

From The President

Hello Artists:

This will be our last newsletter of 2022. It has been a good year and I've enjoyed watching our group grow. As the year comes to a close, will you be making a New Year Resolution? I checked the Artistsnetwork.com for some ideas. There were plenty presented but they were all very lengthy. Then I saw something that had 8 New Year's resolutions for Artists, that site wanted me to use their App. This was becoming frustrating. I wanted something that would inspire creativity and create positive thoughts for the New Year. Then I found New Year's Resolutions inspired by Artists-Daily Art Magazine. Here are just a few: 1. Spend more time in Nature

2. Keep a Journal 3. Redecorate 4. Appreciate your family 5. Learn a new Craft

The first resolution: Spend more time in Nature. We are so lucky to live where we live. The landscape offers us so many views. This time of year is perfect for a hike in Nature. I like this because the snakes are less likely to surprise me.

Second: Keep a journal. Why is this a good idea? Because being creative in writing can keep your brain asking questions and making observations. Maybe a quick little sketch will promote a bigger idea.

Third: Redecorate. YES!! I love moving furniture and creating new spaces. It always invigorates me. I like that it is in this list because it's like getting permission to do this. (Something family members might not appreciate the same way I do).

Fourth: Appreciate your family. I don't know about you, but after COVID, who cannot appreciate family and spending time together?

Fifth: Learn a new craft. I love, love learning. Do you? The more classes I take, the more I realize I need to learn more. Plus you can be around people with similar interests and bond over sharing an interest.

The list is five more. You can check it out or create your own list of resolutions. We could have a meeting to open discussion about some of the ideas you come up with. For now, I wish you a wonderful holiday season; whatever your celebration May be. And I wish you a very happy New year.

Good Cheer! Nancy Grahlmann

January 2nd Meeting has been moved to January 9th

The Community Center is closed on January 2nd for the New Year's Holiday!

5:15 Sign in & set up of Artist of the Month, Social Time 6:00 p.m.: Meeting 6:30 p.m.: Program/Demos

7:30 p.m.: Awards/Announcements 8:00 p.m. Community Center closes

Marless Fellows will present a demonstration of her work

Marless's first influencer was her father as he would draw little cartoon elephants that amazed her. As a very small child she loved watching him. Throughout her life she enjoyed drawing, but it was not until her thirties that her husband's grandfather inspired her to pick up a paint brush. She never looked back. Her education started with drawing classes at Mesa Community College. She spent six semesters4 of life-drawing classes and then on to the Scottsdale Art School. Her artistic expression has come from creating hundreds of painting in oils. Being brought up in the southwest, she gravitates to painting the western life-style and animals she loves. ...continued on page 3

Membership

Please pay your 2023 Membership Dues either at the January 9th Meeting or mail to:

Patricia Reich, 16542 E Fairfax Dr. Unit A, Fountain Hills, AZ 85268

I must have your payment by January so that your name will be in the new Membership Directory. The fees remain the same, \$30.00 for individual members and \$45 for couples.

New Member

Zenhausern, Nicole 15818 E Palomino Blvd Fountain Hills, AZ 85268 480-836-7357 thezphotographer@gmail.com Photography nicole-zenhausern.pixels.com help with refreshments

FHAL All Member Show 2023

The "**All Members Show**" is an open exhibit free to FHAL members who have paid their dues. Members may enter up to <u>three</u> pieces of artwork. We want to fill the Community Center walls with art! The artwork will hang in the Community Center for the month of February.

Intake for the artwork is on Friday, February 3, 10:00 AM to 12:30 pm at the Community Center.

- All artwork must be original. No copies or reproductions are allowed.
- No work previously shown at the FHCC is eligible. All work must be original and current within a 3 year period.
- Artwork must be framed appropriately for the piece with a wire for hanging. Alligator hangers are not permitted due to the Community Center hanging devices. Canvas pieces must have finished edges.
- 3 dimensional artwork such as sculptures or jewelry must fit in the glass cabinets in the back of the Community Center. If a piece will not fit in the cabinet or needs a special stand, please email Pat Reich at patreich@gmail.com. We will try our best to accommodate all artwork.

This year you may register online at our web site, www.fountainhillsartleague.com.

Please complete your online registration by February 1, 2023.

If you are unable to use the web site, you may bring your artwork on Feb. 3 between 10:00 and 12:30 and fill out the required forms then.

The exhibit will be a "People's Choice" exhibit with ballot forms and a voting box available to the art league members and the general public who will vote on their favorite artwork. All voters will also sign their name to the ballot to prevent duplication. Voting will take place from Feb. 6 to Feb. 21.

This year there will be two awards given at the reception. The winning artist from "Peoples' Choice" will receive a ribbon from the Art League and will be able to enter their artwork in the December jurying for "Artist of the Year." The second award will be an "Honorable Mention."

A public reception will be held on Thursday, February 23, 4:00 - 5:30 pm at the FHCC where the winners of the "Peoples' Choice" and "Honorable Mention" awards will be announced. Invite your family and friends.

Members attending the reception are asked to bring an appetizer. Please contact Barb Oehl at 480-837-3284 to let her know what you will be bringing. Barb has graciously agreed to coordinate the reception.

Artwork should be picked up at the Community Center on February 27, 2023.

Co-Chairs: Pat Reich (patreich@gmail.com) Kay Meyer (kmeyer3077@gmail.com)

Tour d'Artistes Info

Tour d'Artistes 2023 is coming along well. The brochures should be here in time to hand out during the Juries Show. Sudha is working on the articles for the Fountain Hills Times, Judith and Justine are getting the press releases out. Studio groupings for the articles in the Times will completed soon and when you receive them please get you groups photo taken and sent to Lloyd Tarr - lloyd@tarrs.com.

News Items

If you have any news items, please send to Sandy Herbst, sjh14@cox.net.

Artist of the Year



Rick Allen was voted *Artist of the Year* at the Annual December Potluck by a vote of the people attending.

"Bliss" is a powdered graphite (General's) on paper work. It is 10" x 14", matted and framed to 15.5" x 18.5". The paper is Strathmore Series 400 (recycled content) Smooth finish, 130 g/m³. She was completed in September 2021.

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A reminder to all members that there is a group of our artists that meets Wed. mornings at 10:00 a.m. It is a good opportunity to learn more about what goes on within the art league and get acquainted with other members.

Marless Fellows from page 1

She gets commissions for animal portraits from all over the United States. Marless shows her artwork at: Phippen Western Annual Art Show Arizona Fine Art Expo - January, February and March Hidden in the Hills Artist Studio Tour in Cave Creek, AZ

Marless teaches private classes and workshops at her home base in Cave Creek, AZ.



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