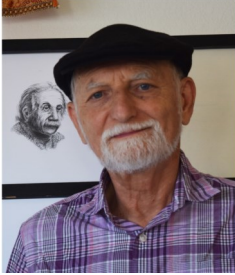




ARIZONA ARTISTS GUILD Newsletter

A WORD FROM AAG PRESIDENT, IVAN HALVORSON....



February is the month of love. Do you remember your childhood love - your teenage crush? This is a good time to recall these moments. Reliving these treasured moments can warm your heart spark your creativity. You don't have to paint a 40 million dollar Bougureau. Even a simple cut and paste project will do just fine. Give it a try.

I would like to thank Carmen Timm for the stellar work she is doing with workshops and demos. I sat in on the John Erwin Zoom workshop and it was a valuable learning experience. He has another workshop coming up on February 26th - don't miss it. I learn a lot

from John Erwin and his workshops. For Example , you want distinct horizontals, verticals and contrast in every painting. Another thought someone pointed out in John's last workshop is that you can travel the world on Google. You can do your travel sketches and paintings without leaving your studio. I look forward to taking on this challenge.

AAG workshops provide us with an opportunity to safely enjoy one another's company while improving our artistic skills.

Remember to check out the website often to keep up to date with what AAG has to offer.

And do not forget to shop at the AAG Art Supply Exchange. Alicia Plogman has a lot of new and used art supplies for sale. To make an appointment phone Alicia at (602)788-4016. Donations are always welcome. The money helps keep the lights on at AAG.

In closing let's use this pandemic shutdown time to take our artistic skills up to the next level. Great artists tell us it's practice, practice and practice that separates the amateur from the professional. Now is the time to produce your best work.

Do keep safe
Best Regards
Ivan Halvorson



Fun Member News!

Velvet Tetrault has been accepted into the juried art exhibition called "Make me Laugh", Jan 20 - Feb 25 at the budding Ground Floor Artists Gallery, 13343 W. Foxfire Dr. Suite #3, Surprise, AZ 85378. Two of her paintings were entered and accepted: "Birthday Party" and "Ice Cream World Under Ice". The hours that the gallery is opened are Wednesdays - Saturdays 10am-4pm.

For these two paintings, Velvet indicates her motivation was experimentation and precision. She experimented with templates and ink incorporated with the acrylic in "Birthday Party," and with puff paints, embossing enamels, inks, and acrylic gel mediums for "Ice Cream World Under Ice." Painting realistically is an on-going goal of Velvet's. She enjoys florals, but also painting animals, experimenting with hair texture, and warm/cool sides. Long-range goal is to paint an SF/Fantasy series. She studies her "heroes" like John Singer Sargent & Boris Vallejo. Velvet paints landscapes - studying Hudson River School landscapes. As per Velvet, "The only thing remaining is my confidence in myself to pull it off." Thank you, Velvet!



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2021 Guild School of Art Workshop Schedule

Be sure to mark your calendars!



John Erwin | Cows, Boats, & Fun Florals Watercolor Painting
Friday, February 26, 2021 | 10:00 am – 1:00 pm Location: via Zoom

Here is another opportunity to take John Erwin's virtual workshop while staying at home and staying safe from the coronavirus. John will walk you through every step of the way to complete a painting in just three hours. He instructs in a way that will help you will learn the basics of color and design to create well-balanced paintings. John's workshops are fun and inspiring. All levels of skill are welcome.

Zoom workshop. Registered participants will receive a material list and a link to the workshop via email.



Cost: AAG members: \$35 | non-members: \$40

John Erwin | Florals, Birds, & Seascapes

April 16, 2021 | 9:00 am – 3:00 pm Location: Arizona Artists Guild

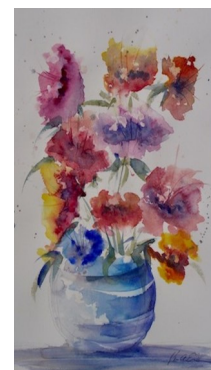
In this workshop, we will create Birds, Florals & Seascapes paintings using watercolors.

You will experience step -by -step instruction in watercolor. We will work wet-into-wet as well as wet-on-to-dry. We will discuss focal points, value plans, and color choices.

This workshop is for painters of all levels. Join us for this fun-filled workshop!

John will supply a materials list, but you are free to use the colors and brushes you normally use.

Cost: AAG Members \$70; Non-members \$80



Trevor Swanson | Nature in General | Oil

April 21, 2021, 9am-3pm Location: Arizona Artists Guild

Trevor provides an overview of the design and painting process used to create a finished work. While this normally takes weeks to accomplish, we will do as much as we can to go over a lot of the techniques and tricks to create detail and bring a subject to life. Trevor creates a fun learning experience, and welcomes beginners as well as advanced students. We all have something to learn from each other. This workshop will be face to face and held at Arizona Artists Guild.

Cost: \$70/members / \$80 non-members



Visit ArizonaArtistGuild.net for details and to register for the upcoming workshops.

Direct questions to Workshop Chair: Carmen Timm at ctimm0128@gmail.com 602-501-6720

AAG Monthly Virtual Meetings

February General Meeting - February 16, 2021 via Zoom | 5:30 -7:00 pm

Artist Critique: Veteran artists David Bradley, Ann Osgood, and Art Smith facilitate your monthly critique. The critiques are direct and focused, stemming from years of teaching experience combined with personal practice and is the opportunity for us to get that valuable critique for our current and recent projects.

Constance McBride and Art Smith are joining us this month to present the awards and share the experience. This is a monthly meeting you will not want to miss! Log in at 5:30 for the critique followed by the **Presentation of Awards**. Please feel free to share the link with your friends and families – all are welcome!

<https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tjcpceiorDwiE9Xv6YJ5Ymjh0vSCyutLzAMq>

Our February Demonstrator/Presenter is **Sherry Kimmel: Mixed Media Collage Watercolor**

Sherry Kimmel will demonstrate a metaphoric painting of “*Raining Cats & Dogs*.” Sherry is a Signature Member of the Arizona Watercolor Association and The Contemporary Watercolorists of Arizona. She is recognized for her outstanding exhibited works and teaches classes at Arizona Art Supply in downtown Phoenix. Sherry is known for unique experimentation in a variety of techniques including mono printing on a handmade gelatin plate and most recently a custom order for a 22 x30 print using branches from a Eucalyptus tree. Sherry will demonstrate her techniques and share the art she produces from the Gelli plate.



Art by
Sherry Kimmel

Coming...

March 16, 2021 - David Bradley Something New & Exciting!

April 20, 2021 - Presentation by Scholarship Recipients

May 18, 2021 - Elaine Waters Take a “ho-hum” painting & turn it into something wonderful.

Artist of the Month - Virtual Competition

Submit to the Artist of the Month Competition:

Submit your entry through the portal on the website by the 5th of each month. Members vote for one piece of art by the tenth of the month. Winners will be announced at the general meeting and images will be posted on the AAG website and social media. Each Artist of the Month winner receives a ribbon, a cash prize of \$25, and the opportunity to compete for Artist of the Year. Once an artist receives the Artist of the Month distinction they are ineligible to enter for the remainder of the year.

Submit your work for the critique:

Visit ArizonaArtistsGuild.com to submit through the online portal. One piece per member.

Submissions must be received by 5pm each Monday before the meeting.

Be sure to Register in advance for the Zoom meetings:

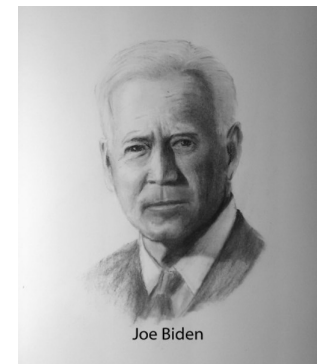
Congratulations January Artist of the Month, Henry Bosak, “Coffee with the Family, Acrylic, 8 x 10

Henry and his wife have recently moved to Gilbert. Involved with art all of his life, he was always drawing and painting, and is currently a graphic/commercial artist, Henry only lately sees himself also as a professional artist dedicating himself to a regular painting schedule. Regardless of canvas size, Henry uses a #4 round brush. He works in acrylics (Golden OPEN specifically) and uses only Ultramarine blue, Cadmium Yellow, Cadmium Red and White.

Henry finds inspiration in contrasts, light and dark especially when it involves metal, chrome, rust and detail. He paints realism, not striving for photographic impressions, but a realistic representation of the subject. Henry shows his work at {9}TheGallery in Phoenix.



January 1st Place Winner:
Henry Bosak,
Coffee with the Family, Acrylic 8 by 10



January 2nd Place
Ivan Halvorson, *Joe Biden*,
pencil on paper

Outreach Programs

The Outreach Program is an important part of Arizona Artists Guild mission and vision. Since June (due to Covid), we have offered online classes for Veterans and Survivors of Suicide via Zoom. Classes are well attended and enjoyable. Curriculum is designed to use a limited amount of materials, so even if you just have a pencil and paper you can leave the class with a finished piece of art. Funding is available to provide art materials and supplies if needed.

Please email Tess at admin@ArizonaArtistsGuild.net for more information.

Veterans Art Outreach Program: is open to all veterans. Classes meet via zoom 4th Saturday each month at 10AM.
Survivors of Suicide class is open to anyone whose life has been touched by suicide, whether by loss or attempt. Classes meet 4th Saturday each month at 3pm.

Through the magic of Zoom, participants from across the globe are welcome to join in.

Please visit the website to register for the Zoom classes

AAG's Outreach Program is made possible through private donations and funded in part by the **Arizona Art Alliance**, **Arizona Commission on the Arts**, **City of PHX Art and Culture**, **Office of Veterans Affairs** and **Your Art Your Story**.



Ceramic Art Program for Veterans

AAG is proud to partner with Paradise Valley Community College to offer in-person ceramic art classes to Veterans. The class is part of a research study for 10 to 60 Veterans. During this research you will make pottery and have the option to do art in between classes if you would like. Visit the website [for additional information & printable flyer](#)

MODULE 1 of the AAG PVCC Ceramic Program for vets is off to a good start. Eleven Veterans got their hands dirty and hearts ignited sculpting an animal out of clay. The facilitators were amazed by the quality of their efforts which included a rhino, meerkat, a fish, a chicken, parrot, two cats, two pigs, a dog and a squirrel. In the words of George Orwell, "All animals are equal, but some animals are more equal than others." – and all these were equally great!!

The next module begins March 6 and is open to any Veteran who has not participated in an AAG veterans art class.

MODULE 2: Pottery on the Wheel | March 6, 20, April 3, 10 17 & May 1, 2021

MODULE 3: Raku | May 8, 15, 29, & June 5, 12, 19, 2021

Contact David Bradley at David.Bradley@ParadiseValley.edu for more info.



In partnership with AAG, Paradise Valley Community College, with funding provided by the National Endowment for the Arts.

Arizona Art Alliance 6 X 6 FunRaiser To benefit art classes for Veterans Survivors of Suicide - Through 02/14/2021

The FunRaiser is a huge success. The Fun will come to an end on February 14. You still have time to donate canvases or to shop for that special someone for Valentine's Day. Each finished 6x6 canvas is \$20 and is available at this [link](#).



Contact Tess Mosko Scherer for more info: Info@AzArtAlliance.com

Be sure to check back regularly - new work is added as work is sold.

Note: Art work can be shipped for an additional \$7 or picked up locally at
[Arizona Artists Guild](#) || 18411 N. 7th Ave, Phoenix, Az 85023

Hours for pickup are scheduled by appointment: Tess Mosko Scherer info@AzArtAlliance.com



ArizonaArtistsGuild.net 602-944-9713

AAG Exhibitions 2021

AAG Winter Exhibition | February 1 – February 28, 2021 Virtual Exhibition

The Arizona Artists Guild Winter Exhibition is an annual exhibition and an AAG tradition. This year, the show marks another milestone in the history of AAG – our first virtual exhibition! This unprecedented time in our history is marked by a reliance on technology as we have never before. AAG is in the forefront of using technology to communicate, educate, and exhibit. This show features 131 submissions by 53 members of AAG.

Our esteemed jurors, Art Smith and Constance McBride. Jurors live in New Jersey and Pennsylvania respectively. Art and Constance worked together to jury our exhibit. Thank you technology! The show is a collection of outstanding work by AAG Juried and Associate members.

The virtual gallery of the exhibit can be found on the Arizona Artists Guild website: <http://www.arizonaartistsguild.net/aag-winter-exhibition-2021/>

Constance McBride and Art Smith are joining us via zoom on **Tuesday February 16, 2021** to present the awards and share the experience. This is a monthly meeting you will not want to miss! Log in at 5:30 for the critique followed by the Presentation of Awards. Please feel free to share the link with your friends and families – all are welcome!

<https://zoom.us/join/joinMeeting/register/tjcpceiorDwiE9Xv6YJ5YmJh0vSCyutLzAMq>



Art Smith | mixed media



Constance McBride
Clay Sculpture



AAG Statewide Exhibition | April 15- May 15, 2021

Location: Virtual & Mood Room - 3121 North 3rd Avenue Suite 100, Phoenix 85013 (Park Central)

This exhibit is open to all residents of Arizona. Membership in AAG is not required for this exhibition.

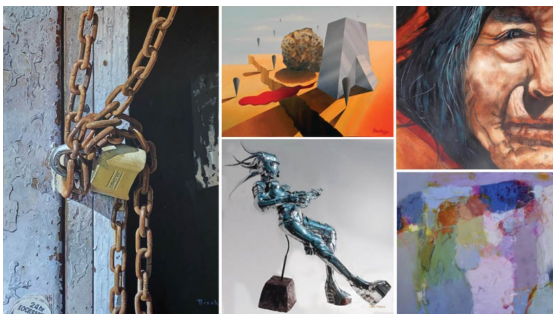
This is a big opportunity for networking and exposure. The mood room is a new gallery concept by Artlink, Inc. that seeks to address the needs of 21st century artistic practice. The mood room was founded in 2020 at Park Central in Phoenix in order to connect the events and services that Artlink provides to artists while expanding the kinds of support that cultural creatives need in order to grow their personal vision into transformative art experiences. The aim of the mood room is to promote the arts in every medium by connecting creatives with new exhibition opportunities, special projects, growing patronage, cultural influencers, and the collective resources of arts organizations from across the Valley and beyond.

Awards include: Best of Show \$1000 cash, Award of Excellence \$500 cash, Award of Merit \$250 cash

Important Dates: Submissions: March 1 – March 31, 2021, Notification to Artists: April 7, 2021

Reception: Details to be announced **Visit the AAG website for details.**

Jurors: Barbara Kemp Cowlin - Ann Morton - Dr. Grant Vetter



Arizona Art Alliance announces a call for art
INTERPRETATIONS VI
A Juried Fine Art Exhibition & Sale | Hybrid (virtual and inperson)
Exhibition Dates: March 2 - March 30, 2021
Open to the member artists of the Arizona Art Alliance member Arts Organizations
WHAM Art Center | 16560 N. Dysart Rd., Surprise, AZ 85378

Arizona Art Alliance call for Art: Interpretations VI

The 6th Annual Arizona Art Alliance WHAM West Gallery Exhibit is open to all members in good standing of any affiliated Arizona Art Alliance Member Arts Organization (AAG is included). "Interpretations" is open to inspire all artists to interpret what they see, feel, and hear, and apply it to their artwork. Artists may submit 3 pieces; however, artists can submit twice and pay a second entry fee. 6 for \$70)

02/15/21- 6PM: Deadline Entries/Fees - Artists Notified on 02/21/21

Exhibition Dates: 03/02-03/30, 2021, Tuesday-Saturday 10am – 4pm

Location: Hybrid Virtual/Physical at WHAM West Gallery – 16560 N.

Dysart Rd., Surprise 85378 (623)-584-8311 & on the Arizona Art Alliance Website. It will also be promoted through Social Media platforms.

Cash & Ribbon Awards: 1st Place \$400, 2nd Place \$300, 3rd Place \$200,

President's Award \$100. For more information: <https://azartalliance.com/exhibits-events-2/> or contact Tess Mosko Scherer info@AzArtAlliance.com.

Good News!

AAG RESUMES LIFE DRAWING IN-PERSON.

**PLEASE CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR UPDATES, OR
CLICK HERE TO [SIGN UP FOR EMAIL INFORMATION.](#)**

Tuesdays only, 9:30am - 12:30pm



Due to Covid, capacity is **limited to 10 people**. You must **pre-register** through the website for each session. Pre-registration is required for admission.

Workspace locations are marked on the floor to assure adherence to social distancing guidelines. Please stay within that space.

Email the Life Drawing Chair for more information: johnheckman@gmail.com

Please check the website for updates.

THE ART SUPPLY EXCHANGE

Looking for donations.

This is a great time to clear out those gently used art materials and supplies.

The Closet is open Thursdays 9am-12pm or by appointment, and strictly adheres to all CDC guidelines: Please wear a mask and abide by social distancing protocols. We have a special sale of large frames w/plexi & matt in pristine condition.

Check out our corner of FREE Books & Magazines. Contact Alicia Plogman to schedule an appointment or drop in during weekly hours:

aplogman@icloud.com | 602-788-4016

We pick up Art Supply donations.



AAG Scholarship Program:

AAG is pleased to announce the 28th annual call for applicants for the [AAG Visual Arts Scholarships](#). On average 4-6 scholarships are awarded each spring. This year **\$10,000 will be awarded. Up to \$3000 will be available to student/s working with Water Media (watercolor, water based ink, etc) in partnership with AWA Del Decil Scholarship.**

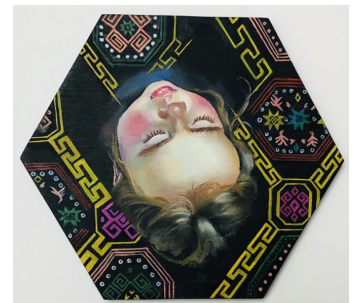
The panel of jurors select work based on quality, a cohesive body of work and clear documentation, along with a well written personal statement. This year's jurors are Ann Osgood, Laura Cohen-Hogan, David Bradley and Dyanne Locati from AWA. Tess Mosko Scherer is the Scholarship Chair working with the jurors, students, schools and coordinating events.

Scholarship recipients exhibit submitted work plus 3 additional works chosen by the curators in a virtual show hosted by AAG. The show is promoted through social media. AAG also offers all winners an honorary guild membership for one year. This provides opportunities for growth in networking, leadership, & mentoring along with juried exhibition opportunities & workshop engagement. This is a wonderful opportunities for AAG members to network with the students.

The Scholarship program is funded by generous donations from private donors, bequests, the art supply exchange, and the monthly raffle. Hosting our monthly meetings virtually has reduced the flow of donations that would normally occur during monthly meetings (raffle, shopping at the exchange, or direct donations). **Can we count on you to participate this year?** There is a donate button on our website, you may mail a check, or schedule a time with Alicia to come in & shop or drop off your donation. A donation of \$1000 or more creates a scholarship in your name. Please consider adding AAG to your estate planning. Feel free to call Tess to discuss the process and the options. admin@arizonaartistsguild.net.

Your donation makes a difference in someone else's life. Thank you for being a part of that.

Tess Mosko Scherer



Works from 2020 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS
Gabriel Vinas (ASU Grad Student) & Wei Wei-Miller (U of A UG)

Welcome New Member

♥ Erica Black ♥

Membership dues are the primary source of income for AAG. Membership benefits are many, most of them concerning exhibitions, workshops and other group activities. As we prepare for the upcoming year, I invite you to continue your membership as a way to support AAG and to stay connected during this unprecedented time.

Membership Directory. Request your updated AAG 2020/21 by emailing: membership@arizonaartistsguild.net. Write "Membership Directory" in the subject line and include your name in the email.

Golden AAG Memberships Eligibility: If you are 90+ years old and have been a member of AAG for at least 5 years.

Juried Membership Eligibility: An Associate member becomes a Juried Member after acceptance into three (3) AAG juried shows. Be sure to maintain a complete record of the title of the art and the exhibition title and date it was in. Download the application from the website. Mail it to AAG or Email it to Laura Cohen-Hogan, Membership Chairperson.

Dues must be current to maintain 'Juried Member' status. Visit ArizonaArtistsGuild.net for more details or direct inquiries to Laura Cohen-Hogan at creativeproject@icloud.com.

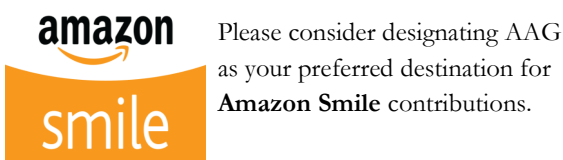
Arizona Artists Guild is an organization devoted to visual art in all media. AAG was founded in 1928, just 16 years after Arizona's statehood and continues to be a place for artists of all types to gather together for creative sharing and learning. Since that time many notable artists have come through our doors. Today AAG has over 300 active members ranging in artistic experience from the beginner to the retired master.

Arizona Artists Guild promotes excellence in the arts in all media. Our members' artwork runs the gamut: with some steeped in tradition while others explore the contemporary techniques of this digital era; from figurative to non-objective. Our workshops, programs and exhibitions convey this diversity.

All who are interested in the creative aspects of life are welcome to attend AAG monthly meetings, participate in workshops and join our guild. As artists, we are united in the joys and the struggles of making something new and communicating a message, of mastering tools, materials, and ideas. It's the creative journey that binds us. We all know that as easy as it may look, making art is not easy.

Membership is made up of professional as well as aspiring artists working in a variety of media. The Guild offers five types of membership: Associate, Juried, Honorary, Golden and Life.

Arizona Artists Guild is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization led by volunteers dedicated to providing and promoting opportunities in the visual arts including exhibitions, education, and outreach programs.



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AAG General Meetings

Join us on the third Tuesday of each month from September through May, except for December, for an evening of socializing with artists of all media, informative and entertaining presentations by experts in their fields, critiques of member artworks, and competition for Artist of the Month. Meetings via Zoom until further notice.



THANK YOU



Thank you [Arizona Art Supply](#) for your continued support and generosity to AAG. Monthly donations support the raffle which in turn supports Outreach and Scholarship Programs. Be sure to visit [Arizona Art Supply](#) when you need art supplies and ask about AAG membership discounts.

Thank you [Scottsdale Printing](#) for the beautiful work on the newsletter and tending to our other printing projects. We appreciate your excellent service and attention to detail. Be sure to visit [Scottsdale Printing](#) for your printing needs.

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