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Meetings - First Monday of the Month at The Community Center. 400 S. Walton -1:30pm

January 2025

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Tarpon Springs Library



Happy New Year!

Can you believe it's 2025?! Already!

REMINDER: THE FIRST MEETING OF TSAA FOR 2025 IS ON JANUARY 13!

The Community Center and many Tarpon Springs City Facilities are closed that day as January 6 is a local, Tarpon Springs, Holiday for the Ephipany!

The meeting is scheduled for 1:30 pm at the Community Center, 400 W. Walton. And the demo should be very interesting...pallet knife.

To be voted on at the January 13 meeting: The revised by laws. These revisions have been approved by the Board and sent out to members. If you need another copy, please let me (Martha) or Patsy know.

Time is getting closer for the second Oldsmar City Hall TSAA exhibit: January 21 thru February 27 with the reception on January 28. More information listed in this newsletter...please make a note: Your artwork will need to be registered on-line by January 15. To enter is free to TSAA members in good standing... which means your dues have been paid! Dues (\$40) are due in January! Each member can exhibit up to two 2D works of art; if one is sold, the member will have the opportunity to replace it. If the member isn't able to replace it, then another member will be given the opportunity to do so.

In March, we have the Fine Arts Festival. Set up is March 7 and the festival is March 8 and 9. We have a new, more visible location at the festival and had 11 or 12 sales last year! More information to come.

Our April meeting will be a special one; a pot-luck lunch, Spring art show.... planning is in the works and more information to come.

So, TSAA has a busy second half of the 2024-25 club year...but that's not all !!!

In November of 2025: Watch for information on a Brooker Creek Preserve/TSAA show!

I hope you all had a great and very Merry Christmas! And, I want to wish each and every one of you a very Happy New Year!

**May your troubles be less and your blessings be more  
And nothing but happiness come through your door.**

Martha Hickey  
President

**Calendar of Upcoming Events**

January 13, 2025: Regular Club Meeting, 1:30 pm. Community Center

January 15, 2025: Registration for Oldsmar City Hall Exhibit deadline

January 21, 2025: Date for Oldsmar City Hall Exhibit drop-off

Reception: January 28, 2025

February 27, 2025: Pick up art

February 3, 2025: Regular club meeting, Community Center, 1:30 pm

March 3, 2025: Regular Club Meeting, Community Center, 1:30 pm

March 7, 2025: Set up for Fine Arts Festival: Registration of Artwork, Details: TBD

March 8-9, 2025: Fine Arts Festival, Craig Park

April 7, 2025: Regular Club Meeting, Community Center, 1:30 pm

May 5, 2025: Regular Club Meeting, Community Center 1:30 pm

The Board Meetings are usually held at 1:30 pm on the last Monday of the month during the club year, at the Tarpon Springs Library. All members are invited to attend.

## December Luncheon

Everyone had a good time and thanks to whomever took all the pictures.



**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR MEMBERS:**  
**Sue McCubbin** sold 2 watercolor paintings at the Tarpon Art Guild.

**Patsy Renz** sold her color pencil painting of “Three Manatees” at the Tarpon Art Guild.

Friends  of Brooker Creek Preserve

**Art Happenings at Brooker Creek Preserve:**

**New Exhibit: Reflections: Watercolor Notations of Natural Phenomena by Jon Seals**

On view through February 23; Artist Reception and Talk, Sunday, January 19, 1-3 PM (free to the public).

**Workshop: Watercolor Workshop with Jon Seals**  
 Saturday, Jan. 18, 1-3 PM; \$25 / person (supplies included)  
 RSVP at [info@friendsofbrookercreekpreserve.org](mailto:info@friendsofbrookercreekpreserve.org) or call 727-934-2680

**Upcoming: Brooker Creek Preserve Plein Air 2025**

Art Event: Friday, Feb. 28–Saturday, Mar. 1

Exhibition & Sale: March 8 – April 27

Artist Reception & Juried Awards Program:  
 Sunday, April 27, 1 - 3 PM

For more details, and Plein Air Registration Form, visit [www.friendsofbrookercreekpreserve.org](http://www.friendsofbrookercreekpreserve.org)

**Dunedin Fine Art Center** has a Call for Artists. Hurry, deadline and delivery January 6, 2025. Exhibit: Once Upon A Time. Call to Artists to represent, reinterpret your favorite fairy tale via a single scene or character that remains with you. All Media. Guest Judge and Cash Awards. Deadline for submissions January 6, 2025. Entry fee \$20 DFAC member, \$25 non member. **DOWNLOAD ENTRY FORM**

At [www.dfac.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/Once-Upon-a-Time-ENTRY-FORM.pdf](http://www.dfac.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/Once-Upon-a-Time-ENTRY-FORM.pdf).

**Welcome New Member:**

Gail Passino - Holiday - 586-549-720 5

If you are interested in **Plein Air painting**, Kathy Detrano's group, Plein Air Irregulars, will start to meet again probably in November when the local parks are safe to walk on grass and debris has been removed. To sign up for email announcements send email to [PleinAirIrregulars@gmail.com](mailto:PleinAirIrregulars@gmail.com).

**VENUE NEWS:****Chamber of Commerce:**

Stop by the Chamber to see the new exhibit. It will be up until February 14th. We will need 3 new artists to hang their work on February 14th. Contact me if you want to have your work at the Chamber.

Right now we have **Fonda Wirth, Fritz Johnson, Alex Boudreau, Judy Groves.**

It is a great exhibit.

Contact Sherry Orr

813 310 9045, [Orr6@verizon.net](mailto:Orr6@verizon.net)

**Valley Bank**, - Vacancies for 2- month displays of 7 to 9 pieces by one artist begin with March 2025. Contact Lynn Kopala by December 31 if interested. [lynnkopala@hotmail.com](mailto:lynnkopala@hotmail.com)

**Hampton Inn** - Vacancies for 3-month displays of 3 pieces by one artist begin April 2025. Contact Jana Withers [artbyjana@aol.com](mailto:artbyjana@aol.com) or at 727-271-2787. if you are interested.

**Note from Lynn:** I will be stepping back from venue management as of January 2025 for health and family reasons. Over the past 10 years years I have enjoyed working with so many fine creative people bringing beauty through art to various Tarpon Springs venues. Thank you for your dedication. We even kept these 2 venues going during the pandemic.

**Tarpon Springs Library**

Currently three artists, **Joanna Mazurek, Joanna Rytel, and Ljuba Simovic** have their work displayed at the library. There is space for 13 pieces of art and the next available dates are May, August, and November 2025. You can sign up at the meeting or contact Bess King at [bking4521@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:bking4521@tampabay.rr.com) or 727-458-3836.

**Get involved! This is YOUR club!**

Clubs don't run on exhibits alone and your board of directors has been and will be busy with several "administrative" things that will be coming up in the 2024-25 club year....such as, a revision to the by laws (in process) and the nominating committee soon will be appointed and making director/officer recommendations for the 2025-26 club year.

If/when the nominating committee contacts you, please remember that this is YOUR club! By being on the board, you get "inside" information first, you get to help plan events, express your opinion on various functions....and you can make a valuable contribution to Tarpon Springs Art Association!

## Oldsmar City Hall Exhibit January 21 - February 27, 2025

The Tarpon Springs Art Association has been invited to return to the Oldsmar City Hall for an exhibit from January 21, 2025 thru February 27, 2025, with a reception being held on January 28.

There will be no charge for TSAA members (in good standing...meaning dues for 2025 have been paid) to exhibit up to two works of art, there is no commission taken. Sales are between the artist and the buyer, and the Arts Coordinator of the City of Oldsmar, Joan Byrne, will put the buyer and the artist in contact with each other. All artwork entered must be for sale; no NFS, please!

In the event of a sale prior to the end of the exhibit, the buyer can take the art with them and the artist will have the opportunity to submit another piece of artwork. All artworks will need to be 2D, wired for hanging (no sawtooth, please) and no larger than 30 in. x 34 in. and no smaller than 8 in. x 10 in., frames included. The artist must have their name, phone number and/or email address posted on the back.

**IMPORTANT!**

**Register your artwork no later than January 16!**  
**The following information should be emailed to Trish Gregory Hartley at ([peg3400@gmail.com](mailto:peg3400@gmail.com))**  
**NO LATER THAN JANUARY 16, 2025: Artist name, title, medium, size, and price of artwork, artist email and artist phone number. This information needs to be given to the City of Oldsmar Art Coordinator In advance of the drop off date of January 21!**

**Tarpon Art Guild's gallery**, 161 E. Tarpon Ave., Tarpon Springs, will feature **Clifton Moorhead** for the month of February 2025.

Clifton started to paint at an early age. He attended DuCretSchool of the Arts in Plainfield, NJ, he moved to NYC where he continued his education at FIT (Fashion Institute of Technology), Pratt Institute and the New School. Clifton had a 30 year career in TV where he designed and created computer broadcast graphics for ABC, CBS, NBC, FOX, PBS and music videos. Clifton is retired and living in Dunedin for the past 9 years, where he continue to paint.

Clifton has won several ribbons at the Dunedin Fine Art Center, Stirling Gallery and PAVA. In 2023, he received a grant from Creative Pinellas to use his art on a traffic signal box. It is located in Palm Harbor at the corner of Nebraska Avenue and Belcher Road.



**Miniature Art Society of Florida**  
**A Toast to Miniatures—Oil on Canvas**

**Mini workshop for all levels**  
**Instructor: Polly Berlin**

“Join us and learn about the art of miniature and leave class with a tiny treasure you have created.”

Cost \$40/MASF member \$35 (check or cash only)

All supplies included

Saturday, January 25 1:00PM—3:30 PM

Send application

Email: [pollybfineart@gmail.com](mailto:pollybfineart@gmail.com)



NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

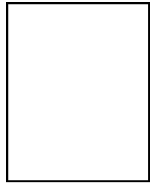
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**Workshop will be held at**  
**The Gallery at Creative Pinellas**  
**1211 Walsingham Road, Largo FL**



**TARPON SPRINGS ART ASSOCIATION**  
**PO Box 1177**  
**TARPON SPRINGS FLORIDA 34688**



**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.*

**Application for New Member and/or Change of Address**  
 (Please write clearly)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell # \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Dues \$40.00

Medium of choice \_\_\_\_\_

**Please make check payable to and mail to:**  
**Tarpon Springs Art Association**  
**Box 1177**  
**Tarpon Springs FL 34688**

**REMEMBER.....**

The next general meeting is Monday, January 13, 1:30 at The Community Center.

The next board meeting is January 27, 1:30 at the Tarpon Springs Library.

If you have any news call me at 943-7732 or email me at [patsy.renz@gmail.com](mailto:patsy.renz@gmail.com) by Jan. 18, Everything that happens in your art is important to us all.

**2024/25 Artist of the Month Schedule**

- November - Pastel, Pen&and Ink, Charcoal, Pencil, Photograph
  - December - no meeting (Holiday Party)
  - January - Oil, Acrylic, 3 Dimensional Art
  - February - Mixed Media
  - March - Watercolor
  - April - Judged Show (No AOTM Award)
  - May - All Media
- All artwork must be submitted by 1:15 pm  
 Voting (balloting) will take place between 1:15 pm and 130 pm  
 An artist may only win one time in a TSAA year, i.e., Sept - May  
 Art must be no larger than 38" wide by 40" long/high, including frame

*"Creativity takes courage." Henri Matisse*