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# CALLIGRAM

Meeting Monday, February 22, 2016 (NOT the last Monday)

6:30 pm Doors open at 6:00 Tulsa Garden Center

Contact Us:

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February Program: DRAWN LETTERS Victoria Lane will present

the basics of how she conceives and executes projects involving DRAWN letters using examples of her work. She will briefly contrast this mode of letter making with traditional, calligraphic lettering. After demonstrating her techniques, members will have an opportunity to begin a drawn letter project of their own. For those who want a personally inspired project, please bring a short, preferably pithy quote (less pithy examples: "Freedom isn't free," "The greatest of these is love," "Get your mojo on," etc.). Each should also be considering what she/he desires to convey through her creative interpretation of the quote.

<u>Materials List</u> for this program follows on the next page. Don't stress if you are lacking any of these items as we can share (or you may not even get to the stage of the project requiring that item). Bring what you have on hand.

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# Materials for February Meeting:

- soft lead pencils
- · hard lead pencils
- · pencil sharpener

or

- · a lead pointer pencil and sharpener
- eraser (like a Clik eraser or even finer point)
- pointed nib in a straight holder and/or
- a crow quill pen and/or
- micron pens (005 or 01 and 05 or 08)
- transparent layout paper
- one sheet of very smooth paper (for final artwork) such as bristol or Borden & Riley Paris pad
- Dr. PH Martin's bleed proof white
- · small, flat mixing dish
- old brush for mixing
- · very fine detail brush

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Loredana Zega



Ann Bowen



**Charles Pearce** 

# February Refreshments:

Drinks: Cassandra A.

Snacks: Carol F.

June N.

# Greetings, CGO members,

While still in SWCC hosting-recovery-mode, we have to take time to give a BIG thank you to all of those CGO volunteers that helped to make this conference a super success. There were members that provided assistance behind the scenes, as well as those that provided support along the way. This SWCC committee was diligent and creative, coming through with everything from food and decoration to loaning great artworks for the Saturday meeting exhibit. CGO might not be the biggest guild in the conference, but we made an impression, with the art deco tours, excellent comfort food for meetings, museum and studio tours, and superb hosting and fellowship. The guilds that attended felt welcome and left with not only an enviable goody bag and useful information, but with a sense that Tulsa has much to offer in the arts community. Thank you so much for everyone that participated to make this a great success for our guild. Could NOT have done it without everyone!!!

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the February meeting, with a great program to be presented by Victoria Hoke Lane. If you have a friend or acquaintance that is interested in learning more about calligraphy and its related arts, please invite them to this meeting. We are so fortunate to have our talented and creative Victoria presenting this program for us.

Please bring any project you are working on (completed or not) to share with the other members on the Sharing Table. With a guild of varying levels of expertise, your sharing helps to encourage or inspire other members with your efforts. I always leave a meeting inspired by the enthusiasm and creativity of our members.

Remember that February has FIVE Mondays, and that we meet the FOURTH Monday of the month.....see you on Monday, February 22nd!!

CGO President

Teresa J. Wilber

# Save the Dates!

February 22, 2016 CGO Meeting (NOT the last Monday of the month):

Drawn Letters

March 28, 2016 CGO Meeting: Writing on Unusual Surfaces

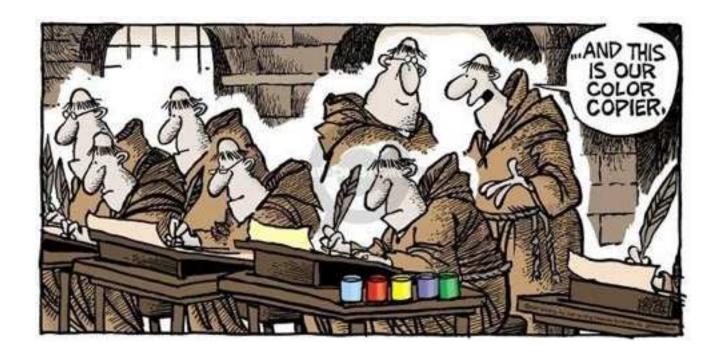
April 25, 2016 CGO Meeting

May 14-15, 2016 Heather Held Workshop

May 23, 2016 CGO Meeting

If you haven't seen it yet here's a

Jake Weidmann video



# You fling your heart out...and your hand follows your heart. MOGP the SCR

-Donald Jackson

# Mini Workshop: March 5, 2016

Sue Kinsey will teach Creative Lettering on beautiful color papers. This class is limited to 12, secure your place with payment of \$10. Supply List to follow.

Helmerich Library 5131 E. 91st St. Tulsa, OK 1:00-4:30pm

Make checks payable to CGO and mail to:

**Debi Woods** 

7845 S. Union Ave #1908

Tulsa, OK 74132

Contact **<u>Debi</u>** for more information.



# 2016 MAJOR WORKSHOPS



"A Study in Designing a Contemporary Illuminated Letter"

With Heather Victoria Held

May 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016

at the Tulsa Garden Center

This workshop is an exploration in designing and decorating a contemporary illuminated letter. The letters are based on a script alphabet and transformed into meandering ribbons or graceful leaves. The student will be guided through the pencil design stage of their own unique letter as well as the decorative foliate extension. The design can be embellished with a simple



23K gilding technique or gold gouache. Pointed pen flourishes are added to the design, which is further embellished with colour. The final design is evocative of the graceful capital letters found in Victorian illustrated books. Knowledge of the pointed pen as well as any rounded script alphabet is very helpful in this class although an exemplar will be provided. Skill level: Beginner & above

A complete supply list will be available prior to the class.

Signups please by April 1, 2016

Workshop fee: \$135 for members; \$150 for non-members Deposit of \$70 due by April 1. All fees must be paid by April 15. Contact Carol Francis for information: 918 943-3330 or 918 638-2028 <a href="mailto:cgofrancis367@qmail.com">cgofrancis367@qmail.com</a>

www.heathervictoriaheld.com & www.inkflourishes.blogspot.com



# **Peter Thornton**

Subject to be Announced

October 21-22-23, 2016

**Save the Date!** 

2017 Workshops are being planned...please give your ideas for instructors and/or topics to Carol Francis

# **Ghost Ranch 2016**

Literally Letters to be held in Abiqui, New Mexico June, 2016
Time to make your plans for JUNE 2016: LITERALLY LETTERS has a
STUNNING line-up:

Gemma Black: VERSALS

Bailey Amon: Traditional to Modern Pointed Pen

Louise Grunewald: Finding the Sweet Spot: inspiration meets Design"

Suzanne Moore: Landscape, Language & Letters: Landscape as Inspiration in

Lettering Design

Contact www.ghostranch.org and look for workshop schedule--go to calendar date of June 12, or look under instructor name to register. See you at the Ranch!

Go here for more info: A Show of Hands



# Registration •

Show of Hands 2016

International Calligraphy Conference

June 25 - July 2

Warren Wilson College Swannanoa, North Carolina

# **IAMPETH Annual Convention**

July 11-16, 2016 Portland, Oregon

lampeth Convention Information HERE



Go <u>HERE</u> for more information.

2016 CALL FOR ENTRIES: Calligraphers and artists from around the world are invited to participate in the 22nd annual Graceful Envelope Contest, conducted by the Washington (DC) Calligraphers Guild and the National Association of Letter Carriers. The contest is open to all ages, with separate categories for children.

There is no entry fee.

# This year's theme: Communication

Ever since Benjamin Franklin became America's first Postmaster General, many of our most important messages arrived inside an envelope. Now your challenge is to design the outside of an envelope to highlight this—or any other—mode of communication. Your Graceful Envelope could honor the mail or the internet; the telegraph, telephone or television; person-to-person conversation or whatever kind of communication inspires your imagination.

Address your envelope artistically to: The Graceful Envelope 100 Indiana Ave. NW

Washington, DC 20001

POSTMARK DEADLINE: Monday, March 28, 2016

# Southwest Calligraphy Conference was held here in Tulsa January 21-23. Attendees from guilds in Texas and Oklahoma were represented.



CGO is very appreciative for the talent and creativity of Victoria Hoke Lane, who created the SWCC 2016 logo for save-adates, invitations, tote bags, etc. Also, grateful to Marj Miller, who created and hand-lettered the Tulsa Art Deco themed placecards and nametags for the conference. Thanks, ladies!





There are tote bags from the recent SWCC, printed with Victoria's beautiful logo, available to guild members for purchase. Bags are large, black canvas with white printing. Bags will be for sale at the February 22 CGO meeting. \$12.

# CGO CHRISTMAS CARD EXCHANGE

from our January meeting



# Inside and out views...







# Workshop opportunities from some of our neighboring calligraphy guilds:

# **DENIS BROWN** is coming to New Orleans!!

TWO WORKSHOPS: Celtic Script and Gothicized Italic



# **WORKSHOP ONE:**

Celtic Script
Fri., April 15, 2016 and Sat., April
16th 9 am-5 pm
Carlo Ditta Meeting Room, Harvey
\$200/ members \$225/non-members

# WORKSHOP TWO: Gothicized Italic Script Sun., April 17th, 9-5 pm and April 18th & 19th evenings, 6-9 pm Carlo Ditta Meeting Room, Harvey \$200/members \$225/non-member



BOTH WORKSHOPS: \$350/members and \$375/non-members.

Contact NOLAA for more information or to register: New Orleans Lettering Arts

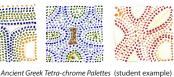
## From Fort Worth:



Gilding Techniques









# THINGS **GREEK & GILDED**

THURS - SUN, APR 14-17, 2016 **RETREAT** with Georgia Angelopoulos

\$425 Member - Double Occupancy \$500 - Member Double Occupancy

Space is limited to 20 • Materials Fee TBA

FWCG Membership is REQUIRED.

NAZARETH RETREAT CENTER 1814 Egyptian Way, Grand Prairie, TX 75050

RETREAT fee includes 4 full days of instruction, meals, 3 Nights lodging (double-room with private bath.) - Add \$25 per night for single room lodging.

### DESCRIPTION

Participants in this 4 day workshop will learn how to gild using traditional and modern techniques on various surfaces. While raised gilding techniques will be touched upon, the main focus will be *flat* gilding - learning how to tool the gold to create beautiful patterns in relief and experimenting with different techniques that can be used in traditional and contemporary work. Every participant will create a record of techniques they can use as well as a gold 'palette' or chart for future reference using a wide variety of gold alloys and metals. Complementing this will be a study of the ancient *Greek 'Tetra-chrome' palette*; we will create simple designs with it a and then use our gold charts to choose which of our metals best harmonizes with each design. Raw materials and ground pigments will be used to show the origin of our colours along with contemporary alternatives.

Learn Two Greek Scripts: Capital letters from the time of Alexander the Great, a traditional uncial hand from the Vienna Dioscorides and Byzantine compressed capitals. We will study these hands with the aim of breathing new life into them.

### **GEORGIA ANGELOPOULOS**

Georgia was taught the Italic script - the 'hand' of the Renaissance Humanists - at Junior High School and was then introduced to the art of calligraphy and illumination at High School. She received instruction from a teacher taught by a student of the British scholar and scribe, Edward Johnston. Her family in Greece has strong roots in the art world that also fueled her interest in, and love of, these arts. She studied History in Art in Athens, Greece and at the University of Victoria. While she enjoys historical research, writing articles on the development of letterforms, the manuscript tradition and calligraphy, her impulse to be a practitioner is strong. She is an active member of Victoria's Fairbank Calligraphy Society; she teaches calligraphy internationally, contributes articles to their journal and is their Archivist.

### **REGISTRATION CLOSES APRIL 2, 2016**

NAME EMAIL		□ ENCLOSED is my full tuition check for \$425 (Double Occupancy) □ ENCLOSED is my full tuition check for \$500 for SINGLE Occupancy
Any questions, please contact workshop coordinator at angie@txlac.org or 214-957-1736.		
CITY, STATE, ZIP		Mail payment to: Angie Vangalis
PHONE - DAY	PHONE - CELL	P.O. Box 3126, Coppell, TX 75019
MUST BE A FWCG MEMBER - \$25		No Refunds unless wait list permits or workshop is cancelled.