

BRUSHSTROKES

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"Feed the body food and drink, it will survive today. Feed the soul art and music, it will live forever." ~ Julie Andrews





Fiddler on the Roof

Do you turn on music when you draw or paint or visualize the best way to illustrate a favorite song? Many artists are inspired by or combine the two art forms in their works and some of our most famous singers and musicians were or are also visual artists. For some it's a hobby, but many have also exhibited in public galleries or published their works, such as John Lennon, Tony Bennett, Joni Mitchell, Bob Dylan, Paul McCartney, Miles Davis and Swizz Beatz. Perhaps the best example of music inspired art is by Russian-born artist Marc Chagall (1887-1985). As recently as 2017, The Montreal

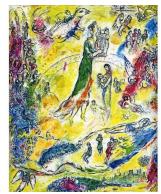
Museum of Fine Art in Canada presented **Chagall: Colour and Music**, the largest exhibition ever devoted to Chagall and the presence of music in his life and work with over 300 pieces.

It was his painting *The Green Violinist* that inspired the theme and title to the Broadway hit *Fiddler On the Roof* in 1964, a musical universally loved and still performed all around the world. A logical choice, since Chagall often showcased the people of the shtetl, who are at the heart of Sholem Aleichem's stories of survival in a life of uncertainty in the Pale of Settlement in Imperial Russia in or around 1905. That triumph and his dedicated involvement in theater led to Chagall being asked to create sets and costumes for the New York City Ballet's production of Stravinsky's *Firebird* as well as for the inaugural performance of Mozart's *The Magic Flute* at the Metropolitan Opera House in the brand new Lincoln Center in New York City in 1966.

When the Met chose an artist to design its grand entrance, it was Chagall's *The Sources of Music* (on the right below) and *The Triumph of Music* (on the left) which are the two murals that majestically greet the visitor.











May 2024 ARTIST of the Month Showcase All PVA Members



Donna Berger, Artist of the Month Showcase Coordinator accepted art work from members of Palo Verde Artists to display in the showcase for the month of May. Theme was "Garden Fare". Paintings were received and displayed on Monday, April 29.

Members are reminded of future dates for themed showcases. Please check your email for times and dates when you can bring your art to the Palo Verde Room.

July Theme—Fourth of July
September Theme—Colors of Fall
November Theme—Thanksgiving

Artwork must be framed and ready for hanging. Smaller sizes, such as 8×10 , 11×14 are preferred.



PVA Members ' Art
Artist of the Month
Showcase for May
"GARDEN FARE"







April Meeting
Demonstrator
Nancy Christy-Moore
Alcohol Ink Techniques

Palo Verde Artists April Events



Ruth Little's Surprise Birthday Party



Peggy Juneau and Kelly Abraham
Art Show at the El Dorado





Marion Wishnefski and Donna Berger Art Show at St. John the Baptist







For Up-To-Date PVA information visit PaloVerdeArtists.com



PVA May 2024 Calendar

Continuing -> Red New Classes-> Green

Workshops -> Blue Special Events-> Purple

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Classes and Workshop Sign up sheets located in the PVA Club Room at Sundial		Wednesday, May 1 Intermediate Drawing 1 to 4 p.m. Ruth Little	Thursday, May 2 Portraits 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.	Friday, May 3	Saturday, May 4
Monday, May 6 Critique 1 p.m. Ruth Little	Tuesday, May 7 OPEN STUDIO 9 a.m. to 12 Noon Beginning Watercolor 1 to 3 p.m. Nedda Oswald	Wednesday, May 8 Intermediate Drawing 1 to 4 p.m. Ruth Little	Portraits 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.	Friday, May 10 Colored Pencil and Graphite (1) 1 to 4 p.m. Ruth Little	Saturday, Ma y 11
Monday, May 13 PVA Meeting in Art Room 12 NOON Bring a snack to share	Tuesday, May 14 OPEN STUDIO 9 a.m. to 12 Noon Beginning Watercolor 1 to 3 p.m. Nedda Oswald	Wednesday, May 15 Intermediate Drawing 1 to 4 p.m. Ruth Little	Thursday, May 16 Portraits 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.	Friday, May 17	Saturday, May 18
Monday, May 20	Tuesday, May 21 OPEN STUDIO 9 a.m. to 12 Noon Beginning Watercolor 1 to 3 p.m. Nedda Oswald	Wednesday, May 22 Intermediate Drawing 1 to 4 p.m. Ruth Little	Portraits 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.	Friday, May 24 Colored Pencil and Graphite (2) 1 to 4 p.m. Ruth Little	Saturday, May 25
Monday May 27	Tuesday, May 28 OPEN STUDIO 9 a.m. to 12 Noon Beginning Watercolor 1 to 3 p.m. Nedda Oswald	Wednesday, May 29 Intermediate Drawing 1 to 4 p.m. Ruth Little	Portraits 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.	Friday, May 31	