



November 2021 Newsletter

President's Message-Lisa Lewis

It's now November, the month when we're reminded to be grateful for all that we have and to look with thankfulness to our blessings in the past.

So.....

These two years as you president have been anything but typical. However, I am so grateful to have had a supporting board who knew their roles and continued to work on your behalf even when circumstances battled against us. Our membership has remained relatively steady when we compare ourselves to other chapters of SDP, and we have navigated the waters of remote meetings and learning opportunities. Thank you to the people who have been the glue throughout: Mary Steingesser, Nancy Glassman, Deb Poster, Ginny Sparling, Linda Beaty, Verlene Siska, Char Bucher, Catherine Roche, Karon Sorensen, Melinda Barnes, Marilyn Corners, Elissa McAlear, Andrene Schmelzer and Iris Luckel. These women have made phone calls, reworked teaching schedules and persevered to give you, the membership, artistic opportunities in the midst of a pandemic. There is no amount of thanks enough for their work. Ladies, I salute you!

And to the membership, your participation has been key and seeing your faces in attendance via Zoom or at Garden Plaza makes the board's work worthwhile. Give yourselves a special pat on the back. It has not been easy to forge ahead, but you did!!!!

From the bottom of my heart, thank you for tolerating this oftentimes air-headed president and allowing me to discover the delights of the art world through your attention to detail. It has been a pleasure.

Lisa

Co-Vice President/Program Report-Nancy Glassman, Mary Steingesser

Thank You to Lisa Lewis for teaching the Rosemaling class at the October meeting! It was fun seeing some of the final results which were all awesome!

Listed below are two of the finished projects. The first was painted by Andrene, the second one was painted by Catherine



November 15, 2021 6:30 PM will be a Chapter Holiday Party via Zoom during which we'll have games and prizes in addition to holiday cheer! For those participating in the Secret Santa, buy/make that person a gift around \$10-\$15 and mail/bring it to them so

that they have it before the Nov. 15th Zoom party. Check your email for the Zoom link and Bingo card.

Nancy Glassman & Mary Steingesser

Hospitality Report-Andrene Schmelzer

Thank you Ginny for bringing the delicious pumpkin roll to the October meeting. Also thanks to Lisa, for the yummy Norwegian meatballs.

I will need two volunteers for the January meeting, next year.

Report for Sunshine-Karon Sorensen

We have no November birthdays

Travel Seminars-Melinda Barnes

RMHi is co-sponsoring with High Plains Decorative Artists a seminar with Mark Polomchak in August 2022. We are hoping for a date to be confirmed soon.

There is still time to sign up for Marika Moretti Zoom class November 20th. At this late date you will need to pick up the wood in Highlands Ranch. Three adorable ornaments and the class is \$30 class which includes the wood. You can see the projects on the High Plains' website. <https://highplainsdecorativeartists.com/seminars.html>

Melinda Barnes

Tole Chatter-Melinda Barnes

Hello ladies,
Here is the Tole Chatter article for this month...

Cynthia Erikson... If you like to paint New England folk art you will love this website called Reflections of the Past. Some patterns are co-authored with Lynne Andrews and they are wonderful.

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

Table Runner... If you like to paint on fabric here is a free pattern from Painting World Magazine. A beautiful Poinsettia just in time for the holiday or a gift.

<https://www.paintingworldmag.com/post/poinsettia-table-runner-by-pamela-cassidy>

2022 Color trends... It is always fun to hear the up and coming color trends for the next year. These sites are for home decor, but colors usually affect everything around us.

<https://www.bhg.com/decorating/color/paint/2022-color-of-the-year/>
<https://www.dwell.com/article/home-paint-color-trends-2022-dfcddd11>

Tip... Tracy Moreau posted this on Facebook and gave permission to share.

"Gesso, texture mediums drying out?? Add a small piece of shop towel, moistened with distilled water, to the jar. Wipe the edges and seal tightly. The extra moisture will help keep the medium soft, the clean edges ensure a good seal. Distilled water will help prevent mold and mildew. Change the shop towel every time you open the jar to use the medium."

Tip 2... Another from Tracy. **"Fast Drying Glaze Medium from JS.** Ok this is what I call my magic juice. I love this stuff! I use it to dress my brushes to float, to thin paint for line work, to help level my paint for base coats and for clear clean glazing. Mixed with colour for rich transparent washes of colour and wonderful faux finishes. THIS is my go to glaze!!"

My tip for this...keep a shot glass full next to your brush basin and use it like you would clean water .. float , thin, level ... this stuff is fabulous!!

Debbie Cotton... has a wonderful red truck with a Christmas tree in the snow coming up on Zoom. The class is November 19th if you are interested.

<https://www.simply-cotton.com/store/Old-Fashioned-Holiday-on-zoom-Nov-19th-p408732040>

Sharon Wolf... It isn't too late to paint Christmas ornaments! Sharon has some super cute designs you can order as e-packets. She also has other designs you may be interested in. It is worth your time to take a look. :)

<https://www.etsy.com/shop/SharonWolfArt?page=1#items>

France Quirion... Absolutely amazing patterns in her Etsy shop. Her Santa's are especially my favorite, but saw some fruit designs I liked.

<https://www.etsy.com/ca/shop/FranceQuirion>

Decorative Painting Store... Did you know there are over 200 patterns on this website for \$2.00 each? There are \$4.00 patterns as well. Most patterns Sharon sells are e-packets, but she does have a section for paper patterns. Be sure and check this website out. So many artists to choose from!

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

Lydia Steeves... There are new Zoom and video classes offered on Lydia's site. Also the free technique video clips are back. Navigate to Shop ==> Coloured Pencils ==> Free Videos. If you enjoy colored pencils and pastels this lady is for you!

<https://lydiasteeves.com/>

Brushes & More... They have the Aliyah brushes back in stock and more new shapes included too. Ken lists their brushes by Designer, manufacture and shape so they are easy to find. Be sure and watch their videos on how to use some of these special brushes.

<https://www.brushesandmore.com>

I hope you are all enjoying the cooler weather and painting!

Melinda

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Society of Decorative Painters

New address:

7450 S Seneca St

Haysville, KS 67060

<https://www.decorativepainters.org>

Be sure to check our website for the most recent information concerning chapter meetings and events. Some Zoom class photos have been added.

<https://rockymountainhiartists.com/>

We are also on Facebook.

<https://www.facebook.com/RockyMountainHiChapterSocietyOfDecorativePainters/>