TARPON SPRINGS ART ASSOCIATION
MEETING NOTES: GENERAL MEETING
MAY 4, 2026
COMMUNITY CENTER, TARPON SPRINGS, 1:30 pm
(Note: No 50/50 after the meeting.)

Meeting called to order by Martha Hickey, President, at 1:30 PM.
WELCOME: President Martha Hickey greeted and thanked members attending. She noted that VP Chris Taylor would give the demonstration after meeting adjournment and break.
SECRETARY REPORT: Minutes from the April 2026 were available for members to read if desired on the front round table.
TREASURER'S REPORT: Martha Hickey, in the absence of the Treasurer, reported that the treasury currently contains $5196.26. There were no questions or comments.
MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Patsy Renz reported that membership stands at 61.
VENUES: Note that blank display cards for venues are on the round table.
Bess King, Library – changeover is scheduled in May.
Chris Taylor, Chamber of Commerce – has been contacting artists who will show. She intends the show to last through the summer.
Jana Withers, Hampton Inn – artists have signed up to show through 2027. Jana hopes to come to the September meeting to sign people up for 2028.
Judy Groves, Valley Bank – Changeover will be June 1.
Mary Manos, Belle and Beau – Need artists now, have 14 spaces.
BUSINESS: Members are reminded that this is the last meeting until September.
Facebook: Chris Taylor has been monitoring and updating content. Great place to post work, and exchange TSAA and other art news.
Show and Tell: Instead of "Artist of the Month," our May meeting featured "Show and Tell." Several members brought a wide range of work and media to show and "tell", in other words, share a story about the work, their process, and invite questions and comments. We had a lively and informative discussion. The consensus was that the TSAA members 'work was and is beautiful and interesting.
PCOMING EVENTS:
TSAA Group Exhibitions: In November, TSAA will exhibit at the Back Wall of Tarpon Art Guild.
In January – February 2007, TSAA will hold its 4th annual Oldsmar City Hall Exhibit.
More information will be forthcoming on both.
TSAA Activity: On May 5th, at 4:30 PM, at the Library, TSAA is giving a reception for its Young Artists Program, our IRS not for profit section 501 (c) 3 program (ongoing.) One more TSAA volunteer is needed.
Workshop News: Susan Huskey held a watercolor workshop May 1. Attendees described it as "great." Pat Toney will conduct an 8 week portrait workshop. Contact her at pt-toney @ yahoo.com or more information.
Other news: Rose Metz announced she will have a cactus and succulent sale.
(END OF BUSINESS.)
Attendance at this meeting was 18 members.
The formal meeting was adjourned by Martha Hickey.
Refreshments were enjoyed.

DEMONSTRATION:
Chris Taylor presented an enlightening demonstration and clarification of artificial intelligence (AI) after refreshments. She showed the difference between AI "creating" a graphic, and an artist using software and/or other tech tools to enhance their work. She touched on the issue of copyright and an artist's intellectual property. This was a timely and important demonstration.
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