

**MARCH 2017**



**ARTWORK OF THE MONTH**  
**“DRESSING UP”**  
**A watercolor by Elaine Dube**

“The painting, “Dressing Up” is of my granddaughter, her mom is Asian. She and her brother have been going to Chinese School and this was the first time she wore that dress. She looked very proud and almost afraid to move! Portraits are my favorite things to paint, and she has become a bit of a muse for me. I have done her often.

I started painting in watercolor in Missoula, Montana; later we moved to Vancouver, Washington where there is a vibrant Watercolor Society. I took advantage of the many workshops offered with Eric Wiegardt, Skip Lawrence, and many others. I belonged to a coop gallery, entered many shows and did the outdoor Art Shows in WA, MN, OR. CA and here in Arizona. Now I teach watercolor classes at Sunland Village East. Art is my passion, sharing what I have learned gives me joy to watch the students improve.”

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## A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

A great quote from Albert Einstein: “The person who never made a mistake never tried anything new.” This has great meaning for me, as I try to create art outside my comfort zone. Working on my abstract piece and recreating my masters piece is definitely difficult. But I am learning something about technique and about myself. I love how the membership keeps challenging me to try different things and to up my game. Thanks to all of you for supporting me and each other. This is what this group is all about.

Keep on creating,

Loralee

### UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES:

- MAL Board Meeting – Wednesday, March 01
- MAL Meeting – Tuesday, March 14

### DEMOS:

- Mar – Critique, Abstract Art by members. Spill, Drip and Glue!
- Apr – Kunhyong Lee- Asian Sumi ink demo

**MARCH MEETING – VELDA ROSE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

We will meet Tuesday, March 14, 2017 (the *second Tuesday of the month*) 5 to 8 PM at the Velda Rose United Methodist Church, 5540 E. Main St., Mesa, Arizona. (Northwest corner of 56<sup>th</sup> St. and Main in the building on the west side of the complex. Parking off 56<sup>th</sup> St.)

## MESA ART LEAGUE EVENTS, ACTIVITIES AND DISPLAY SCHEDULES

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**NETWORK AND CHAT AT 5:00**

Join us early to network with other artists and sample our great potluck.

**CRITIQUE AT 5:30**

Bring an unfinished piece of work that you wish to discuss and join our members in a stimulating discussion. These pieces may not be entered in Artwork of the Month for the month of critique.

**BUSINESS MEETING AT 6:15****DEMO OR SPEAKER AT 7:00****ARTWORK OF THE MONTH CONTEST**

All current paid MAL members are invited to enter and vote. To enter, bring one original framed piece of art, piece of photography/digital art or piece of three dimensional art. An artist may win once a year. At the December meeting the monthly winners and their winning art will vie for Artwork of the Year. See MAL's show rules at:

<http://mesaartleague.com/pdf/Show-Rules-Regs.pdf>.

**SHOWS AND DISPLAYS****Fellowship Square**

Next Change: May 20, 9-10am  
6945 E. Main St., Mesa  
Judy Koppes 480-654-8706  
[jmkoppes@gmail.com](mailto:jmkoppes@gmail.com)

**Mesa Active Adult Center**

Next Change: Apr 18, 5-7pm  
274 N. McDonald, Mesa  
Celeste Parcell 415-225-6848  
[celparcell@aol.com](mailto:celparcell@aol.com)

**Adelante Healthcare**

Feb/Mar Artist – Stan Zook  
1705 W. Main St., Mesa  
Pam Cooke  
480-297-7024

**Mesa Express Library**

Power Square at Power & Baseline  
Feb/Mar Artist – Anthony Billings  
Linda Allen - 480-390-0793  
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**REMEMBER TO BRING** - Bring in photos of events you have participated in for the history books. **Remember to bring your ATC cards to the meeting if you wish to trade cards.**

**MAL MEMBERSHIP SCHOLARSHIPS** - Scholarships are available to MAL members for attending a special workshop or class. You can apply for up to a \$250 scholarship to help with the tuitions. Due dates to apply for 2017 are: Feb 28, May 31, Aug 31, Nov 30. See application at:  
<http://mesaartleague.com/membershipinfo.htm>

## MEMBER NEWS

**March Critique** - Abstract Art for March! Bring your new treasure to our March meeting. Extra easels are helpful. Let's see your latest creation of abstract Art. No regular critique. This will be a magical event.

**Sales** – Judy Bottler sold three canvas and matted prints and 351 bookmarks in February at Wickenburg. She also sold a print at Fellowship Square.

**Painting Out!!** - Join the Mesa Art League at Superstition Mountain Museum on Saturday, March 25th, at 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Bring lunch and something to share. Tables for lunch in the shade. Have your sunscreen and umbrellas handy along with painting gear, pencils or photos. Let's make this a great event to see each other work in a wonderfully charming and historical environment. Don't forget to bring a chair!

## WE NEED NEW VOLUNTEERS

Looking for help with Demos and Critiques. Time to enlist new volunteers for the next years officers. Rosalie will not be doing Demo after June. Please volunteer. Looking for interesting people to come to MAL and do one hour demos 8 or 9 times per year. Also would like someone to step up to help with critiques. Rosalie will not be at every meeting and we need members to take over at these times. See Lorelee, our president, if you are interested in helping our league.

## CLASSES

Update on: Painting Class "In The Manner of William Bouguereau." Rosalie Vaccaro is in the process of becoming a contractor for Red Mountain and The City of Mesa. This will enable her to set up classes. As soon as this is finalized more information will be coming. Dates, Time, etc. Hang in there! It will be an amazing class.

## Veterans classes

Mesa Active Adult Center - March 9 from 9 am to 1 pm  
Red Mountain Active Adult Center - March 23 from 12:30 to 3 pm  
The Citadel - March 25 from 1 to 4PM  
All veterans are invited to attend. There is no charge for class or supplies. Please spread the word

**OPPORTUNITY**-Lorelee is passing along this request.

"Hello,

I am a shift supervisor with Mesa Regional Dispatch center, we are the 911 center for all medical and fire calls in Mesa, Gilbert, Apache Junction, Queen Creek. And Rio Verde. The city of Mesa has built us a new dispatch center that we are moving into next month.

I have been assigned with finding wall decor for the new building and had the idea to see if we could find some local artists or an art group from our community that would be interested in painting a mural or murals on some of our walls. I think this would be a great opportunity to show the connection with the communities we serve and for an artist to have their work displayed for many years to come. There is also a great possibility that they would receive some media coverage while they were working on the mural or when the mural is finished. If this is something that your group would be interested in doing for us or if you can direct me to someone that might be interested, could you please contact me back. I would really like to make this idea happen!

Thank you for your time regarding this matter, and I hope to hear back from you."

Sincerely,

Casey Nyboer

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## NEWS FROM AAA

The "Interpretations II" show will take place **March 1 through March 30th**, at WHAM West Gallery, 16560 N. Dysart Road, Surprise, Arizona, 85378. The reception will be on **Saturday, March 11th**, from 4:30 - 6:30 pm. For more details, check the AAA website at [www.azartalliance.com](http://www.azartalliance.com).

The next show coming up will be "Beat the Heat" with more info coming as it becomes available.

Wilma Dilley, AAA Rep





Above is one of Loretta's pieces



**THANKS to Loretta Tedeschi-Cuoco** for the February demo showing us how to create mosaics. It was very informative and she does beautiful creations. Carole Sierka is observing very closely how Loretta places the little pieces of glass tile.

**NEW SHOW NEWS**

“**Throw down**” with **Benedictine** is April 3-14 with the reception on the 6th. Remember this is the masters project we did last year.

**Call for Artwork for Members Show at Boyce Thompson Arboretum.**

We want to have a show of our talents with art of the **Natural History of Arizona and the West**. Landscapes, and western themes, animals or the desert will be our theme. Photography, Paintings and Prints, smaller than 16" x 20" will be accepted. **Images on disk or flash drive are needed to propose show. If you have work ready to show this fall in October or November.** Entry form was sent to all by email and will be available at the next meeting. Your help will be needed also.

Thank you,  
Rosalie



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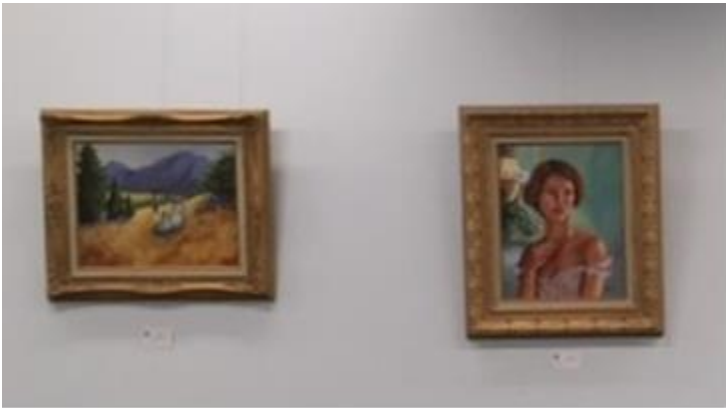
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Shown above are some of Tony Billings' paintings now at the Mesa Express Library.



Carol Varley is shown in front of her display at Adelante.

**RAFFLE WINNERS for Feb**

**50/50 \$35.50** -Rosalie Vaccaro  
**\$25 gift certificate/AZ Art Supply:** Kathy McClure  
**\$25 gift certificate/Jerry's:** Lorelee Harris  
**\$25 gift certificate/Blick:** Judy Koppes  
 Valentine Candy – Mark Bigaouette –  
 donated by Paul and Star

**TREASURER'S REPORT – JAN, 2017**

**Profit & Loss**

Jan<sup>st</sup> Account Balance \$2,681.80  
 Jan 30th Account Balance \$

**Income**

Hospitality \$ 0.00  
 Membership 840.00  
 50/50 54.00  
 AAA for VA Classes 0.00  
 Fellowship Square 0.00  
 Ads 42.00  
 Outreach 0.00  
 Other Donation 0.00  
 Shows 0.00  
**Total Income \$ 936.00**

**Meeting Expenses**

Sales tax, service fee \$ 16.00  
 Meeting Room rental 120.00  
 Speakers 100.00  
 Hospitality 0.00  
 Webmaster 100.00  
 Office Expense 00.00  
 GoDaddy 672.11  
 Postage & Delivery 18.80  
 Printing & Reproduction 21.61  
 Rent (storage) 0.00  
 Mesa AAC - Donation 00.00  
 MAC Fest 0.00  
**Total Meeting Expenses \$1,048.52**

**Expenses Yearly**

AAA Membership \$ 0.00  
 Mesa Tax License 20.00  
 Postmaster – Mail Box 0.00  
 State Farm Insurance 0.00  
**Total Yearly Expenses \$ 20.00**

**Total Expenses \$ 1,068.52**

**Net Income +/- \$ (132.52)**

**Vets Programs**

**Income**

AAA \$ 997.74  
 Donation 0.00

**Expenses**

Supplies \$ 201.63



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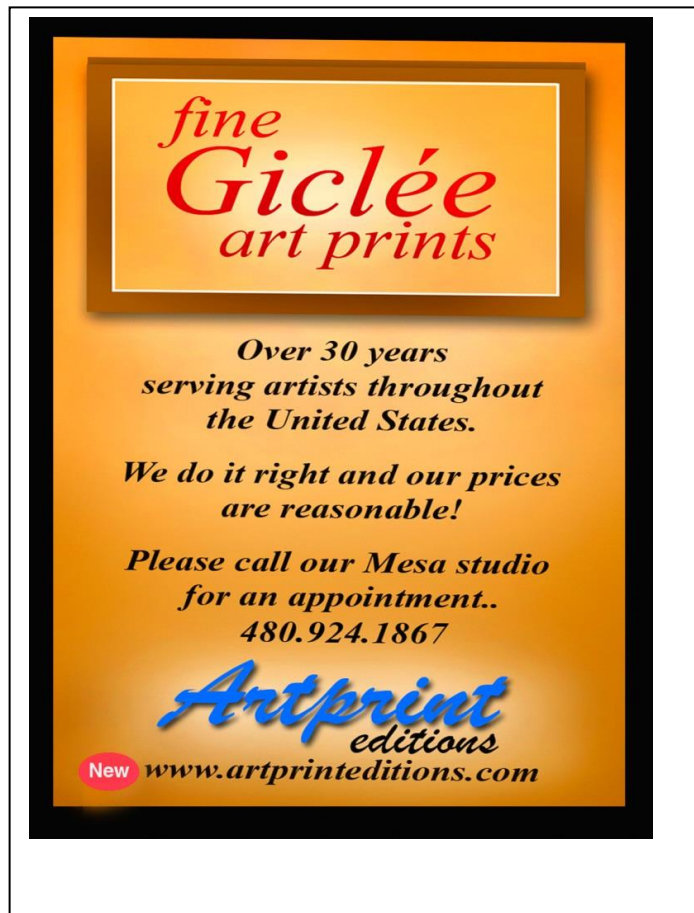
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