#### 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

May 2025

#### Executive Board:

Martha Hickey President marthadhickey@gmail.com

George Caras Vice-President georgecaras@Mac.com

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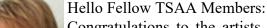
#### Venue Chairs:

Chamber of Commerce Sherry Orr

Judy Groves Valley Bank

Jana Eithers Hampton Inn

Bess King Tarpon Springs Library



Congratulations to the artists who were awarded ribbons at the April "Spring Show", which was combined with the April meeting. If/when we do that type of meeting again, I promise that there will be a bit less time for lunch!  $\Box$ . But other than the extra long lunch time, the meeting seemed to go well.

Our 2025-26 club year Executive Board was voted on and installed at the April meeting. I will continue as President; Joanna Rytel as Treasurer and Becky Bahas as Secretary. Our Vice President is George Caras, a fairly new member of TSAA and a very talented artist.

Lynn Whitelaw, who works with Brooker Creek Preserve's art exhibits, at the April meeting, mentioned the September thru November TSAA Nature Invitational Exhibit. At that time, plans were still in the works, however; the Participation Form and Registration is included in this newsletter (pages 3 and 4).

At our May 5 meeting, there will be a slide show of the light boxes on Dodecanese. There are 40 of them and many of them feature artwork by TSAA members! You don't want to miss it!

Our May 5 meeting will be the last one...our summer break is almost here! However, we have some great plans for the 2025-26 Club year! In addition to the Brooker Creek Preserve Nature Invitational, we have been invited back to the Oldsmar City Hall at the beginning of 2026! And, of course, there is the Fine Arts Festival in March! Looking forward to a super club year!

I want to wish everyone a happy, safe and creative summer. Enjoy the break! See you in September!

Martha Hickey

President

May the road rise up to meet you.

May the wind be always at your back.

May the sun shine warm upon your face;

the rains fall soft upon your fields and until we meet again,

may God hold you in the palm of His hand.



TSAA Officers
for 2025
Martha
Hickey
President
George Caras
Vice President
Joanna Rytel
Treasurer
Becky Bahaus
Secretary
Thanks for
volunteering of
these jobs!

#### **Calendar of Upcoming Events**

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

May 13, 2025: Young Artist Reception, Cultural Center, 4:30 pm

September 8, 2025: Regular Club Meeting, Community Center, 1:30 pm

September 13 - Nov. 30, 2025: Brooker Creek Preserve TSAA Exhibit: Nature Invitational

November 16, 2025: Reception, Brooker Creek Preserve TSAA Exhibit: Nature Invitational

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.

# CONGRATULATION S TO OUR MEMBERS:

Nancy Rhoads colored pencil drawing, "Box of Nuggets" is currently in a show at Art Center Manatee. (take a close look at the painting and see all the baby chicks)

**Sue McCubbin** and **Patsy Renz** sold several pieces from the Tarpon Art Guild



#### Have a great and creative summer!

Whether you are traveling, staycationing, or working, I wish each of you a super and creative summer. Although TSAA does not meet during the summer months, our venues are still open and are still exhibiting artwork done by TSAA artists! And there are some exhibit opportunities that come up occasionally during the summer months.

Palm Harbor Library has a photography contest; the submission period started April 1 and you have til May 5, 2025 before it closes. You can find the guidelines online at the Palm Harbor Library web site. Lyle Polyak (TMAFforme.com) sponsors exhibits from time to time; you can check TMAFforme.com for details. You can always Google to find out where and when art opportunities are out there

#### **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, 710 E. Tarpon Avenue – .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 dygroves52@yahoo.com

Hampton Inn and Suites, 39284 US Hwy 19 N – .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**

**Bill Taldone and Jean Kelly** have their art displayed at the library February to May. I need 2-3 members to sign up for May- August and/or August-November.

Contact Bess King for details.

Email bking4521@tampabay.rr.com

**Tarpon Art Guild's gallery,** 161 E. Tarpon Ave., Tarpon, will feature the paintings of all the artist who participated in the TAG's Paint Out for the month of May 2025. A Reception will be held Saturday, May 17, 5-7pm. Please come and see the their incredible art. The General public is welcome.

#### **April Show Winners**

Judged by Lynn Whitelaw

1'st, Helen Pottor : Floral - delicate
with nice markmaking; love the
mid-tonality
coloration





2'nd, George Caras

Beautifully captures the spirit of man's best friend

#### 3'rd Richard Warnke -

. Several really good photography; selected this one because of its floating ambiguity



Honorable Mention Becky Bahas -Well done portraiture.

## TARPON SPRINGS ART ASSOCIATION: NATURE INVITATIONAL

#### **EXHIBITION DATES:**

Saturday, Sept. 13 – Sunday, Nov. 30, 2025 Artists' Reception: Sunday, Nov. 16, 1-3 pm



Friends of Brooker Creek Preserve, Inc., a support organization for Brooker Creek Preserve, an 8,700-acre wilderness preserve managed by Pinellas County's Department of Parks and Conservation Resources, is pleased to host the exhibition TARPON SPRINGS ART ASSOCIATION: NATURE INVITATIONAL in the Auditorium Exhibition Gallery of the Brooker Creek Environmental Education Center. To participate in this exhibition, please complete and sign the Participation Form and submit (with j-peg image) before Sept. 8, 2025. Send to:

Martha Hickey, <u>TSAA President</u> Email: <u>marthadhickey@gmail.com</u>

PARTICIPATION SPECIFICS: To participate in this exhibition artists may submit one piece that is reflective of Nature. Participants are encouraged to have it based on Brooker Creek Preserve, but this is not required, as long as it is a nature subject. All media is accepted, but because of space limitations, works should not exceed 36 inches in width (including frame).

All works are for sale, unless noted by the artists, and may be purchased in the Friends Nature Store with 20% of the sale value agreed to as a donation to Friends of Brooker Creek Preserve, Inc. (from which taxes and any credit card fees are taken). At the beginning of each month, a check is mailed to artists whose works have sold during the preceding month. Artists are required, for insurance paperwork, to provide an image of the work of art that is exhibited. Image should be at least a 300 dpi j-peg and submitted along with the Participation Form before Sept. 8, 2025.

A Catalog/Booklet will be created for the exhibition and available for patrons to view in the gallery. It will contain images of all works on view with checklist information and sale value. In addition, each artist may provide a front- and back-page document that will be included in the Catalog/Booklet (may include Resume, Artist's Statement, or additional related materials). These materials will be returned at the end of the exhibition. The art piece and Catalog/Brochure materials, may be delivered at the Monday, Sept. 8 meeting of the TSAA.

### **ARTIST PARTICIPATION FORM**



CONTACT INFORMATION:	
ARTIST'S NAME: ADDRESS: EMAIL: ARTWORK INFORMATION:	MOBILE #:
TITLE: DATE:	
MEDIUM:	
SIZE: (H x W):	
VALUE:	
Please sign (typed name is fine) and date	e:
SIGNATURE:	DATE:
•	nd j-peg image before Sept. 8 to Martha Hickey marthadhickey@gmail.com
FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE EX	HIBITION OR THE PRESERVE: CONTACT
Lynn Whitelaw, Gallery Curator or	Friends of Brooker Creek Preserve, Inc.
	Email: info@friendsofbrookercreekpreserve.org
voicemail: (813) 784-4225	voicemail: (727) 934-2680



...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.

(Please write clearly)	
Name	
Address	
City	
State	Zip
Phone	Cell #
Email	
l	Dues <u>\$40.00</u>
Medium of choice	
Tarpon	check payable to and mail to: Springs Art Association Box 1177 on Springs FL 34688

"A work of art which did not begin in emotion is not art." Paul Cezanne

#### REMEMBER.....

The next general meeting is Monday, September 8, 1:30 at The Community Center.

The next board meeting is August 26, 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 Sept 18, 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 – No competition

January – Mixed Media, Photography, 3 D

February – Watercolor

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

\*April – Open to all Media - Bring a favorite At our May 6 meeting, there will not be Artist of the Month, however; if anyone wants to bring something for Show and Tell, please feel free to do so.