## TARPON SPRINGS ART ASSOCIATION

# NEWSLETTER

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

April 2025

#### **Executive Board:**

Martha Hickey
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marthadhickey@gmail.com

Trish Gregory Hartley Vice-President peg3400@gmail.com

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#### Committees:

Trish Gregory Artist of the Month

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Martha Hickey Publicity

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Chris Coad Taylor, Becky Bahas Facebook

#### Venue Chairs:

Chamber of Commerce Sherry Orr

Judy Groves Valley Bank

Hampton Inn Jana Withers

Bess King Tarpon Springs Library



Hello Fellow TSAA Members!

Can you believe we have only two more general meetings until our summer break?! Where did the time go?! Just seems to be flying by!

Our April meeting is on April 7 and will include the Spring Show as well as the regular general meeting. The Spring Show will start with registration of one piece of artwork per artist at 11:30 am til 12

noon, and the general meeting at 1:30 pm as usual. Artists: Please remember to bring an easel! And also, to bring a lunch. Any members who cannot or do not wish to participate in the Spring Show for some reason, can attend the general meeting. Which has a demo on recycling house hold items to make art!!! Also, the voting and installation of the 2025-26 executive board is part of that general meeting. Any questions, please email me!

Our May meeting will be the last one until September. The demo portion of the meeting will actually be a presentation....of the light boxes on Dodecanese!

We have some exciting things in the works for the 2025-26 club year as well! So, as they used to say on the old black and white TV programs (think I just dated myself!) ...Stay Tuned!

We are still in the process of taking nominations for Vice President; our club just cannot function well without one! The main duty is to schedule demos; not a difficult task! And the VP, as well as the others who attend the board meetings, gets the "inside scoop" as well as can give suggestions, input, on TSAA events and activities first! So, if you or some other member you know wishes to be considered for VP, please let a board member know!

Martha Hickey President

Old Irish Saying:

May the soft April winds carry away the winter's chill, and may the sun's warm embrace awaken new life within you, bringing joy and hope to your heart and home.

# **Calendar of Upcoming Events**

March 31, 2025: Board Meeting, Tarpon Springs Library, 1:30 pm

April 7, 2025: Spring Show, Community Center, 11:30 am

April 7, 2025 General Club Meeting, Community Center, 1:30 pm

May 5, 2025: Regular Club Meeting, Community Center 1:30 pm

May 13, 2025: Young Artist Reception, Place TBD, 4:30 pm

September 13 - Nov. 30, 2025: Brooker Creek Preserve TSAA Exhibit: tentative, details TBD

January 13 - February 27: Oldsmar City Hall TSAA Exhibit details TBD

The Board Meetings are usually held at 1:30 pm on the last Monday of the month during the club year, at the Tarpon Springs Library. All members are invited to attend.

# TARPON ART GUILD ANNOUNCING

Paint Out at the Guild

(plein air, paintings only)

# TIME TABLE

**Jan. thru Apr.**— send in registration (first 20 accepted-(\$35 entry fee)

May 1-3 (Thu - Sat) — stamp canvas, paper, etc. so we know all the work is done during the event (bring all that you will use) at the Guild gallery, & then paint Tarpon Springs — All painting must be done on site-not in studio, etc., and not from photographs. You may paint on all three days or any time within those days.

May 4 (Sun.) 12:00-2:00 – turn in framed or wrapped canvas paintings at the Guild, wired and ready for hanging – can show 2 pieces- note one for judging.

May 10 (Sat.) 5:00 – 7:00 (?) TBD – Reception & Awards ( $1^{st}$ ,  $2^{nd}$ ,  $3^{rd}$ , HM)-time may be changed

May 4 - 30 – artwork is on exhibit at TAG gallery-25% commission on sales

May 31 (Sat.) 11:00 – 1:00 – pick up artwork

For more information call 727-744-3323
Paint Out at the Guild – May 2025

**Entry Registration Form-mail to Tarpon Art Guild** 

Name	 	
Address	 	
Cell Phone		
Email address		

Please include \$35 nonrefundable entry fee to Tarpon Art Guild, 161 E. Tarpon Ave., Tarpon Springs, FL 34689

Also, if members are here over the summer, **Tarpon Art Guild** will have 2 "Call for Artists" events

#### **Welcome New Member:**

Leanne Stever - Dunedin - 727-643-8386 William Watson - New Port Richey - 706-525-4134

# CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR MEMBERS:

Sales at Fine Arts Festival

Maria Bouris Iris Bloom \$100

Bess King Sunset Beach \$200

Peggy Babst Ready for Take Off \$125

Corinne Michels I Live at Shell Key \$100

Janice Sparks Sail Boat \$85

Fonda Wirth Black and Gold Flower \$50

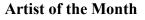
Martha Hickey Pelican \$10

Janice Sparks 2 paintings \$40 and \$35

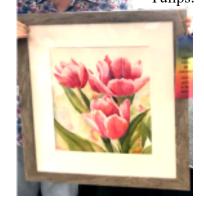
Mary Manos Calendar \$10

Peggy Babst Silver Rose \$90

**Mary Manos** had a sale a few days after the festival. On March 13, she got a call from someone who bought her painting



**Bess King** was chosen the Artist of the month for March for her beautiful water color painting of "Tulips."



The Brooker Creek Preserve Plein Air 2025 exhibition is on view in the Brooker Creek Preserve Auditorium Gallery through April 27. The gallery is open to the public, Saturday and Sunday from 1-4 PM. Please plan to attend the Artist Reception and Juried Awards Program on Sunday, April 27, 1-3 PM. Come and support the participating TSAA members: Kathy Deltrano, Rachel Harris, Judy Grove, Martha Hickey, and Bill Taldone

TSAA has a Facebook page and we encourage all members to join the group. Please remember that in order to join the Facebook group you need to answer 3 questions basically saying that you will only post art related posts and not post to promote an unrelated business or post anything political.

#### **VENUE NEWS:**

#### **Chamber of Commerce:**

A reminder that I am requesting a brief biography of you, your art and training.

Thank you so much for the beautiful exhibit to Alex, Cynthia Maus, Judy Groves, Fritz Johnson, and Fonda Wirth. Next we will have a display of art by George Caras, Martha Hickey, Susan Duda, and Judy Groves. Each can hang 5 pictures.

The art will go up on February 14th and stay until May 9th. We will then look for a new show from May 9th until August 9th.

Contact Sherry Orr...813-310-9045, orr6@verizon.net

Valley Bank, -. Fonda Wirth has 11 beautiful paintings on display. Judy needs to fill May and June. Otherwise booked thru end of 2025. Contact Judy Groves 712-435-9811 dygroves 52@yahoo.com

**Hampton Inn**: The venue is now scheduled for 2025 & 2026.

Exhibitors are:

2025

Jan-Mar - Jean Kelly

Apr-June - Sally Fuller & Ann Fitzgerald

July-Sept - Fonda Wirth

Oct-Dec - Rachel Harris

2026

Jan-Mar 2026 - Ann Cody Joyce

Apr-June - Jean Kelly

July-Sept - Mary Manos

Oct-Dec - Maria Bouris

Jana Withers 727-271-2787

#### **Tarpon Springs Library:**

Currently, Fonda Wirth, Susan Duda, and Alex **Boudreau** will display their art for 3 months. The next available date to display your art is May 20, 2025. You can sign up at the general meetings or contact Bess King at bking4521@tampabay.rr.com or 727-458-3836.

#### **Young Artists Program**

TSAA helps sponsor a program of the Tarpon Springs Library called Young Artists.

This is a program that helps promote art awareness and creativity among children from ages 5 to 13, with an approximately one hour classroom type meeting that is held one time each month during the school year.

TSAA has four members who conduct these meetings; Sherry Orr, Bess King, Marilyn Davis an Maria Bouris. The programs range from learning about famous Renaissance artists to painting rocks. At present there are about 19 children who attend.

On Tuesday, May 13, at 4:30 pm, a reception is planned to show some of the artwork and creativity of these future leaders in the art community. More information to come as plans are finalized.

Also, an Adult Program to be held on Saturday is in the planning stage; Bess King and Marilyn Davis will be conducting this program. More information on this program as plans are finalized.

## March Demonstration by Melissa Nece







Melissa showed us how she does her wonderful paintings with color pencil. She showed us the essential materials .paper, pencils, etc. and her techniques.

Tarpon Art Guild's gallery, 161 E. Tarpon Ave., Tarpon, will feature Tarpon Art Guild's grid artists for the month of April 2025. A Reception will be held Saturday, Apil 12, 5-7pm. Please come and meet the grid artists and celebrate their incredible art. The General public is welcome.

#### Get Involved! This is YOUR Club!!!

Clubs don't run on exhibits alone, and your board of directors has been and will be busy with several "administrative" things that will be coming up in the 2024-25 club year and even into the 2025-26 club year!

The election of officers is coming up and a Vice President is needed. Trish Gregory Hartley is the Trish was President of TSAA for current VP. FIVE years and now Vice President for one. She has gone way above and beyond the call of duty. Thank you Trish!

The main duty of the Vice President is to coordinate demos for the monthly meetings. Also, if, for some reason, the president is unable to be at a meeting, the Vice President will step in and take over for the president. By being on the Board, by being Vice President, you get "inside" information first, you get to help plan events, express your opinion on various functions...and you can make a valuable contribution to Tarpon Springs Art Association.



Everyone needs a little sunshine in her/his life. Contact .mdavis193@tampabay.rr.com if you know a TSAA member who needs a little sunshine in the form of a greeting card.

Sunshine Chairperson is ready to supply it to those of our membership who may be under a cloud.



#### 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.

> Leanne Stever 2613 Bellhurst Dr Dunedin FL 34698

Application for New Member and/or Change of Address			
(Please write clearly)			
Name			
Address			
City			
State	Zip		
Phone	Cell #		
Email			
Dues	\$40.00		
Medium of choice			
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Please make check payable to and mail to:			
Tarpon Springs Art Association Box 1177			
Tarpon Springs FL 34688			

# "The only time I feel alive is when I'm painting." Vincent Van Gogh

#### REMEMBER.....

The next general meeting is Monday, April 7, 1:30 at The Community Center.

The next board meeting is April 28, 1:30 at the Tarpon **Springs Library.** 

If you have any news call me at 943-7732 or email me at patsy.renz@gmail.com by April 18, Everything that happens in your art is important to us all.

#### 2024/25 Artist of the Month Schedule

November - Pastel, Pen&and Ink, Charcoal, Pencil, Photograph

December - no meeting (Holiday Party)

January - Oil, Acrylic, 3 Dimensional Art

February - Mixed Media

March - Watercolor

April - Judged Show (No AOTM Award)

May - All Media

All artwork must be submitted by 1:15 pm

Voting (balloting) will take place between 1:15 pm and 130 pm

An artist may only win one time in a TSAA year, i.e., Sept - May

Art must be no larger than 38" wide by 40" long/high, including frame