## From the President

Congratulations to all who submitted their beautiful artworks to the "Juried Competition", it's a great exhibit! Special thanks go to our jurors, Drs. Meryl Epstein and Gingher Leyendecker who made thoughtful presentations of the media categories, artists and the art that they thought best described these categories and won ribbons. Beth Warren's photo, "Wild Horse Running Free", was voted "Best of Show". The picture was straight action photography with no photo shop details. Great going Beth! I would like to sincerely thank all the members for their help installing



the art; in particular, Beth and Scott Warren (with Beth and myself hefting some heavy paintings), my husband Bill (for corralling the feisty hangers), Mike Isenberg and Bruce Boyce who took over the complicated hanging of the photography section. The jurors did compliment us on a well organized exhibit that made their job much easier. Great appreciation goes out to Co-Chairs, Bonnie Schweihs and Pamela Shearer for all the work they put in to make this exhibit a success.

Additionally the reception was extra special with lots of yummy food thanks to our members' culinary contributions and especially to Barbara Oehl for putting the reception together and also for making her super desserts. It was a good idea for Bonnie to plan our reception on the same day as the "River of Time Museum" reception; the parking lot was full. The River of Time members came back to our exhibit and wanted to know who catered our event! Hope the members are preparing lots of great art for our 7th Annual "Tour d'Artistes" Studio Tour and Sale, March 2nd, 3rd, & 4th, Friday, Saturday and Sunday 10 am-4 pm. get the maps and word out! *Yours in Art, Justine* 

# February 5th Meeting...Venue Changed...Sudha Achar's Studio at 17005 E. Colony

6-6:20: Critique 6-6:30 p.m.: Sign in and set up of Artist of the Month, Social Time 6:30-6:45 p.m.: Meeting 6:45-7:45 p.m.: Program/Demonstrations 7:45-8:10 p.m.: Break 8:10-8:30 p.m.: Awards/Announcements.

**Be sure to bring along a folding chair to the meeting.** We will have "Artist of the Month" as usual so bring artwork along. No easels but a table to put paintings on, or if you have your own table top easel would be ok. We will vote during the break. We will also be doing 50/50 and Arizona Art Supply Certificate drawings at the meeting.

Sudha Achar will be demonstrating sculpting the figure for the Art League members. Additionally she will be talking about her other art and show the membership her studio. Sudha has been making and exhibiting art for 30 years and collected extensively. She is a juried artist of the Sonoran Arts League. "Sudha's Art Gallery and Books" which she owns with her husband Patrick Freehill in Fountain Hills, offers a splendid collection of her art in a variety of media along with an extensive collection of books. She is the Chair of Board of Trustees of the EHCC/HMCA Endowment Trust for the arts in East Hawaii. She Chaired the East Hawaii Cultural Council/Hawaii Museum of Contemporary Art. She was inducted into the Women's Hall of Home and elected as a Most Significant Person by the YWCA on Hawaii Island. She has been on a variety of Boards for the Hawaii State Foundation for Culture and the Arts.

She lives with her husband part time in Hawaii and Arizona.

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Mixed Media

# In Memory

It is with great sadness I have to announce the sudden passing of Angel Elquest. Several days ago she suffered a stroke or heart attack. I along with Angel's husband, family and friends mourn the loss of a wonderful person and artist. Recently Angel had made huge artistic strides with her work and was going to enjoy a second year demonstrating and exhibiting her paintings at Art Expo.

Justine

## Angel Elquest

Angel Elquest was an angel on earth; we are heartbroken and her spirit will be deeply missed by all who knew her. Her family will be planning a future memorial service. They have decided to keep her Art Expo exhibit open in her honor. Candace Spennato, Angel's sister, is putting together a "Jooner's List" which will be an online schedule to sign up to be at Angel's exhibit at the Expo. To receive the signup schedule, **text your email address to Candace at her cell – 310-487-2095.** She will invite you to join the list and then you may sign up, and also see the full schedule Once you receive the invite from Candace, create a login – go to Find a signup, put in Candace email (Candace@painlessproperties.com (mailto:Candace@painlessproperties.com), then you will see the calendar check the box of date you want, at bottom click Submit and signup, then on next page it will show your info and you click Signup now. It will probably change daily. Thanks for helping in Angel's memory. Call Bonnie if you have any questions, 480-467-9333

# Members are Busy!

February 17 & 18 - Justine is having an "Inks and Etching" workshop her home. The time is 10 am 4 pm both days, bring a bag lunch. The cost is \$150 for two days. I include all supplies including the boards and inks. Call Justine at 480-234-3208 to sign up & more information.

February 23, 24,25 - Fountain Hills Great Fair - Look for Terry Alexander, Barbara Drake, Jan Friel, Susan Harding, Mindy Kocchi, Bonnie Schweihs, and Elaine & Lloyd Tarr. Be sure and stop by and say "Hi". March 23, 24, 24 - Thunderbird Artists Ftn. Hills Fine Art & Wine Affair - Terry Alexander will be participating.

# Tour d'Artistes

The Tour d'Artistes is just 5 weeks away, mark your calendar! Every studio needs help having greeters to stamp brochures, point out the raffle if all studios are attended and give general information. Each studio can have two, 3 hour shifts, each day. This is a good opportunity to do your part in making the art league a viable organization.

# Information about our Art League Web Page

Lloyd Tarr, who is our website contact, has offered to add your work to our website at no cost. Lloyd has only six member galleries up on the web page. He has offered to include any member who would like to have a gallery page to send him a picture of themselves, preferably working in their studio, a bio and the pictures they want displayed (limit it to 20 pictures to start with). Send your info to **lloyd Tarr** < <u>lloyd@tarrs.com</u>>, this is a great opportunity to market your work free of charge.

## January Artist of the Month



Carol Ofsthun took the honor of 1st Place for January Artist of the Month. This acrylic painting titled "Doris's Cactus" was inspired by a relative in Germany who had this in a pot on her deck in the little town of Dorfprozelten. Obviously the potted cactus was brought inside for the winter! Doris had several interesting potted plants. I enjoy painting flowers, birds, sunsets, and nonobjective art.



Seond Place for "Artist of the Month was Judith Rothenstein-Putzer. "The Legend of the Moroccan Tree Creatures: Chapter II-The Trea Serpent" ("Trea" intentional misspelling). Media/Alcohol Transfer with Pen & Ink/Copper.



50/50 Winner: Jan Friel

Arizona Art Gift Certificate: Lloyd Tarr

## **Workshop**

Nancy Christy-Moore demonstrated alcohol inks on tiles during our January 8<sup>th</sup> meeting. She has offered to do a workshop on Alcohol inks Tuesday, February 20, 9-12 a.m., the cost is \$65. It will be held in the Community Center Art Room. Sign up at the February 5th meeting or call Nancy at 623-487-4031.



# Juried Show Reception & Winners

Left: Pamela Shearer and Bonnie Schweihs, co-chairpersons

Right: Barb Oehl chaired the reception.

Winners pictured below are members of the FH Art League.

**Beth Warren - Best of Show** 



All winners & judges on the right.









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