



ARIZONA ARTISTS GUILD

# Newsletter

## January



David Bradley will present a program on his Balkans Art Project at the AAG General meeting on Tuesday, January, 16, 2018.

David Bradley's presentation will be about socially engaged art and artists of the Balkans. The war-torn region has fostered artists who are politically and socially engaged with vibrant art practices.

Bradley is a Professor of Art at Paradise Valley Community College and actively engaged in his art practice. He is well traveled and brings his influence as both an instructor and an artist to the four corners of the globe. In 2017 he spent two one-month periods in Bosnia meeting with local artists and community members. He will be presenting on his experiences there and observation of the art and culture of the Balkans' regions he visited. Bradley is a lifetime member award recipient of AAG, has been President of AAG, and a active volunteer and board member.

### AAG COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Community outreach is the cornerstone of the Arizona Artists Guild's activities and is the main focus of our organization. We recognize the impact that art has on people's lives and its potential for facilitating healing, which is immeasurable.

AAG's Community outreach programs include the following programs: **Veterans' Art Outreach**, **The Mosaics**, and **The Girls**.

### AAG Membership News

AAG welcomes the following new members:

#### New Members:

Micheline Bendotti	Cassandra Ekblad
Sarai Ekblad	Becca Farmer
Veronica Francis	David Graham
Jim Holbert	Andrea Howlett
Dyanne Locati	Sandra Luehrsen
Jerry Murphy	Chun Hui Rosanthal
Johnny Tanner	Nancy Taylor
Kathy Wadsworth	Kerilee Wing

**Membership cards for 2018** are available for pick-up at Monthly AAG meetings.

The AAG Directory is only available to paid members as a PDF. Request your updated AAG 2018 Directory by email: [membership@arizonaartistsguild.net](mailto:membership@arizonaartistsguild.net). Be sure to write Membership Directory in the subject line and include your name in the email.

### Golden AAG Memberships

If you are 90+ years old and have been a member of AAG for at least 5 years, you become a Golden Member of AAG. As a Golden Member benefit your annual dues are waived. Please contact the membership chair, Laura Cohen-Hogan, if you qualify.

**It's Time to Renew Your AAG Membership, Dues Remain the Same.** Reminder: Please renew your membership. The fiscal year for membership runs from July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018. You may renew online or by downloading the membership form for 2018 Renewal forms will be available at AAG. Thank you.

### Art Supplies needed

Art Supply Exchange is one of AAG's most popular programs. Donated gently used art supplies are available at very reasonable prices. If you are interested in donating or purchasing supplies e-mail: [ArtSupply@ArizonaArtistsGuild.net](mailto:ArtSupply@ArizonaArtistsGuild.net) or call 602-944-9713.

Hours: Monday 9AM-12PM, AAG meetings 5-9pm, or by appointment.

**AAG meets the third Tuesday of the month at 5 PM for members and friends to socialize.**

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## AAG President's Message

Happy New Year.

Another year begins. I welcome this year with great enthusiasm; as for me it brings many exciting personal and professional opportunities. Among them is my upcoming trip to China to facilitate a leadership program, 'Giving Voice to Women in the Arts' for the World Academy for the Future of Women. I am honored to be one of 16 facilitators from across the US, with several from Arizona, spending 5 weeks working with 100 students enrolled in the academy.



My enthusiasm for the New Year does not wane when it comes to AAG. I am still riding high on the huge success of the Artstravaganza in December. In addition to raising funds for our outreach and scholarship programs, we had just shy of 100 people cross the threshold that evening (guests and volunteers combined) with over 40 non-members participating in the event. Laughter, excitement, and creativity filled the rafters. I want to extend a big thank you to everyone who volunteered and participated in making this event so successful. It was surely a special evening as several participants exclaimed, 'the best event AAG has ever had'.

Looking forward, AAG has many exciting events coming up from now through May 2018. Check out the website or flyers at AAG with the details on our upcoming workshops, exhibitions and programs.

This month: I will be facilitating a workshop based on over thirty years of Art Sales, called Selling from the H.E.A.R.T. I am in the rare position of having two successful careers in the arts. The first, I owned and operated a successful gallery for 25 years, after which I launched my career as an artist. I share the lessons and techniques I honed in over thirty years. Additionally, don't miss the closing reception and awards ceremony for the Winter Exhibition, January 14, 2018 from 2:00-4:00pm. On January 16, prepare to be inspired by David Bradley's presentation on socially engaged art and artists of the Balkans. The war-torn region has fostered artists who are politically and socially engaged with vibrant art practices. Additionally, join the sculptor's group meeting and critique at Dave Knorr's studio on January 8. Although I am not a sculptor, I always learn something from the meetings and enjoy the interactive and engaging conversations with artists engaged in their practices.

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## AAG General Meetings Schedule

5:00 – 5:30 Building is open for Members to socialize.  
 5:30 - 6:30 Pre-meeting Critique sessions for Members only, the public is invited to watch.  
 6:30 - 7:00 Members socialize, eat snacks, vote for Artist of the Month and get your raffle tickets.  
 7:00 - 7:20 Business meeting  
 7:30 – 8:30 **Meeting Program** starts featuring Artists/ Presenters.

Please help us keep to the schedule so that our featured [Artists/Presenters](#) will have time to share their work and knowledge in a more relaxed, welcoming atmosphere. Those members wanting to participate in the [Critique](#) need to bring artwork for artistic input. AAG Past President David Bradley and Ann Osgood will critique the artwork. At 6:30 the [Critique](#) ends and snacks will be available in the small studio.

## Remember AAG in your Estate Planning

Please remember AAG in your Estate Planning. AAG does invaluable work through outreach and scholarship programs primarily funded through the generosity of member and private donors.

For more information call Tess Mosko Scherer at 928-300-7185

## AAG Calendar

Check out the AAG calendar on the AAG web site for all upcoming events at:

<http://www.arizonaartistsguild.net>

## ART SUPPLY EXCHANGE SALE

### Ceramic Glazes, Frames, Paint, Paper and more!

Art Supply is open 9 am to noon Mondays and  
 5PM - 9PM AAG Meeting nights

## (President's Message continued)

In the spirit of the season, this time of year invites introspection and reflection, so I leave you with the following to consider: Is your artistic practice the same entering January 2018 as it was in January 2017? How has your work changed? What are the lessons gleaned from your studio in 2017? How have you grown as an artist?

Have a wildly creative month.

*Tess Mosko Scherer*

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**AAG - LIFE DRAWING**

OPEN SESSIONS: MEMBERS \$10.00 DRAWING FEE  
NON MEMBERS \$15.00 DRAWING FEE  
NO INSTRUCTION

MODEL RELEASE FORMS AVAILABLE FOR PHOTOGRAPHS -(at model's discretion)

Easels, tables provided or you may bring your own.

Bring supplies and coffee is provided

**January and February**

**ALL TUESDAYS - 9:30 AM - 12:30PM**

**LONG POSE**

**ALL THURSDAYS - 9:30 AM - 12:30PM**

**SHORT TO LONG POSES**

(except holidays)

Email Walt Wieder if you have any questions at  
wweider@uuma.org

**AAG - OPEN STUDIO**

**AAG OPEN STUDIO: MEMBERS FREE**

**NON MEMBERS \$10.00 DRAWING FEE**

**January and February**

**Mondays 9 AM - 12PM**

**Wednesday 5-7PM**

(NO Open Studio February 12)

Email Alicia Plogman if you have questions at  
aplogman@cox.net or salesxisw@aol.com

**AAG Calendar Highlights****Open Studio:**

Mondays 9AM - 12

Wednesday evenings 5-7PM

**Life Drawing:**

Tuesdays & Thursdays 9:30 AM -12:30PM

**AAG Critique Group:**

January 3, 2018 - 6-9:00 PM

**Sculptors' Group Meeting:**

January 8, 2018 - 7:-9:00 PM

**AAG Workshop: Selling from the H.E.A.R.T**

January 12, 2018- 10AM-4PM

**AAG Winter Exhibit Reception:**

January 14, 2018- 2-4 PM

**AAG Monthly Meeting:**

January 16, 2018- 5-9 PM

**AAG Veteran's Program:**

January 27, 2018, 10 AM - 2 PM at AAG

For details please see the AAG Calendar at:

<http://arizonaartistsguild.net/calendar/month.php?date=20160201>

**AAG Sculptors' Group**

The February 4th, 2018 Sculptor's Group Meeting from 7-9 PM at AAG. It will be by Tom Bollinger on Metal and Fabrication-with a discussion and presentation of his work



Tom Bollinger is a visual artist, living and working near Phoenix, Arizona. Born in North Dakota. Bollinger is a self-described "Sculptor". He is inspired by his observations and life experiences and

inspired by what he describes as the "hoped for.." in humanity. Bollinger seeks, by way of his exploration, to discover what is beneath the surface of what we are and what we see.

**AAG's greatest resource is its members! Please help AAG grow by being an AAG volunteer.**

## Artist of the Month

**Art of the Month will return after the January meeting since AAG had no December meeting. Remember to bring your artwork to the January meeting for consideration for Art of the Month.**

**Exciting News:** AAG has designated a space for the 2017-2018 monthly winning art, to be displayed for their month. Additionally, each Artist of the Month winner receives a ribbon, a cash prize of \$25, and the opportunity to compete for Artist of the Year.

Winning works return for the May meeting, where members vote for artist of the year. The Artist of the Year wins a cash prize of \$100.

All artists are celebrated at a show and reception for their work at the September Meeting. We will celebrate this years' (2017-2018) winners on September.

### AAG Critique Groups

The AAG Critique groups are small groups of members who meet monthly for a group critique. Open to AAG members, each group consists of about 10 people. Once the maximum is reached, the group is closed and a list of interested members is started for forming a new group. If you are interested in participating in a critique group, email: [info@arizonaartistsguild.net](mailto:info@arizonaartistsguild.net)

### How to become a juried member?

A guild member can become a 'Juried Member' when the member's artwork has been accepted in three (3) Guild juried membership shows. It is the responsibility of Associates to maintain a complete record of their acceptance in Guild Shows. The form may be downloaded from the back of the by-laws or available at the building. Submit this record to the Membership Chairperson. Title of Artwork, to be considered for 'juried member' status, must be different for each show location. To maintain 'Juried Member' status, dues must be kept current.

**Claude Monet**

***Colour is my day-long obsession and torment.***

### AAG Community Outreach Fine Art Exhibitions

The Arizona Artists Guild in partnership with the Beatitudes Foundation present on-going fine art exhibitions for their residents and guests. AAG juried members show for three months at this venue. The Beatitudes is located at 1610 W. Glendale Ave, Phoenix. The Current Exhibits include:

**Beatitudes:** December 6, 2107 – March 7, 2018



**Pat Rospenda**



**Nancy Long**

AAG member **Lisa M. Wayman** has published a book titled, ***Longing for Home***.

***Longing for Home*** is a tale of exploration, love, hardship, resilience and finding one's place in the world, set against the backdrop of the great American Age of Immigration. Check out her website at: [Lisawayman.com](http://Lisawayman.com)

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AmazonSmile works exactly like Amazon. If you already purchase through Amazon, please log in through **Smile.Amazon.com**. Be sure to select Arizona Artists Guild as your charity. A percentage of each purchase will go to AAG at no cost to you. When you click the order button, it will list what charity you selected.



### + AAG Artist Highlight Feature +

**Kelly Lamarr** has three artworks in the, Sunniest Place on Earth Juried Show at the Art Center, 254 S. Main St. Yuma AZ 85364. The exhibit runs from 11-25-2017 to 01-20-2018.

**Mark Woehrle** has two mixed media artworks at the, Glendale Arts Council 55th Annual Juried Fine Arts Competition at the Sahuaro Ranch Park, 59th Ave and Mountain View Road in Glendale, AZ. The exhibit runs from January 10-28, 2018. Gallery hours are 10AM - 5PM everyday.

#### AAA Veteran Program

In 2013, the Arizona Art Alliance implemented a program to give back to our Veterans through visual art instructions. "The Art of Healing" title was chosen to reflect our efforts to help Veterans deal with the wounds of war, and to honor the contribution that our Veterans provide to our country. Driven by the passions of Arizona Art Alliance Founder, John Fontana, an effective visual art program series was developed and coordinated with our member Veteran Outreach organizations of which the Arizona Artists Guild belongs.

Award-winning Artist and current recipient of the AZ Art Alliance's Hall of Honor, Ms. Rita Goldner, organized the curriculum, volunteer instructors, art supplies and logistics for the beginning programs. Four locations have now increased to seven with six Alliance member groups. This program is offered free of charge to Veterans. For more information on the AAG Visual Art Program which meets every fourth Saturday, contact [info@azartists-](mailto:info@azartists-)

#### AAG's Outreach Art Programs

AAG's Veterans' Art program introduces our Veterans' to a variety of art, mediums and techniques, like the October 28, 2017, AAG Veterans' program, which was a unique program presented by Karen Weingartner. She did a very successful Alcohol Ink project that the Veterans' greatly enjoyed.

This program is supported by AAG donations and funding from the Arizona Arts Alliance. It's designed to provide meaningful art instruction to Veterans of US Military Service for free.



The AAG Mosaics Art program is led by Karen Weingartner, with the assistance of Beth Grandall and Tess Mosko Scherer. They work with Native American Elders and non-English speaking adult refugees using art as a common language. The art program was on embossing metal.

AAG also offers a monthly program to young girls who have survived sexual abuse and trafficking. The program is led by Lisa Wayman, Karen Weingartner, and Tess Mosko Scherer. This past month's program featured creating masks.



#### Ceramic Classes for Veterans'

Arizona Artists Guild is proud to partner with Paradise Valley Community College to offer a ceramics program to Veterans' and their family members.

***Please Help Support The AAG's Veteran Art Program!***

**Arizona Artists Guild's WINTER JURIED EXHIBIT**, November 19, 2017 - January 16, 2018

January 14, 2018	Closing reception and awards, 2 - 4 PM
January 16, 2018	Artwork pick-up after closing of the monthly meeting
January 17, 2018	Artwork pick-up, 5-7 PM

**Open Media Art Classes**

AAG is excited to welcome Open Media Art Classes with Mark Christopher. The classes will be on Mondays, 10AM - 2PM, they began on July 24, 2017 at AAG.

For more information Email Mark at: [MarkChristopherArt@gmail.com](mailto:MarkChristopherArt@gmail.com) and check out his web site at: [www.MarkChristopherArt.com](http://www.MarkChristopherArt.com).

**Guild School of Art News**

Tess Mosko Scherer will present a workshop: Selling from the H.E.A.R.T, on January 12, 2018, from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM at the AAG building.

In this workshop Mosko Scherer will share her H.E.A.R.T. approach to selling, giving you the tools to direct a sales conversation with confidence and clarity. This is an opportunity to become your best sales force, without feeling like the 'used car salesperson'. You will leave this workshop with a solid set of tools to approach your art sales in a way that is comfortable for you, and in alignment with who you are.

You can register by emailing [info@arizonaartistsguild.net](mailto:info@arizonaartistsguild.net) or online through the website. \$65.00 for members and \$75.00 for non-members.

**Exhibition Opportunity**

Those who wish to show their art on First Friday can do so. A driveway space is available at the Bird Song Coffee and Tea Shop. (It used to be the Red Dog Gallery). 812 North 3rd Street. Call John Erwin for details at 602-404-5310. There is room for several more artists.

**Arizona Art Alliance News**

The Arizona Art Alliance is a non-profit organization currently staffed by volunteers with a membership of Arizona-based art groups. The member groups represent thousands of visual artists who produce fine art in over a dozen mediums.

The AZ Art Alliance is pleased to announce that the Alliance is sponsoring a new exhibit opportunity for their participating art leagues. This program is called " *A League of their Own*" which will take place during the months of June and July of 2018 at the Holland Gallery of Fine Art in Scottsdale. The AAG was chosen for the month of July 2018. More information will be made available in the coming months.

Your AAG representative is Kathy Rose who can be reached at [kearose@juno.com](mailto:kearose@juno.com).

**Evening Open Studio**

All AAG members are welcome to attend the Evening Open Studio on Wednesdays from 5-7PM. The Open Studio provides room to work on large pieces, camaraderie, and lively conversation about art and the creative process.

***Please Support The AAG Scholarship Fund!***

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**ARTISTS INFORMATION**


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## AAG Programs, Exhibitions, Workshops and the AAG Sculptors Group

**AAG Programs:** Critique 5:30 - 6:30 | Break | 7:00-7:20 Business | 7:30 - 9:00 Presentation  
 January 16, 2018 | David Bradley | Reflections on the Balkans  
 February 20, 2018 | Travis Ivey | Presentation on Glass Work

**2017-2018 AAG Exhibition Calendar:** visit [ArizonaArtistsGuild.net](http://ArizonaArtistsGuild.net) for entry information.

**90th Anniversary Exhibition at Sky Harbor Museum:** October 28, 2017 - May 13, 2018.

**Winter Exhibition:** November 19, 2017 - January 15, 2018. Reception January 14, 2018, 2-4PM

**AAG Workshops:** Visit, [ArizonaArtistsGuild.net](http://ArizonaArtistsGuild.net), for more information

**Tess Mosko Scherer: Selling from the H.E.A.R.T,** Friday, January 12, 2018, 10-4PM

**Tessa Wendt:** Sculptural Painting, Friday, February 2, 2016, 10-4PM

**Travis Ivey:** Painting from Photographs, Friday, March 16, 2018, 10-4PM

**Sculptors' Group:** 7:00 - 9:00 PM, See Website for location

January 8, 2018 | Dave Knorr | Mixed Media-Discussion and presentation of his work.

February 4, 2018 | Tom Bollinger | Metal and Fabrication- Discussion and presentation of his Work.

**AAG Events:** visit [ArizonaArtistsGuild.net](http://ArizonaArtistsGuild.net) for more information

Open Studio: Mondays 9AM-12PM | Wednesdays 5-7PM

Life Drawing: Tuesdays and Thursdays - 9:30AM-12:30PM

**Veterans Art Program:** Fourth Saturday of the month | [info@ArizonaArtistsGuild.net](mailto:info@ArizonaArtistsGuild.net) for details

## AAG Artstravaganza, December 8, 2017, IMAGES:

This awesome program featured: Glass blowing Ornaments with TJ Marco, Horsehair Raku Pottery and Firing with David L Bradley, 3-D body scanning and printing with Andrew Noble, Alcohol Ink projects with John Erwin and Kathy Rose.



The [Artstravaganza](#) is AAG's primary fundraiser. It has been designed to give people creative experience in mediums they might never get to explore. It was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone!

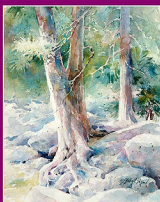
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Thank you [Arizona Art Supply](#) for your donations to AAG. I'd like to encourage our members to support the people who support AAG. Think about [Arizona Art Supply](#) when you need art supplies

## Scheduling the AAG Building

If you wish to contact AAG for scheduling meetings, etc. at the AAG Building please email us. The email address is:

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John Ruskin

*The purest and most thoughtful minds are those which love color most.*

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