

November Newsletter

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Jodie Taylor

November Artist of the Month Jodie Taylor

All my adult life I have been in professions involving people, design and color, i.e. hair styling, landscape and interior design, and more recently painting. My work is loose and very rich with color. The primary focus of my work is the landscape and it's ever-changing light. There is so much natural beauty and I attempt to capture the essence of that beauty and to evoke that awareness in the viewer. The greatest gift I can receive is to know that others may see what I wish to convey.

My training has been accomplished by attending many workshops conducted by various artists --- classes with Finis Collins, Mary Hetherington, Mary Ellen Breckenridge, Ben Konis, Ann Templeton, Terry Ludwig, Bob Rohm, Clive Tyler, Mary McIntosh, and Richard Lundgren. I am teaching what I have learned, but continue to try staying fresh by attending classes.

I have entered local, state, regional, and national exhibitions and have been fortunate to have won numerous awards. My art hangs in private homes and offices in AR, CA, MO, MD, NM, TX, & WI. I am a juried member of the Degas Pastel Society and Coppini Academy of Fine Art. I am a Past President and a Signature Member of the Ozark Pastel Society and a Charter Member of the Arkansas Pastel Society. I maintain a membership in the Pastel Society of NM and, after moving back to TX in 2008, I became a member of the Texas Pastel Society, the San Antonio Art League and Museum, and a displaying member of the New Braunfels Art League.

Acrylic Ink Demo for November Meeting - Julie McCollum

Julie McCollum developed a love of watercolor in college, from a favorite class and instructor at Kansas State University. Her work also included oils, sculpture and some pottery, but experimenting with the transparency of watercolor combined with mixed media, collage and some calligraphy allows her to take a favorite subject and paint it in a very unique way.

Julie, who resides on Canyon Lake in the beautiful Hill Country of Texas, is a member of the Texas Watercolor Society, San Antonio Art League, New Braunfels Art League and the River Art Group. She has received awards from Alaska, Georgia, Kansas and Texas Watercolor Societies. Julie is active in local art shows and her work is represented by the New Braunfels Art League, the Gallerie at Gruene, and NanEtte Richardson Fine Art Gallery in San Antonio. "I have been painting and drawing ever since I can remember. I cannot imagine not creating, painting, or exploring art. Every painting presents unique challenges and opportunities, but when all is said and done, painting is a real joy."

Over the years, she has attended numerous workshops with such notables in the Arts as Charles Reid, Gerald Brommer, and Virginia Cobb.

2014 Classes at NBAL

Angie Banta Brown, Watercolor, Wednesdays from 9:00am to 12:00pm. *Oil Painting,* Thursdays, from 9:00am to 1:00pm. Call 830-609-2581.

<u>Linda C. Jacobson</u>, Children's Art Classes (ages 5 -13), in painting, drawing and other mediums, Call 830-624-5302 or visit online at www.casadelinda.com for a complete schedule.

Anne McCoy, Watercolor, Mondays from 6:00pm to 8:30pm Call 830-629-6836.

<u>Julie McCollum</u>, *Experimental Painting*, 4th Tuesday of each month from 10:00am to 3:00pm. Call 830-223-5018.

<u>Nan Netherland</u>, Mixed Media Painters, Fridays from 1:00pm to 4:00pm. Call 830-625-4374.

Lynda Medore, Jewelry, Mondays from 1 pm to 3:30 pm. Call 830-358-0186

Vie Dunn-Harr, Painting and Problem Solving, in medium of choice, 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month from 1:00pm to 4:30pm and 6-9:30pm. \$70 plus \$4 in studio fees per month for either afternoon or evening session. Call 210-532-8036, or e-mail vie@dunn-harrstudios.com.

<u>Trace Guthrie</u>, <u>Clay Sculpture</u>, weekly sessions on Thursdays for 4 session commitment. Cost: \$80 + \$8 NBAL studio fee for 4 consecutive sessions. Next set of sessions drops to \$70/4. Time:2:00 - 5:00 - Back room studio, 830-609-6196 tguthrie7@gmail.com

See <u>www.newbraunfelsartleague.com</u> for more information on workshops or classes.

2014/15 Workshops at NBAL

Wendy Volpe, Fused Glass, Nov 10, Christmas Ornament Workshop, \$90, plus \$20 supply fee For info please call Wendy-936-662-0845

<u>Kim Roberti</u>, Oils November 22-24, Cost \$275, Deposit \$100 (full with waiting list)

Vie Dunn-Harr Collage, Jan 16-18, Cost \$360, \$100 Deposit, Pay in full by Dec 15.

Kay Reinke, "Let's Go Abstracting," Feb 21-22, all skill Levels, \$ 175 includes NBAL studio fee. For info call Kay 830-708-1436 or kayreinke@gmail.com

Carlene Reeves, "Painting Outdoors in a Garden Setting," April 18-20, Cost: \$300, Deposit \$100 Required.

Elizabeth St. Hilaire Nelson, Collage, June 26-28,
Payment plans available, \$445, \$150 deposit, for info
apinchofwonder@gmail.com

Go to Website for more information:

www.newbraunfelsartleague.com

also look on Facebook: New Braunfels Art League, click on "events"

Workshop Contact for Deposits and Registration:

Sandy Oberg, 1400 Greystone Dr., New Braunfels, TX 78132, 210-861-0751,

email: oberglabs@aol.com

Make checks payable to NBAL and be sure to indicate on the check which workshop you will be taking, along with a phone number and email address.

Here is the slate of officers for NBAL for 2015,

President: Barbara Blaschke
1st Vice President: Arlene Rhodes
2nd Vice President: Mary K. Hammond
3rd Vice President: Tom Bender
Treasurer: Lynn Gabenski

Asst. Treasurer: Terri Dauk Secretary: JoAnn Beissner Parliamentarian: Vicki Smith President Emeritus: Elaine Felder

Thank You Flo Biggs

Flora "Flo" Biggs has been a fixture at New Braunfels Art League for more than a decade. An award-winning artist, she has contributed not only her art but thousands of hours of her time to the organization. For many years she served as assistant treasurer for the organization before taking on the Treasurer duties. This is not just writing checks and keeping the books up although that is a daunting task. She calculates and pays the Artist share of the sales each month, pays our sales taxes on the sales and makes payments to keep the lights on and the water running. She also trains her assistants so that they can accurately post our sales to the accounting system. She is a major player in preparing our request for Hotel/Motel funds to the City of New Braunfels. She is responsible for ensuring that the annual report to the IRS is filed. Additionally she is the point man to make sure we are insured, the air conditioners function and so forth. But Flo doesn't stop there.



If there is a committee that needs a member she will volunteer. Flo is committed to community service both in New Braunfels and in Canyon Lake where she resides. She volunteers at the Tye Preston Memorial Library once a week and her smiling presence is also available at the Canyon Lake Chamber of Commerce. A beloved member of the art league and the Canyon Lake area, Flo Biggs works tirelessly for the betterment of her community. Another example of her dedication to the arts is that she drives to San Antonio La Villita once a month to volunteer an eight-hour day for the River Arts Group. Thank you Flo! Barbara Blaschke

Monet and the Seine: Impressions of a River On view October 26 - February 1 Houston Museum of Fine Arts

<u>Monet and the Seine: Impressions of a River</u> This exhibition brings together more than 50 paintings from locations around the world. Beginning with scenes of leisure activities, modern life, and cityscapes along the Seine, the presentation culminates in the ethereal works from the Impressionist painter's famous *Mornings on the Seine* series.

Recycling

We are continuing to recycle at the city's recycle center at 488 S. Castell St., next to the old city hall building. Their hours are Tuesday through Saturday from 8-4 with a half hour closing for lunch from 12-12:30.

Here's the items they will take: all plastic marked with numbers 1-7 (on the bottom of the container) EXCEPT for plastic bags and wrapping (usually put on cardboard boxes), juice and milk cartons, boxes used for packing cereal and grain with the inside packing removed, shredded paper in bags sealed shut and cardboard boxes.

If you can help with removing such items from the Gallery and taking them to the recycle center, please let Marianne Mitchell know. She is here only twice a month when she will take things to be recycled. It's mainly around meeting and reception times that we collect a larger amount of items so please step up and help out.



Judge with 1st place winners and Sponsor's choice Roger Betschler ,Susan Raine, Denise Conley, Tamara Van Horn (not pictured Mary Johnson and Daryl Patrick)



Susan Raine



Scott Haag, President of Wurstfest and Fred Hanz, Grosse Opa and Spass Meister



Photo By Darryl Patrick



Painting by J. L. Chang

Upcoming Meetings and Events

November

Nov 12 Final day of "ARToberfest" show

Nov 13 Pick up unsold work from show

Nov 14 9am-1pm submission

Holiday Show

Nov 18 NBAL meetings

Nov 21 Holiday Show reception 5-

8pm

Gallery closed Thanksgiving

December

No December meetings Closed Christmas day Dec 30 Pick up unsold art from Holiday show

January

Closed Jan 1 Jan 20 NBAL meetings

Docent/Member Notices

NBAL meetings are the third Tuesday of each month (except no meeting in December).

November meeting:

Tues, Nov 18

Executive Board 10:30, Team Board 12:30, General Meeting 2:00 with demo

We are all saddened by the loss of two of our members, Bill McDonald and Wanda McNeill. They will be missed. See information about Wanda on the last page of the email version of the newsletter.

Sales Report

Artist Sales Report for September 2014

48 Artist had sales, Top 10 were Sherry Wooley, Tom Bender, Molly White, Kathy Perales, JoAnn Beissner, Gaye Sekula, Vicki Smith, Janet Chang, Susan Raine, and Debbie Smallwood Congratulations to all artist who had sales.

Status of NBAL Sales ending September 30, 2014

Artist Sales September, 2013 \$5,050 YTD Monthly Avg. \$5,283
Artist Sales September, 2014 \$8,321 YTD Monthly Avg. \$6,699
Gift Gallery September 2013 \$ 295 September, 2014 \$686

For Love of Animals, 2013 Show sold \$2,107 Emerging Artist 2014 Show sold \$3,285

The average price in September was \$118.00 70 pieces of art sold. Thanks to all docents for their time and hard work to keep the gallery running smoothly. REMEMBER ALL SALES ARE FINAL.

A detailed financial report of the Art League balances are furnished to the board each month and is available to anyone upon request.

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Congratulations to the Artoberfest Award Winners

Oil and Acrylic 1st Susan Raine, 2nd Judith Baker, 3rd Carrie Davenport, HM Tamara Van Horn, Mary Hammond, Anne Brennan Vela

<u>Water Media</u> 1st Denise Conley, 2nd Pam Pohl, 3rd Robin Roberts Walker, HM Rosmary Barta, Pat Deltz <u>Drawing Media</u> 1st Mary Johnson, 2nd Virginia Carruth, 3rd Joyce Real, HM Jolene Oyer <u>Photography and Digital Art</u> 1st Darryl Patrick, 2nd Tom Bender, 3rd Roger McBee, HM Gloria Garcia <u>3 Dimensional Media</u> 1st Roger Betschler, 2nd Anita Choiunard, 3rd Linda Nowell, HM Carolyn Pittman SPONSOR'S CHOICE AWARD: Tamara Van Horn

Our Members Shine

The Ladybird Johnson Wildflower Center chose Denise Counley's flower painting for their 2015 Wildflower Days poster competition. NBAL members made a good showing at the Luling Oil Museum Show, Reflections of Texas. Laraine Romaine won second place. Denise Counley won the Edgar B. Davis Wildflower Award. Susan Raine won the Purchase Prize.

Welcome- Newly Juried Displaying Members/ Newly Juried Mediums

Gaye Sekula - oil, pastel; Connie Burkhardt – pastel; Joyce Real - color pencil; Jane Digby - oil, watercolor, acrylic; Tamara Van Horn – oil; Rita Ball – pastel; George Rhys - watercolor Barbara Clubb - mixed media

From Wanda's daughter, Julie Tilton:

Our mother, Wanda McNeill, recently passed away and in lieu of flowers we asked donations be sent to the NBAL instead. Mother was a past member of the Art League and during her time and tenure the building, in which you currently are housed, was procured. She held several positions in the art league and it truly was a love and passion of hers.

This is a copy of her obituary but it will only be available until November 7. I will also send a copy to the Art League or to another address if you wish.

http://obits.dignitymemorial.com/dignity-memorial/obituary.aspx?n=Wanda-McNeill&lc=7484&pid=172736180&mid=6150246&locale=en_US

We would appreciate you sending a mailed thank-you note to those who donate along with any mention of any non-profit status should they wish to take advantage of the exemption. We would also like a list of those that have donated. The list of donors may be sent via email to me and I will pass them on to my sisters. My mailing address should you need it is:

Julie Tilton 2604 Majesty Row The Woodlands, TX 77380

We hope those who knew Mom will donate to this wonderful group. It is so wonderful to look on your web site and see how much the Art League has matured over the years.

Sincerely, Julie Tilton