



NEWSLETTER



Art Studio at The Retreat + 1220 Cattleman Drive + 512-948-7661

February, 2021



Happy Valentine's Day to all our members!



Visual Arts 2021 General Meeting Information - Darell Hutchinson, President

VAC member attendance in the "Classroom" has been good despite the COVID 19 issue. And if you have not signed up for any of the variety of Art Classes, consider the value in doing so. Personally, classes have taught me a great deal in expressing myself better on canvas. Whether you are a novice, or professional, these classes, which are taught by our Artist/Teachers will help improve your finished art.

Because of Covid we are pursuing the "Art of ZOOMing", and you, as a club member, are asked to join on ZOOM for "near future" general membership meetings. Our first ZOOM meeting is at 2 pm, February 9th, and will start with a Power Point presentation of VAC club member art which is currently displayed at the various venues in Sun City. The ZOOM meeting will conclude with a demonstration of a pen/ink and wash painting by Artist/Teacher Garland Anderson who has scheduled upcoming classes in the same and in pen and ink perspective. You will be sent a "link" to each ZOOM membership meeting (limit 100 on each ZOOM call).

Please watch for email inviting you to attend our first Zoom General Meeting with instructions. There will be a limit of 100 members that will be able to attend.

Join upcoming classes, and on ZOOM, and become an active, educated or re-educated artist.

Don't Miss Meet the Teacher February Event beginning with their Art Exhibit currently on display in the Studio

VISUAL Arts CLUB

Visual Arts Club Studio at The Retreat
Open Mon thru Fri
9:00 am to 4:00 pm

ART SHOW

Meet The Teachers

Now on display through March 15, 2021

COMING SOON! ONLINE!

FEB 23

Visual Arts Club Teacher Showcase
Featuring Teachers' Artwork and Course Schedules

MEET THE TEACHER PART I: We are pleased to announce the 2021 MEET THE TEACHER art exhibit currently on display through March 15th at the Studio. Members may view the exhibit Mon-Fri, 9AM – 4PM, when a monitor is on hand. Call ahead to 512 948-7661. Members must wear masks, social-distance, and hand-sanitize. CA capacity limits guide the number of visitors allowed at one time. Come view some amazing art!

MEET THE TEACHER PART II: We will be showcasing many more examples of VAC Teacher Artwork online on the VAC Website commencing February 23rd. This virtual showcase includes Teacher artwork, specialties, Bios and their 2021 teaching schedules. We hope this "virtual" experience inspires members to take part in the creative learning experiences our teachers have to offer!

Jane Hogan and Dorothy Jowers, Education Co-Chairs

Education Update

We are pleased to see that members have started enrolling in classes for the New Year. Members can still register for February classes on the VAC website calendar. For March classes, members can now use CA's new VBO Ticketing system. We have already seen that it is working well because members have started purchasing tickets for March classes.

NOTE: If you are having problems logging into the CA website, please email it-help@sctexas.org. The CA has sent out an update on January 22 on how to login to the Resident's Home Page. Hope everyone got it.

Our new President, Darrell Hutchinson, will preside over the VAC's first Zoom General Meeting on February 9 at 2PM featuring Garland Anderson Jr as the artist demonstrator. You won't want to miss this inaugural meeting of the new year. You will be able to paint along at home as Garland demonstrates this enlightening lesson. We will be sending out a supply list along with the Zoom invite in advance of the meeting.

Meet the Teacher 2021 has 2 components this year: 1) Teacher Artwork Exhibit at the Retreat Studio until March 15; and 2) a new online Teacher Showcase venue. Beginning on February 23, the VAC website will have a section entitled *Meet the Teacher Showcase*. In addition to numerous examples of our wonderful VAC teachers' artwork, it will also contain teacher Bios and course schedules for the 2021 year. It's a delightful must see!

A new online SIG was recently created called the *VAC Monthly Art Challenge SIG*. Evelyn Hart, VAC artist-member and host of this private Facebook Group SIG, has a February 1st launch date for the first monthly art challenge. She will be posting 2 photographs for members to choose from to create an artwork. Member artwork can be done in any media and then posted/shared with the rest of the Facebook Group at the end of the month. This SIG is open to no more than 30 member artists (see VAC website SIG tab). This should be a fun adventure and shake up the Covid doldrums!

We hope VAC members will consider these various participatory and educational venues and keep on creating!

The list of classes for the months of February through June are at the end of the newsletter.

Candy McMains, Studio Manager

Over the past year I've seen something amazing happen over and over. When people engage their creativity, they find the ability to heal in all kinds of ways and get through all kinds of things. As a creative, you know how much you enjoy creating, and you probably know you feel better when you do. Did you know that being creative is also a very effective way to lower your stress? 😊

So I am inviting you to visit our Art Studio, enjoy viewing the displayed art, attend a class, come into work during Open Studio, check out books from our art library or just stop by to see our fabulous artists at work. The VAC Studio is open Monday- Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Hope to see you soon!

Monitors are always needed! Sign up on the VAC calendar. Watch for a Monitor training in the near future. Only previously trained Monitors are eligible to monitor at this time.

Due to Covid restrictions on gatherings in CA buildings the VAC Board has decided to cancel the **Collage Show** set for March and the **Show and Sale** set for April. More information will be available when new dates are set

Monitors are needed in the Studio especially on Mondays and Tuesdays.

Please go online to the Calendar to sign up. No Monitors means No Open Studio.

Barbara Chenault, Feature Artist Coordinator

- VAC Member, Lilly Naley, is our “Featured Artist” for the months of January and February. Her paintings are hanging in the CA hall across from the CA office area. Please stop by and see these beautiful works of art!

Linda Campbell, Exhibition Chair

All of our venues (Studio, Retreat Hall, Activities Center, and Cowan Creek) have new art on exhibit. I encourage all members to stroll through these venues and take a look at your fellow artist’s paintings. You are sure to enjoy these pieces of art, and you may be encouraged to enter in the next showing.

Bonnie Dennis, Secretary and Sunshine Chair



If you know of a member who needs or would appreciate a note of sympathy, condolence, congratulations, or gratitude please contact the **Sunshine Person**! Email bonniedennis@suddenlink.net, or call or text 512-966-7781 so that Bonnie Dennis can send some Sunshine.



Sharon Riddell, Webmaster

If you have any information that you would like to appear in the VAC newsletter, please get in touch with me at sharonrddl@gmail.com

New appearance on Visual Arts Website Home Page. You will see at the top of our home page there is an area saying “Announcements”. This month you will see the announcement of our Meet the Teachers Event. If you click on you will see more information.



Enjoy a friendship, maybe a little wine, maybe some chocolate too!

- **Class Registrations:** Registration for February classes is on the VAC Calendar; payment is by member check to “SCTXCA” given to the teacher on the first day of class. Starting with March classes, registration will occur on the CA VBO Ticketing system. Payment is via credit card online.

February - June Classes 2021 - Updated 1-18-21

Class Descriptions & Supply Lists can be found on SCTXCA Website in VAC Calendar							
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Questions: Contact - Jane Hogan hoganjs2@msn.com 508-320-8022 or Dorothy Jowers dali_too@yahoo.com 512-240-5608							
Class Name	LVL	INSTRUCTOR	DATES	TIME	Regis Opens	Regis Closes	COS
Paint Fast, Loose & Bold Brushstrokes	All	Sally Doran	February 4, 2021	9:00 - 4:00	December 14, 2020	January 29, 2021	\$50
VAC General Meeting - Online Zoom Format			February 9, 2021	2:00 - 4:00			
Calligraphy	B	Paul Taylor	Feb-10 & 17	9:00 - 12:00	December 14, 2020	February 5, 2021	\$75
Texas Wildflowers with Pastels	B, I	Nancy Taylor	Feb-10, 11 & 12	1:00 - 4:00	December 14, 2020	February 5, 2021	\$75
Beginning Watercolor I	B	Kaki Bassi	February 17, 2021	1:00 - 4:00	December 14, 2020	February 12, 2021	\$10
Beginning Composition	B	Tom Garney	February 18, 2021	1:00 - 4:00	December 14, 2020	February 12, 2021	\$35
Collage Composition & Design	All	Candy McMains	February 19, 2021	9:00 - 4:00	December 14, 2020	February 12, 2021	\$45
VAC Meet the Teacher - Online Video & Teacher Showcase			February 23, 2021	11:00			
Painting Acrylics, Step by Step	B	Lucy Oxberry	February 24, 2021	9:00 - 4:00	December 14, 2020	February 19, 2021	\$55
Portrait Painting	All	Sally Doran	Feb-25 & 26	9:00 - 4:00	December 14, 2020	February 19, 2021	\$100
Beginning with March 2021 Classes, Registrations will be purchased on the CA Ticketing Sytem							
Beginner Watercolor	B	Garland Anderson Jr	Mar-3, 4 & 5	9:00 - 4:00	January 18, 2021	February 25, 2021	\$75
Drawing III	Adv	Lucy Oxberry	Mar-8, 15, 22, 29, Apr 12 & 19	1:00 - 4:00	January 18, 2021	March 4, 2021	\$165
Pastel Light & Shadows	I& Adv	Mary Olivera	Mar-10, 17, 24 & 31	9:00 - 12:00	January 18, 2021	March 4, 2021	\$50
Spring Zentangle	All	Kerry Dashnaw	March 10, 2021	1:00 - 4:00	January 18, 2021	March 4, 2021	\$45
Beginning Oil/Acrylic Painting	B	David King	Mar-11 & 12	9:00 - 4:00	January 18, 2021	March 4, 2021	\$75
Beginning Watercolor II	B	Kaki Bassi	March 17, 2021	1:00 - 4:00	January 18, 2021	March 11, 2021	\$10
Painting Acrylics, Step by Step	B	Lucy Oxberry	March 18, 2021	9:00 - 4:00	January 18, 2021	March 11, 2021	\$55
Color Theory	All	Sally Doran	March 19, 2021	9:00 - 4:00	January 18, 2021	March 11, 2021	\$55
Basic Pastels 101	B	Nancy Taylor	March 24, 2021	1:00 - 4:00	January 18, 2021	March 18, 2021	\$35
Beginning Watercolor Flower	B	Lisa Fittipaldi	Mar-25 & 26	1:00 - 4:00	January 18, 2021	March 18, 2021	\$50
April - June Classes							
Painting Acrylics, Step by Step	B	Lucy Oxberry	April 1, 2021	9:00 - 4:00		March 25, 2021	\$55
Calligraphy	B	Paul Taylor	Apr-7 & 14	9:00 - 12:00		April 1, 2021	\$75
Experimental Watercolor	B	Lisa Fittipaldi	Apr-7 & 14	1:00 - 4:00		April 1, 2021	\$50
Landscapes, Clouds, Water, Reflections - Oil/Acrylic	All	David King	Apr-8 & 9	9:00 - 4:00		April 1, 2021	\$75
Paint Fast, Loose & Bold Brushstrokes	All	Sally Doran	April 15, 2021	9:00 - 4:00		April 8, 2021	\$50
Beginning Watercolor III	B	Kaki Bassi	April 21, 2021	9:00 - 12:00		April 15, 2021	\$10
Beginner/Intermediate Oils & Acrylics	B, I	Val Black	Apr-22 & 29	9:00 - 12:00		April 15, 2021	\$50
Introduction to Landscape Painting (Oils)	B	Tom Garney	April 22, 2021	1:00 - 4:00		April 15, 2021	\$35
Beginning Watercolor - Warm/Cool Landscape	All	Lisa Fittipaldi	Apr-23 & 30	9:00 - 12:00		April 15, 2021	\$50
Beginning Watercolor IV	B	Kaki Bassi	April 28, 2021	9:00 - 12:00		April 22, 2021	\$10
Alcohol Inks Demonstration	All	Maryann Stephens	April 29, 2021	1:00 - 4:00		April 22, 2021	\$0
Drawing I	B	Lucy Oxberry	May 3, 10, 17 & 24	1:00-4:00		April 29, 2021	\$115
Working in a Series	All	Candy McMains	May 5, 2020	9:00 - 12:00		April 29, 2021	\$25
Texas Skies in Pastels	B, I	Nancy Taylor	May-6 & 7	1:00 - 4:00		April 29, 2021	\$55
Intro Oils & Acrylics	B	Val Black	May-6 & 13	9:00 - 12:00		April 29, 2021	\$50
Beginning Watercolor V	B	Kaki Bassi	May 12, 2021	9:00 - 12:00		May 6, 2021	\$10
The Contrast of Color (Oil/Acrylic)	All	David King	May 12, 19 & 26	1:00 - 4:00		May 6, 2021	\$75
Beginning Composition	B	Tom Garney	May 13, 2021	1:00 - 4:00		May 6, 2021	\$35
Collage Composition & Design	All	Candy McMains	May 14, 2020	9:00 - 4:00		May 6, 2021	\$45
Beginning Watercolor VI	B	Kaki Bassi	May 19, 2021	9:00 - 12:00		May 13, 2021	\$10
Watercolor Sunset & Dock Scene	B	Terry Fierle	May-20 & 21	9:00 - 12:00		May 13, 2021	\$35

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Beginning Watercolor - Still Life	All	Lisa Fittipaldi	May-20 & 21	1:00 - 4:00		May 13, 2021	\$50
Alcohol Inks Demonstration	All	Maryann Stephens	May 26, 2021	9:00 - 12:00		May 20, 2021	\$0
Paint Fast, Loose & Bold Brushstrokes	All	Sally Doran	May 27, 2020	9:00 - 4:00		May 20, 2021	\$50
Introduction to Landscape Painting (Oils)	B	Tom Garney	May 28, 2021	9:00 - 12:00		May 20, 2021	\$35
VAC Board Meeting - VAC Studio			June 1, 2021	9:00 - 11:00			
Line & Wash	I & Adv	Garland Anderson Jr	Jun-2 & 3	9:00 - 4:00		May 27, 2021	\$60
Pastel Light & Shadow	I & Adv	Mary Olivera	Jun-4, 11, 18 & 25	9:00 - 12:00		May 27, 2021	\$50
Beginner/Intermediate Oils & Acrylics	B, I	Val Black	Jun-4 & 11	1:00 - 4:00		May 27, 2021	\$50
Drawing II	I	Lucy Oxberry	Jun-7, 14, 21, 28, Jul-5 & 12	1:00 - 4:00		June 3, 2021	\$165
Black & White & Red All Over	All	Candy McMains	June 9, 2021	9:00 - 12:00		June 3, 2021	\$25
General Painting for All	All	Sally Doran	June 10, 2021	9:00 - 4:00		June 3, 2021	\$50
VAC Luncheon - Lonestar Room			June 15, 2012	11:30			
Beginning Watercolor I	B	Kaki Bassi	June 16, 2021	9:00 - 12:00		June 10, 2021	\$10
Calligraphy	B	Paul Taylor	Jun-16 & 23	1:00 - 4:00		June 10, 2021	\$75
Painting Acrylics, Step by Step	B	Lucy Oxberry	June 17, 2021	9:00 - 4:00		June 10, 2021	\$55
Introduction to Landscape Painting (Oils)	B	Tom Garney	June 18, 2021	1:00 - 4:00		June 10, 2021	\$35
Beginning Watercolor II	B	Kaki Bassi	June 23, 2021	9:00 - 12:00		June 17, 2021	\$10
Paint Fast, Loose & Bold Brushstrokes	All	Sally Doran	June 24, 2021	9:00 - 4:00		June 17, 2021	\$50
Beginning Watercolor III	B	Kaki Bassi	June 30, 2021	9:00 - 12:00		June 24, 2021	\$10