

AUGUST ANNOUNCEMENTS 2017



President's Message

As I mentioned last month, SRAL is so fortunate to have so many generous members. We need to thank Nanci Sheppard for giving a great pastel portrait presentation at our July general meeting(see completed rendering below) and for donating her demonstration fee of \$200 back to SRAL. We also have plenty of others including board members and Special Interest Group (SIG) leaders who donate many hours to make SRAL run as smoothly as possible. Remember to thank them for all that they do.

As you are aware, the board is responsible for insuring that all SRAL activites run smoothly. However, we need your help to bring to our attention any concerns or issues in order to address them. For example, earlier this year members informed the board that the studio looked messy. A committee was formed to gather supplies and schedule a morning for clean-up. As part of this effort, GVR was asked if the custodians could clean the studio sinks once a week. Have you noticed how clean they are?

Susan



Pastel Portrait by Nanci Sheppard

Congratulations to Amy Pilger

SRAL member, Amy Pilger, received the Best of Show Award at the Tubac Center of the Arts (TCA) Members' Open with her acrylic painting titled *Let Loose*. Amy said she was very surprised because this same painting had been entered in the TCA's juried show earlier this year and it was **not** accepted. It reinforces the fact that jurors are talented people who do a very difficult job. Like all of us, they each see paintings differently depending on their experiences and points of view. So never give up. A painting not juried into one show, can not only be accepted into another exhibit, but also win an award!



PRINT GUILD EVENT

For a donation, SRAL members may take any items on display on the left wall of Room B in the SRAL Studio, **now through August 15**. Donations go to the Printmakers Guild in memory of Jan Evans. Items include paints, colored pencils, and markers; art books; an electric pencil sharpener, a stapler, and other tools; batik wax; origami kits; rolls of paper and canvas; a 36" x 36" wooden frame; and some containers. NOTE: The Studio is scheduled to be open on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, on Thursday after the General Meeting, and on Friday mornings. At other times, please call 520-547-3976 to make sure the Studio is open.

AUGUST PRESENTATION

AUGUST 10, 2017 at 1:00 PM in the DeAnza Room

The August General Meeting will feature one of our favorite watercolor artists - Roberta Rogers from Tubac, presenting *Sixty Second Skies for Watercolors!*



Roberta Rodgers

Since it's monsoon season, Roberta will discuss various sky techniques for watercolor. She plans to show us about 6 to 8 fast and fun mini demonstrations using these techniques.

Roberta has been an Arizona resident since 1970, first in Flagstaff and now in Tubac. She specializes in watercolor landscapes and buildings of the southwest. Her work is recognized by its sparkling color, attention to detail, and remarkable views of subject matter. A third generation watercolorist, Roberta holds a Master's Degree in Art from California State University at Fresno. She is a juried member of the Northern Arizona Watercolor Society and a member of the Southern Arizona Watercolor Guild. Her work is found in private and corporate collections, and is available in Arizona galleries.



Roberts Rodgers work

MINI WORKSHOPS

Mixing it UP – Landscape Style presented by Betsy Kimbrough was postponed until Wednesday, Aug 8, 9 – 11:30 am, in the Main Studio Room. There may be a few spaces to fill because of the change. Be sure to sign up as a standby.

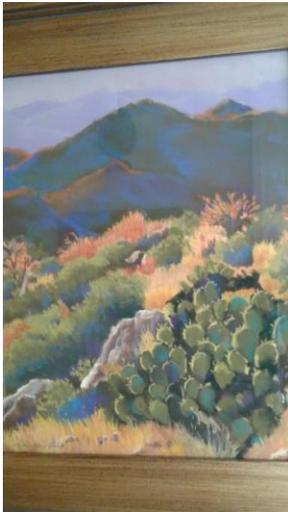
Knife Painting presented by Grace Dallanegra , Thursday, August 31, 10 am – noon in the Main Studio Room. There is still room on the Standby list. There are often persons who find they cannot attend and kindly cancel.

For all the information and to sign up visit the www.srart.org website under Events, Workshops

EXHIBITS AND SHOWS

Celebrate the Southwest

The Sky Island Painters, including award-winning artists, Randy Cole, Linda Long, Jean Makela, Diane Perkins, Skip Perkins, Bonnie Roberts, Nanci Sheppard, Linda Sparks, and Nancy Wesorick, will display paintings of the American Southwest at the Canoa Hills Social Center from August 1 to 31, 2017. The show is free and everyone is welcome. The center is open from 7am to 9pm.



Pastel, Nanci Sheppard



Heavenly Delights, pastel Nancy Wesorick

SHOW AT POSADA JAVA

Bonnie Roberts and Rita Raney will be showing at Posada Java for the months of August and September.

DESERT HILLS PERMANENT SHOW

Starting August 5th a new show at Desert Hills Recreation Center.

Come and support your fellow members by viewing all of these wonderful shows!

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

Abstract BRIGGade

Reminder for artists interested in abstract art work: The SRAL Abstract BRIGGade group will be meeting at their monthly time all summer long. Our next session is **Friday, August 11th at 9:30 AM in the Studio**. Do come and bring your current project(s) and abstract pieces for sharing with the members. Interested onlookers are always welcome, too!

COLLAGE MIXED MEDIA

Collage Mixed Media special interest group meets the **first and third Wednesday of each month at 9:30 -11:30AM**.

WATERCOLOR

The Santa Rita Art league Watercolor Group meets on **Friday mornings from 9 a.m. until 12 noon** through the summer. During the summer Brian Bauman and Sharon Irish will oversee the group. We usually utilize the lighting and space in the large Media room but sometimes work in Studio A when the Media room is used for classes or large meetings. We are a diversified group using a multitude of techniques from beginners to those who have honed their approach over the years. It is an informal fun gathering with no instruction or critiquing, although we often elect to ask for advice from fellow painters. SRAL has a wonderful section on Watercolors in it's library.

Grab your watercolors and come join us!

PRINT GUILD

The Printmakers Guild welcomes new participants from the SRAL membership. Guild meetings this year will be at **9:30 AM on the fourth Thursday of each month through May**, except in November (moved to the 30th to avoid Thanksgiving) and December (no meeting). Exact dates and demonstrations are posted on the SRAL website under Groups. Our **next meeting will be on September 28, 2017**.
