

New Braunfels Art League Newsletter

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JULY 2012

Artist of the Month Mary K. Hammond

JULY DEMONSTRATOR Sandra Elbel Taylor

Growing up I created art with whatever media I could put my hands on, taking art classes throughout high school, and then



attending Southwest Texas State University, graduating with a B.S. Degree in Art Education All Level. After school I traveled with my husband and worked as a jeweler, had our son and painted for family and friends. Coming home to Texas I went back to education and taught at the high school level for 20 years.

Now I am in my studio painting in oils and working with clay. When sculpting with clay my main focus is the overall form of the piece. Then I place the additive features, mostly recreations of natural forms such as flowers, leaves, small critters and insects. My influences are Bernard Palissy 16th century and Achilles Barbizet 19th century as well as Fitz and Floyd of today. Finishing touches are the incised textures, creating scales, fur, and veins in wings and leaves will drive me crazy, but that really makes the piece. Glazing takes time; I paint three coats of low fire glazes onto each area.

In all my work my objective is to illustrate the natural beauty of the world and to leave the viewer with a peaceful earthy feeling. My sincere hope is that whoever owns my art enjoys it as much as I enjoyed creating it.

I received the 2012 NBAL "Art in Bloom" First place Mixed Media for "Living on the Sunny Side" a hand built pottery jar depicting birds and sunflowers.



A native of the New Braunfels, Texas area, Sandra spent her childhood on a ranch. The flora and fauna of that early time never left her memory as they surface in her work. She received her BFA from the University of Texas in Austin where she was

introduced to batik and weaving. As a student of Al Nichols and Bill Francis at UT, that training, coupled with her interest in sewing and fibers, has been her main medium. She obtained her Masters from the University of Houston and was there a student of Becky Felts.

Enthusiastic about producing art work, she was active in shows and galleries throughout Texas primarily in fiber-related arenas following those college years. She taught art for 34 years on the secondary level providing a variety of media to different art levels. She is pleased that numerous former students have pursued art careers.

Now retired and living on family property in New Braunfels, she is finding time to produce art work and be active in the arts. She still enjoys experimenting with two-dimensional and three-dimensional work in fiber, including papermaking and batik. Sandra is currently a member of New Braunfels Art League (NBAL), Seguin Oakwood Art League (SOAL), and Fiber Artists of San Antonio (FASA). She exhibits her work at various galleries and is competitive at local shows. Other involvements include Mid-Texas Symphony, New Braunfels Chorale, and New Braunfels Retired Teachers Association.

Sandra will demonstrate how to pull pulp through a screen and make paper and discuss different types of pulp and ways to manipulate the paper.

Artist Sales Report for May 2012

Fifty Seven Artists had sales and the top 10 were: Barbara Blaschke, DeAnne Peterson, Jessie Slaten, Larry Alford, Carolyn Pittman, Angie Banta Brown, Mary K. Hammond, Leola Jahns, Flora Biggs and Jolene Oyer.

Status of NBAL Sales ending May 31, 2012

Artist Sales May, 2012 \$3,496

The average price was \$46.00 with 57 pieces selling.

A detailed report of the Art League balances is available upon request.

Upcoming Meetings and Events

June 30	Pick up work from Water Water Everywhere show
July 1	9-1 Submission for Texas Show
July 2	Show Opens
July 6	5-8 Reception for Texas Show
July 17	10:30am Executive Brd. Mtg. 12:30pm Team Brd. Mtg. 2:00 pm General Meeting
July 29	Texas show ends
July 30	Pick up work from Texas Show
August 1	Fiber Artist Show Opens
August 5	1-4pm Reception for Fiber Artist show
August 31	Fiber show ends
Sept 1	Pick up from Fiber show
Sept 2	9-1 Submission for Rhapsody in Blue
Sept 3	Rhapsody in Blue Opens
Sept 7	5-8pm Reception for Rhapsody in Blue

Our Members Shine!

Displaying member Blas E. Lopez was recently selected by the national organization, Society for the Advancement of Chicano and Native American Scientists (SACNAS) to create the art work for all printed materials for their upcoming 40th Annual National conference to be held at the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention center in San Antonio. October 2013.

Blas E. Lopez is now part of San Antonio Museum of Art's permanent art collection, through a recent art collection donation by Dr. Ricardo Romo, Pres., University of Texas at San Antonio to the San Antonio Museum of Art.

Congratulations to the following winners of "Water, Water, Everywhere" show!

Oil, Acrylic: 1st Diane Brahm, 2nd Julie McCollum, 3rd Sherry Wooley, HM Jean Crow
HM: Kathy Perales

Works on Paper: 1st Angie Banta Brown, 2nd Doreen Shann, 3rd Rita Kirkman, HM: Gina Cumberland, Robin Roberts Walker

Photography: 1st Darryl Patrick, 2nd Jolene Oyer, 3rd Pete Reynolds, HM: Robert Anshultz, Becky Pinkerton, Jessie Slaton, William Malin

3-D: 1st Laura Ann Beehler, 2nd Sandra Wait, 3rd Carol Martin, HM: Pam Pohl, Linda Yates

NBAL Workshops & Classes

WORKSHOPS

Angie Banta Brown, *The Figure in Oil*

August 9, 10 & 11, Cost \$275, plus share model fee for one day

Qiang Huang, *Still Life Oil Painting & On-line Marketing*,

October 18, 19 & 20, Cost \$350

Rita Kirkman, *Intro to the Quick Sketch Portrait*

November 2, 3 & 4, cost \$250.00, includes supplies

Angie Banta Brown *Christmas Cards*, November 9, Cost \$75.00

See www.newbraunfelsartleague.com for more information on workshops or classes.

Workshop Contact and Deposits:

Cindy Capitani
46 Grassmarket
San Antonio, TX 78259
phone: 210-542-6180
Email cindycapitani@me.com

Make checks payable to NBAL and be sure to indicate on the check which class you will be taking, along with a phone number and address and email address if you want a receipt.

NBAL Art Classes

Angie Banta Brown, *Watercolor*, Wednesdays from 9:00am to 12:00pm. *Oil Painting*, Thursdays, from 9:00am to 1:00pm. Call 830-609-2581.

Mary Johnson, *Pastel & Oil, Live Models*, Wednesdays from 1:00pm to 4:00pm. Call 210-945-9544.

Linda C. Jacobson, Summer Art Camps Monday - Thursday; June 4 - Aug. 16, Ages 5-9 from 9:30 - 11:30 am; Ages 8-13, 1-3 pm. Call 830-624-5302 or visit online at www.casadelinda.com for a complete schedule.

Patsy Ledbetter, *Oil Painting*, 3rd Saturday of each month from 9:30am to 4:00pm. Call 830-964-4881. (www.patsyledbetter.com).

Anne McCoy, *Watercolor*, Mondays from 6:00pm to 8:30pm Call 830-629-6836.

Trace Guthrie, *Clay Sculpture*, Thursday evenings from 6-9 pm. Call 830-609-6196.

Sherry Wooley, *Oil Painting for Advanced Beginners* - Tuesdays 6-9pm Call 830-964-2808 or email sawooley@austin.rr.com. *Oil Painting for Beginners* Mondays 6-9pm.

Kraig Kiedrowski, *Life Drawing with model*, Mondays beginning again in September from 9:30am-12:30pm. Contact Kraig now with your interest at kiedtex@swbell.net or 210-566-0528.

Leila Renynolds, *Textile Art: Felting (wet, nuno, needle), & Painting/Dyeing Fabrics*. Beginning Saturday, August 4, 10am-2pm, for selected Saturdays. Call 830-643-1372.

Newsletter Submissions

Submissions to the newsletter may be sent to barbara@blaschkelaw.com or call her at 210 513 3928

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2012 Special Show Schedule

There are still opportunities remaining to participate in our upcoming special shows for 2012

September 2, 9am to 1pm is submission for Rhapsody in Blue

October 2, (note the date change), 11am – 5pm submission for ARToberfest

This is a juried show, and the only show available to non-members of NBAL

October 3, 3-5 pm pick up for works not accepted to ARToberfest

November 15, 9am – 1pm is submission for Small Works for Big Holidays.

Create a New NBAL Logo and Tag Phrase

We are seeking ideas for a new NBAL logo and tag phrase. Keep in mind a phrase must be short, simple, positive, true, timeless and universally acceptable. For instance, Wimberley's is "The Artbeat of Texas." Currently NBAL uses "Fine art by Texas Artists." Our logo should illustrate the uniqueness of the New Braunfels Visual Art Center. Remember, we have classes, workshops, community outreach programs and involvement as well as a first class Gallery in our historic building. Don't forget we have paintings, photography, jewelry, pottery, sculpture, fiber arts...a full range of everything visual. The entries will be judged by the creative team from Anderson Marketing Group in San Antonio. For information call Barbara O'Connor (830) 632-9104. Deadline for entries is August 31.