



President's Message

Well it's time to put the umbrella away and break out the suntan lotion. Warm colors are back. Are we tired of green yet? I like the summer season as it is easier to get outside and enjoy nature. It's remarkable just how these Ozark hills are so beautiful. The wind helps in physical activity because it blows down the street, the material I'm painting on. Just chase it and no need for the gym. Frankly, as you guessed, not much chasing going on here. A masterpiece "blowing in the wind" and the world will never know.

I would like to thank everyone who has helped in my efforts to learn painting. Never thought it was so complicated. I have asked several of you for your opinions on how to get better. Some have said see a "shrink". I guessed they meant a shrink who knew how to paint. There couldn't be anything wrong with my personality. Denial is a safe place to be sometimes. It takes courage to advise someone on how to improve. Your experience is greatly appreciated. The "buddy system" is taught with many tasks. We are better for helping one another. Well thanks again. Let's keep helping one another!

Jack O'Keefe

Art-a-facts

Pandora's Box Around the World

Be sure to attend the June meeting for the last chance to buy a Pandora's Box item for \$5. This year's theme is "Pandora's Box Around the World". Items were chosen from 18 different countries, and each item's country is identified, allowing participants to choose to be inspired by the item itself, or to create anything that represents the country from which it came. Come have fun picking your choice and participate in a truly international event!

*Thanks,
Judy Bell*

June Meeting

Reminder: The June Meeting is the TRAG Potluck!



Here's a quote from Karen Deeds

"...art is one of the few vocations in which age is an asset. To every new work we bring a lifetime of experiences and personal history." Mary Whyte

Minutes
April 15, 2019
Table Rock Art Guild Meeting

Jack O'Keefe opened the meeting with prayer at 12:18 pm

Marge Peterson moved to approve the April Minutes, 2nd by Pat Bell, approved by voice vote.

Pat Van Husen gave the Sunshine Report: Marge Peterson, Susan Sketers, Jan O'Neill were at the meeting so are doing ok as of now. Val Medley & Dave are still need prayer. Nina Fournier's Father passed recently.

Treasurer's Report was approved by the Board and can be found in the Gallery Office.

Judy Bell explained Pandora's Box (cost is \$5) and are due back at the July Meeting. See Judy if interested in obtaining a Box.

Artist of the Month theme of Still Life: 1st place – Kate Rickard, 2nd - Helen Long, 3rd – Karen Deeds and Jan Rosenburg

Jan Rosenburg will do a Tutorial on May 27th at the Library on background mixed media.

Helen Long will do a Tutorial at the Kimberling City Library on June 26th teaching Super Skulpy

Gallery will dissolve the 3% charge card fees for an artist sale.

The Grid Display Rack used for the top ten artists during the Fall Show is for sale. See Jan Rosenburg if interested

Split the Pot was won by Sandy Fearn

Val Medley shared the fact that she received a Board Certified Letter regarding Gallery issues and also shared the letter she wrote in response. Sandy Fearn gave the Board response Several Members in attendance questioned and made comments afterwards. Jack O'Keefe, as TRAG President, then shared his personal experience with Val and the issues. It was then suggested by a lifetime member that the meeting move forward.

Debbie Bridges will have a Meet n Greet, Friday, June 7th.

Photo Club will have a field trip to Beaver Bridge on Wednesday, May 22. Meet at 8:30 at the Gallery if interested in going.

Pat Bell moved to adjourn the meeting, 2nd by Judy Bell, approved by voice vote.

Don Haberman presented a Photo Story Lesson Plan with all in attendance participating. Sharing of stories and facts learned was enjoyed by everyone.

Respectfully submitted,

LaVerne Hetzel

TRAG Secretary

Artist of the Month

By Helen Long

May Winners

May Artist of the Month theme of Still Life:

1st place – Kate Rickard, 2nd - Helen Long,

3rd – Karen Deeds and Jan Rosenburg



Upcoming Artist of the Month

June – Wood (any form)

July – Pandora's box

August – Action

September - Wild Life

October – Mask

November – Nature

December – Art exchange



Sunshine

Nina Fournier's Father passed away and she went to Florida for his funeral

Cassie Aberle 's Son also passed away and a triple service was held for Mr. Aberle, the daughter, and son.

Susan Sketers was at the meeting recovering from her emergency trip to the CCU unit at the hospital.

Marge Peterson will be exchanging her boot for a brace.

Jan O'Neill came to the TRAG meeting using a pair of crutches instead of going to the airport to leave for a trip...she had been painting a ceiling in a room of her home when she had an experience with her knee and her husband took her to the hospital. Jan is now off crutches.

Pat Hovis-French and Don went to Kansas City, to be with his cousin who was in the hospital ICU unit.

Pat Van Hooser is our sunshine lady. Please text your information to her at 417-844-2235 or leave a message on her landline at 417-779-8013 or give her a written note at the next meeting.

Mini-Workshop

Mini Workshop this month is with Helen Long , she will be teaching us to work clay. She is only going to take 6 people . If you want to take this workshop please let her know.

TRAG SHOOTERS

All Field Trips are scheduled on the 4th Wednesday of the month and will be leaving at 8:00 am at the designated parking lot: The Mule or TRAG Gallery.

June 26th - Ha Ha Tonka State Park, Camden Co.
MO [Leave from the Mule](#)

July 24th - Branson Promise Land Zoo, Branson,
MO [Leave from the Mule](#)

August 28th - Cosmic Cavern, Berryville, MO [Leave from the Gallery](#)

September 25th - Sunflowers in Monet, MO [Leave from the Mule](#)

October 23rd - Promoting Kimberling City, MO [Meet at the Gallery](#)



May's Camera Outing

Camera club went to the Golden Gate Bridge (Ar.) We had a great time. We got some real good pictures.

Art Instructions

Karen Deeds is offering an art class on Friday mornings from 9-12. Students may work in their medium of choice under Karen's experienced guidance. If you are interested in joining a fun and congenial group to broaden and enhance your creative pursuits, give Karen a call at 417-272-3757, or e-mail: karendeedsfineart@gmail.com

Marjorie Peterson teaches classes on Wednesdays, from 10 am to 2 pm, at the Kimberling City Senior Center. Students will be working in oil, acrylic, fluid acrylics as watercolor. Marjorie leads through demonstrations and says you will learn not to fear the brush and paint. For more information, contact Marjorie at 417-7394128 or marjp42@hotmail.com



June Birthdays

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| June 13 | Mindy Schroeder |
| June 19 | Bonnie Zak |
| June 22 | Barbara Hirsh |

July Birthdays

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| July 5 | Majorie Peterson |
| July 5 | William Lippman |
| July 6 | Debbie Boyd |
| July 8 | Judy Bell |
| July 31 | Connie Johnson |

Gallery News

The Gallery is looking good, Helen, Sandy and Jan have been cleaning and rearranging. If you have anything at the gallery please come pick it up. We are rearranging so we can get a head of the water. Please, if you use something put it back. If we leave you a note at the front desk to leave things the way we have them please do so. We are getting the Gallery in shape so it will work well for all of us. We do have a panel open, so, if you would one get in touch with me.

MEET and GREET

July. - Don Haberman & Chris
 August- Pat Hovis-French, David Carver and Helen Long
 September- Linda Edge-Dunlap and Peggy Masterman
 October- Fall Show
 November- TRAG Shooters (Camera Club)
 December- open house

Watercolor USA

June 8th Watercolor U.S.A. 2019 opens to public.
 September 1st Exhibition closes, 5:00 P.M.

Branson Regional Arts Council

The Branson Regional Arts Council is seeking artists for various events including:

- Branson Convention Center Art Gallery - Branson, MO (6 Month Exhibits)
- Chateau On The Lake (Artist Wall)
- Hollister Grape & Fall Festival (October)

<https://form.jotform.us/BransonArts/submit>

Art and the Internet

Karen Pugh

How to bolster your inspiration to produce your art, by Richard Robinson, Author

I was out sailing on the Pacific a while back dwelling on the subject of passion. If passion is the wind that fills your sails and gets you moving, inspiration is the rudder which uses that power in a useful direction. Without direction to our passion it's easy to just sail around in circles covering the same old water. Here's some tips on finding inspiration:

1. Re-evaluate. Look at your latest works and notes to see where you have come to and try to recapture your previous notions of where you were heading.
2. Absorb. Look at other artists' works on the web or printed media or galleries to spark the desire to create something that beautiful.
3. Play. Just PLAY with your paints until something starts to emerge. This can be lots of fun.
4. Set a Goal. Set a goal for learning or exploring a subject or technique which will generate it's own inspiring thoughts. e.g. Today I'm going to paint 4 small cloud studies from life using only 2 colours and white.
5. Explore. Go exploring outside, by foot or vehicle, looking for things that grab your eye.
6. Feel. Start with a feeling or a piece of music or poetry - how would you paint that? Try to imbue everything you do with that feeling - from first sketch to mixing paint, to each brush stroke - let it all be an expression of one idea.
7. Take a break! Sometimes we can just push too hard. It's amazing what a little break can do for the creative juices.

8. Pray. I don't normally pray for things for myself, but the two times I've been desperate enough to get down on my knees and pray for a creative breakthrough, God has come through with flying colors - literally. Aside from that, letting God have a hand in your work is an awesome experience. I've heard others call it the 'flow state', where the work comes through you, bynot from you. When you're finished you have the distinct feeling that you couldn't have done it by yourself.

9. Meditate. I've found that meditation helps firstly with being calm and centered, but also enhances your creative faculties, making it easier to think clearly and purposefully, visualize powerfully and be more open to the infinite creative power of God (or whatever you want to call it).

10. Love. Nothing great is created without love. The more love, the greater the creation - just look at parenting! I've heard it said that as artists we need to have a deep abiding love for both the large and the small aspects of painting - from the process itself to our individual brushes and paints. This is what it comes down to - if you are not loving what you are doing, stop. Try to find that feeling again or find something else to love.

There are an endless number of ways to generate inspiration for a painting, and my list is just a drop in the ocean, so I encourage you to explore ways that suit you - whatever works, do it!

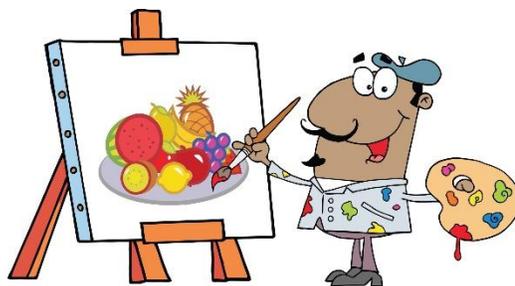


Table Rock Art Guild June 17th

at 12:00 (Plan on arriving between 11:30 and 12)

The June Meeting is the TRAG Potluck!

First Christian Church, 5 Hilltop Drive, Kimberling City, MO

Upcoming Dates

Meeting – June 17, 2019

Program – Hands on Painting
with Unusual Tools

Artist of the Month: Wood (any form)

Camera Club- June 26th Ha Ha Tonka State Park

Mini-Workshop – June 25th at Library

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Visit us on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/tablerockartguild/timeline/>

Visit our Gallery located in the
Kimberling City Shopping Center #11
Kimberling City, MO 65686

July Newsletter Submission Deadline is June 25th

Anyone can submit to the newsletter articles or photos that would be of interest to other members.

Send to: Barbara Hirsh, 276 Wildflower, Kimberling City, MO 65686 Email: bjhirsh@sbcglobal.net
Phone: 630-910-0912

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Wanted

A cameo writer is wanted for the newsletter.



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