

ROCKY MOUNTAIN HI CHAPTER Society of Decorative Painters

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Marilyn Corners President's Report:

Hi there, Rocky Mountain Hi Painters and a "Happy St. Patty's Day to ya!"

Having missed our last meeting, due to spending time in Steamboat with our kids from California, I feel like it has been a really long time since I have seen all of you. I miss seeing your pretty faces! From what I hear, the Bingo was a huge hit, with really great prizes. Thank you, **Verlene**, for stepping in and conducting the meeting so smoothly. I genuinely appreciate it. Thank you as well, **Nancy**, for the great job you always do as our Bingo Caller. Hopefully, one of these years, I will be able to be in town and have an opportunity to take part in the fun of Bingo night.

Ladies, you still have time to register for our SDP annual conference near Chicago and take some classes from excellent nationally known teachers. If you haven't checked out all the classes offered, go to www.decorativepainters.org, click on 'conference' and take a look. This is a great opportunity to have so many talented teachers in one location, at one time. Conference is May 13 thru 18, at Pheasant Run Resort, St. Charles, Illinois. You can get airfare on Southwest for \$77 each way (if you are a Senior!), 2 bags free and rooms are \$109 per night for a double.....so it is very doable. Give some serious thought to going along and join those of us who have already signed up for a good time! Hope you will.

As you probably remember, RMHi is again offering a free paint-in at the Ross-University Hills Library on Saturday, March 23rd, 10 A.M to 1 P.M. You are each welcome to register by calling 720-865-0955. We will be painting on small journals, all supplies, including paint and brushes furnished. The library has asked us to, again, display our painted work there. I plan to set-up the display on Tuesday, the 19th. If you would like to have your work displayed in a locked glass case, please bring it to the meeting on the 18th, or better yet.....join me at the library, 4310

East Amherst Avenue, at noon on the 19th and we can do the deed together. I would LOVE to have your help!

Do you know that **Iris** has secured our meeting room at Gander Mountain every 4th Tuesday for us to come and paint together? So far, we haven't made really good use of it, but I hope we can start to use that time and place for an opportunity to just spend time together painting. What an excellent way to get the 'dreaded unfinished projects' completed, right? The room is available from 10 A.M. to 3 P.M. My expectation is that I will be there on the 26th of this month. I hope to see some of you there as well.

I am looking forward to our meeting on the 18th. See you then.

Hugs,
Marilyn

Verlene Siska - Vice President/Program Chairman

We are looking forward to another year with several exciting new classes. You will want to put these on your calendar so that you get signed up in time to make the cut-off date one month before the class.

On August 24, we will again go to Judy Patti's studio for a day of watercolor Judy style.

All classes have a number of people who have signed on already, so get your name down soon. Checks are due one month before class. See you there!

Elissa McAlear - 2nd Vice President/ Membership Chairman

Corrections for 2013 Membership Roster:

Nancy Caldwell's home #303.773.6041 h

Andrene Schmelzer's phone: 720.840.1255 cell only; delete the 693.3090

Jody Tidwell - add cell to listing: 303.946.5088

Deb (Yvonne) Lancaster's Birthday 9/22

On the Calendar:

- October 12th - Seminar TBA
- October 21st - Meeting

Membership Booklets were distribution at the February meeting.

Please let me know of any other errors, corrections or additions as soon as possible.

Thank you,
Elissa McAlear, Membership chair, 303.421.871

Notes from Our Program Chairman:

Art Show: 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 10th, 2010, which will be divided between a Student/Member Art Show and a Teacher's Art Show.

(Note: Once a teacher you cannot 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!

Questions? Call Elissa McAlear 303.421.8714 or
email elissamcalear@yahoo.com put RMHi in Subject, please!!

Entry Form for Rocky Mtn 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 January newsletter, on the website and possibly in this issue.

For more information or questions, call Elissa McAlear 303.421.8714

Entry 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- _____

Melinda Barnes- Website Manager <http://rockymountainhiartists.com/>

It is time for another newsletter article... where does the time go?

Vegas was fun and it was sure warmer there. Noreen and I had a terrible time getting out of Denver, but it was worth the wait. If you haven't attended a convention I encourage you to do so. The SDP conference is in May and I know you would have a wonderful time.

Yellow: The color yellow shines with optimism and happiness. Yellow will stand out from surroundings colors and instill energy and spark creative thoughts. Yellow stimulates mental processes, the nervous system, activates memory (we can all use that!) and encourages communication. **Facts:** During the tenth century in France the doors of criminals and traitors were painted yellow. Yellow is psychologically the happiest color in the spectrum and 75% of the pencils sold in the US are painted yellow. I could give you the link to the website where I found this info, but I wouldn't have anything to talk about next month. *grin*

TIP: If you like some of the books published by Sue Scheewe over the past few years you may want to sign-up for her newsletter. Occasionally there is a book sale offering books for \$1.99 <http://www.painting-books.com/> .

Videos: If any of you like Needle Felting, or want to know what it is, check out Ronnie Bringle's blog. Ronnie made a how-to video on her blog about Needle Felting. This is one of Ronnie favorite other hobbies. You can find this video and lots of painting videos in the archives. <http://ronniebringle.com/blog/> You can also go to YouTube.com and do a search for Ronnie Bringle and find several of her painting lessons.

There is a **Denver Chalk Art Festival** on Larimer Square again this year. The dates are June 1 and 2nd. Sounds like a road trip to me that includes lunch!
<http://www.denverchalkart.org/index.php>

Art Lessons: I found a website with tons of free art lessons and tutorials. Art Graphica has videos on drawing, pen and ink, watercolor, oils, acrylics, charcoal, pastels and more.
<http://www.artgraphica.net/>

2014 Seminar: We have moved the **Chris Thornton** seminar to June 28 and 29 next year due to a conflict the week before. The Artist Expo 2014 Class Tour will be in Denver. As the dates get closer I will have more info to share. June 2014 will be an incredible painting month in Denver! Hmmm.... we had better start saving our money!

Artist Expo Houston: Online registration opens March 10th. The Convention will be held July 16 - 20 this year in The Woodlands. This is a beautiful setting and I enjoyed the show last year.

On that note I will close and get back to work. See you at our next meeting.

Melinda (Looking forward to Spring!)

Painting is poetry that is seen rather than felt, and poetry is painting that is felt rather than seen. ~ Leonardo da Vinci

Char Bucher - Local Teacher Seminar Chairman

April: Annie Martinez, watercolor, \$40.00. Saturday April 13, 2013, 9:30am to 4:pm, at Gander Mountain. She'll teach watercolor.

Judi Patti will teach a watercolor class for us August 24, 9:am to whenever, in her studio.

Check out our website: [http:// RockyMountainHiArtists.com](http://RockyMountainHiArtists.com) with links to National, to keep up with all the chapter info. National headquarters Decorative Painter Convention Special is \$8.00 and can be downloaded and printed or ordered from National.

Nancy Glassman – Hospitality

Thanks to everyone who brought snacks in February! You guys are awesome. If you would like to bring a snack to share to the March 18th, 2013 Chapter meeting, please call me at 303-220-8563 or email nlglasman@q.com.

Thank You so much! Nancy Glassman

Other officers of the Rocky Mountain Hi Chapter of SDP:

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

I welcome all corrections, additions, suggestions or advice. Have a wonderfully productive month! Sheila at hudhut@hotmail.com