

# ROCKY MOUNTAIN HI CHAPTER

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Society of Decorative Painters

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President's Message- *Ginny Sparlin*

Hi Everyone!

Hope you all are well and enjoying our wonderful Spring! Graduation is fast upon us at our house, Prom is in the rear view mirror, and house guests will be beating a trail to our door!!! Life is good.

Summer is on the way with lots of fun things to do. Have you signed up for [Judi Patti's watercolor class in July?](#) She is an amazing teacher, so don't miss the opportunity to learn from her.

[Have you made your reservations for the SDP Convention in San Diego?](#) If not, you'd better get a wiggle on! Hope to see you there!

This month's meeting Julliette Salter will be giving us a "Bob Ross" demonstration. We will not be painting, so no need to bring painting supplies. You might want to take notes. I'm sure Julliette has some handy tricks to make those landscapes pop!

The [fabric painting class that was cancelled in April has been rescheduled for our June meeting.](#) I'll include a supply list in the June newsletter.

The programs at our meetings are usually fairly fast and easy. If you have a friend or relative who might be interested in learning to paint, but doesn't want to commit to a real class just yet, you might try inviting them to come with you to a meeting. Nonmembers may attend two meetings before joining our chapter. Who knows, you might end up with a new painting buddy to ride with you to our meetings. You know we always have a good time! See you at the May 16 meeting!

Ginny Sparlin (Questions? call me: 303-693-0771)

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## 1st Vice President – Programs- Marilyn Corners

Hello Painters,

With our meeting last month having been canceled, it feels like such a loooong time since we have been together. I miss you. So, I am really looking forward to our meeting on the 16th and hope you are as well.

Our program this month will be a **demo by Juliette Salter, one of our new members, who is a Certified Bob Ross Instructor**. This will be an opportunity for us to experience the joy of Bob Ross' relaxed and approachable method of oil painting. I am very excited for this program and so pleased that Juliette is willing to share her knowledge with us. Thank you Juliette.

As you remember, Ginny Sparlin, our esteemed President, was going to teach us **Fabric Painting** last month and since that meeting was canceled, she will be doing her program in **June**, so we can still have the benefit of her expertise, Yay!!

**"An Artful Journey", the SDP Conference in San Diego, is only a month away, June 6 thru 11.** I am very excited about it and thrilled that we have 4 members of Rocky Mountain Hi attending and representing our chapter. We will have lots to report back to you at our June 20th meeting. However, you still have time to make your registration and take advantage of the wealth of national teachers from whom you could take a class. Think about going. It is such a lot of fun to spend 5 days with artists who have similar interests, goals, problems and solutions. I urge you to consider taking advantage of the experience with Ginny, Melinda, Nancy Glassman and me. It will be awesome!!

Love to each of you, Marilyn [marilyn.corners@gmail.com](mailto:marilyn.corners@gmail.com)

### 2016 PROGRAMS

January 18th, 2016 – Randy Hale, Watercolor Demonstration  
February 15th, 2016 – Deb Lancaster, Shrinky Dink Easter Egg/Ornament/Name Tag  
March 21st, 2016 – Esther Haines, Oil Painting Roses  
April 18th, 2016 – Ginny Sparlin, Fabric Painting (rescheduled for June)  
May 16th, 2016 – Juliette Salter, Bob Ross Landscape Demo  
June 20th, 2016 – Conference Recap w/ New Products and Ideas  
July 18th, 2016 – Andrene Smeltzer, Painted/Beaded Spoon  
August 13th, 2016 – Picnic Box Lunch/Auction (Saturday)  
August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Make It- Take It for Garden Plaza Residents and friends  
September 9th, 2016 – Art Show/ Luncheon  
October 17th, 2016 – Marilyn Corners, "Mud" Designs on Glass Blocks  
November 21st, 2016 – Ornament Exchange/Installation  
December – No Meeting – Merry Christmas

## Ways and Means - Sherry Flowers and Nancy Glassman

Nancy Glassman and I as co-chairs continue to pursue avenues/opportunities to raise money for the Chapter. We encourage and welcome new ideas, so please share. Ginny Sparlin suggested selling **door prize tickets for member donated art pieces and other items**. We've decided to go forward with this idea and will start selling tickets at the May chapter meeting and will have tickets for sale until the November Chapter Holiday celebration at which time the winners will be drawn. Tickets are \$1.00 or 6 for \$5.00. We plan to post pictures of donated items on the website. Those donating art that is not an original design please obtain permission from the designer (required for posting on the website).

We will continue to display art at the Highlands Ranch Library through May. It's not too late to showcase your work, so please consider. Just to recap Owner donation to the library is encouraged from the sale of artwork on display. Suggested donation is 10% of sale price. We ask that you provide easels or stands. If you choose to sell please mark with your name, price and contact information (using a business card works great). Proceeds from any sold pieces can be kept by the owner or all/portion can be donated to the chapter or library. Display only items should be marked with your name and NFS (Not for Sale). Additionally, if you would provide an inventory list of your pieces it is helpful for tracking purposes. Thanking you in advance for sharing your art. We look forward to sharing your art pieces and the library patrons enjoy admiring your work.

Please contact either Nancy Glassman or me if you have any pieces readily available that you would like to display and we'll arrange getting them. We would love to change up the display giving everyone an opportunity to share their paintings.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Ways and Means Co-chair Sherry Flowers

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A big **Thank You**, to all who volunteered to represent our Chapter, at the Bead Show! We all had a great time connecting with people we hadn't seen for a while and prospective new members.

Three people expressed interest in our Chapter and will come to a Monday meeting.

Our fantastic volunteers were Marilyn Corners, Sheri Sutton, Pat Greene, Ginny Sparlin, Karon Sorensen, Deb Lancaster & Granddaughter Lindsey, Nancy Hibbert, Melinda Barnes and Nancy Glassman! See you at the Chapter meeting.

Nancy Glassman

Ways and Means and Publicity

## TOLE CHATTER

Hello Everyone,

The adult coloring books are still gaining popularity! I talked with a Florida chapter president tonight who said her grandson asked if he could use her colored pencils. Of course she said yes and was amazed with the Mandala he painted without any instruction from her at all. The books are for sale everywhere, even at Sprouts. \*grin\* Artists Club has several new books available. One of the new coloring books is "Botanical Wonderland" by Rachel Reinert that may be of interest of some of you. Also "Chalk Style Botanicals Deluxe Coloring Book" by Valerie McKeehan is very interesting. I still see lots of snowmen, which I love, and now seeing Halloween designs... okay, love those too! Shirley Hoenig, Renee Mullins, Shara Reiner and Bill Ridley Bayer all have new books available. <http://www.artistsclub.com/>

If you like to paint on tin Della and Company continues to have deep discounts on tin. Della is cleaning out the warehouse to make room for more new product. The Joyce Howard pattern packets are available only on Della's website. <http://dellaandcompany.com/>

Marlene Kreutz has finished working on her new book. She is proofing the book now and then the book will be off to Viking to be printed. The book will be released at the SDP Conference in San Diego. Hopefully Marlene and Al will pack enough books so they won't be sold out before she comes to Denver to teach our seminar after Conference!

Cupboard Distributing is featuring a Mini Ink Blending Tool and Refills on sale through Thursday, May 12. This tool features a round foam applicator that is good for applying inks and paints into small areas, can also be used for stenciling. They have a video to show you how to use it which may be helpful. <http://www.cdwood.com/>

I signed up for the new Painting World Magazine. The first issue is being mailed out in June. If you are interested in subscribing to this new magazine here is their website. You can use their secure shopping cart or mail a check. <http://paintingworldmag.com/>

## Do Colors Influence People?

Can you imagine if there was no color on the Internet (yikes)? All websites were a mixture of black, white and different shades of grey? Not interesting and fun! Colors on the web or in our painting have many functions. Color can make a design interesting, eye catching, and even influence what we think of them just to name a few.

Tip (from years ago, but still applies today):

I've done lots of furniture that was painted or varnished. If it was really old and dirty, I would wash it first, dry and then sand. I used Kilz spray primer/sealer on all of it and then painted a base coat over that. The spray was the fastest way to go. You can get it at any home improvement store. I did this for many clients and have had great luck, never had paint chip and no complaints. If the paint finish was rough or cracked, I used DecoArt Weathered Wood on it to give it a shabby chic look. To do this, spray with Kilz, base coat the color you want showing through the cracks, brush on weathered wood. Follow label directions. Then brush on top coat color. Any design by Ros Stallcup, with all her florals, was always a popular choice.

Kathy Swigon, CDA

That's all this month. See you at the next meeting!

Happy Painting, Melinda

## WEBSITE

Be sure and check our website for the most recent information concerning chapter meetings and events. The Kathie George seminar photos have been added to our website. Take a look; you just might see yourself painting! <http://rockymountainhiartists.com/>

## TRAVEL TEACHER SEMINARS

One seat left on Saturday!

Marlene Kreutz, CDA will be teaching her doodling and pencil shading technique **June 18 and 19** this year. The seminar will be co-sponsored with the High Plains Chapter and held in Littleton at the School Administration Building. Marlene teaches with a projector so you can see exactly what she is doing. The Saturday projects are the jewelry box (double deck card box) and three necklaces. That seminar day has **one seat remaining**. If you are interested contact me as soon as possible!

The Gerber Daisies and necklace still has openings and will also be a fun class. Visit our seminar web page for photos and details. I will be handing out the supply list at our next meeting. Watch for the supply list via email. <http://rockymountainhiartists.com/seminars.htm>

Melinda

Travel Teacher Seminar Chair



## BIRTHDAYS

STANLEY ESTOLL MAY 14  
KARON SORENSEN MAY 15  
NOREEN GOETZ MAY 27  
KATHY KULA MAY 31

e-mail cards are sent to all members each month a day before their Birthday, Many cards have never been opened. When it is a day before your birthday please check your junk mail there might be a beautiful Birthday Card sitting there waiting for you to open. All cards come from [jacquielawson.com](http://jacquielawson.com) Paper cards are sent to all members without e-mail addresses.

## LOCAL TEACHER SEMINARS Char Bucher

This year on **July 16** we will celebrate the beauty of Spring again at **Judy Patti's Studio**.



The class is almost full but there are a few last minute openings. All participants currently signed up need to submit your payment as soon as possible.

We will be painting large blue iris. It will be fun for all. Class time will be 9 to 4. Bring all of your watercolor supplies. Questions, call Char.

## Newsletter – Nancy Hibbert

Articles for the June newsletter will be due by noon Sunday June 12th. Please send articles to me at: [Hibbertconsult@comcast.net](mailto:Hibbertconsult@comcast.net) and put RMHi in the subject line .

Rocky Mtn Hi SDP accepts advertising placements. ¼ page is \$20 for one issue or \$40 for 3 issues. Payment can be made to treasurer Pat Greene, and copy sent to me.

Thanks, Nancy (720) 971-4001

## Membership Report - Elissa McAlear

Our membership is at 45 members! We hope to welcome several from the Bead Show, according to Marilyn. I do have application forms if you know anyone else that we can encourage to join.

There is a bonus for the Chapter if we can get several new members by Conference. We'd love to welcome new painters.

Let me know if you have any questions about membership. Elissa McAlear

## Art Show - Friday, September 9th!

We hope you are busy painting several projects to enter the Annual Art Show! The categories and rules are in your Membership Roster Booklet.

We have added a separate section for those who have been painting 3 years or less to encourage new painters to enter their pieces and gain the fun of participating. These will not be divided into separate categories this year, they'll all be in one category. **JOIN the FUN!**

Questions? Call or email me as someone else probably has the same concern.

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