

ROCKY MOUNTAIN HI CHAPTER of the Society of Decorative Painters

September 2013 Newsletter

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Marilyn Corners President's Report:

Hi Everyone,

You must all be knee deep in matting, framing and putting the finish coats of varnish on your beautiful pieces for our Art Show next Saturday. I am so excited to see all the amazing and wonderful paintings and projects that you each come up with. It is going to be such a good time.

Remember that we have a class at Ross U-Hills Library, Saturday, September 28th, 10 to 1:00. Call **720-865-0940** to register. It is free and we will be doing a fall themed project.

Please carefully read all the articles from our committee chairman in this newsletter to know what is coming up.

See you all at the Luncheon this Friday.

Hugs,
Marilyn

Verlene Siska - Vice President/Program Chairman

Hello Fellow Painters!

Don't forget to bring the place mats you painted at our August general meeting to our annual art-show-luncheon, September 13th. This year we have added a new category. That category is your favorite all time piece. So, if you have a favorite be sure to bring it to the luncheon.

The luncheon will be held at Blossoms at Heather Gardens, 2888 S Heather Gardens Way see the August Newsletter for map.

At our general meeting October 21st we will be painting plant buddies in the shape of Halloween masquerades. Each mask is about 4" x 2.5" and the wood is 1/8 inch. There will be a \$1.00 charge for each masquerade. The chapter will supply the paints. Please bring your acrylic painting supplies.



These masquerades were created by Chicago artist (now living in Nova Scotia), Sheila Landry. At one point Sheila had worked as a decorative painter, but then about 20 years ago she discovered the scroll saw and today most of her work is in this field. According to Sheila the scroll saw is no more dangerous than a sewing machine. If you would like to try using a scroll saw she has a free online class-

<http://lumberjocks.com/scrollgirl/blog/series/4134>

Sheila is a contributing editor for Creative Woodworks and Crafts magazine. Over the last 15 years she has contributed over a hundred articles to All American Crafts publications (Craftworks, Paintworks and Creative Woodworks and Crafts). She also has had at least one project in each issue of Creative Woodworks and Craft magazine for over six years running, many times two or three.

Also in October there will be a one day paint in on October 22 (10-4) where we will be painting Christmas ornaments for Gander Mountain.

Our annual Holiday party will be held November 18th. This year we are asking you to bring a plate of cookies to give the Gander Mountain staff, A Christmas tree ornament for our ornament exchange and a food goodie to share with the group.

Hope to see you on the 13th!

Verlene

Elissa McAlear - 2nd Vice President/ Membership Chairman

Painting friends,

Memberships are now being accepted for 2014 and will be delinquent December 1st for Rocky Mountain Hi Chapter.

Applications need to be filled out so that I have the correct information for the booklet. You may get a form from me at the luncheon, at a meeting or download it from the website. Chapter dues are \$20. We encourage new members, too.

Membership in SDP is a requirement and must be submitted to them. Their application is in the DP, online, or I do have several copies if you let me know you need one. They are due by December 1 or a \$5 fee is added to late renewals.

You'll be able to enjoy a number of fun programs and good friendships, so don't neglect to sign up!

Elissa McAlear, Membership chair

"My all-time favorite painted piece" category has just been added this year. You are encouraged to being a favorite painting whether or not it ever won a ribbon. There is no time limit on this category, so bring your favorite and join the fun of the art show! Please see the entry form at the end of this email, item number 16 of the Art Show 2013 categories.

You may bring your entries by 10:30 AM Friday, September 13th for the Art Show and Luncheon (note the earlier time).

See you soon,
Elissa

Elissa McAlear 303.421.8714

Ginny Sparlin - Recording Secretary

The General meeting of the Rocky Mountain Hi chapter of [SDP](#), was brought to order by president Marilyn Corners at 6:45pm at the Gander Mountain store in Aurora. August 19, 2013.

The minutes were posted.

Treasurer Pat Greene was out of town.

Vice President [Verlene Siska](#) reminded us of our upcoming September 13 luncheon and Art Show at Blossoms restaurant.

The October meeting we'll be painting on masks. The Nov. meeting is the ornament exchange and snacks and the swearing in of the 2014 slate of officers.

Membership: [Elissa McAlear](#) is accepting dues tonight for 2014. Dues are overdue as of Dec. 1. We have 39 members this year.

Seminars: [Melinda](#) Barnes still has some room in Paula [Leopolds](#) colored pencil class, see her to sign up tonight. She also advised us to apply our pattern to the smooth side of the paper. [Melinda](#) also announced that she will be opening this class up to other chapters.

Marilyn advised us that [Judi](#) Patti's class is full.

We will be meeting at Gander [Mt.](#) Tues, August 27 to finish painting placemats for the luncheon. Linda [Bierman](#) volunteered to bring chicken salad sandwiches.

Ways and Means: Linda is taking money for tickets tonight and also at the luncheon. She is also doing the marble game for \$1.00 per person.

Phone committee: Iris called all the members on her list and all is well.

Newsletter: Sheila [Hutchison](#) checked to make sure everyone received a newsletter and asks that if you did not, to let her know.

Marilyn passed out a short [questioneer](#) asking about our skills. She would like to have a record of our many skills to refer to.

Marilyn spoke of our classes at the library and let us know they have asked us to present two more classes, one for Nov. and one for Dec. these will be held on a Saturday from 2:pm to 4:pm.

We want to do another cookie shower for our friends here at Gander Mountain and also present them with a small decorated Christmas tree. The ornaments for the tree will be [Shrinky](#) Dinks of animals that we'll make at Gander Mountain on Tues. Oct. 22.

Art Show: [Elissa McAlear](#) advised us to keep on painting, fast! She reminded us of the new location is at Blossoms restaurant in Heather Gardens this year. Lunch is at 11:30, but we need to be there a little early to set up our art work. Bring easels if your piece need one, and be sure to cover your name. She asks that we print off the entry form and have it filled out ahead of time to bring to the art show.

Linda [Bierman](#) told us that Paula [Leopold](#) is doing a seminar Sept. 14 and to check [Paulas](#) web site for details.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20pm.

Respectfully submitted, sec. Ginny [Sparlin](#)

Melinda Barnes - Website Manager

<http://rockymountainhiartists.com/>

Hello Painters,

Let's start off with a **TIP**. While we were painting our placemats for the luncheon a couple of the ladies noticed I used a disposal glove while I was sponging the background. I always carry at least one disposable glove in my painting bag at all times. I use the glove when I am spattering the surface with a toothbrush too.

Tip: Many of us remember Joan Johnson, MDA. Her husband has had a website devoted to Joan's work for a couple of years, but I noticed recently Howard has added e-packets, e-books and her Pattern of the Month Club. You will be pleased to know there is a free oil e-packet available on the website you can print out.

<http://joanpatterns.com/>

Brushes and More have several videos for product techniques you might like to view.

<http://www.brushesandmore.com/>

I have to tell you that **Jamie Mills-Price is coming to teach in Colorado** in 2015! Jamie paints the cutest snowmen and other things you will ever see. Jamie has only recently started travel teaching and Carolyn Caldwell grabbed the chance to book her for the High Plains Chapter in Littleton. Jamie is an excellent teacher and I have sent you to her website on occasion for her free patterns. I will let you know more details in the future.

I also learned that **Tolefriends** is not charging a fee to be a member starting this month. If you are interested in communicating with other artists all around the world you will enjoy this email list. You can get individual or digest emails. While you are there check out all of the painting and craft links on the website. I haven't had the time in recent years to update the links as I used to do, but there is still a lot there. <http://tolefriends.com/>

Some of you who have been painting a long time and attended trade shows a few years ago may remember **Dee McCall**. She is a sweet lady who designed and painted on many different types of wooden boxes. Or maybe instead you may remember her good looking sons who helped her work the booth and make those boxes. <grin> I found her by accident a few months ago. She and her son are still in business... now making candles. I love their website and I think you might like looking at their candles.

<http://www.mccallscandles.com/>

Ronnie Bringle now has e-packets for sale on her site. There are only three e-packets available now, but we will be adding more as time allows. The newest packet is the "Color Wheel of Fruit". If you have ever wanted to paint one of Ronnie's pieces this is a winner because there is a free video to go along with the pattern on her blog. <http://ronniebringle.com/>

Color Red: I can't believe I haven't mentioned the color red before (maybe I have) because it is my very favorite color and has been as far back as I can remember. Did you know red is the highest arc of the rainbow? Red is the first color you lose sight of at twilight? Do you know that the longest wavelength of light is red? Bees can't see the color red, but can see all other bright colors. Red flowers are pollinated by birds, butterflies, bats and the wind.

That's it for now... I hope to see all of you at our luncheon September 13th.

Melinda

Paula Leopold, CDA Workshop

There are still a few seats left for our workshop with Paula on October 19th. Contact me to signup for the class. \$40 members and \$50 non-members.

I will have the instructions, pattern and paper at the luncheon so you can signup and get everything you need. You can email or call me...

MelindaLee@aol.com or 720-936-9666

Melinda

Be sure and visit our website often for the most up to date info about our meetings and workshops.

<http://www.rockymountainhiartists.com/>

Nancy Glassman – Hospitality

Thank you everyone for all the wonderful snacks that you bring to share to the monthly meetings and seminar painting days.

If you have not brought a snack to share, in the past, we would appreciate your participation in the last few months of this year!

Please call me at **303-220-8563**.

Looking forward to seeing all of you at the November Ornament exchange! In addition to the ornament, please bring 1 dozen of your favorite cookies, wrapped, for the wonderful Gander Mountain Employees. They really enjoyed our cookies last year and we would like to show our appreciation again this year!!

Also could everyone please bring an appetizer or dessert to share!! We have had such delicious food in the past!!

Any QUESTIONS please call me!

Nancy Glassman 303-220-8563

Linda Bierman & Kathy Kula - Ways and Means Chairmen

Please find a picture also by **Anne Martinez**, attached and/or embedded. It is a beautiful print from Anna Martinez numbered 364/500. It measures 24x18 it is not matted or framed.

It is the special prize for anyone who sells the most drawing tickets for the Anna Martinez original by drawing time **Sept. 13 2013 at the luncheon**. So get those tickets out and sell sell sell!! If you need more tickets to sell be sure and contact **Linda Bierman at 303-484-1776**.

It's only a few days away until the drawing of the beautiful Anne Martinez watercolor painting!

Some lucky person will be carrying it home with them and I bet they will have a Hugh smile on their face. If you need a ticket they will be a limited amount available at the luncheon up until 11:30.

So look for me and get your extra tickets. Remember they are 6 for \$5.00 or 1 for \$1.00. We will also be awarding the Anne Martinez desert scene to the seller of the most tickets!

Thanks to everyone who participate in selling these tickets to raise funds for our club.

Looking ahead in January we have a Charles Danford painting that is so Cool.

Linda Bierman, Ways and Means Committee



To win this beautiful Tulips picture, get your drawing ticket by lunch time *Sept. 13, 2013* at the luncheon.



Linda

The Rules for our 2013 Art Shows are:

1. Each entrant must be a member in good standing.
2. There will be one art show on Friday, September 13th, 2013, which will be divided between a Student/Member Art Show and a Teacher's Art Show.
(Note: Once a teacher, you can not revert to the Student/Member Art Show.)
3. One entry per category per entrant, Category is determined by the entrant.
4. Each piece must be painted or completed within the last twelve (12) months.
5. Names must be covered.

Plan to enter lots of beautiful painted pieces - you are not limited to how many categories!

Questions? Call Elissa McAlear 303.421.8714 or email elissamcalear@yahoo.com put RMHi in Subject, please!!

Entry Form for Rocky Mountain Hi Chapter's Student/Member Art Show and Teacher Art Show

Each entrant determines in which category their piece(s) are to be entered. Rules were printed in the previous newsletter, on the website and possibly in this issue. For more information or questions, call Elissa McAlear 303.421.8714

Entry Category: Categories for both shows:

- _____ 1. Landscape
- _____ 2. Rosemaling
- _____ 3. Decorative
- _____ 4. Folk Art
- _____ 5. Floral/Fruit
- _____ 6. Animals & Birds
- _____ 7. Pastels or Pencil
- _____ 8. Watercolor
- _____ 9. Mixed media
- _____ 10. Holiday
- _____ 11. Fabric/Wearable Art
- _____ 12. Mini
- _____ 13. Pen & Ink
- _____ 14. Portrait
- _____ 15. Original Designs
- _____ 16. My all-time favorite painted piece -- NEW this year!
- _____ Total # entries

Member's Name _____

Entering as Student/Member _____ or Teacher _____

Code# S/M- _____ or T- _____ 2/13

Schedule of Events

Sept 13th Luncheon/Art Show-Blossoms at Heather Gardens
Sept 28th Paint and Take- Ross U-Hills Library

Oct 1st Board Meeting
Oct 19th Paula Leopold Workshop-Gander Mtn
Oct 21st General Meeting-Gander Mtn
Oct 22nd Paint in-Gander Mtn
Oct 26th Paint and Take with Ginny Sparlin- Ross U-Hills Library

Nov 5th Board Meeting
Nov 18th Holiday Party-Gander Mtn

Hey painters! Here is the recipe for banana bread/muffins that everyone liked at Judi's paint class:

Ginny's Banana Bread

3 bananas (mashed)
1 C. sugar
1/2 C. solid shortening
2 eggs
2 C. flour
1 t. baking soda
1 1/2 T. sour milk or butter milk

Cream sugar and shortening in a large bowl. Add eggs and bananas. Mix in the remaining ingredients. Be sure to spray muffin tin with Bakers Joy, or Pam. This can also be baked as banana bread in loaf pans. Bake at 325 degrees. Muffins 15 to 20 mins. Loaves, bake aprox. 1 hr.

You can also add: 1 C. chopped nuts, 1 C. chocolate chips or butterscotch chips (or a mixture of both), or 1 C. dried cranberries

Enjoy!

Sour milk is a mixture of 1 part vinegar + 2 parts milk.

Sheila Hutchison - Newsletter Editor

Thanks so much to all who contributed to this newsletter. Please let me know if I missed anything. Verlene and I welcome all corrections, additions, suggestions or advice. Please put in the subject line 'newsletter'. Sheila at hudhut@hotmail.com.