

ROCKY MOUNTAIN HI CHAPTER
of the Society of Decorative Painters

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Verlene Siska President's Report:

Hello fellow decorative artist,

Doesn't it seem like summer just flew by? I can't believe it is August already! Thank you, Kathy for showing us how to make those beautiful quilted Christmas ornaments. I have always wondered how they were made and would never have been able to figure it out on my own.

This month we have a seminar at Judi Patti's studio on the 16th, then on the 18th Ginny Sparlin will be teaching us how to make these really cute Halloween treat baskets. I can hardly wait!

And don't forget the September Art Show Luncheon. Marilyn has been working very hard planning this event and I am sure a good time will be had by all.

I look forward to seeing you all on the 18th.

Verlene

Marilyn Corners, Vice President, Program Chairman Report:

Hi Everyone,

First, a Big Thank You to **Kathy Kula** for the fun class last month teaching us to make the "Quilted" Ornaments. I know that for some of us who are 'fabric and scissors' challenged (myself being one), the ornament making began as an exercise in patience and tenacity. However, I am thrilled to say that since the class, I have been busily pushing pins and have made 5 more. They are not as perfect as Kathy's, but I am very pleased. Hope you are as well, with yours.

After two months of our meeting classes having been focused on a Christmas theme not using paints and brushes, this month we will be returning to our roots and painting an adorable Halloween themed piece under the instruction of **Ginny Sparlin**, from whom many of you have taken classes and can attest to her expertise as a painter and her skill as teacher. We are all in for a real Halloween Treat!! Ginny has an article in this newsletter with a supply and material list. Look for it.

*******REMINDER*******

You may not be aware of the **SDP** program which makes it possible for you to earn a free \$50 membership renewal.

For every new member you enlist into **SDP**, you will earn \$5 off of your own membership renewal, up to \$50. If you have already renewed for 2015, it will apply to your 2016 renewal.

email me for more details marilyndenver@aol.com

As you are all aware, our Rocky Mountain Chapter sponsors a variety of programs and events throughout the year which cost money, ranging from our Philanthropic endeavors to cover the expense of materials used in our chapter meeting classes. This money comes from the Ways and Means. It has come to our attention that our members have tired of selling tickets for the drawings of paintings, even though we have had really beautiful and outstanding pieces to offer.

Because the board does listen and tries to respond to the wishes of the membership, we are asking for your help. Please give some thought to how we can continue to create funds in a more interesting and acceptable manner. Share your ideas with any of the board members, whom you will find listed in the front of the Membership Booklet. We are genuinely interested in hearing from you and are eager to hear your ideas. Thanks, Ladies. **Please know that we care!** Hugs, Marilyn

Elissa McAlear – 2nd Vice President/ Membership Chairman

Membership

We now have 43 members for this year! We are so pleased to have so many new members this year. We'll start our membership drive for 2015 September 1st, but we still have a number of fun and exciting programs for the next several months. Bring a guest to one or two of these meetings to introduce them to our painting chapter.

ART SHOW TIME!! We want to see what you've been painting!

Our Annual Art Show and Luncheon is almost here. We look forward to you bringing your painted entries to make our show a success. The rules and entry form follow. Decide in which categories in which you want to enter your pieces - yes, you can enter one per category in each of the 15 categories if you wish. Try to decide the category for your pieces before you bring them to make the placing of your pieces more quickly.

Elsewhere in this newsletter will be the location and map, so you may bring your pieces in from the area of the hotel entrance and then park your car in the free underground parking.

We are improving the 'balloting' system for more speedy results.

This is such a fun and special activity we always look forward to seeing what our members have been doing the past year.

Members are invited to also bring a favorite piece they have painted - not necessarily recently. This portion is called "My Favorite".

Since members vote on the entries in the categories, we have a special ballot for guests to vote on the "My Favorite" pieces that do not have to have been painted or finished this past year.

If your piece needs an easel, please bring one and mark it with your name so we can get it to you. Hanging pieces is not possible.

We look forward to seeing you and your painted pieces **Friday, September 12th starting about 10:30 AM. Please get your submissions checked in by 11:30 AM** so we may eat at noon and get our voting and counting done promptly.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me.

Elissa McAlear 303.421.8714 Art Show Chair

The Rules for our 2014 Art Shows are:

1. Each entrant must be a member in good standing.
2. There will be one art show on Friday, September 12th, 2014, which will be divided between a Student/Member Art Show and a Teacher's Art Show. (Note: Once a teacher you can not revert to the Student/Member Art Show.)
3. One entry per category per entrant, Category is determined by the entrant.
4. Each piece must be painted or completed within the last twelve (12) months.
5. Names must be covered.

No entry fees this year.

First and Second place ribbons will be awarded.

Plan to enter lots of beautiful painted pieces!

Entry Form for:

**Rocky Mountain Hi Chapter's
Student/Member Art Show and
Teacher Art Show**

Each entrant determines in which category their piece(s) are to be entered.
For more information or questions, call
Elissa McAlear 303.421.8714

Entry Category

Categories for both shows:

- _____ 1. Landscape
- _____ 2. Rosemaling
- _____ 3. Decorative
- _____ 4. Folk Art
- _____ 5. Floral/Fruit
- _____ 6. Animals & Birds
- _____ 7. Pastels or Pencil
- _____ 8. Watercolor
- _____ 9. Mixed media
- _____ 10. Holiday
- _____ 11. Fabric/Wearable Art
- _____ 12. Mini
- _____ 13. Pen & Ink
- _____ 14. Portrait
- _____ 15. Original Designs

_____ Total # entries

Member's Name _____

Entering as Student/Member _____ or Teacher _____

Code# S/M- _____ or T- _____

Elissa McAlear 303.421.8714

Secretary Minutes for July meeting - Ginny Sparlin

The monthly meeting of the Rocky Mountain Hi chapter of S.D.P was brought to order by president Verlene Siska at the Garden Plaza in Aurora at 6:30pm.

As there is a long program tonight, the minutes will be posted and also can be found in our newsletter.

Treasurer Pat Greene reported that we have \$5,151.50

Vice Pres. Marilyn Corners reported that she has decided on a venue for our annual Art Show and luncheon, but she's keeping it a surprise for now. She reminded us to keep painting and be ready for a lovely time.

Marilyn also announced that the program tonight will be Kathy Kula teaching us a beautiful quilted Christmas ball.

Marilyn also asked if anyone had brought in their ornaments from last months meeting or any of the painted pieces from her "Under the sea" painting project from her paint in. All were displayed for us to see.

Membership, Elissa McAlear reported 43 members as of this meeting and she can start taking dues for next year at our August meeting.

Newsletter: Verlene reminded us to get our articles to Sheila in a timely manner.

Seminars: Char Bucher announced that Judy Patti's seminar on August 16 has only 3 spaces left, so contact her to sign up. We'll be painting "Indian Pots", the fee is \$45.00 and you need to bring your own lunch. A picture of the project is on our web site.

Paula Leopolds seminar on Nov. 1 will be at Garden Plaza. It is a beautiful "Iris" done in colored pencils. The \$50.00 fee includes lunch and snack.

Seminars: Melinda reported Chris Thornton will teach here the first week of June 2015. More info to come later.

Art Show: Elissa McAlear encouraged us all to get painting so there'll be a good turnout for the Art Show in September!

Building report: Iris Luckel reported all is well with the facility and they are happy to have us meeting here.

Phone committee: Iris called everyone to remind them of tonight's project.

Publicity: Iris reported we are now in the Denver Post Hub on the Internet.(we're in the Aurora Hub) The Hub has a new editor and sometimes they don't run the calendar.

Ways and Means: Linda Bierman showed us a photo of the Brenda Harris painting she will be drawing for at the Art Show and luncheon September 12.

The original painting is 17"X24" and she is taking donations for tickets at 6 tickets for \$5.00. Linda has packets of tickets she is handing out tonight and said if you need more tickets to call her.

Hospitality: Karen Sorenson thanked all who provided refreshments tonight and is passing around a list for sign ups for the Judy Patti seminar.

Sunshine: Nancy Glassman said to let her know if anyone needs a card or cheering up.

Philanthropic: Kathy Kula is on hold for the chair till probably next year.

Announcements: Marilyn's friend is getting rid of everything in her mom's basement and has a couple free hot glue guns if anyone is interested.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, sec. Ginny Sparlin

August 18th Meeting -- Ginny Sparlin

The August 18 monthly meeting we will paint a Halloween project using Acrylics. Please bring your regular supplies for painting acrylics, ie.:

- brushes
- water container
- pallet paper or a Styrofoam plate to use for your pallet
- paper towels
- a pen or pencil

Paint will be provided by Deco Art Americana

I'll bring the wood pieces already base coated and ready to start.

The design is a wood, crescent moon shape with pumpkins. The piece can be attached to a small basket with wire, and used to serve candy, or could be hung on the wall or on a small wreath.

If you have questions call me, 303-693-0771.

Ginny Sparlin 303-693-0771.

Melinda Barnes – Website Manager

Hello Everyone,

Chris Thornton-Deason Seminar

We have set a date for Chris to come to Denver again. Save the dates on your calendar for June 6 and 7, 2015. There will be more details coming in future newsletters.

Melinda
Travel Teacher Seminar Chair

Tole Chatter

Hello everyone...

I hope your summer has been filled with exciting activities and lots of painting too.

First, I am thrilled to announce Paula Leopold's new website is live! Please take a few minutes to browser around the new website. Paula has so many wonderful new DVDs and Accessories you will want to see.
<http://paulaleopold.com/>

I saw a YouTube.com video the other day about a product called Quickwood Clay. It looks totally fun! Art Apprentice Online produced this video making fun sculpture and gourd art. The projects are just as cute as can be. Take a look when you have time. The most important tip Gaby Hunter shared is to use a little extender on your hands and surface as you work with the Quickwood.
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ys0868bdlhc>

I need to order some more of the Final Coat wipe on varnish and started looking for a website where I could order it in the US. I finally found that Viking Woodcrafts carries it at the best price out of the two websites I found it on. If you have read my newsletters over the past few years you know how much I LOVE that stuff! No smell or brush marks are at the top my list... the durable finish, which was originally made for furniture, is right up there on the top of my list too. So the URL isn't a mile long go to
<http://www.vikingwoodcrafts.com/> ---> Mediums ---> Varnish ---> and click on 'next page' until you get to Final Coat Varnish by Selkirk Painting.

DecoArt has a new program for Mixed Media and learning how to use the new products. Several products have been developed to use with this new program and also others that we have been familiar with in the past. There is a new Media Fluid Acrylic line, Antiquing Creams, Liquid Glass, Misters and Shimmer

Misters. Sound interesting? Check the new line out here...
<http://decoart.com/mixedmedia/>

Marlene Kreutz's new book is in her shopping cart now. The new book is called "Marlene's Ink Therapy" and has many designs for the doodler with pencil, ink and sometimes a little paint. Check out the book and some of the inside pages here...

<http://marlenekreutz.com>

Until next month... I hope I will see you at the next meeting for Ginny's fun Halloween project!

Melinda

Char Bucher – Local Teacher Seminar Chairman



INDIAN POT CLASS

School bells for fall are ringing already. Some Denver classes started on the 7th. Others started on the 11th. We start our own "fall class" with Judy Patti on AUGUST 16! Personally I prefer to call it toward the tail end of summer. Here are the things you need for the watercolor class at Judy's Studio. 5849 S. Boadway.

A support board for a half sheet (slightly larger than 15 x 22.
\$5 to cover the cost of paper and prep by Judy (pattern will also be already placed)

The colors for the pots are:

Burnt Sienna,

Quinacridone gold

2 or 3 other yellows which you already have, some blues, purple.

All your usual watercolor supplies

LUNCH

The class will start at 9 promptly and go until 4.

IRIS CLASS

Date: November 1. Place: Garden Plaza, 14221 East Evens Ave.

Now, I know this is a little early, but here is a list of the pencils that you will need for the Paula Leopold Class.

**Iris-Full of Grace
Colored Pencil Study
Paula Leopold C.D.A.**

Prismacolor Premier Colored Pencils: (Please no substitute of colors or brands of other pencils)

Have you pencils sharpened before you arrive at the seminar

White	Blue Violet Lake
Canary Yellow	Imperial Violet
Light Green	Violet
Jade Green	Violet Blue
Prussian Green	Ultramarine
Dark Green	Burnt Ochre
Sky Blue Light	Dark Brown
Light Cerulean Blue	Cool Grey 70%
Mulberry	

Supply List:

Mi-Teintes Paper (Paper will be purchased by Seminar Chair and distributed after you have paid the class fee along with the pattern)
Masonite Panel (11" x 14") (Back Support)
Scotch Tape
White Graphite Paper
Dusting Brush
Battery Sharpener
Battery Eraser

Begin: Trace the design onto the **smoother back-side** of the Mi-Teintes paper. Always check to be sure the tracing is not too dark or too light after beginning to trace. Please trace on your pattern before coming to the seminar. Be sure that you keep this list .

And just a reminder, lunch is provided and you have already paid for it when you paid your class fee. See you for this one in November. **Char**

Karon Sorensen - Hospitality

Hospitality

A big thank you to all who brought the delightful treats to our last meeting!

Hospitality, Karon Sorensen

Nancy Glassman – Sunshine and all

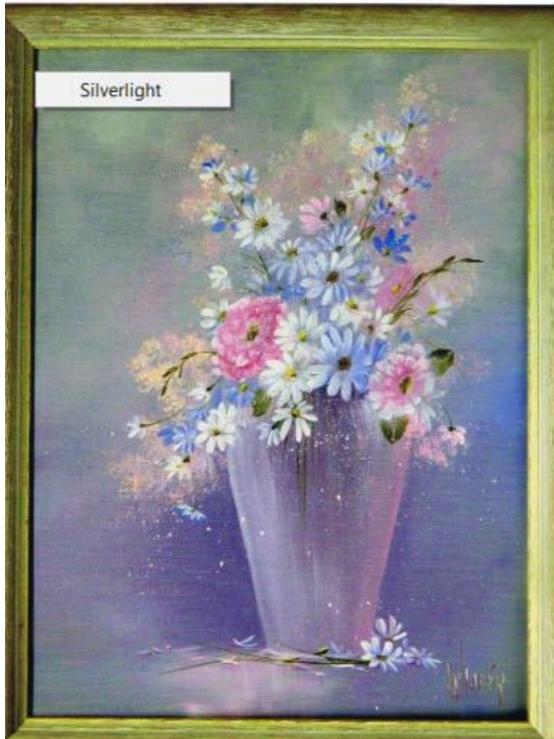
Sunshine Committee

If you know of anyone who needs a Get Well Wish and /or a Thinking of You Card please let me know!

Nancy Glassman

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Linda Bierman – Ways and Means Committee



OMG! I am so excited to inform everyone that we are going to do a drawing on an original, and signed BRENDA HARRIS painting.

Ok ...Ok So everyone is off and selling tickets, for the beautiful Brenda Harris picture.

Well I have a surprise addition to make it more interesting..... We are going to do a second drawing and the winner of that drawing is going to win.....A seminar of your choice within the next year PAID!!!! (this does not include 2 day or more seminars). Are you excited? That's like a \$40.00 to \$60.00 prize. So get out there and sell your tickets, now you have two great prizes to win. Someone will win, Will it be you?

Remember the drawing is September 12, 2014 at our yearly Luncheon and Art show.

Thanks to everyone for your participation, this makes it possible for our club to run smoothly and do all the things it does.

If you need more tickets or anything, please call me. I am here to help you!

Sheila Hutchison - Newsletter Editor

Thanks so much to all who contributed to this newsletter. Please let me know if I missed anything.

Verlene and I welcome all corrections, additions, suggestions or advice. Please put in the subject line 'newsletter' and mail all information to both of us. Thanks! Sheila

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