

# **ROCKY MOUNTAIN HI CHAPTER of the Society of Decorative Painters**

## **June 2013 Newsletter**

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### **Marilyn Corners President's Report:**

**Hi Everyone,**

**As I am writing this, we are having RAIN, Glorious RAIN. How welcome is this? Cools things off, cleans things up and furnishes Free Water!! It is such a blessing to live here, in this beautiful state, and I am loving our summer weather. Of course our hearts go out to all our friends who have been battered by the tornadoes and storms in the south and mid-west. So keep them in your thoughts and prayers.**

**By the time this newsletter is printed and you are reading it, we will have already had our seminar with Chuck Danford, painting his "Mountain Ram" on Yupo paper. I am very excited for the class and looking forward to learning more of Chuck's techniques for making watercolors come to life. He is such a master artist and we are sooo fortunate to be able to study with him. Thanks to Char Bucher for bringing him to us once again.**

Our next seminar will be August 24th, with Judy Patti, in her studio in Littleton. It will be another fabulous experience to learn new techniques while painting two beautiful works of art. You can find pictures of both paintings on our website, <http://www.RockyMountainHiArtists.com/seminars>. Judy is such a talented Artist and remarkable Teacher, we are really blessed to be able to have her teach for us. Contact Char if you want to join in on the fun.

We held the Free Painting Workshop at Ross-University Hills Library on Saturday, May 25th. It was a good class, but several sign-ups were 'no-shows', probably due to the fact of it being the Memorial Day weekend. However, we did get names of new and not so new painters who may be prospects for Rocky Mountain Hi. We will follow up on those. Our next Free Painting Workshop at the Library will be Saturday, August 3rd. Ginny Sparlin will be teaching "Shrinky Dink Jewelry". The class is limited to 20, so if you are interested, call the library and sign up. 720-865-0955.

Your Nominating Committee, comprised of Char Bucher, Linda Bierman and Nancy Glassman, is busy working on a slate of officers to present to you at our September Luncheon meeting. Please review the Duties of the Officers as stated in our By-Laws, Article VII. (You received a copy of our By-Laws in the previous newsletter, May issue).

If you believe that you, or someone you know would be a good fit for a position on the Executive Committee or Board of Directors, please contact one of the Nominating Committee and let her know of your interest. In order to serve as an Officer or on the Board, the member must be in good standing, able to attend Board meetings as well as general meetings and in the case of the Executive Committee, have served on the Board previously.

Various Board/Committee positions are: Hospitality, Ways and Means, Publicity, Philanthropy, Historian, Seminars, SDP Liaison and Community Outreach. Each of these positions is vital to the growth, strength and future of Rocky Mountain Hi. New members are welcomed and encouraged to become involved in the 'government' of the chapter, so do consider using your talents, strengths and/or interests to help further the growth and vitality of our chapter of Decorative Painters. We are a very special group of Artists, doing good work!!!

See you on the 17th.

Hugs,  
Marilyn

**Verlene Siska - Vice President/Program Chairman**

*Notes for Program, June 17th, 2013 – from Marilyn Corners*

Ladies,

We are going to have such a good time next week at our Chapter Meeting on Monday, June 17th, 2013. We will be painting on Roc-Lon. If you are not familiar

with Roc-Lon, it is a superior, heavy, cloth painting surface, which will accept any media.....never curls on the edges.....can be cut with ordinary scissors.....tough enough for floor cloths.....and does not wrinkle. We used it for the placemats which we made for "our" table at the SDP Conference Banquet. And.....we are going to paint placemats on Monday night!!

The chapter is furnishing the Roc-Lon, free of charge, for the program. We will need all the time we can squeeze out of the meeting for painting, so please be on time and we will try to get through our business in a prompt and efficient manner. DecoArt is furnishing the paints (bless them!).

You will need to bring the following supplies:

Ordinary Acrylic supplies.....

1. Brushes
2. Water container
3. Paper Towels
4. Sea sponge(s)
5. Palette
6. Tracing Paper
7. Transfer Paper
8. Pencil
9. Stylus (or empty ballpoint pen)
10. Newspapers
11. Good Attitude and Expectations for a very fun experience!!

See you Monday.

Hugs,

Marilyn

***NOTE: Please Roc-Lon placemat image. is NOT attached but it IS lovely!***

## **Elissa McAlear - 2nd Vice President/ Membership Chairman**

*Ladies*, A new location for the Art Show and Luncheon will be at Blossoms at Heather Gardens, Friday, September 13th, 2013. More details later. Keep those beautiful painting projects coming for your entries! The more the merrier and so much more fun.

*The Rules for our 2013 Art Shows are:*

1. Each entrant must be a member in good standing.
2. There will be one art show on Friday, September 13th, 2010, 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 - you are not limited to how many categories!

Questions? Call Elissa McAlear 303.421.8714 or email [elissamcalear@yahoo.com](mailto:elissamcalear@yahoo.com) put RMHi in Subject, please!!

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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. Rules were printed in the previous newsletter, on the website and possibly in this issue. 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- \_\_\_\_\_ 2/13

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**For Membership:**

**Get Well wishes: We are pleased Char is getting better.**

**Sue Hoover is home recovering from shoulder surgery - a SLOW process.**

**Melinda continues to try to get better, too.**

**Anyone who could use a Get Well wish or other note, please let me know.**

**Elissa 303.421.8714**

**Ginny Sparlin - Recording Secretary**

**The May 20, 2013 general meeting of the Rocky Mountain Hi chapter of SDP, was brought to order by president Marilyn Corners at 6:30pm. at Gander Mountain.**

**The minutes were read by sec. Ginny Sparlin and accepted as amended.**

**Treasurer Pat Greene reported we have \$4,193.78.**

**Membership: Elissa McAlear reported we have 41 members now. Sue Hoover is having to have her shoulder re-done. Also, Char Bucher still has a nasty virus.**

**Programs: Vice President, Verlene Siska reported that Chawna can do the face painting class at the June meeting. This evenings program will be Noreen Goetz teaching us a bit of color theory, while mixing oil paints. We'll have an August meeting this year, and Marilyn Corners is planning to teach us all about painting on "Roc-Lon" fabric.**

**Verlene is still checking out venues for our September Art show/luncheon, and will let us know where it will be held.**

**Seminars: Melinda Barnes is passing out pictures and patterns for Paula**

**Leopolds Oct. 19th. colored pencil class, scheduled at Gander Mountain. If you are taking the class, you will be much happier with your results if you purchase pencils of the brand and colors on your supply list.**

**Melinda showed a piece Kris Thornton did at National last year to give us an idea of her style of painting. Very cute! She's coming here to teach in June of 2014.**

**Web site: Melinda is all caught up and encouraged us all to visit the web site.**

**Ways and Means: Linda Bierman is handing out tickets tonight to all members present. There will be a drawing for a lovely watercolor of Tulips, by Annie Martinez, at our September Art Show luncheon. We are asking a donation of \$1.00 per. ticket or 6 for \$5.00.**

**We are also beginning a new fund raiser drawing that involves tickets and an ongoing pot of money which will be added to and drawn for at each general meeting. It's a fun way to raise money for the chapter!**

**Philanthropic: Chawna was not here tonight, but will report next month about the auction for Paha Camp, which included some painted pieces, donated by members of our group.**

**Marilyn announced we are in the Aurora Hub, to advertise our group meetings, and she will try to get us into other "Hub" articles in the newspaper, in other towns around the city.**

**Newsletter: Sheila is still out of town taking care of her Mom, but will be doing the Newsletter long distance. Have all articles emailed to her by June 8th.**

**Hospitality: Nancy Glassman has two people signed up for refreshments for the June 8 seminar and two for the June meeting and two people signed up to bring treats for the beginner class at the Ross Library, Saturday.**

**Old Business: Marilyn will be teaching at the Ross library Saturday at 10:am. The class is full.**

**Marilyn announced that our updated by laws have been o.k.'d by National. A motion was made by Elissa McAlear and seconded by Melinda Barnes, that we accept the Bylaws. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Art Show: Elissa McAlear encouraged all members to be busy painting this summer for our annual art show in September. She'll have an article reminding us of the categories etc. in the next newsletter.**

**New Business: Memorial Day weekend, there will be a fine art show and sale (150 artists) at the DCPA downtown, at Speer and Arapahoe.**

On June 1st and 2nd, check out the chalk art at Larimer Square. Sat. 10am to 10pm., Sun. 10am to 7pm.

Marilyn and Melinda reported that our table decorations for the banquet at the National convention were the best!! They also showed several pieces that they took in classes at convention.

Marilyn announced our Chapter achievement award and badge, great job everyone!

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, sec. Ginny Sparlin

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**Melinda Barnes - Website Manager**

Hello Painters,

Let's start out with the color Purple. Purple is a balance of red's stimulation and the calming effect of blue. Very creative or eccentric people often like this color and is the favorite color of adolescent girls. The effects calms the mind and nerves, it is uplifting and encourages creativity. Interestingly purple was the first color dye made by man. Comic books published years ago with purple on their covers sold better.

Renee Mullins of Plum Prudy Designs has a new book and new Nightlight Kits. As always Renee's designs are adorable. <http://plumpurdy.com/index.php>

DecoArt introduced many new products for 2013. Six beautiful new colors were added to their Americana Acrylic line.

A new line of Americana Multi-Surface Satin paints are on the market with 40 colors. This paint will work well on wood, ceramics, most plastics, canvas, Styrofoam, metal, paper, terra cotta, glass and fabric! This paint is suitable for indoor or outdoor projects.

Also introduced is Americana Gloss Enamels Glass Chalkboard Paint. This paint can be used on glass and glazed ceramic.

A few new colors were added to the existing line of SoSoft Fabric Paints, Dazzling Metallics and the outdoor Patio Paint line.

For more info on any of their products visit their website.

<http://www.decoart.com/>

SDP will be in San Diego next year and I can hardly wait. The conference in San Diego several years ago was one of the best ever!

The High Plains Chapter has scheduled Diane Bunker, Carolyn Spohn, Rosemary West and Jamie Mills-Price for seminars over the next two years. All of these artists are extremely popular and very talented.

That's it for this month. See you at the next meeting?

Melinda

"Every artist dips his brush in his own soul, and paints his own nature into his pictures. ~"Henry Ward Beecher (1813-1887)

## Rocky Mountain Hi Workshops and Seminars

We have Paula Leopold scheduled for October 19th this year. Check our website for a fantastic photo of the project. You can sign-up for this seminar now by contacting me by phone or email.

Don't forget to mark your calendar for June 28 and 29, 2014. We are hosting Chris Thornton for a two day seminar. Chris does not travel teach so we are very fortunate to have her teach for us. Be sure and let me know if you are interested in these seminars. Melinda

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### Website

Be sure and visit our website often for updated info. Tell your friends to see what we are all about by visiting our website. For seminar or workshop info and photos visit the seminar page of our site. <http://rockymountainhiartists.com/>

Melinda

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### Char Bucher - Local Teacher Seminar Chairman

Please see President's (Marilyn) information on our next seminar to be held August 24th, with Judy Patti, in her studio in Littleton. You can find it at the beginning of this newsletter.

Please see Melinda's website for any updates and also because it's just great to visit.

### Nancy Glassman – Hospitality

Notes from Hospitality Chairman:

*Thank you to all the members who brought delicious snacks to share for the May meeting!*

*If you would like to bring a snack for June 17th meeting, please call me at 303-220-8563.*

Nancy

## **Linda Bierman & Kathy Kula - Ways and Means Chairmen**

***Please find a picture also by Anne Martinez, attached. It is a beautiful print from Anna Martinez numbered 364/500. It measures 24x18 it is not matted or framed. Also I had her put her signature on it under the copy one. So original signed.***

***It is the special prize for anyone who sells the most drawing tickets for the Anna Martinez original by drawing time Sept. 13 2013 at the luncheon. So get those tickets out and sell sell sell!! If you need more tickets to sell be sure and contact Linda Bierman at 303-484-1776.***

***Remember tickets are only 1for\$1.00 or 6for\$5.00. The picture is beautiful and would make a great gift for a wedding present, Christmas, birthday or just I love you!***

Please see attached picture.

Linda

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**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. Have a wonderfully productive month! --Sheila at [hudhut@hotmail.com](mailto:hudhut@hotmail.com). Please put in the subject line 'newsletter'.***