.*



*Chris Klein worked several days at the Strawberry Festival*





# CREATIVE JUNK THERAPY

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

BLFA is happy to be able to partner with Creative Junk Therapy offering a diverse creative experience in a friendly and relaxed atmosphere. Instructors are experienced and professional. Classes tend to fill up quickly, so please visit Creative Junk Therapy's FB page and/or website for additional classes and schedules.

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

[www.CreativeJunkTherapy.org](http://www.CreativeJunkTherapy.org)



**Oil Painting**  
**\$15** per session or  
**\$56** for 4 sessions  
 Wednesdays, 10:30-1:00  
 Join other aspiring artists in this self directed group to paint, develop and share oil painting techniques and inspiration.  
 Facilitated by Christopher Klein

**Wednesdays 10:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

Christopher Klein

Discover the many aspects of Oil Painting: Composition, Color and Paint Application for Depth, Perspective and Luminosity. Cost \$15.00 per person, or 4 sessions for \$56.00.

\* Supplies not included. See ticket attachment for recommended supply list. Space is limited to 8 participants.



**Basic Watercolors**  
**\$30** BYO supplies  
**\$35** Supplies included  
 From beginners and beyond. Explore watercolor techniques with Roxanne for making your work sing.  
 Instructed by Roxanne Tobiason

**Thursday, March 9, 12:30-3 p.m. and  
Saturday, March 11, 10:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

Roxanne Tobiason

Join Roxanne Tobiason for this intermediate watercolor workshop. Very popular class - suggest registering early to save your seat!



**Watercolors - Beyond**  
**\$30** BYO supplies  
**\$35** Supplies included  
 Ongoing class for painters wanting to go beyond the basics of watercolor.  
 Instructed by Roxanne Tobiason

**Saturday, March 11, 1:30 - 3 p.m.**

Roxanne Tobiason

Join Roxanne Tobiason for this intermediate watercolor workshop. Very popular class - suggest registering early to save your seat!



**Paint Pour Party**  
**\$30** all supplies included  
 3-5pm or 6-8pm  
 BYO Libations  
 Bring some friends, learn a new thing and get creative.

**Thursday, March 18, 3-5 p.m. or 6-8 p.m.**

Creative Junk Therapy

We will be exploring new pour techniques and styles. \$30.00 all supplies included. This can get sloppy so dress for a mess. Bring a friend, drinks and snacks if you wish (alcohol is ok). Space is limited to a min of 3 max of 10 for safe distance. To ensure we have enough space and supplies purchase tickets to reserve your spot.



**Paint Along with Bonnie**  
**\$43** Supplies included  
 Bonnie Phillips explores painting with water soluble oil painting techniques in this hand on step by step class for beginners or better of all ages.  
 Facilitated by Bonnie Phillips

**Saturday, March 25, 10:30 - 2 p.m.**

Bonnie Phillips

Exploring Water Soluble Oil painting for beginners and better. Learn the differences from traditional oil paints, how to develop your image, blending and color mixing. All ages welcome, students should be able to follow directions and work independently.

Cost \$43.00 per person, which includes painting supplies!

\*Please bring paper towels. Space is limited to 8. Sign up now to reserve your spot.



**Paint Pour Party**  
**\$30** all supplies included  
 3-5pm or 6-8pm  
 BYO Libations  
 Bring some friends, learn a new thing and get creative.

**Saturday, March 25, 3-6 p.m.**

Creative Junk Therapy

In this ongoing course, explore the basics of acrylic painting, as well as understanding composition, color, light and layering for depth and perspective. Space is limited to 8 Sign up now to reserve your spot. Cost \$25.00 per person, not including supplies, Supplies available for an additional \$5.00.

For recommended supply list visit [www.facebook.com/CreativeJunkTherapy/events/?ref=page\\_internal](https://www.facebook.com/CreativeJunkTherapy/events/?ref=page_internal)



Interested in Membership to the Brandon League of Fine Arts, please contact  
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