



ARTWORK OF THE MONTH - NOVEMBER
"Canyon Shadows" By Alec Cooke

"In this piece, I am trying to exploit the principle of simplicity, by removing a lot of detail and emphasizing the big shapes.

The idea is to come up with something that is restful, even if it is slightly abstracted and not so realistic.

Claude Monet told us that by simplifying the shapes, one can "push" color (making it more saturated) than would be possible with traditional Realism."

Painting with acrylic can be a really pleasant experience, once you learn to roll with it, and not fight it. Acrylic is wonderful for wall painting and doing big work.

I yearn to paint large things and acrylic seems to work quite well for that.

I feel that the Art Market is looking for Art that is more decorative and simple, at least that is something I am looking for - maybe someone else is too."

Alec

DECEMBER 2018

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A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

It's already December and time to review the past year and look forward to 2019.

In 2018 we had 2 shows at Holland Gallery, moved to Red Mountain for our meetings, had a throw down with Benedictine, several of our members were juried in to the Taliesen West show, and we welcomed several new members.

What are we looking forward to in 2019? The Gammage Show, 101 Gallery show, Holland Gallery show, continuation of our veteran's program, throw down with Benedictine, and welcoming new members.

I want to thank all the volunteers who make this league work. Without their help and dedication, we would not have all these opportunities.

I hope you had a great Thanksgiving and look forward to celebrating the holidays with you.

Keep on creating

Loralee

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES:

Board Meeting - Dec 05

General Meeting - Dec 11

DEMO for DEC - No Demo or Critique this month, it is party time.

DEC MEETING – Red Mountain Multi Generational Center, 7550 E Adobe St., Mesa, AZ 85207

We will meet Tuesday, Dec 11, 2018 (the *second Tuesday of the month*) 5 to 8 PM

MESA ART LEAGUE EVENTS, ACTIVITIES AND DISPLAY SCHEDULES

NETWORK AND CHAT AT 5:00

Join us early to network with other artists and sample our great potluck. Please bring a dish to share.

BUSINESS MEETING AT 5:30 – 6:00

CRITIQUE AT 6:00 - 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.

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://www.mesaartleague.com/pdf/Events/Show-Rules-Regs.pdf>

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VENUES

Mesa Active Adult Center

274 MacDonald, Mesa

Next Change: Jan 10, 9-1

Wilma Dilley, Director

Fellowship Square

6945 E. Main St., Mesa

Next Change: Feb 16, 9-10

Judy Koppes, Director

Adalante Healthcare

1705 W Main St., Mesa

Veterans Art Displayed

Elizabeth Scriba, Director

Mariposa Pointe

Crisman & Southern, Mesa

Next Change: Dec 13, 10-12

Recp Dec 14, 3-4

Susan Paige, Director

REMEMBER TO BRING - Bring in photos of events you have participated in for the history books. **REMEMBER TO BRING your own serving ware with your dish-to-share** as the center does not provide any.

If you are a Artwork of the Month winner bring your winning artwork to the December meeting for judging for Artwork of the Year.

MAL MEMBERSHIP SCHOLAR - 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 2018 are: Feb 28, May 31, Aug 31, Nov 30. See application at:

www.mesaartleague.com/_pdf/Membership/MAL-Membership-Scholarship-Contest.pdf

Mariposa Point Assisted Living of Mesa

Switch-out is Thursday, Dec 13, 10am to noon. Artists reception and Happy Hour with Residents, Friday, December 14, 3-4pm

Susan Paige. Venue Chairperson

2018- 2019 DEMOS

December: Holiday Party and Artwork of the Year judging. Page 6 shows the Artwork of the Month winners for 2018. Please bring your winning artwork to the December meeting.

Bring a small gift or Christmas ornament to trade and Artist's Trading cards (optional).

Jan – nothing scheduled yet

Feb - Mark Christopher will be here with a live model to demonstrate his figurative painting process including flesh tones.

**Volunteers Are Needed for these positions, please help your league.
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RAFFLE WINNERS for NOV

**50/50 \$48.50 – Linda Hagen
\$25 gift certificate/Jerry's: Karen Beasley
\$25 gift certificate/Blick: Mary Hensen**



Thank you to everyone who brought in your "Water" inspired art for the November critique. It's always interesting to see our members take on a subject. So many different ideas and techniques. Good job!



AAA News - Go to the AAA website for the latest news.
<https://azartalliance.com>

Shows coming up

ONEOHONE - For those of you who were not at the Aug meeting, Susan Paige is putting together an exhibit for MAL in downtown Mesa at the OneOhOne building. If you would like more info email Susan and she will email you the rules, specifics and contract. Entry fee is \$35 for three pieces (specific size regulations are in rules) 2D and 3D artists welcome. Submission deadline in December 1st. Exhibit space will hold twenty-one 2D artists and six 3D artists. Email Susan if you are interested:

susanpaigeomc@yahoo.com.

OPPORTUNITIES

Gammage –

"I wish to thank all members who are participating in our Members Show at ASU Gammage this year. We got a great response and it was difficult to choose the 50 pieces that will be in the show.

Seeing all of the works together will be a magnificent experience. You can be proud of the work submitted and continue to create fine art. I also wish to thank the people who helped with the show. The entry form help from Diane Black, and the three judges who had the very difficult job to score each piece. They will remain unnamed but I thank them so much. All the board and chairpersons who do their jobs to keep Mesa Art League moving forward."

Rosalie Trulli Vaccaro

ASU Gammage:
Dec 19th Drop off 9:30 - 11:30

Please be prompt. You may pull up the doorway. Leave your Car. Come in and check in your name and painting. There will be people there to review your submissions. Then you must remove your car promptly. There are no parking spaces.

Call for Artists and Vendors!

The Superstition Mountain Museum

Included in this year's schedule are several events to which we are inviting artists, crafters, or announce our schedule of events for the 2018 /19 general vendors.

Events run from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. All events, except for Heritage Days in January, are one day events. Event fees, applications, and set-up and break-down instructions are available our website at <http://superstitionmountainmuseum.org/artist-crafter-applications/>

If you have any questions regarding any of these events, please contact Jeff Danford at 480-983-4888 ext. 105, or coordinator@superstitionmountainmuseum.org
Web: www.superstitionmountainmuseum.org
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Heritage Days

January 12 and 13, 2018

This event is open to artists, crafters, and vendors selling buy and sell merchandise. In keeping with the theme of the weekend, all products for sale must have a distinct relevance to either local history, cowboy culture, Apacheland, or Native American themes. Your website address or photos of the items you will be selling must accompany your application.

Superstition Authors and Artist

February 16, 2019

This event is open to Authors, Artists, and Photographers whose work focuses on the Superstition Mountains, Central Arizona, the cowboy culture, and the culture, nature and history of the Southwest. All work for sale must be the original work of the exhibiting artist/crafter. Prints are allowed. The number of photography booths will be limited and will be accepted on a first come, first served basis. All artwork must be Non-functional and non-utilitarian. No jewelry will be allowed in this show. No buy and sell merchandise allowed at this event. Your website address or photos of the items you will be selling must accompany your application.

Arts and Crafts on the Patio

April 4, 2018

This event is open to artists and crafters. All work for sale must be the original work of the exhibiting artist/crafter. Prints are allowed. No buy and sell merchandise allowed at this event. No restriction on subject matter..

Jeff Danford

Events Coordinator
480-983-4888 extension 105
480-292-0815 (cell)

CLASSES

Loretta Tedeschi-Cuoco has announced that she will be teaching a fashion drawing class at the Mesa Arts Center next year. The class starts Jan 16th, runs for 8 weeks, meets on Weds from 3-6pm, costs approx \$350 (discounts can be applied for Mesa residents). It will have a live fashion model and all levels of student - from beginner to advanced - are welcome.

Here is the link to the site, registration open on Nov 16th:
<https://www.mesaartscenter.com/classinfo>

Loretta Tedeschi-Cuoco
 Fashion Illustrator, Designer, Product Developer, Educator
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Guess the artist of this painting



(last month's artist was Henri Matisse)

TREASURER'S REPORT – Oct, 2018

Profit & Loss

Oct 1 st Account Balance	\$1,151.46
Oct 30th Account Balance	2,270.04

Income

Hospitality	\$ 0.00
Membership	455.00
50/50	0.00
Fellowship Square	0.00
Ads	0.00
Other – Reg Gammage	<u>595.00</u>
Total Income	\$ 1,050.00

Meeting Expenses

Service Fee	\$ 4.00
Meeting Room rental	0.00
Speakers	0.00
Hospitality	0.00
Webmaster	100.00
Supplies	0.00
Member Scholarship	0.00
Rent (storage)	60.00
Mesa AAC - Donation	0.00
Holland	<u>0.00</u>
Total Meeting Expenses	\$ 164.00

Expenses Yearly

AAA Membership	\$ 0.00
Az Corp Commission	0.00
Mesa Tax License	0.00
Postmaster – Mail Box	70.00
State Farm Insurance	<u>0.00</u>
Total Yearly Expenses	\$ 70.00

Total Expenses	\$ 234.00
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Net Income +/-	\$ 816.00
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Vets Programs

Income

AAA Income	\$ 698.77
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Expenses

Vista Print	\$ 83.48
Supplies-	
Mesa Adult Ctr	126.84
Red Mtn Ctr	193.37
Citadel	<u>72.82</u>
Total Expenses	\$ 476.51

Net	\$ 226.26
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Artwork of the Month winners, please bring winning art for Artwork of the Year at the December meeting.



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