February 2019

—PO Box 1177—Tarpon Springs, FL 34688—E-mail: patsy.renz@verizon.net Meetings - First Monday of the Month at The Community Center. 400 S. Walton -1:30pm

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# President's Message by Trish Gregory

Dear TSSA members,

I have some exciting news for you - at our January general meeting it was decided to have a "sale of art/photo supplies" at our March meeting. If you have any supplies that you are no longer using, you may bring them to the March meeting (March 4), put a price on them, and perhaps one of our members would

benefit. We did this several years ago and I think it was a success.

At the last meeting, unfortunately we were moved to the gymnasium, where the sound was really bad. I want to apologize for this to the members who were present. Because of Epiphany we changed the meeting date to the 2nd Monday, and evidently our normal room was not available. Hopefully we won't have to go through this again, and will need to be more careful next year, planning around the Epiphany celebration.

We have the Tarpon Fine Arts Festival (Art on the Bayou) coming up soon, also the Paint & Photo Tarpon Springs. Sherry will have more information in another section, but I would like to add to her request for help. We have over a hundred members in our club, and we need your help badly. It takes a lot of folks to put on these events - they cannot be done by just 3 or 4 members. Your help will be so very much appreciated.

Our next general meeting will be on February 4. Carole Loiacano will be doing the demonstration, which should be very interesting and informative.

Please be sure to read all the information about the upcoming events in the next few pages. I'll look forward to seeing you all on February 4.



#### Valentine's Day is Just Around the Corner!

And with hearts full of joy, we look forward to the coming months...Sherry Orr

February will start off with a demonstration by Carole Loiacono on February 4<sup>th</sup>.

Then there will be 2 workshops. Carole will have a workshop on **February 8**<sup>th</sup>. Kathy Detrano will have a workshop **on February 22**<sup>nd</sup>.

Closing out the year will be **Lynn Pierson** doing a demonstration on March 4<sup>th</sup>. Her workshop will be **March 15<sup>th</sup>**.

Remember to sign up at the Community Center. Workshops are \$25.00.

Art on the Bayou, weekend of March 9<sup>th</sup>: Judith Durling, Fritz Johnson, and Lora VanNoord are working together to organize this event. A huge Thank You!

Registration will be on March 8<sup>th</sup> at the Community Center. There is a \$10.00 entry fee. Please see membership book for additional details. We need members to set up the tent and hang art around noon.

Members need to sign up to monitor our tent and sell art.

Then we need members to clean up and take down the tent.

Next on our schedule will be the annual lunch at the Heritage Museum on April 1<sup>st</sup>.

## **VENUE NEWS:**

# <u>Florida North Pinellas Hospital (Helen Ellis)</u> -Lynn Kopala-940-4975

Ljuba Simovic's paintings featuring beautiful nature are hanging at the hospital venue through mid February. We thank members of the Simovic family and the family of our November-January artist Joan Francischelli for so ably doing the "heavy lifting" for the last two shows. In fact, we owe thanks to so many of the family members of our hospital venue artists who have generously pitched in over many months to make these shows look wonderful and get hung and taken down safely. We still need a TSAA member to commit to being Lynn Kopala's venue manager backup. This service position only takes a few hours every two months. Please consider stepping forward. The hospital requires two TSAA members to be listed as contacts.

# <u>Performing Arts Center</u>: Heather Risley, Patsy Renz, Barbara Hodges –Exhibitors are Janice Sparks, Patsy Renz, Heather Risley

We need a person to take over this active hanging site. Somebody please step up so we don't lose this venue.

Chamber of Commerce: Ljuba Simovic, Susan Duda; coming mid-February, Wendy Davis, Pat Morrison, Gail McConnell

## **Valley Bank:** Peter Semple.

**Mary Beth McDonell is** now showing at Valley National Bank.

## Tarpon Springs Library: Gail McConnell -

**Kathleen Waldron** is showing a wonderful collection now. **Janice Sparks** will show February and March. Please stop by and see the Art!

## PLEIN AIR PAINTING FOR FEBRUARY

Tampa Bay Plein Air Painters - Tarpon Spring Art Association

Feb 1 and 8 - Dunedin Marina, Dunedin Meet at 9:00 AM

Feb 15 and 22 – Thirsty Marlin Restaurant, 1023 Florida Ave, Palm Harbor

More Info, Text or Call Polly Berlin 603-630-4053

Note: I will not participate if weather is less than 55°

#### **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR MEMBERS:**

Nancy Rhoads heard this week that she was accepted into the online show of the Colored Pencil Society of America. This is their "Explore This "show involving mostly colored pencils and something else. Her entry was the robe drawing she brought to the December meeting. Since this is her third entry, she has reached signature status. She says she can die happy now.

**Margaret Modjeski** - In December her watercolor "Peace Landscape" won 2nd place at the Creative Artists Guild's "New Beginnings" show at the Downtown Clearwater Main Library.

Lynn Foskett Pierson is honored to have been invited as the Pinellas Community Foundation's Artist in Residence for their 2019 program Act II: Aging in Place. Her work will be shown at PCF's 50th anniversary event, "Festivale 50," at Creative Pinellas Pinewood Gallery in Largo on February 22 and for two weeks following. PCF has been a community leader in providing grants to arts, education and health organizations throughout Pinellas County.

Maria Weed sold a Mermaid bark and donated a large painting to Martini & Matisse, proceeds go to the Clearwater free clinic.

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**Luncheon:** We will provide the paper goods and drinks. Members should bring a dish to share.

**Show:** All members can bring a piece to be judged. Ribbons will be awarded.

# The Tarpon Springs Paint and Photo Plein Air Event will be April 2-12, 2019.

This will be our tenth year to host this event. It is great fun and an opportunity to showcase your work. We are in need of your help. I need folks who will go to local businesses to get ads. We need to complete this by January 10<sup>th</sup>. Please let me know if you will help.

Waiting to hear from you.

**Joy Swanson** has a painful 3 month recovery from her broken wrist. We wish her a speedy recovery.

#### **Art Mentoring**

We will be at the Boys and Girls Club on March 11<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 for set up.

#### **Tarpon Springs Fine Arts Festival**

TSAA has been gifted a spot for our tent display in the Fine Art on The Bayou this year. As a group of artists, we are very fortunate to receive an opportunity to display and sell our art in this popular show here in Tarpon Springs. Artists from around the nation present work at this show. The show is March 9, 10, 2019, Craig Park. There is a very nominal fee to enter your art in this show (\$10) along with your commitment to docent 2-4 hours of your time in the TSAA tent on either Saturday or Sunday or, provide a demo" on either Saturday .....

That truly is a lot of bang for your buck. You will display your art to hundreds of potential buyers, and fellow artists. If there is a down side to this it is that we need a group of TSAA artists who want this show to be the best that it can be and volunteers are needed to assist me in getting the tent set up, the entries transported to show and hung, etc., as well as volunteers to break down the show and tent on Sunday afternoon; rain or shine. "Specifics on entries for this show is on page 13 of your Members Directory". We will have more information at the February meeting.......

I hope that you recognize the importance of our joining together to keep our privilege of artists here in the TSAA group.

Thank you. Contact me: Judith Durling, 727-733-1388, ladypinkston@yahoo.com.



**Artist of the Month** 

Pat Roguz was chosen as the Artist of the Month for January with her mixed media painting.

We need drinks and munchies volunteers for our meetings. call 386 214-1556 if you would like to bring something. Thank you! Joy Swanson, Refreshments chair.

#### **Welcome New Members:**

Martha Hickey - Tarpon Springs - 813-765-6219 Mary Silva - Dunedin - 774-218-1001

# **Welcome Returning Members:**

Marilynn Pohlman - Palm Harbor - 939-3723 Sandra MacDonald - Dunedin - 386-5435

#### Draw, Draw and Draw Some More!

What I mean by this is draw anything that comes to mind or visually interests you. Sketch on the bus, train, in bed and even on the toilet. Seriously! The more you draw from your mind and from reference, the better you will become and the quicker your skills will develop. Take the time to doodle lots of different subjects and in lots of different environments as this will all help build up a mental catalog of images to draw upon later when you may become stuck for ideas or inspiration.

# **Explore Different Mediums**

This is when you take an idea from sketch to final painting. Exploring other methods of creating that end piece can really yield some unexpected results and challenge you to push yourself further into new situations. Playing with different types of paints such as oil, acrylic, water color or gouache are the options most people would suggest trying, but there is more than experimenting with these. You could try air brushing, pastels, using charcoal or taking the leap into the digital realm. All these different mediums have their strengths that you can harness but you will never know them unless you try them out.

# **Hunt Down Your Artistic Weaknesses & Destroy Them!**

This tip is something you should approach regularly and be really tough and honest with yourself. By knowing what you're not good at artistically and making a conscious effort to attack it (them, could be lots of things), will enable you to systematically grow. For instance, if you draw a lot of humans but avoid drawing feet because you know you're not that good at it, set aside time to draw lots of feet, over and over again until they look right (just be sure not to get a foot fetish). This links to a previous tip I did of Draw, Draw and Draw Some More! Drawing things that you don't draw often or at all will increase your repertoire and will enable you to paint and illustrate more complex pictures.



Everyone needs a little sunshine in her/his life and Joy Swanson, 386-214-1556 Sunshine Chairperson, is ready to supply it to those of our membership who may be under

a cloud.



# TARPON SPRINGS ART ASSOCIATION PO Box 1177

TARPON SPRINGS FLORIDA 34688

#### Our Mission...

...to promote interest and community awareness of all forms of visual art, to provide opportunities for individuals to associate with other artists, and to share in and learn from artistic knowledge and experiences.

Application for New Member and/or Change of Address
Name
Address —
City
State Zip
Phone Cell # Email
Dues <u>\$25.00</u> Medium of choice
Please make check payable to and mail to: Tarpon Springs Art Association Patsy Renz, Membership 39650 US Hwy 19N #1413 Tarpon Springs FL 34688

Life beats down and crushes the soul and art reminds you that you have one. — Stella Adler

# REMEMBER.....

The next general meeting is Monday, Feb.4, 1:30 pm, 2019 at The Community Center

The next board meeting is Feb. 25, 2019, 10:00PM at Friends of the Library

If you have <u>any news</u> call me at 943-7732 or email me at patsy.renz@verizon.net by February 15, 2018. Everything that happens in your art is important to us all.

#### **Artist of the Month Schedule**

**September –** All Media artwork Voting; Program is "Show and Tell" of any painting on display.

October - Acrylic, 3 Dimensional Art

November - Oil and Acrylic

**December -** Bring a piece to be displayed

January - Mixed Media, Photography, 3 D

February - Watercolor

March - Pastel, Pen & Ink, Charcoal, Misc. not shown elsewhere

\*April - Judged Show (Picnic)

Bring Art work by 1:15 pm or it won't be judged.