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A Newsletter of the Tempe Artists Guild

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Guild meets the
3rd Thursday of each
month at 6:30 pm.
(Critique at 5:45)

Friendship Village of Tempe Recreation Center 2645 E Southern Ave Tempe, AZ 85282 (Located between Loop 101 and Dobson Rd, just west of Banner Desert Medical Center.)



Above is a colored pencil work by our featured artist, Howard Simpson.

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Upcoming Meeting Programs

May 16th - Cynthia Peterson - painter of reflective/luminous objects. (See her work on her website: www.cynthiapetersonfineart.com)

June 20th - Julie Gilbert Pollard will demonstrate in watercolor, although she also paints in oil. She is an author of 2 North Lights books. www.juliegilbertpollard.com



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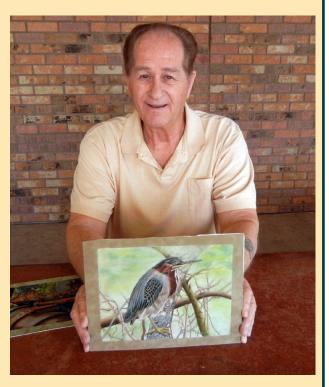
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TAG's Featured Artist Howard Simpson

One of the most surprising things about our featured artist, Howard Simpson, is that he wasn't selected as our featured artist a long time ago. Howard was instrumental in getting TAG started in February of 2007. He was TAG's first president and has acted as TAG's unofficial good will ambassador ever since. If Howard does not know you yet, it won't be long before he does.

Howard has always been interested in art in one form or another. When he got out of the service (a proud Marine), he enrolled in Junior College in Pueblo, Co. where he studied fine arts and design. During his first year in junior college, his design was chosen for the catalog cover design for the following year. After college he started sign painting.



Howard and his wife, Gail, started raising a family, which cut into his art work until he retired in 2002. Then, he started tak-

ing classes from Donna Levine. He began working in acrylics initially, and has now moved to Prismacolor pencil. He has produced wonderful work with Prismacolor on suede matboard. That seems to be his forte at this time, although he is masterful at any medium he tries.

Howard, a juried member of the Arizona Art Alliance, participates in the annual TAG show at The Farm at South Mountain and in many of the other TAG shows. In fact, it is due to Howard's efforts that TAG has the annual show at The Farm.

Howard is always willing to help with anything he can do--sign making, hanging art, and schmoozing with other artists and guests.

Howard is not only TAG's founder, but also its inspiration!

March Artist of the Month



Gail's Statement:

"The image was painted in acrylic on an 18 x 24 inch canvas. It was taken from a photograph I took at the Desert Botanical Garden's Butterfly Exhibit.

I took the photo to capture the Monarch butterfly as it lit on the pad. I only noticed the wonderful shadow cast by the butterfly and the amazing reflections in the lily pond afterwards. I found the work to be a challenge because of its diagonal composition and the various shadows and reflections necessary to give atmosphere to the piece."

Gail Boyd displays her winning painting, "Monarch Shadow on Lily Pad"



Bud Heiss's acrylic painting took 3rd place in the competition.



Alan Carroll won 2nd place for his colored pencil work.

April Artist of the Month

Bud's statement on his work:

"The painting is an acrylic titled "Afternoon Stroll". The painting is a scene from the Boyce Thompson Arboretum.

I paint many scenes from the Arboretum, because I have a solo exhibition there nearly every year. The scene is lit with my favorite late afternoon light, which creates dramatic shadows and warmer colors."



Bud Heiss - 1st Place Winner



Wilma Dilley - 2nd Place



Ruth Graham - 3rd Place

March Meeting



Chris Morningforest was the demo artist for our TAG meeting in March. She showed us her mixed media artwork that she is selling to the decorative market. This is a market that most of us were not familiar with. Her enthusiasm for the artwork she produces was very evident in her presentation. Chris also showed us her work in producing children's books that she has been selling very well on line. Because Chris radiates such high energy, the presentation was very uplifting and interesting.



Barbara Wood accepts \$25 certificate from Arizona Art.



JoAnn Mathews' number is drawn for \$25 certificate from Utrecht.



Ruth Graham is happy winner of \$25 certificate from Jerry's Artarama.



At left, entries for the April Artist of the Month competition are displayed

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APRIL MEETING

Our demo artist for April was going to be Linda Glover Gooch. Unfortunately, she was called out of town for a family emergency, so she had to cancel. I called for help from our members, and they responded with flying colors.

Gail Boyd showed us how she designs her very bright abstract paintings with colored paper or pictures cut into abstract shapes and put on a large sheet of paper. After she has worked out her design, she paints it on her canvas. BIG, BRIGHT, BEAUTIFUL ABSTRACTS!

Barbara Clark brought examples of how she took photos of ordinary, everyday things around us and turned them into EXTRAORDINARY PAINTINGS! From her photos she decides what to leave out in the painting and what colors to use. It made a lot of us realize that we miss seeing a whole lot of the world around us.

Jim Amrine, a wonderful photographer, brought several examples of his photos. He shared how he was able to get just the right photo at the right time. Not only does it take a good eye and camera, but a lot of patience to produce WONDER-FUL PHOTOGRAPHS!

It was a wonderful program to have them share their ideas, techniques, and knowledge with us. I can't thank you enough for your great presentation.

Yvonne Thomas, TAG VP





Bud Heiss led the critique





Door prize winners were: **Yvonne Thomas** (not shown), \$25 gift certificate from Utrecht, **Tommy Gaitan** (above), \$25 gift certificate from Jerry's Artarama, and **Deborah Oldfield** (left), \$25 gift certificate from Arizona Art Supply.

Congrats to all!

New TAG Members

Molly Jo Cameron paints in oil. She tried a watercolor class, but decided it wasn't for her!

Daphne Azzi has rejoined TAG. She is a ceramics artist. Welcome back, Daphne!

Anne Chandler works in both pastel and acrylic.

Ginny Fisher does watercolor, mixed media, and acrylic.

Tom Gaitan uses many mediums: watercolor, mixed media, drawing, pastel, acrylic and colored pencil.

Harry Lundgren is a photographer.

Welcome to TAG!!

MEMBER NEWS

Gholson's Work at Vision Gallery



Evelyn Gholson's mosaics were on exhibit at the Vision Gallery in downtown Chandler until May 1.



Debra Jones at SAS Show

Debra Jones had 3 of her portraits juried into the 3rd annual Portrait Artists of Arizona exhibit at the Scottsdale Artists' School.

The exhibition and sale runs from April 19th through May 17th.

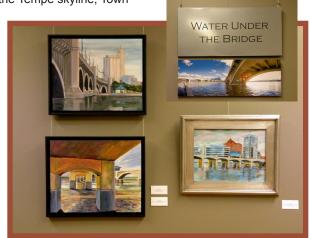
Congratulations, Debra!!

"WATER UNDER THE BRIDGE" EXHIBITION IN TEMPE LIBRARY FEATURES GAIL BOYD PAINTINGS

In 2011, TAG was promoting a project called 'Images of Tempe.' Guild members like Gail Boyd were encouraged to render contemporary images of Tempe. Three paintings

by Gail of the Tempe skyline, Town

Lake and bridges from the north shore of the lake were selected to be part of this exhibition of paintings and photography of the Tempe Bridge.



One of Gail's paintings is entitled "No Dam -- No Water Under Bridge I" capturing the unique effect of the bursting of the dam.

You can see the exhibition downstairs in the Tempe Public Library to the left of the check out tables in the Children's area. Exhibition dates are March 29, 2013 - July 24, 2013.

Sue Norton Scott Reports:

Things are hoppin' for me in 2013 so far! In January, I had two pieces accepted into a show at the Phoenix Commission for the Arts called "Innocence/Loss of Innocence". (See photo). One piece sold, and the buyer purchased another mixed media painting when she came to pick up the first one! That's a great feeling. Then, three of my pieces were accepted into shows at "The Nash" in downtown Phoenix. Two were in a February/ March show entitled "Rhythm and Motion" and one is currently in the exhibition entitled "Spring Can Really Hang You Up the Most." One more thing: I'll be presenting at the June meeting of the Scottsdale Artists' League! I want to talk about my creative process - what inspires me: "By changing the questions we ask, we open ourselves to innovative responses, and redefine ourselves in the process." You can visit my website for more information: www.suenortonscott.com.

TAG's Photo Trip to St. Anthony's Monastery



Barbara Wood, Gail Boyd, Ruth Blaut, & Donna Davis (known from now on as the TAG Bag Ladies)

On Saturday, March 23, a small group of intrepid TAG members set out for the Greek monastery near Florence. This was a photography excursion to get material for the upcoming Tempe History Museum Show which begins August 12. The monastery is a beautiful oasis in the middle of the desert with 5 chapels and meticulously tended gardens surrounding them.

In deference to the monks who work and worship there, visitors are asked to be fully covered--this includes socks with your shoes, long pants & long-sleeved shirts for the men, head scarves and long skirts for the women.

To complete the experience, lunch was enjoyed at a Greek restaurant in Florence.

A few of the photos from the trip are posted on this page.







Greek Orthodox cross







Ruth in one of the chapels

TAG'S TEMPE HISTORY MUSEUM SHOW

THIS SHOW BEGINS AUG. 12TH AND RUNS UNTIL OCT. 21ST. THE THEME IS "ARIZONA THROUGH OUR EYES". THE OPENING RECEPTION IS SCHEDULED FOR FRIDAY, SEPT. 6TH.

The theme for this show is broad, so we expect great participation. You have over 3 months to produce work for this show--<u>so let's show'em what we can do!!</u>

ART 6 TEMPE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT ART PERFECTLY FRAMED WITH TAG'S HELP

For the 2013 Art 6 Exhibition, Tempe Community members came together to provide support to each of the six Tempe Union High Schools to purchase new frames for their artwork. The Tempe Artist Guild (TAG) along with Jerry's Artarama and the City of Tempe through a Library and Cultural Services art grant funded the frames. TAG contributed \$1,000 towards the purchase of attractive, sturdy, black wood frames in several common sizes.

Go see this marvelous exhibition! The work is excellent in and of itself, and being well-framed, it is stunning.



Tempe Union High School District

4OTH ANNUAL ART 6

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Jerry's Artarama of Tempe

Tempe Artists Guild

City of Tempe
Library & Cultural Services Arts Grants

TAG is credited with its contribution to Art 6. Thanks to Gail Boyd for her work to make this happen and for representing TAG at the opening reception.

Featured Committee of the Month: Publicity

Chair: Sue Norton Scott

Committee Members: Barbara Wood, (Your name here??)

The Publicity Committee informs the community about Tempe Artists Guild and its support of art education from the elementary grades through the university years. It advertises all of TAG's art shows and invites the public to attend the reception and exhibition. Members of TAG know what a great organization we have; the Publicity Committee lets the rest of Tempe know, too.

Responsibilities:

- 1. Submit articles to local newspapers.
- 2. Distribute flyers to public venues to advertise art shows.
- 3. Obtain or create signs to advertise shows.
- 4. Install or arrange for installation of signage at art shows to advertise and to indicate location of the shows.
- 5. Submit articles to Alliance newsletter periodically re: shows/special events.
- Specifically for The Farm show: Enlist cooperation with restaurants to publi cize show with flyers at tables, etc., advertise at the Legacy and Raven golf courses.



Sue Norton Scott

If you wish to volunteer to work on this committee, contact Sue Norton Scott at sns@amug.org