

September 2023

# APBC NEWSLETTER

## **President's Message**

September Opportunities!!!

Announcing a final look at a permanent home for APBC!

Lake Patk has set a date to discuss the future of the 800 building (which was the location of our Art on Park Gallery). Since before Covid 19, the town of Lake Park has professed their affinity for our organization and continuously maintained that they want to house us in their downtown CRA area. On Wednesday November 1 2023 the future of the 800 Building will be discussed.

The reason given for the restrictions imposed by the mortgage on the 800 Park Ave building and the reason we were ousted, was cleared when the town of Lake Park paid off their mortgage during Covid. Though the building had initially been marked for storage and the Recreation Department's Summer Program, it is obviously not suitable for either of those uses in the middle of what is needed for a vibrant business commercial area.

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# Tip of the month

Start a drawing habit - dedicate 15-30 minutes each day to draw in your sketchbook. Draw whatever you want to draw. The key is returning every day to keep those creative wheels spinning!!!

### President's Message Continued

The Town has agreed to a discussion of the future use of this building. If you support our being based in Lake Park, again, please mark your calendars and be present to represent your and our future with a home base again. The meeting starts at 6:30 pm. There are many projects that we could make happen when we have a home base. If you support having a regular gallery location/our own space for classes /events/workshops, and community involvements, please come and show your support. Tell friends who are Lake Park residents as well. Please get the word out for Nov 1 to support APBC's return to a home base. Thank you, and I hope to see you there at the Lake Park Town Hall Chambers, 6:30 p.m. on November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023.

APBC once again brought original and exciting artwork to the town of Lake Park for their Centennial Art and Music festival Sept 23-2023. It was a full day celebration as Lake Park shut down the Main Street of Park Avenue and set stage for Music and Art. APBC brought out two 13' tents and created a shop filled with original paintings watercolors, Cyanotypes, books, and a variety of photographs. Many pieces were sold and locals went home with new art pieces purchased in Lake Park.

APBC has been active in reaching out to our underserved local community and is sponsoring another workshop at the Rise Center, located at 723 39<sup>th</sup> Street, West Palm Beach, 33407, on Saturday morning, Oct 7<sup>th</sup>, as long as it is sunny out! Starting around 10:30-11:00 until 1pm (sun permitting) we will conduct another Cyanotype project. We still need volunteers to help with the various stages of the process, and if you want to volunteer you will also learn the process-it's really easy and fun! Contact me through APBC email with Cyan or MJZ in the subject! Thank you! We will have fun again, sun cooperating!

We are already busy, and season is right around the corner! Stay tuned for our holiday activities that are being organized for our members as you read this. We are all ready to bust out our best!

As always our deepest thanks goes out to all of our many supporters and participants in our expanding art world influence and appreciation in encouraging artists growth in all ages and places.

Mary Jane Zapp, APBC President







# ARTISTS OF PALM BEACH COUNTY PRESENTS "Very Important Pieces by Very Important People"



Artists of Palm Beach County presents

# Very IMPORTANT Pieces by Very IMPORTANT People

Friday, October 6 - Thursday, December 7, 2023

Featured Artist Monica Postell | Awards Judge Ted Matz



#### OPENING RECEPTION

Saturday, October 7, 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Lake Park Library | 529 Park Avenue, Lake Park, FL 33403 9AM - 6PM Monday - Thursday, 9AM - 4PM Friday, and 10AM - 4PM Saturday

#### **Participating Artists:**

Victoria Albrecht, Juan Bernal, Judith Eisinger, Sandra Friedkin, Judy Gaggero, Lula Sandra Gover, Leszek Kot, Elizabeth Kuechenmeister, Elizabeth Lula, Noelle McCarthy, Edward Muñoz, Susan Muñoz, Monica Postell, Marion Roberts, Janet Schreiber, Maxine Schreiber, Tom Sedito, Phyllis Simon, Judith Smith, Bonnie Summer, Christina Vollstedt, Karla Walter, Lorrie Williamson

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# ARTISTS OF PALM BEACH COUNTY PRESENTS "Very Important Pieces by Very Important People"

Artists of Palm Beach County, Inc. (APBC) is pleased to announce that it will be having a VIP exhibit in the Lake Park Library Schuyler Gallery/Meeting Room October 7 - December 7, 2023 at 529 Park Avenue, Lake Park. An Opening Reception will be held on Saturday, October 7th, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Twenty-three VIP members were juried into the "Very Important Pieces by Very Important People" exhibition and will be displaying works that are innovative, interesting or aweinspiring. From landscapes to portraits, nature, abstract or representational, artists were invited to submit any 2-Dimensional mediums including ceramics that can be hung on the wall.

APBC is pleased to announce that **Ted Matz** will be the **Judge for Awards**. Ted, who is known for his rich watercolors and oil paintings, both realistic and abstract, was the co-founder and past President of The New School of the Visual Arts in Jupiter and was formerly the Chair of Painting and Drawing at the Lighthouse Art Center Museum and School of Art in Tequesta. In addition, Ted has taught at the Armory Art Center and the Boca Museum School of Art. **Monica Postell.** a self-trained artist whose watercolors and acrylics are stunning, was chosen as the **featured artist**. Her watercolor "Cottage Guest Room Unmade Bed" is attached.

Please **come to the Opening Reception and Awards Ceremony on Saturday, October 7, 2023, 1 - 3 pm.** All the work is for sale, and in addition to the art, visitors will enjoy refreshments provided by Friends of the Library.



#### **APBC'S ART SALON**

#### **SAVE THE DATE FOR THE NEXT ART SALON!!!**

# TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2023 AT 6:30 AT THE PALM BEACH GARDENS LIBRARY.

ADDRESS IS: 11303 CAMPUS DRIVE, PALM BEACH GARDENS

Our featured speaker in October will be Lupe Lawrence, renowned impressionist and modern artist. She will share the details of her artistic journey with our group. Lupe will also tell us what she has learned along the way about creating and marketing artwork. Her discussion will include methods for selling your work and what vehicles work the best.

Lupe's body of work is mainly influenced by nature. She is inspired by how light causes colors to change, and the length of shadows is dependent on the time of day. Lupe is fascinated by how paint can be manipulated to form texture, form and how color can make a perception of depth. Influenced by historical painters and how they used pigment to create vibrancy and texture in oil paint, she makes her artwork with a limited palette. She uses a cold wax medium, calcium carbonate, and acrylic encaustic. She is not limited to canvas; but also paints on wood, silk, metal, gold leaf, rag paper, mirror, and mirror paper. She says: "Through my landscape paintings, I want to bring awareness to the fragility of nature. Hopefully, the viewers of my art will see the importance of preserving this beautiful planet we inhabit."

The idea behind the Art Salon is to learn, share, and inspire each other on our artists' journey. We encourage all attendees to bring your artwork to show the group. We encourage your participation and can't wait to see what you are creating! We also encourage you to share helpful information with the group, things that inspire you: books, movies, video's, museums-anything that would be beneficial to others.

Questions? Respond via email Lemiller0124@gmail.com



#### LAKE PARK'S CENTENNIEL ART AND MUSIC FESTIVAL

On September 23, 2023, Lake Park celebrated their 100<sup>th</sup> birthday (1923-2023), and APBC set up two tents right next to all the excitement on stage! Mary Jane Zapp, Pete Vrabcak, Susan Oakes, Ken Oakes, and Bonnie Summer helped set up the tents and tables. Kevin Baker brought walls to display photos and artwork, and then he helped take everything down when it was all over. Kevin Baker, Monica Fernsell, Maxine Schreiber, Bonnie Summer, and Susan Oakes brought their pieces to sell. We couldn't have asked for better weather, even though the breeze kept blowing everything over. The festival was wonderful with a plethora of eclectic merchandise, beautiful artwork, clothing, food, and wonderful music by The Leafy Greens Band. Mayor Roger Michaud and Lake Park Commissioners, John Linden, Mary Taylor, and Judith Thomas were all there to meet and greet everyone. There were several drawings to win seats at the Lake Park Gala, and a fun time was had by all.









## PHOTOS FROM LAKE PARK'S CENTENNIEL ART AND MUSIC FESTIVAL



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## **MEMBERSHIP**

#### Lifetime Members

Carole Pichney

Katherine Medina **Sharon Gregory** Victoria Albrecht

### VIP Members as of May 1st

Alida Thorpe

Ayesha DeLorenzo

Barbara Powell

**Bonnie Summer** 

Carol Moon Frazier

Carol Tasker

**Christina Vollstedt** 

**Dan Pichney** 

**Deborah Fairchild** 

**Dennis Leon** 

**Dick Yosinoff** 

Donna DonFrancisco

Fd Munoz

Faith Schwack

Felekae Wodajo

**Ilene Adams** 

Janet Schreiber

Joan Lipton

**Judith Smith** 

Judy Kirtley

#### **Judy Gargerro**

Karen Karmazin

Karla Walter

Kat Penlev

Leszek Kot

Lisa Perlman

Lorrie Williamson

Lou Mark

Lula Sandra Gover

Lydia Dardi

Mansha Sharma

**Marion Roberts** 

Maxine Schreiber

Monica Postell

**Noelle McCarthy** 

**Patrick Williams** 

Paul Shampine

Phyllis Simon

Ruth Berman

Sandy Friedkin

Susan Munoz

Tanya Witzel

**Thomas Seditto** 

# Membership Levels

Lifetime Members \$500.00 contribution

VIP Members \$100.00

Signature Artists \$75.00 (Includes page on website)

Thank you to all of you who have renewed your membership. All memberships were due in January. If you have not renewed, please renew through our website

artistsofpalmbeachcounty.org or by sending a check to PO Box 32066, Palm Beach Gardens FL 33420. Membership rates are still \$50 for member. \$75 for Signature Membership which includes a page on our website, and \$100 for VIP Membership which includes early entry to exhibits with a glass of champagne and other benefits. Please also consider upgrading your membership to a higher level to help advance our work. If you have any questions about membership you can contact Membership Chair Carole Pichney at cpichney@gmail.com.

## **APBC NEEDS YOU!**

## WE NEED YOU AS A MEMBER IN OUR ORGANIZATION!

Are you interested in serving on our Strategic Plan for the Artists of Palm Beach County?

We need a few members to serve on the *Stability and Longevity Committee!* 

The commitment can be for just one of the goals or all. We conduct meetings via zoom.

Our goals are the following:

- 1) To develop a **survey of the membership** to be finalized by 10/31/2023 (we need some input as it is currently in development)
- 2) To determine the **intent or the substance for grants by surveying members and board members** to be finalized by 11/30/2023
- 3) To create an initial draft of the business plan by 12/31/2023

If you have questions or interest please contact Karen Karmazin at kkarmazi@gmail.com or Kat Penley at kpenley@kpenley.com.

## **Announcements**

Arthouse Sisters, LLC has opened a working studio at Lake Park Innovation Center, 230 N Congress, Bay C10 Lake Park, Fl

#### PLAY and CREATE

Three (3) and Four(4) hour workshops will soon be available specifically designed for the "artist wannabe" or the "I don't have a creative bone in my body" people. I love the challenge of working with non-creatives and believe we ALL have creative ability to be explored.

Easy and creative projects, great fun, small groups of six to eight maximum. Parties welcome. Individual self-expression work is done through the use of art materials. We will explore feelings and throw them into a creative process in a non-verbal way.

Art can become a way to look into and communicate thoughts and emotions that feel too complex or confusing to articulate verbally. Creating art can help one see their heavy, jumbled feelings more clearly and throw them into a project. Messes are encouraged.

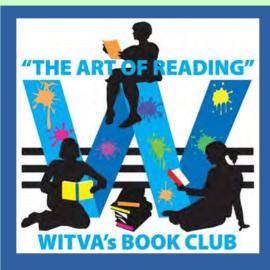
This process can be beneficial in bereavement or anger, depression, loneliness or just for entertainment. No pressure, no judgment, and a good time. Women, Men and / children all welcome.

Workspace rentable by the hour or day for creatives as needed for new or old media.

Rental Space also available for artists to conduct their own workshops.

Call or text for more information.
Website will be up by end of month www.arthousesisters.com
Barbara Ziev 610.428.3943
Barbaraziev@gmail.com

# **Book Club**





Discussion With Yummy Buffet Lunch When: Wednesday, October 18th at 11:30 a.m.

Where: Stonebridge Country Club 10343 Stonebridge Blvd, Boca Raton, FL 33498

Novel: The Secret Life of Sunflowers: By Marta Molnar

A gripping, inspiring novel based on the true story of Johanna Bonger, Vincent van Gogh's sister-in-law. When Hollywood auctioneer Emsley Wilson finds her famous grandmother's diary while cleaning out her New York brownstone, the pages are full of surprises. The first surprise is, the diary is not her grandmother's. It belongs to Johanna Bonger, Vincent van Gogh's sister-in-law. Johanna inherited Vincent van Gogh's paintings. They were all she had, and they were not worth anything. She was a 28-year-old widow with a baby in the 1800s, without any means of supporting herself, living in Paris where she barely spoke the language. Yet she managed to introduce Vincent's legacy to the world. The inspiration could not come at a better time for Emsley. With her business failing, an unexpected love turning up in her life, and family secrets unraveling, can she find answers in the past?

Questions: Beth at bethloves@gmail.com 561-684-3166 Plan To Attend? Send your RSVP to Marla at Marlaann1115@gmail.com

# **AL ROJAS**

The imagery is my take on the urban legend about stairs in the woods, in my case, stairs in the park. I don't get to go to the woods like I used to when I was a Boy Scout. These days I go for a daily walk in our local park. It is not as scary as the woods in upstate New York, but you never know when the stairs will appear, and they could appear in a local park near you.

I've been generating computer aided images for a couple of years, and usually the works are pixel/raster based; for this work I decided to try 100% vectors. I used Inkscape SW and converted a number of images to vectors.

Vectors are basically rectangular areas, and the computer accumulates them in a data base as numerical equations that, on a computer screen, turn into flat areas of color with other basic attributes such as transparencies, but basically the rectangles and the images are flat. I used a large number of layers and angles to give the image depth and texture.

These computer aided images are not Artificial Intelligent (AI) generated, but they are my take on computer generated (CG) works. In my alternate reality they (AI and CG) come together with this image, maybe they also come together in your reality – enjoy and let me know what you think (adrojas987@aol.com). Al Rojas





Enjoy the fall season!!

# We Need Your Articles, Suggestions & Ideas

Please email your articles, suggestions, and ideas to Bonnie Summer besb007@gmail.com, and you could be in the next APBC Newsletter.

We look forward to hearing from you.

