

OSCEOLA DECORATIVE ARTISTS

An Affiliated Chapter of Society of Decorative Painters
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President's Message

By Mary Francis

Hello to all ODA Members!

Well, here we are in September. The final quarter of 2014 has begun and the busy-ness of the holiday season is upon us. Our painting is occupying a lot of our time because some of it is meant for gifts for our friends and loved ones.

Some of our painting efforts will be shown at the craft show in Kissimmee coming up in November. I'll be planning on offering some of my efforts for sale. Will you? It's a good time to try to sell some of our painted pieces that have been stacking up. I have been having trouble finding places to put some of mine and I hope selling will help find the space. Look for details elsewhere in this newsletter on how to prepare your painted items. Please follow Debbie's guidelines for marking as you do want to be paid, don't you? Debbie and I have been in communications in an effort to smooth the process. If we all do our part, it will be an easy show and hopefully not the last.

In the meantime, Ann Card is offering a lovely watercolor/mixed media piece for September's program. It is breathtakingly beautiful. Since I have no real experience with watercolor, this will truly be a learning project for me. Won't you plan to join us? See the photos in this newsletter.

And then in October, you will be painting my "Snowmen: Some Assembly Required" piece. It, too, is a mixed media piece in that you will experience several different techniques for painting. Please let Debbie know prior to September's meeting if you are committing to attend this lesson. I will be cutting matte boards and need to know how many to bring to you so that you can do your homework.

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Don't forget our craft show in November!

Then, finally breathing a sigh of relief, December brings us our Christmas Party! Yay! It is always so much fun and an event that I love! Can hardly wait for that one! And during the party, we will be installing the new officers for 2015 and I will be turning over the love and care of Osceola Decorative Artists to a new president. I hope you all will attend this fun event.

Looking forward to seeing you in September. I'll be returning from my trip to Russia on the Tuesday prior to the meeting and I will be cutting matte boards for you (hopefully straight and accurate)! No telling how long an 8 hour time difference will effect me! Until next time!

Mary

September Hospitality Sign-Up

Drinks - Kathy Murphy-Childs
Dessert - Kathy Murphy-Childs
Greeter - Deanna Spence



Workshop/Seminar Report

By Debbie Smith

September:

Ann Card will be teaching a piece with a sunflower on a background done using webbing. It is really pretty and something different. It is the usual \$15 workshop fee plus a supply fee of \$10.

October:

Mary will be taking orders for the surface for this workshop. This will be an original design so we should feel pretty special to be the first ones to do this project. It is the usual \$15 workshop fee plus a supply fee of \$10.

November:

This is a great opportunity to get our name out to the community and raise funds to help cover our chapter's expenses.

We will be doing the art show in November. The dates are November 15th and 16th, 10 am to 5pm. Pieces for the booth can be donated to the chapter to sell and proceeds to the chapter or sold on a commission basis. There will be a sign up sheet at the meetings prior to and including the October meeting to commit to a block of time. We will also need help with set up and take down. If you sign up to work a shift either one of the two days your commission fee will be 10%. If you are unable to attend the show, the commission fee will be 20%. We will also be asking folks to demo. We are asking all pieces to be in to the chapter by the October meeting. There will be guidelines for labeling and packing in the newsletters as the time approaches.

2014 Project Calendar

Supply List for September Workshop

First of all, let's all hope and pray for a sunny day, but just in case of rain, a hair dryer would be a good thing.

The surface we will be working on is 16 x 20 so please bring an old towel to put under your surface as we may get it wet or get paint on it, and we will keep the tables unstained.

Water color brushes: a fairly large flat, maybe a 16, and a round 8. If you don't have these sizes, don't go out and buy any unless you want them anyway. Any larger flat will work for the background and the round for the sunflower petals. If you only have acrylic brushes, they will be fine.

Painter tape, frog tape, etc. in a width of at least one inch. I do not recommend regular masking tape because it might lift your background. (If you don't have tape, don't go out and buy it. I will bring some.)

Paper Towels

Watercolor palette (if you don't have one, just pick up one of those round inexpensive ones at Michaels or Hobby Lobby. I think they are under \$2.00.

A water bucket with two wells - one for cleaning your brushes and one for clean water for your board.

Transfer paper, I believe white or grey will work, a piece of tracing paper, and a stylus.

September 20	Ann Card Multi-media Project - Sunflower
October 18	Mary Francis Snowman Project
November 15	Ways & Means Kissimmee Art Show
December 7	Christmas Party

Treasurer's Report

By Deanna Spence



TREASURER'S REPORT - AUGUST 2014

Check Book Balance 07/31/14: **\$4,247.55**

	<u>AUGUST</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>BUDGET BALANCE</u>
INCOME:			
Membership Dues	\$0.00	\$92.00	\$358.00
Workshops	\$75.00	\$645.00	\$2,055.00
Seminars	\$0.00	\$720.00	\$1,080.00
Ways & Means			
Monthly Raffles	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$400.00
Special Raffle(s)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$600.00
Fundraiser	\$168.50	\$168.50	\$731.50
Miscellaneous	\$8.00	\$46.00	
Total Income	\$251.50	\$1,671.50	
EXPENSES:			
Administration			
Checks & Bank Fees	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$20.00
Meeting Room Rent	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
SDP Annual Fee	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$32.00
SDP Insurance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$38.00
State of Florida Fee	\$0.00	\$61.25	\$0.75
Christmas Party	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
Decorative Dollars	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
Hospitality	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
Membership	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
Miscellaneous	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$493.00
Philanthropic	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
Publicity	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$75.00
SDP Conference/SDP Dona	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$900.00
Seminars	\$0.00	\$920.24	\$879.76
Sunshine	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$30.00
Ways & Means			
Monthly Raffles	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
Special Raffle(s)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
Fundraiser	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$150.00
Website	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
Workshops	\$0.00	\$450.00	\$1,350.00
Total Expenses	\$0.00	\$1,131.49	

Check Book Balance 8/31/14: **\$4,499.05**

2014 Board Members

President

Mary Francis

First Vice President

Debbie Smith

Second Vice President

Judi Arntz

Secretary

Nan Paras

Treasurer

Deanna Spence

Ways & Means Chair

Newsletter Editor

Deanna Spence

Board Member at Large

Sandi Byers

Nominating Committee

Barbara Layton and Kathy Murphy-Childs are serving on the Nominating Committee this year and have been working hard to fill a slate of nominations. Our election will be on October 18, 2014.

The following are the committee's nominations:

- President – Ann Card
- First Vice President - Debbie Smith
- Second Vice President - Judi Arntz
- Secretary – Janice Bosscher
- Treasurer: Deanna Spence
- Board Member #1 (Newsletter) – Kathy Murphy-Childs
- Board Member #2 (Ways & Means) – No Nomination
- Board Member #3 (At-large) – Sandi Byers



The above slate of officers for the calendar year 2015 is submitted by the Nominating Committee. For those interested in any of the above positions, please let a member know so they can nominate your name from the floor.

Respectfully submitted:
Barbara Layton and
Kathy Murphy-Childs.

We're on the Web!

Visit us at:

www.osceoladecorativeartists.com



ODA Chapter Cloisonné Pins are still available for \$10 each. Get yours today!



Previous Meeting Minutes

By Nan Paras

Osceola Decorative Artists August Meeting Minutes

A regular meeting of the Osceola Decorative Artists was held on August 16, 2014. The meeting was called to order @ 12:26 PM by our President, Mary Francis. The Secretary, Nan Paras, in attendance.

Treasurer's Report was approved as printed in the August newsletter.

Secretary's Report has one correction, in regards to the issue of raising the chapter dues from \$15.00 to \$25.00. Instead of 'all members present voted in favor' change to 'all members present, but one, voted in favor. Motion was carried'

Committee and Officer Reports:

- **Upcoming Programs:** Vice President, Debbie Smith - went over upcoming programs.
September – Ann Card –Sunflower Project
October – Mary Frances – Snowmen Project
November – Art Show in Downtown Kissimmee
- **Hospitality:** Sandi Byers – there is a need for coffee creamer. Miriam McCleese offered to bring some in.
- **Charity:** Debbie Smith – Will take all the items left over from our auction today to Bishop Grady. Barbara Layton reported on her delivering the donations to the Animal Shelter. Said they were pleased with all the donations & items the chapter raised. We received a nice Thank You letter from the Shelter. Everyone agreed we will have this charity again in February 2015.
- **Decorative Dollars:** Jean Zawicki – was in charge of our August program paying with decorative Dollars. Want to send a big Thank You to Jill Terrell, for helping Jean with all the displayed hope boxes, but wasn't able to attend. We missed you!
- **Education:** Kathy Murphy-Childs – not present. Mary Francis shared some information on an app for smart phones called Photo Sketch. App is free. She demonstrated on how it works. Amazing! Thanks Mary!
- **Membership:** Judi Arntz – not present
- **Sunshine:** Marsha Lamb – not present
- **Ways and Means:** TODAY's AUCTION
- **Nominating Committee:** Barbara Layton and Kathy Murphy-Childs (not present) – started discussion on the open positions that were needed for the 2015 term. Need a President and possibly 3 board members at large. That led into the **New Business** section, regarding a need to update the standing rules. After much discussion, it was decided, since further research was needed, the Board would meet and finalize what changes are needed. Then it will be presented to the members for discussion and approval.

Show and Tell: Janice Bosscher shared her heart ornament.

Adjournment: Carol Brown made the motion to adjourn @ 1:15 PM, Barbara Layton seconded.

2014 Hospitality Sign-Up

	DESSERT	DRINKS	GREETER
SEPTEMBER	Kathy Murphy-Childs	Kathy Murphy-Childs	Deanna Spence
OCTOBER	Deanna Spence	Jean Zawicki	Sandi Byers
NOVEMBER	Ways & Means - Kissimmee Art Show		
DECEMBER	Christmas Party - Sunday, December 7		



NO BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

5 Minutes of Education

Last month Mary demonstrated Photo Sketch, a free app which is available for smartphones and tablets. The program is used to transform a photo into a line drawing.

This month Kathy will be sharing a quick and easy way to transfer a pattern to paper or any slightly transparent surface without graphite paper.

If you have a trick, technique or timesaver you would like to share with the group in a coming month, contact Kathy. Remember; five minutes takes very little preparation, and it's always fun to learn something new!

Basic Supply List - Watercolor

- Watercolor Brushes
- 2 Water Containers
- Non-wax Graphite paper (gray & white)
- Masking Fluid
- Tracing Paper
- Double-ball Stylus
- 1" Drafting or Artist's Tape
- Pencil & Sharpener
- White Vinyl Eraser
- Cotton Swabs
- Spray Bottle
- Palette
- Paper Towels
- Handheld Fan
- Scissors
- C-thru Ruler



August Auction

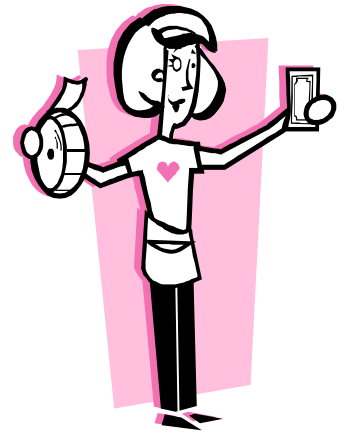
THANK YOU to everyone who donated items and to everyone who purchased items at our 2nd Annual Auction of surfaces, patterns, paint, and pretty much anything else paint-related at our last meeting! An extra special thank you goes to our auctioneer extraordinaire Carol Brown!!

This was a really FUN meeting, plus we raised \$168.50 for our chapter!!



Raffle Items Needed

Items are needed for Decorative Dollars raffles. These items can be something special that you (or someone else) have painted, a special surface waiting to be painted, or some other special item that you think others would love to win in a Decorative Dollars raffle. If you have something you would be willing to donate, please get it to our Decorative Dollars Chair, Jean Zawicki. All donations will be greatly appreciated!



ODA General Meeting Information

ODA meetings are the 3rd Saturday of each month at the Osceola Center for the Arts, 2411 E. Irlo Bronson Memorial Highway (St. Rd. 192), Kissimmee, FL 34744.

The business meeting starts at 10:00 am and is followed by a painting program/workshop. We generally “brown bag” our lunch with drinks and a dessert provided by different members.

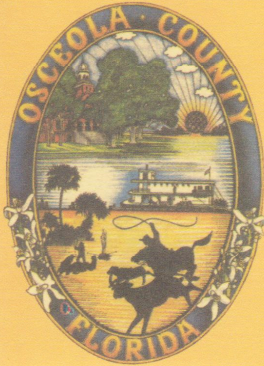
Guests are welcome to attend a meeting to see what we are all about before deciding on membership. Chapter membership is open to all members of Society of Decorative Painters. You can find more information on SDP at decorativepainters.org. ODA chapter dues for 2015 are \$25/year.

ODA Board meetings for 2014 will be held immediately before the general meetings, beginning at 9:00 AM. All Board members are asked to make every effort to attend these meetings. Any other chapter members interested in attending the board meetings are welcome to sit in.

What's Coming Up ...



Thank You from the Animal Shelter



July 12, 2014

Osceola Center for the Arts
Decorative Artists
149 Club Villas Lane
Kissimmee, FL 34744

RE: Donation

Dear Barbara;

The staff at Osceola County Animal Control, would like to send our thanks to you for your generous donation of all the items on our donation list, including blankets, towels, disinfecting wipes, sanitizer, hoses, as well as dog and cat food. This was a huge undertaking and we really appreciate your efforts.

It is certainly kind of you to think of the homeless animals here in Osceola County. We are grateful and appreciate your continued support of our shelter.

Your kindness and thoughtfulness is very much appreciated by all.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tami Lockwood".

Tami Lockwood
Administrative Assistant

Osceola
County

Animal Control
3910 Old Canoe Creek Rd.
St. Cloud, FL 34769

Osceola Decorative Artists

2411 E. Irlo Bronson Memorial
Highway (St. Rd. 192)
Kissimmee, Fl. 34744



2015 MEMBER REGISTRATION and PROFILE

First Name _____ Nickname (if used) _____

Last name _____ Spouse's Name (first) _____

Address _____

Home Phone # _____ Cell phone # _____

E-mail address _____

SDP Number _____ Birth Date: Month _____ Day _____

Children: (sons) ____ (daughters) ____ Grandchildren: (boys) ____ (girls) ____

How many years have you been painting? ____

Medium: Oil Acrylic Colored Pencil Watercolor Fabric
 Other _____

Favorite medium (if you have one): _____

Favorite thing(s) to paint (Santa Claus, flowers, still life, etc): _____

Usual surface(s) to paint on (Canvas, wood, glass, etc): _____

Are you a "crafter/art show " exhibitor? Do you like to attend craft/art shows?

Occupation/vocation: _____

Special interests: Tell us if you have any special interests, hobbies, collections, associations, etc.

Please make check payable to the Osceola Decorative Artists. The chapter dues shall be on a calendar year, from January through December. Dues shall be fifteen dollars (\$25.00) per year for active members. Dues are payable September 1st and delinquent January 1st. A delinquent fee of two dollars (\$2.00) will be due after December 31st.

Return this form with your dues at the meeting or mail to: Judi Arntz, 1952 Southern Dunes, Haines City, FL 33844

PROGRAM SIGN UP

Name _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Project _____

Date of Workshop _____ fee..... \$15.00

Guests who wish to attend are to include an additional \$5.00. Class limited to 25 students.

Please bring a bag lunch. Dessert and drinks are provided.

Make Checks Payable to ODA

Complete Registration form and give to Debbie or

Mail to: Debbie Smith, 2413 Franklin Drive, Kissimmee, FL 34744