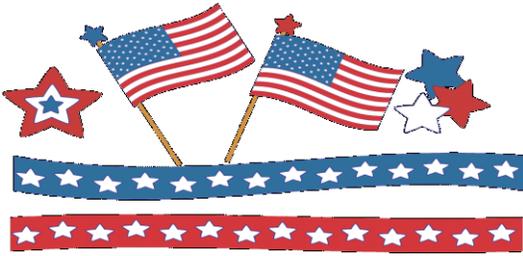


ROCKY MOUNTAIN HI CHAPTER

Denver, Colorado
Society of Decorative Painters

JULY 2016



President's Message- Ginny Sparlin

Hi Everyone,

Can you believe Summer is half over (you know July 4 is the half way mark). Hope everyone is happy, healthy and doing well. That said, some already know but I thought I'd let everyone else know. Our Secretary, Sheri Sutton has resigned her position on the board. Her husband is recovering from a horrific accident and he is her number one priority right now. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers. Cards gratefully accepted. Sherry Flowers is back in Colorado, recovering from heart surgery (more cards), Char Bucher is recovering from surgery (yet more cards please). Deb Lancaster was rear-ended by a moving van. Holy cow!! Be grateful for your health.

On a lighter note. Our **July 18** meeting will feature **Andrene Schmelzer** teaching us to paint a cute little penguin on a spoon. More info and supply list in this newsletter. Bring your brushes and come for a good time, bring a friend, too! Hope you're all painting some pretty things this summer. Remember we're having another auction/picnic in August. This year it will be at a park for more elbow room! Be sure to read your newsletter for all the details! The annual art show and luncheon is coming up September 9. Keep checking the newsletter for info.

Stay cool, be healthy, and keep painting!

See you soon, Ginny Sparlin, President Questions? call me:303-693-0771

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1st Vice President – **Programs**- Marilyn Corners

Hi Everyone,

How much fun was our program last month, with **Ginny Sparlin** teaching the pansies on the little gift bag!!? I love mine. What a great, easy and fun project. Thank you, Ginny, sooo much.

Now, our program for this month is going to be another fun and easy and different experience. Our own **Andrene Schmelzer** is going to teach us how to paint a penguin onto the bowl of a spoon! If you attended the Ornament Exchange meeting last year, you will remember the decorated spoon Andrene brought, over which we were all so ga-ga and she agreed to teach it to us. You will find a picture of the spoon, supply list and prep instructions below. Come to the meeting expecting to have a great time. marilyn.corners@gmail.com

Here is what we need for the spoon painting at our July meeting.

Bring a spoon or two to paint on at the meeting. Bring regular painting supplies. You will only need a couple of brushes flats or angles size 2, 4 and 6.

Also, bring a pencil to sketch the design onto the spoon.

Prep: If you have a teaspoon or soup spoon, spray with Krylon 1311, let dry and put three or four coats of white acrylic onto the spoon only, leaving the handle silver, as we will wrap this and add beads.

If you do not have time to do the prep, I will bring some prepared for a fee of \$1.00.

Thanks , Andrene



Please take notice of the Picnic Box Lunch/Silent Auction announcement in this newsletter. The date is Saturday, August 13th. Hopefully, you have been painting something wonderful to donate the auction. Please invite your family, friends and neighbors to this fun event. All are welcome. The Picnic Box Lunch is being catered by 'Biscuits and Berries', with a nice variety of choices for the Deli Sandwich Box Lunch, which you will see in the announcement. We will be carpooling out to Arvada, so that we have fewer cars going and because we know that some people prefer not to drive the highway. Call me if you would like to be included in the carpool list. 303-249-1009. Rocky Mountain Hi is happily subsidizing the Picnic Box Lunch and only charging \$5 per person, in order to establish a reservation list for the caterer. Please send your checks, with menu choices to me by the 8th of August. Marilyn Corners, 1763 So. Leyden, Denver, CO 80224. It's gonna be so much fun!

See you Monday night. Hugs, Marilyn

Hospitality- Verlene Siska

Thank you Jeanne, Iris and Verlene for bring treats too the June meeting. Your contribution was much appreciated!

Marilyn, Karon, and Linda B will be bringing Goodies to our July meeting. Thank you ladies, you are the best!

2016 PROGRAMS

January 18th, 2016 – Randy Hale, Watercolor Demonstration

February 15th, 2016 – Deb Lancaster, Shrinky Dink Easter Egg/Ornament/Name Tag

March 21st, 2016 – Esther Haines, Oil Painting Roses

April 18th, 2016 – Ginny Sparlin, Fabric Painting (rescheduled for June)

May 16th, 2016 – Juliette Salter, Bob Ross Landscape Demo

June 20th, 2016 – Conference Recap w/ New Products and Ideas Ginny Sparlin, Fabric Painting

July 18th, 2016 – Andrene Smeltzer, Painted/Beaded Spoon

August 13th, 2016 – Picnic Box Lunch/Auction (Saturday)

August 15th, 2016 Make It- Take It for Garden Plaza Residents and friends

September 9th, 2016 – Art Show/ Luncheon

October 17th, 2016 – Marilyn Corners, “Mud” Designs on Glass Blocks

November 21st, 2016 – Ornament Exchange/Installation

December – No Meeting – Merry Christmas

Ways and Means - Sherry Flowers and Nancy Glassman

At the May and June Chapter Meetings, we sold tickets for the drawings, which will be held in November at the Holiday Chapter Meeting. The tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. We have 16 donated items for the drawings.

Any items you want to Donate for the Drawings please contact me, Nancy Glassman at 303-220-8563 or cell 720-218-6621. Don't miss out on your chance to win some AWESOME hand painted items, from our Chapter Members! Get your tickets in July at the Chapter Meeting. See you the 18th of July.



PUBLICITY

Are you going to enter any of your Fabulous Art in any County Fairs this Year? Hard to believe the Summer is Flying by. I personally am entering in 3 possibly 4 County Fairs. Yikes, this means I better get Busy and finish a few Projects!! I hope some of you will branch out and enter in a County Fair. This is a great way for us to Represent our Rocky Mountain HI Chapter. Call me with any questions you have.

Nancy Glassman 303-220-8563 home 720-218-6621 cell

Newsletter – Nancy Hibbert

Articles for the **August newsletter will be due by noon Sunday August 7th** . Please send articles to me at: Hibbertconsult@comcast.net and put RMHi in the subject line.

Rocky Mtn Hi SDP accepts advertising placements. ¼ page is \$20 for one issue or \$40 for 3 issues. Payment can be made to treasurer Pat Greene, and copy sent to me.

Thanks, Nancy Hibbert (720) 971-4001

TOLE CHATTER

Hello Everyone,

The San Diego Convention was wonderful and such a great location! SDP is by far my favorite! Conference will be held in Daytona Beach, Florida in May of 2017. Start making plans to attend now. The events were all wonderful and especially nice this year I thought. You will find many photos from convention this year in the newsletter and we hope you will enjoy them. Our banquet table was a big success this year too! To my surprise the same California ladies sat at our table again. *grin* The beach, Coronado Island and Old Town were fun to visit again too. You can't ask for anything more than spending a week with ladies who share the same interest as you do...painting! Oh, did I mention the food was super good too? Not cooking for a week sure is a nice vacation. *grin*

CONVENTION PHOTOS FROM SAN DIEGO



Former member Gwendolyn Pittney
Karen Ellerman, Paula Leopold, Marlene Kreutz



Bev (President of High Plains) and Julia



Karen Allen and Gin in the background!



Melinda after a "make it and take it"



Marilyn at MDA CDA reception



Rocky Mountain Hi Banquet Table



New SDP CEO Mark Hill



Art competition with Ginny Sparlin's cowboy!

DecoArt: DecoArt has a diverse consumer base. With this in mind, they are changing some of the color names. Not to worry, the only thing changing is the name of the color, the same high-quality formula that has been used for years is the same. The following four colors will be transitioned to new labeling over the next several months so you will be seeing them on store shelves in the near future:

DAO78-3 Fleshtone will become Warm Beige

DAO24-3 Hi-Lite Flesh will become White Peach

DA137-3 Shading Flesh will become Deep Blush

DCA09-3 Flesh will become Natural Beige

DecoArt Color Chart and Color Checklist is now online for you to download. You might want to bookmark this URL for future use! <http://decoart.com/colorchart/>

You can visit the DecoArt Americana YouTube Channel for video clips. Be inspired with hundreds of videos! You'll find tutorials, projects, tips, and tricks. There is a 19 second video on how Americana paint is made.. how fun it that!

https://www.youtube.com/user/DecoArtPainter?mc_cid=83346f281d&mc_eid=9a46bb86fb

"Winter Whimsy" Vol 4 by Renee Mullins has been released. I love her designs... cute and fun to paint.

<https://www.plumpurdy.com/>

"Shara's Collection of Angels" is available also. Shara's whimsical selection of angel themed designs and projects are included in this new book. My favorites are designs for ornaments you can display all year long in your home. 43 pages with 16 in color. <http://angelthyme.com/>

For those of you who love to paint in oil "Down Roads Less Traveled" Vol 9 by Bill Ridley Bayer is out. His style is like the old masters of the 18th and 19th centuries. 46 pages of which 39 are color.

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

A little **FLOORCLOTH HISTORY**: (I think we visited this in years past, but always interesting)

In the United States, floorcloths were historically a re-purposed home craft. Made from retired ships' sails. Floorcloths added decor and insulated the floorboards (large cracks) keeping breezes and dirt at bay.

Imagine creating a room size floorcloth in a small 1700's home... the oil paints and mediums were long time dryers and frequently included lead based mediums. YIKES! The more affluent American homes imported floorcloths from England, and at least 3 of our American Presidential estates included floorcloths.

Floorcloths grew in popularity and soon industry was looking for a way to mass create them... Along came linoleum with pre-printed patterns and designs, doing away with the mainstream use of painted floorcloths. Floorcloths can last 100's of years when properly created and cared for.. and yes I mean the ones you walk on... (smile)

Today floorcloths are an incredible way to add to home decor on the 5TH wall of the house (the ceiling being the 6th)! Paint on Roc Ion and they can be used out doors. Create amazing out door mats or area rugs! (Prep and care of floorcloths next month.) Patricia Rawlinson ~ With permission

COLOR: Now for a little color history. These segments were written by Peggy Harris and she gave her permission to add them in our newsletter! More segments will follow next month.

COLOR HISTORY:

#1 The First Colors

More than 15,000 years ago cavemen began to use color to decorate cave walls. These were earth pigments, yellow earth (Ochre), red earth (Ochre) and white chalk.

In addition, they used carbon (Lamp) black by collecting the soot from burning animal fats. These colors were all that were needed to produce the sensitive and exquisite drawings and stencils that we are still able to see today.

COLOR HISTORY

#2 Egypt

4,000 BC Egyptians cleaned earth colors by washing to increase their strength and purity and new pigments were produced from minerals.

3000 BC Egyptian Blue - a blue glass made from sand and copper that was ground into a powder (replaced in the 16th century by Smalt, then superseded by Cobalt in the early 19th century). This was the first manufactured color!

COLOR HISTORY

#3 Egypt continued...

Egyptians also used Malachite, Azurite and Cinnabar by crushing and washing each mineral. CINNABAR was the first BRIGHT RED.

Also ... vegetable dyes were "fixed" onto a transparent white powder to produce a pigment. This process is called LAKE making and is still used today.

Note: The real value of the discovery of pigments like this is that they are manufactured. Many of the natural pigments of the world are either in isolated or war-torn areas (such as Lapis Lazuli in Afganistan) and are becoming either very scarce or incredibly expensive. (Lapis is now more expensive than gold.)

Peggy Harris - With Permission

That is it for this month, I hope to see you at the next meeting! Happy Painting, Melinda

WEBSITE

Be sure and check our website for the most recent information concerning chapter meetings and events. There are new photos of convention and our seminar with Marlene Kreutz.

<http://rockymountainhiartists.com/>

TRAVEL TEACHER SEMINARS

Our seminar with Marlene Kreutz was fantastic. So many wonderful boxes, necklaces and daisies were painted so well by our members. Thank you to everyone who attended and for all the wonderful food you brought! You ladies are the best. Be sure and visit our website to see photos taken at the seminar.

Melinda, Travel Teacher Seminar Chair

Local Seminar - Char/Deb

JUDY PATTI SEMINAR

Saturday, July 16th 2016 * Judy Patti's Studio * 5849 So. Broadway, Littleton, CO

9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Hopefully, you have signed up and paid your class fee for this incredible seminar at Judy Patti's Studio, next Saturday. The class is full, but there may be one slot open. Contact Deb Lancaster, 720-770-2727, for info. Class fee is \$40, plus a nominal supply fee.

Please bring your usual watercolor supplies, 2" flat brush, along with a large bath towel and a hard surface, 17" x 22", on which to attach the watercolor paper. Judy will have the pattern already on the paper, prepared with gesso.

Snacks and coffee will be provided. You must furnish your own lunch, and there is a refrigerator on site.

A huge "Thank You" to Deb Lancaster, who is filling in as Seminar Chair for our Char Bucher, who has had major abdominal surgery and is still recuperating. Keep Char in your thoughts and prayers.



Membership Report July 2016 - Elissa McAlear

We welcome 2 new members and look forward to seeing them at our meetings.

Welcome New Members:

Lisa Kresge -S Exp 6/17
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303.905.6000 c
harplady@hotmail.com
March

Jennifer Roman -S Exp 6/17
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Denver, CO 80220
1-443.841.6422 c
jenniferchristieroman@gmail.com
7-2-75

We are now 47 strong! You will note that an Expiration month and year are now being added to the information as SDP has made the change to having your membership effective date determining the beginning of your one year membership. Most of the expirations will be January for present members. As we welcome new members the expiration dates will be different. Know that we'll be making this adjustment.

As you renew your membership, please fill out an application so that your information may be as accurate as possible. Often changes are made but not shared with the Chapter, so your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

SDP (Society of Decorative Painters) will also be going to this expiration system.

**If you have questions, please don't hesitate to ask.
Elissa McAlear, Membership Chair 303.421.8714**

Art Show - Friday, September 9th, 2016

We hope you are busy painting those beautiful pieces to enter our Art Show! There are no entry fees and the categories and rules are printed in your Membership booklet. You decide the category(s) you want your entry to be placed. If your piece will show best on an easel, please bring one with it/them marked with your name.

First, second and Best of Show ribbons will be presented after the votes are counted.

Remember there is a new section for those of you who have painted 3 years or less which will not be divided into the 18 categories but will receive ribbons.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask!

Happy painting!

Elissa McAlear, Art Show Chair 303.421.8714 or <elissamc@comcast.net> with RMHi in the subject line

Mark your calendars for our annual Art Show and Luncheon

Friday, September 9th, 2016

**Plymouth Congregational Church
Colorado Blvd. and Hampden Ave.**

The Art Show has 3 Divisions:

Beginner (under 3 years * Student/Member * Teacher

18 Categories

(see membership booklet for details)

Watch for further details

**You are invited to the 2nd Annual
Rocky Mountain Hi**

Box Lunch Picnic /Silent Auction

Where: Oak Park Pavilion*

64th and Oak, Arvada, CO

When: Saturday, August 13th, 2016

11:30 A.M.

RSVP: Monday, August 8th, 2016

Menu: Gourmet Deli Sandwiches*

including : Kettle Chips~Fresh Whole Fruit~Cold Salad~Gourmet Cookie~Lemonade~Iced Tea~Water

***Choice of:** Ham, Turkey, Roast Beef or Vegetarian on Kaiser Roll, Sourdough, Whole Wheat or GF

Send menu choice and \$5 check to Marilyn Corners

at: 1763 So. Leyden St, Denver, CO 80224

*Carpools are being organized. Call Marilyn 303-249-1009 for information

**Auction items may be
any painted piece and
will be**

**accepted at the picnic.
If you are bringing a
guest,**

**please include a
painted item for them
as well**

