### TARPON SPRINGS ART ASSOCIATION

# NEWSLETTER

—PO Box 1177—Tarpon Springs, FL 34688—E-mail: patsy.renz@verizon.net Meetings - First Monday of the Month at The Community Center. 400 S. Walton -1:30pm

September 2021

#### **Executive Board:**

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#### Committees:

Kathy Detrano - 817-0940 Artist of the Month

Need volunteer when meetings return!
Refreshments

Patsy Renz – 943-7732 Newsletter/Membership

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#### **Venue Chairs:**

Trish Gregory/Sherry Orr Performing Arts Center Chamber of Commerce

Lynn Kopala 703-677-7805 Valley Bank Hampton Inn Advent Hospital North Pinellas

Tarpon Springs Library (Needs new Venue Chair)

Thank you Heather Risley for doing the Performing Arts Center/ chamber of Commerce and Hampton Inn for 13 years!!

Dear TSAA Members,

I hope this finds you well and having enjoyed a pleasant summer. With September fast approaching, I have been in touch with the Tarpon Springs Recreation Center about starting up our monthly meetings there. The Rec Center has given the go ahead. However, the board's unanimous decision, as of our August board meeting on the 23rd, is to *not* resume in-person meetings until January 2022. The current Covid surge has just made things too complicated and we do not want to create any undue risk. So, we will continue with our Zoom meetings as we have been.

Due to the Labor Day weekend, our upcoming Zoom meeting will take place on Monday, **Sept. 13**. As in the past, you will be sent the link for the Zoom access on the Sunday prior, Sept. 12. The meeting will be a particularly special one: seeing each other after a couple month hiatus; sharing updates from members about summer activities; and the Artist of the Month winner announcement. Sherry Orr has put together a lovely presentation on founding member Petera Semple so, please, be sure to tune in!

There may be a number of you who have not attended these TSAA gatherings because of discomfort with using the platform. Directions on how to access Zoom follows, or contact a friend or family member to help you. We would all love to see you, so I hope you will give it another try. Here are directions:

You don't need to install any extra software to join a meeting. You can do it all through a web browser.

Click on the meeting invite URL that the host shared via email or text (you will receive that on the 12th)

- 1. A new tab will open on your preferred web browser. If you don't have the Zoom desktop app installed, the page will urge you to download the app. You can follow the directions to do that, or
- 2. Ignore that and skip down to the small print: "If you cannot download or run the application, join from your browser."
- 3. Click the highlighted text in "join from your browser".

Sign in with your name to join the meeting.

You can test these directions once you receive the link on Sunday, even though there is no meeting that day; you will at least be able to make sure you get to the right place. If problems connecting continue, please contact me, either through <a href="mailto:artists.tsaa@gmail.com">artists.tsaa@gmail.com</a> or my phone: 727-479-8100.

There is a lot happening this fall and winter. You will want to enter the 2021 Plein Air Paint & Photo event, or consider helping out as a volunteer - many hands make light work. Please check Sherry's note, below, for more information regarding both.

Be sure to check out the next month's AOTM theme and full calendar page 2, and an update on the member show this year, which will be held at the newly renovated TS Cultural Center.

New illuminated artwork will be installed soon at the Sponge Docks. I know at least a few of our members have work that was accepted - Congratulations!

Last, but not least, you can pick up your membership directory at the Tarpon Art Guild. Thank you, Patsy, for all your work putting it together!

I look forward to seeing everyone soon.

Until then, keep creating!

Lynn

Lynn Foskett Pierson

# Oh What a Year......Hurricane Number 8! COVID-19-Delta! Oh wait....I need my flu shot!

What to do? Just paint!

We have planned a busy year. Wear your masks. You do not have to be present to receive your awards. I will drive by with balloons and horn blaring!

First of all is the **Paint and Photo event.** It is at the Cultural Center. Registration is October 11th from 8-noon. We will meet you outside the side door. Then on October 14th is the Quick Draw at Howard Park.

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We are starting early, so you can continue with your Paint and Photo entries. Sign in will be at 8:30 and lunch will be at 11:30. Then the Reception is at the Cultural Center on October 15th from 6-8. You need to have your entries framed and ready to hang by 12 noon on October 15th. The judges will start at 1:00. Art will be on display from October 18-22 from 10-4.

I need your registrations by **September 15th**, so I can order your t-shirts and include you in the Program..

Next is the Winter Show! Registration, decorating, and hanging will be at the Cultural Center November 30th from 10-4. Judging will be December 1st at 10:00.

The Reception and awards will be on December 2nd from 6-8 at the Cultural Center. Art will be on display from December 3-December 31 from 10-4.

Pick up will be on January 3rd from 10-4. We will also take down the decorations from 10-4.

Speaking of decorations, we will need a tree, ribbon for bows. and wreaths. Not to mention people to decorate!

More to come......Health Fair and Art Fair on the Bayou!

YES, **PLEASE VOLUNTEER** YES **AND** PARTICIPATE!

Thank you for your support.

Sherry Orr

Venues......after Heather managing these venues for 13 years, we are picking up three of the venues.

Lynn Kopala is picking up the Hampton Inn.

Trish Gregory and Sherry Orr are picking up the Chamber and the Performing Arts Center. Look for notices for early October hangings,

#### **Congratulations to our Members:**

Suzanne Natzke has had her painting, "Pearls and Silk" accepted into the Georgia Watercolor Society Member Exhibition. She also had her painting, "Northbound at Dusk" accepted into the Florida Watercolor Society 50th Annual Exhibition at the Coral Springs Museum of Art.

On Fathers's Day **Heather Risley** sold her painting of an Egret with beach daisies, **Tom Wilke** sold his paintings of a bulldog and of a slice of cherry pie and ice cream, and Patsy Renz sold her painting of the border collies herding sheep at the Tarpon Art Gallery.



Mary Silvia was our Zoom Artist of the Month for May with her watercolor batik

## TSAA's Artist of the Month Schedule: **AOTM Themes 2021-2022 Season**

July-Sept 13 Florals (Anything to do with plants and flowers)

Sept-Oct 4 Trees and Landscapes (Anything from broad panoramas to micro landscapes)

Oct-Nov 1 Masks and the Pandemic (People. places, moods, artifacts that have some connection to the pandemic

Nov-Jan 3 Animals and Pets (Any creature(s), real or imagined.)

#### 2022

Jan-Feb 7 Still Life (traditional, interiors, moment in time, etc.)

Feb-Mar 7 Abstract (Use of visual language of shape, form, color and line to create a composition which may exist with a degree of independence from visual references in the world. Wikipedia.)

Mar-Apr 4 Tarpon Springs (Flora, Fauna, Places, Things, et al)

Apr-May 2 At Play (Ageless: animals, adults and/or children, et al.)

May-June 6 Any of the Seasons (Images of a season: places, things, activities, et al.)

July-Sept 12 People (portrait, figurative, groups, etc.)

For the future: Food and Nourishment Real and Unreal

#### **Special Tribute to the Memory of Sue Thomas**

Sue Thomas was a Past President of the Tarpon Springs Chamber of Commerce, Past President of the Tarpon Springs Rotary Club, friend to so many local business people, and avid nature photographer.

Help us celebrate Sue and her love of nature. We are honoring her memory with an exhibit of her photos, featuring birds, butterflies, local icons, etc. A reception will be held on Saturday, Sept. 11, from 5 – 7pm at the Tarpon Art Guild Gallery, 161 E. Tarpon Ave., Tarpon Springs, when we will also present a slide show of Sue through the years. We invite you to come and share your stories of Sue's warmth and wit with her many friends. celebrate all that she has meant to us.

The exhibit will continue through the month of September.

#### **VENUE NEWS:**

Valley Bank: Photographers and painters needed to display 7 to 9 works in solo shows for 2 month periods. Vacancies begin with January 2022. Contact Lynn Hudson Kopala. 727 940 4975 or lynnkopala@hotmail.com.

Hampton Inn: Contact Lynn Hudson Kopala.

Now showing; **Heather Risley.** Vacancy begins October 1. One artist/photographer can display up to 3 pieces for 3 months. Size can be up to 18 x 24. Pieces must be wired for hanging. Work featuring Tarpon Springs or at least Florida strongly preferred.

AdventHealth - North Pinellas Hospital - Our display area is still closed.

Performing Arts Center: Sherry Orr and Trish Gregory: Now showing: Trish Gregory, Maria Bouris, and Lynn Kopala

**Chamber of Commerce (1 N Pinellas Ave)** 

Now Showing: Janet Furier, Rose Metz, and Patsy Renz.

**Tarpon Springs Library** - Need new Venue person.

## **Sponge Dock Illuminated Art Boxes Display:**

Peggy McCardle's painting "Egret Family"

**Jana Withers** had 2 selected "Morning Magic" and "Water's Edge"

Shari Gaines's painting. "Sorting Sponges"

**Bess King** had a painting selected for the illuminated boxes at the sponge docks

Margaret Modjeski's watercolor image of a flamingo titled...."Peony"

Ljubica Simovic's "Bird of Paradise" was selected

**Betty Stallard's** "Beautiful Sunset" 16x20. Acrylic was selected.

Martha Hickey had a photo accepted for the light boxes...a windsurfer!!!

**Rose Metz** had two pictures selected for the light boxes. One is a roseate Spoonbill and the other is a pilloried woodpecker.

**Patsy Renz's** colored pencil painting "SpiceBush Swallow Tail on Plumbago Bush" was selected. (This is a tribute to Sue Thomas as she gave me permission to paint one of her photographs.)

Tom Wilke and Maria Bouris had paintings selected.

#### Plein Aire schedule:

#### I CUT OUT AND PUT WITH YOUR PLEIN AIR GEAR I

Sep 17 and 24 on the CAUSEWAY

Oct 1 and 8 in OZONA

Oct 22 and 28 at Dunedin Marina

Nov 5 and 12 at Fred Howard Park

Nov 19 and Dec 3 Downtown Tarpon Springs

Dec 10 and 17. Downtown Dunedin

#### Jim Throne's Plein Aire group:

HEY, we're painting outside, where masks are optional and the scenery is ever-changing! Although this effort is sponsored by CAG, anyone who wishes to paint with us is welcome. I can vouch for good views and lots of paintable scenery. All of these selections are all within 20 minutes and usually north of Dunedin.

We will start at 9:30 FRIDAY MORNING and go until?

There are no fees and no rules. Bring your favorite medium.

For those who wish to do lunch there are usually good eateries in these areas. Lunch decisions are usually organized the day of the paint-out. We usually look for inexpensive places that can accommodate up to a dozen.

This year I decided to try something new. We used to meet at the same site for a full month. But this year, we will meet at the same site for ONLY 2 Fridays. Some people want to finish what they started, others want to start a new ptg, still others get bored or have painted that site many times before.

We'll be painting in the following locations frm mid-September through mid-May 2022.

September 17 and 24 on the CAUSEWAY. Turn LEFT just before you get to the bridge. Toward the restaurant and the rows of colorful kayaks. Plenty of parking.

October 1 and 8 in OZONA. If you're coming South on Alt 19 from Palm Harbor or Tarpon Springs, turn RIGHT at the Tampa Road Traffic light. If you're coming from Dunedin or Clearwater turn LEFT at Tampa Road. Go until the road ends, the turn RIGHT to the Post Office on the RIGHT. We'll meet there.

No Plein Air on the 15 because of Tarpon Springs all week PAINT-OUT.

October 22 and 28 at Dunedin Marina, Alt 19, at the Big Bend on Alt 19. From the NORTH, Continue straight at the bend, find a place to part at the park, NOT AT THE Restaurant. From the SOUTH, GO past the park on your left, turn LEFT at the bend and park at the park. We can meet at the gazebo.

November 5 and 12 at Fred Howard Park, Tarpon Springs. From TS, Tarpon Ave West to N Spring Blvd, Continue on Riverside Drive then LEFT to Sunset Drive. From Dunedin and Clearwater, take Alt 19 to Tarpon Ave, the turn West and follow the info above. On April 2, meet at Shelter 6 parking area. On April 9 and 16, Meet at the North Parking area by the beach. At one time there was a modest parking fee.

November 19 and December 3 Downtown Tarpon Springs. This time TURN EAST onto Tarpon Ave from Alt 19. Turn RIGHT at the train station (S. Safford Ave). Just past the Train Station is a large parking lot. Meet somewhere in front of the station.

No Plein Air on 26, Black Friday day after Thanksgiving.

December 10 and 17. Downtown Dunedin. Holiday decorations, Market.

[One of these dates may be City Holiday celebrations.] We will meet at the Train Station on Main Street. Try painting crowds.

No Plein Air on December 24 and 31 – HOLIDAYS.





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#### Our Mission...

...to promote interest and community awareness of all forms of visual art, to provide opportunities for individuals to associate with other artists, and to share in and learn from artistic knowledge and experiences.

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1	Tarpon Springs FL 34688

# "If people knew how hard I worked to get my mastery, it wouldn't seem so wonderful at all." – *Michelangelo*

#### REMEMBER.....

The next general ZOOM meeting is Monday, September 13, 1:00 pm, 2021.

The next board meeting is September 27, 2021, at 1:00pm via ZOOM

If you have <u>any news</u> call me at 943-7732 or email me at patsy.renz@verizon.net by September 18, 2021, Everything that happens in your art is important to us all.

See page 2 for the new rules for doing Artist Of The Month!



Everyone needs a little sunshine in her/his life. Contact lynnkopala@hotmail.com if you know a TSAA member who needs a little sunshine in the form of a greeting card.

Sunshine Chairperson, is ready to supply it to those of our membership who may be under a cloud.