Palo Verde Reflections

April 2021, Jim Crossman, Editor

President's Message

Sometimes I believe my calendar is turning the pages so quickly that I can hardly keep up. We are in the middle of March as I write this piece, and April is looming ahead at warp speed. I hope there are no April fool's jokes awaiting. We had a very successful online virtual exhibition with 84 entries of fabulous artwork. I know it was difficult for our juror, Virginia Carroll, to choose, and she did it in such a good way. Even if the juror did not select our artwork for an award, it does not mean that we did not win because we did. I have never juried, but I think it is a professional eye and has to do with many things we do not know. My take only. A giant shout out to everyone who entered their artwork and to those helping along the way to make it easier for the exhibition to happen. We will do this again.

I understand that many Snowbirds are planning on leaving for the summer soon; I want all of you to know that we, as an art club, will still have online classes and events for you to connect and participate in. Wherever you are, please remember we are here waiting for you to join us if you have an internet connection. There is still a lot of fun to be had.

We are hoping by the time you return, our club room will be open and fully functioning. The vaccines are happening for most people, and we are all beginning to feel safer and maybe a little victorious in the pursuit of our freedom. Should you be leaving soon, have a safe trip, stay well; we hope to see you on Zoom and look forward to your return in the fall. Should you be staying here, we look forward to seeing you on Zoom.

Mary Stewart, President

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April—May 2021 Club Events on Zoom

Until the club opens, all events will be held on the internet via Zoom. Participants need to have a internet connected computer, iPad, tablet or a smartphone. A web camera and audio connection is needed to view and talk. Members will be sent a notice and it will be followed up with an invitation to the Zoom event. All Zoom events are limited to 100 people.

Monday

April 5 pm PVA Virtural Gathering on Zoom for PVA Members

April 19, 1 pm Zoom PVA Artists Critique with Ruth Little. To participate submit work to Mary Jo Peterson, mjpeters845@ gmail.com by noon Sunday, April 18th.

April 19th, Deadline for news or articles for our PVA newsletter Reflections for May issue.

April 26, 1 pm Leadership Zoom Meeting

May3, Zoom Garthering (last one until September), 1:00 pm

May17, Zoom PVA Artists Critique with Ruth Little. To participate submit work to Mary Jo Peterson, mjpeters845@ gmail.com by noon Sunday, May 16th.

May 31, 1:00 pm Zoom Leadership Meeting, 1:00 pm

Tuesday

April 6, 13, 20, & 27th, Drawing with Ruth Glenn Little, 4 weeks, $60 fee

Wednesday

April 14, 1 pm Zoom Colored Pencil Party with Lori Hostettler

April 21, 28, and May 5, 12, 19, and 26, Zoom Contemporary Floral Painting with Velvet Tetrault, 10:00 am

May 12, Zoom Colored Pencil Party with Lori Hostettler, 1:00 pm

Thursday

April 8, 15, 22, and 29, 1-4 pm Zoom Batik With Colored Pencils Workshop with Ruth Glenn Little, $60.00 fee for four days

Friday

April 23rd and May 28th, 1 pm Zoom Alcohol Ink Party, with Eileen Moore. Enjoy a friendly, fun get together of members interested in the medium of Alcohol.

Stay informed … Read the newsletter and visit our website at http://paloverdeartists.com

We welcome all our members to our Monday, April 5th & May 3rd 1:00 pm Gatherings Online via Zoom

Grab a cup of coffee, boot up your computer, tablet, iPad, or smartphone. Check to see that your webcam and audio are on and join us via Zoom for our coronavirus style monthly meeting. Check your email for the invitation with the link to connect to Zoom. Joining should be a simple as clicking on the link. Monday, April 5th & May 3rd 1:00 pm. The invitations for PVA Gatherings for Membership are sent to current members by email.

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Our Artist of the Month

April 2021

Marlene Bonneville

Marlene is a Minnesota native, moving to Arizona in 1982. She is a self-taught artist and works in all mediums, and has taught classes for the Palo Verde Art club for almost 19 years; she is currently teaching Acrylic painting. Marlene has earned degrees in CADD drafting and Graphic Design and taught classes in the Graphic design program for 11 years before moving to Sun City. Not having one favorite medium and loves working in all of them.

She states, "In my Acrylic Classes, we complete a small painting each week. We study Landscapes, Animals, Still Life, Flowers, and much more. I paint a "demo" painting along with my students. Students bring the necessary supplies needed, and I provide references to work from each week. Beginners are welcome, as well as experienced artists."

Marlene does commission work and loves painting animals, Pet Portraits, landscapes, and florals.

Membership in Palo Verde Artists is $10 per year and is open to RCSC cardholders only. **New Members or Renewing on our website at** http://paloverdeartists.com Just click on the Membership Link on the top right side of the web page. It takes you to where you can follow 3 easy steps to renew using PayPal, or your credit or debit card. **Directions for paying by mail?** CHECKS ONLY, NO CASH! Dues for 2021 are $10.00, and can be sent to: Treasurer, Palo Verde Artists, P O Box 2474, Sun City AZ 85372

— Artist of the Month Program and Display Case Chair, Jim Crossman

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Look What's Been Happening In Palo Verde's Zoom Classes!

Students have been enjoying **Velvet Tetrault's Floral Painting**. In **Ruth Glenn Little's Batik with Colored Pencils and Watercolor** members learn the basics of colored pencil art and watercolor painting along with Ruth's special method of batiking to create uniquely beautiful works. Also, Ruth has a **new Drawing class** beginning on April 6th. During **Eileen Moore's Alcohol Ink Party** we've enjoyed making amazingly visually stunning discoveries and paintings using a variety of colors, skills, tools, techniques and materials. At **Loretta Hostettler's Colored Pencil Party** we've had fun learning colored pencil techniques, tools and materials to create both detailed and expressive works. As with many Zoom activities, we've been able to enjoy each other's company and have fun learning and sharing together. **http://paloverdeartists.com**

Goodbye for Now PVA Fall and Winter Members! We will miss you!

We look forward to seeing you again in the Fall. But remember our Zoom events are available from anywhere you have an internet connection. Visit our Palo Verde Artists website and you will find listings of our activities for each month you are away. Our Reflections newsletter past issues will be there too. http://paloverdeartists.com

Join Us On Facebook

We've changed the ability to search and request to join our Facebook Group. This should make it much easier to join as the way we were doing didn't work well for several members. Open your Facebook account and in the search box, type in Groups Palo Verde Artists of Sun City. Click on Join Group. Give us a few days to accept your request as we don't check Facebook every day. Please, we'd love to hear how you are and see your art but refrain from political or religious related posts.

PVA Newsletter Reflections **If you want to put an article, news, class or other announcement in Reflections, it has to be submitted before the deadline. Newsletters will be emailed for members to read or print and posted on the website. The May newsletter deadline is April 19, 2021. jimontherim@yahoo.com.**

Palo Verde Artists New Zoom Class

Tuesdays—April 6, 13, 20 & 27

Zoom Drawing class with Ruth Glenn Little, 1-4 pm. $60 fee. Pay & Register online at http://paloverdeartists.com.

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