

May, 2023

# APBC NEWSLETTER

#### **President's Message**

We crammed in as much as we could into May with two shows opening, a new website, fundraisers for children and youth projects, (and children and youth projects!) and a well attended Art Salon.

Each of our shows this year brought both newer participants and seasoned artists joining in. We welcome and encourage artists of all mediums and levels to be in our shows and also participate in our volunteer opportunities including our Art Salons and Children and Youth projects. All mediums are welcomed. Our latest show at the Warren Library (at PBA- article enclosed) has textiles, sculptural painting, ceramic sculpture, pencil/charcoal, pastels, oil, acrylic, watercolor, collage, photography and mixed media. Sizes vary from 4" x 6" to nearly 4' x 6'! (You get the idea!). Upcoming events will be a local youth photography project this summer and participating in the upcoming Art & Music Centennial Celebration in the Town of Lake Park on Sept 23, 2023. Watch your emails or email us to ask about these if you want to be involved! Let us know what your creative plans are for the summer! Check out our website and see our new Signature Artists, Calendar and Shows online! This is the work of our Awesome Volunteer Ilene Gruber Adams! Highlighted

If you are a Signature Artist or a VIP and you don't have your Signature page up be sure to email Ilene with your bio/artist statement and works for you page. Our membership is growing every month, as well as our opportunities! Thank you all for making APBC a vibrant and productive organization!



### Tip of the month

Hatching is the technique of creating parallel lines to give the illusion of light and shadow. Draw lines closer together to create dark values, lines further from one another create highlights and mid tones in a drawing. Apply more pressure to the pencil for the darkest areas.

#### SIZZLING SUMMER EXHIBITION

On May 12, Artists of Palm Beach County held its Sizzling Summer Exhibition opening at the Palm Beach Atlantic University Warren Library. We would like to thank the President of Palm Beach Atlantic Dr. Debra A. Schwinn and the Dean of the College of Arts Jason Lester for granting us this opportunity to show the work of our members and others who had entered the show and for providing delicious refreshments for our opening reception. We would also like to thank Heather Couch, Assistant Professor of Art, for all the work she put in to make this exhibition the success that it is.

Thirty-one artists submitted 81 works to the jurying committee and 57 of these works were chosen for the exhibition. Heather Bergstrum, the incoming president of the Wellington Art League, judged the show. Heather carefully considered each of the works and later gave those attending the reception the thoughtful reasoning behind her choices.

The First Place Winner was Paul Shampine for his sculpture Circle of Life. The Second Place winner was Daniel Pichney for his black and white photograph Stairs and Shadows. Honorable Mention was given to Ruth Sharton for her painting Giverny, and a Judge's Recognition was given to Lupe Lawrence for her painting Amor. Ed Muñoz presented two checks from the fundraiser he had organized last month to Mary Jane Zapp, President, for summer youth programs.

The Sizzling Summer Exhibition will be on display at the Warren Library until August 11 when we will have a closing reception from 5:30-7:30. We would love to see you there. You can also visit the exhibition on Monday-Saturdays from 8am to 6pm at the Library, located at 300 Pembroke Place, West Palm Beach 33401.





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#### **CAMERA READY EXHIBITION**

Camera Ready, May 1 - June 30, 2023 Lake Park Public Library Schuyler Gallery/Meeting Room

On Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup> we had an Opening Reception and awards presentation. David Durbak, an award-winning photographer and professor at Palm Beach State College was our Judge for awards.

Congratulations to our winners!

First Place - Marion Roberts for Gentle Glide. Our judge thought this beautiful photograph of a Roseate Spoonbill in flight looks like an oil painting.

Second Place - Shari Gerson for Heidelberg Castle. David was impressed by how she captured snow.

Honorable Mention - Kevin Bacon for Wood Duck Splash. Again, Kevin's ability to capture the splash caught David's eye.

Judge's Recognition - Susan Oakes for Copperleaf 2. David thought it was a strong piece and particularly liked the textured background.

The Opening Reception, which was catered by the Friends of the Library, was actually quite lovely and well attended. Unfortunately, however, a plumbing issue in the women's restroom caused the library to close early, and a number of people were asked to leave while late comers were turned away. To make this up to us, for this unfortunate circumstance, the library has offered a Closing Reception, which will take place on Saturday, June 24, from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm. We hope to see you there!



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#### **MEMBERSHIP**

#### **LIFETIME MEMBERS**

Sharon Gregory Katherine Medina Carole Pichney

**VIP Members** Ayesha DeLorenzo Judy Kirtley Dennis Leon Ed Munoz Susan Munoz Dan Pichney Monica Postell Barbara Powell Tanya Witzel Bonnie Summer Carol Tasker Karen Karmazin Deborah Fairchild Phyllis Simon Felekae Wodajo Dick Yosinoff Kat Penlev Joan Lipton

Joan Lipton Alida Thorpe Noelle McCarthy Lorrie Williamson Christina Vollstedt

Christina Vollstedt Donna DonFrancisco Maxine Schreiber Mansha Sharma Judith Smith

Lydia Dardi Janet Schreiber Lula Sandra Gover Paul Shampine Lou Mark Faith Schwack

Carol Moon Frazier Ilene Adams

Marion Roberts Karla Walter Patrick Williams

# 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 <a href="mailto:cpichney@gmail.com">cpichney@gmail.com</a>.

# Art Salon - May 22nd, 2023

The May 22 Art Salon featured plein air artist and teacher Ralph Papa. His love of art began as a young child drawing and painting with his father in New York City's East Harlem. Primarily self taught, his passion for art became his life's work.

Ralph demonstrated for the audience the influence of various modern artists in his work. You can see a collection of his paintings at www.papagallery.com and www.ralphpapa.com. The subjects of his paintings are often from nature, life experiences and personal reflections of family and friends.

He talked about his history as an artist and his love of painting plein air and alla prima and encouraged participants to paint outdoors. Drawing and painting outside of four walls provides a unique experience with great benefits. Utilizing the natural outdoor light brings more colors into your paintings. Ralph also shared the technique he uses for alla prima painting (or wet on wet), where you work very quickly to complete the painting. His talk was informative and illuminating. This was the last art salon of the season. We look forward to seeing you at the next art salon on October 16, 2023.



### **Cyanotype Workshop**

The Cyanotype Workshop was a great success during the Lake Park Library's "Mad Science & Art Day." Children of all ages designed, exposed, and developed their own personal Cyanotype, many with Mother's Day themes. They started out in the Design/Dark Room, with the old red light bulb to work by. Our volunteer (and Cyanotype Pro) Cindy Bartosec guided the students and helped them to create their Cyanotype pressed between two pieces of plexi. Next, volunteers Carol Pichney, Linda Miller, and Debra Fairchild led them out to the Exposure area where the sun was employed on the treated paper. As the timer ticked, the paper turned gray and became ready for development. Mary Jane Zapp and Debra guided this step as the children gently moved the paper under water in a big tub. As their "Photos" appeared, they were sprayed with Hydrogen peroxide, immediately deepening the blue color. Each child (and accompanying adults!) gasped as these final steps took seconds to transform, and they were delighted with the results! The Cyanotypes were hung up with clothespins to dry in the "Development Tent."

The pictures really do tell the story the best. APBC extends our deepest thanks to all who participated. A special thanks goes to Mayor Roger Michaud, for spending time with the children, as they exposed and developed their Cyanotypes. They loved chatting with The Mayor and getting his insights. Many dads accompanied their children and were quite impressed with their works. We hope to have another Cyanotype Day so, if you have a group of children who would like to do this, please contact Mary Jane Zapp via email to <a href="mailto:artistsofpbc@gmail.com">artistsofpbc@gmail.com</a>, putting in the subject line, "Must have a sunny day!"





# Collage Event at the Youth Detention Center

On 5/25/2023, Bonnie Summer and Maxine Schreiber brought materials for a Collage project to the Youth Detention Center on 45th Street in West Palm Beach. Bonnie and Maxine, along with volunteers employed by the Detention Center, showed the boys residing there how to make collages. The boys used photos ripped from magazines to glue onto their favorite color construction paper. The theme was "summer," and the boys chose photos of their ideal summer. They all chatted, laughed, and enjoyed talking about what they liked, while choosing different photos to create their collages.









### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# Thoughtful Review at the Palm Beach Cultural Council

#### Thoughtful Review

#### WHEN

Thursday, May 18th, 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm (please arrive by 5:15 pm when the doors lock)

#### WHERE

The Cultural Council for Palm Beach County 601 Lake Avenue, Lake Worth, FL 33460 Conference Room (ETC)

#### ARTISTS RECEIVING FEEDBACK

Barbara Powell, (<u>powellceramicart.com</u>)

Carolyn Austin, (<u>uniqueglassart.com</u>)

#### **GUEST CONTRIBUTOR**

Ray Gross, (<u>raygrossfineart.com</u>)
Artist, Sculptor, Designer, Educator
Known for his Photorealist and Hyper-realistic Sculptures

#### WHAT TO BRING

Your curiosity, a way to take notes, and any drinks/snacks you may want to bring, for yourself, or to share (please keep COVID safety protocols in mind).

If you have any questions about Thoughtful Review, please contact Barbara Ziev at Barbaraziev@gmail.com or 610.428.3943 - Text or Voice

\*\*Note: This is specifically for serious artists and creatives, not so much for photographers and not for hobbyists as it relates to those wanting to be reviewed. Most anyone can attend as part of the audience to glean information and as a learning tool.

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Florida Summer Palette! Celebrating Vibrant Works of Sun, Sea, and Sky Opening Reception: June 22, 2023

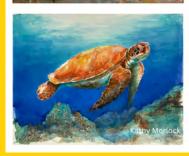
The sun-drenched beaches, crystal-clear waters, and breathtaking skies of Florida beckon artists to capture their beauty and vibrancy. We are delighted to announce the "Florida Summer Palette - Celebrating Sun, Sea, and Skies Exhibition," a showcase of artwork inspired by the natural wonders of Florida's summer season.

This exhibition aims to bring together talented artists from all disciplines to share their unique perspectives on the captivating elements of the Florida summer. We invite artists to immerse themselves in the sights, sounds, and colors of this magical time and create artwork that reflects the essence of sun, sea, and skies.

Participation is open to all friends and family of The New Studio for the Visual Arts and we encourage our young artists to join! There will be a portion of the show dedicated to children's artwork. Let your creativity soar and be a part of this vibrant exhibition!













### **VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT**



We would like to thank Ilene Gruber Adams for all of the many hours she has contributed to the Artists of Palm Beach County in redesigning our website, Artists of Palm Beach County.org. Not only has she converted the website to a whole new format, but she has added many features to the old website, which will make it easier to use and navigate. It will also streamline several of the operations that Board Members had to do previously, and eliminate a lot of duplication of efforts. Ilene Gruber Adams, owner of The Marketing Works of Palm Beach, is a web designer, graphic designer, marketing guru and artist combining her business acumen with her artistic skills to create branding and marketing that best represents you or your business. She is a Wix Agency Partner and creates and markets businesses worldwide.

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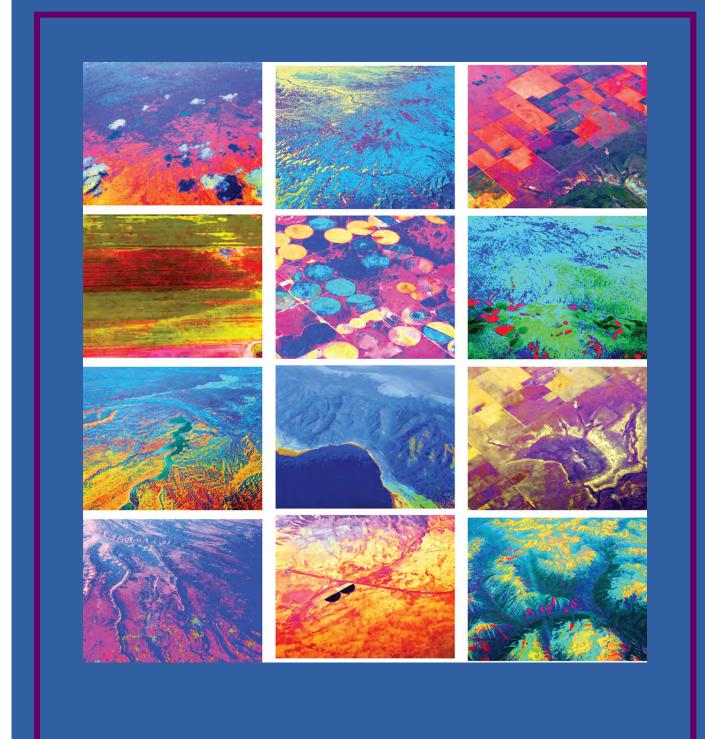
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Find out more at <u>www.themarketingworkspalmbeach.com</u> and <u>www.ileneadams.com</u>

# Ilene Gruber Adams' Artwork



More of Ilene's artwork on next page >>>>

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# **Ed Munoz**

Ed Munoz won 3 prizes in the Grassy Waters Conservancy photography contest.

First place: Wildlife category for

" Mama Says"

Second place: Landscape category for "Amazing Rays" Honorable Mention: Black & white for "My Geometry"







# Susan Munoz

Susan Munoz won 3rd place black & white for "Dangerous Trap"



# Al Rojas

#### Reflective Statement on painting title: Infraordinary

How much of the day by day imagery do you notice or remember? We, for the most part, recall the big events of life and, even they are brief, confused, and warped. Of each day we retain very little to nothing, and so goes for months and years. It's hard to recall the details of our lives but life is made up of all these details and images.

Awake or asleep, there are images that for a moment catch your attention, and you can see, or perceive to see, some very fine details. I especially pay attention to the smaller items that cross my view. In certain dreams, I'll remember a specific street, a house, but also blue line drawings, some machinery and other items, in very pinpoint detail that includes color, material and on occasion sound, taste, and smells. In awake hours, it is the same; the small items during a walk, a bird or a flower, garbage and other unpleasant views also make impressions - such is life.

In this work, I tried to bring a number of elements that, by themselves may get lost in the files of my computer or the back of my memory. As I worked on the images without any composition in mind, I happened to have read a short article on the idea of the infraordinary world around us. A world composed of the most insignificant items that come up in our life that we don't pay attention to or even notice. But these items, things, and events are what makes up our lives for as long as we live. We should be paying attention and noticing them.

So I tried to capture some of these insignificant moments items in this work, along with some forms that are impactful in my life and maybe to the viewers life.



# **Artwork by Carol Moon**



Together Forever (whales) - 30x4



Purple Mountain Majesty - 36x36



Goin' Stag (octopus) - 24x24



Wild Bouquet - 18x18



Manny & Tee - 36x48



Funky Flamingos - 24x48



APBC wishes everyone a fabulous summer 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.

