



# Wheat Ridge Art League

March 2020 Newsletter

## MESSAGE FROM SINA

Spring is on the way, Everyone! Tasks and planning occur throughout each month to keep the Wheat Ridge Art League rolling along. I've become acutely aware of this in the two months I've held the role of president, and I am grateful.

Welcome to our new member, Deb Warren!

Our members are our life blood. Life, in all its forms, touches us all. We mourn the passing last month of our member emeritus, Mildred Anderson. She was a founding member of the Wheat Ridge Art League from 1974 and a talented friend to many.

Just this past week, Marilyn Roll laid her beloved husband to rest. We wish her comfort as she grieves. We cannot lessen the pain, but we can honor it.

The following poem was written by my mother shortly before her own death in 1964. It has comforted me for decades. I share it with you now in the hope that it might touch each of you.

### **Invincible**

Never believe that I have died,  
For if you seek me you will find me  
In the same places -  
Climbing up steep thoughts  
Or resting on a whim -  
Picking beauty like fruit  
Then sitting down to eat  
Upon a piece of frozen time.

If an idea suddenly  
Embrace you, it is me  
Dressed in this new cloth  
Of immortality.

-Regena Larrabee Seehausen

We heard wonderful news from Juanita Gutierrez that what was feared to be cancer is not. However, although she is suffering from an autoimmune illness, her strength is returning and she can take calls and receive visitors (that are not ill or have a cold.) She sends her

thanks for all the loving support she has received from this group. She will be back.

The water color workshop with Kathleen Lanzoni on February 15th was a great success, and thanks go to Judy Kissinger and Mikki Johnson for organizing it.

I'm grateful to Gloria Hisamoto for taking on resolution for the roles of Historian. These roles will be spread among the chairpersons for the WRAL functions and events. Thank you, Shirley Nakamoto, for creating the role of historian and filling it for years as you recorded and photographed all WRAL events.

New volunteers are always welcome.

Sue Weller agreed to be the chairperson for the exhibit changes at the Municipal Building. Thank you, Sue. Chairpersons for the exhibit changes perform a valuable function. March is an active month for changes or removals at 6 sites. Thank you to Sandra Davis, Carole Fezell, Sherry Veltkamp, Ilona Hiebert, and Sue Weller.

Some members volunteer for double duty. By accident, Carol Fezell and Janet van Scoyk are signed up to bring refreshments to both our May and July meetings. I'll be asking for volunteers to take one of those months.

Julie Midyett has committed to arriving early for each meeting to set up for the refreshments and start the water heating. I am truly grateful for that help.

We have a gracious Librarian in Virginia Avery. Virginia and I are unsure of how to make art books available at meetings. We welcome input.

I'm grateful to our officers, Diana Williams (VP), Karen Olson (Sec'y), Mary Ellen Young (Treas) as they faithfully perform their duties.

Thanks to Paula Weisz for her tenacity and talent with revising the 2020 directory. It's very time consuming to track down the information for each of us and to ensure that it's accurate.

Heidi Reed puts dependable and thorough effort into creating our monthly newsletter. She keeps me on track as she develops this valuable resource.



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Alex Hinst can give any of us access to the WRAL Facebook page to post our artwork. Thank you, Alex.

Mona Taherynia has taken on the task of creating a new Website address and can make additions and deletions to our Website. Thank you, Mona.

If I have left anyone out, it was unintentional. This organization is a team effort and I know there are members out there quietly lending a hand...and for that I am grateful.

sina

## NEXT MEETING TUESDAY March 10, 2020

Social time at 6:45PM/Meeting begins at 7:00PM  
Demonstration begins at 7:30PM  
Refreshments – Gloria Hisamoto/Theresa Joyce  
Monthly meetings - 2nd Tuesday of each month at:  
The Wheat Ridge Grange  
3850 High Court, Wheat Ridge, CO  
**No meetings in August or December 2020.**

## MEETING REFRESHMENTS 2020 –

Mar 10 – Gloria Hisamoto/Theresa Joyce  
April 14 – Cam Williams/Wilma Knies  
May 12 – Carol Fezell/Janet van Skoyk  
June 9 – Judy Kissinger/Maryann Cooper  
July 14 – Janet van Scoyk/Carol Fezell  
**August – No Meeting**  
Sept 8 – Paula Weisz/Mikki Johnson  
Oct 13 – Sina March/Ilona Hiebert  
Nov 10 – Mona Taherynia/Kiki Moore  
**December – No Meeting**

## MEMBER ACHIEVEMENTS and SALES

### **Carol Fezell – 1<sup>st</sup> Place “Maple Leave Bouquet”**

Art for the Young at Heart Show  
Arvada Community Recreation Center

### **Sherry Veltkamp – Sale – “White Dahlia”**

Watercolor  
Holy Cross Lutheran Church

### **Theresa Joyce – Sales – (2) Acrylic Paintings**

Infinitus Pizza

### **Theresa Joyce – Jury Acceptance –**

**Expressions in Abstract Art Show**  
Lakewood Arts Center March 1 – 27, 2020



## DEMONSTRATION MARCH 10, 2020 –

Judy Gardner is a shaman, painter, printmaker, bookbinder and a digital artist. She earned a BFA in Graphic Design at Northern Arizona University and a Masters in Humanities at the University of Colorado, Denver. (from denvermuseum.org)



Judy Gardner



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## PROGRAMS FOR 2020 –

March 10 – Judy J Gardner – 3D Printing

April 14 – Ivy Delon – Oils

**May 9 – Workshop – James Pyott  
Charcoal and Graphite**

May 12 – Mark Nelson - Acrylics

June 9 – Richard Cooper – Oils

**July 11 – Workshop – Alena Carr Colored  
Pencils**

July 14 – Linden Kirby - Watercolors

**August 14, 15, 16 – Carnation Festival Art  
Show/Social and Festival Awards**

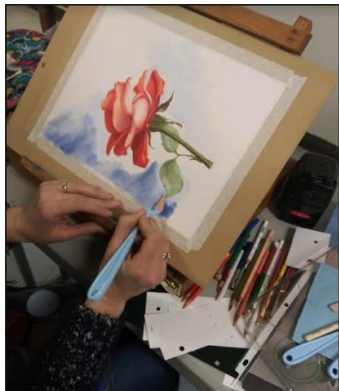
September 8 – Trish Stephen – Fiber Art

October 13 – James Boling - Acrylics

November 10 – Rita Bhasin - Pastels

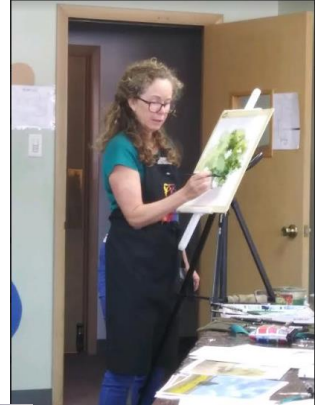
## DEMONSTRATION – Alena Carr February 2020

Alena is a colored pencil artist. She was born and raised in Vitebk Belarus. The home of artist Mark Chagall. Alena came to the United States in 2003 and has called Colorado home since 2006. She gave us many tips and ideas for any medium. Alena showed us how she combines pencil drawings with chalk pastel backgrounds. We are very pleased to announce that Alena will be providing us a workshop on July 11, 2020 at Holy Cross Lutheran Church. Sign up and more information will be provided soon.



## WORKSHOP – Kathleen Lanzoni February 2020

Kathleen Lanzoni is a watercolor artist and held a workshop for WRAL in February 2020. The morning started with working on clouds and trees. In the afternoon we put those two subjects together for a landscape watercolor.



Kathleen Lanzoni

## 2020 Wheat Ridge Carnation Festival

**PLEASE NOTE:**

**Date Change: August 14, 15, 16, 2020**

**Plate Design Contest will be discussed at next meeting.  
Still waiting for information from Cultural Commission.**

**Carnation Annual Art Show:** Date change was due to conflicting schedules of the Carnival Company. Hope this is not an inconvenience to anyone. The Judge for art show Michael Untiedt has agreed to the date change and will be at the show on August 14th for Judging and reception.



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## 2020 Wheat Ridge Carnation Festival continued

A reminder, per the rules of our annual art show, artists that wish to participate must go to at least one art league meeting in the three months prior to the show and must have a paid membership with the Wheat Ridge Art League.

All sign up information for Carnation Festival Art Show will be at the WRAL April 14th meeting and at the May, June and July meetings. This information will be at the table as you enter the meeting room at the Grange. Please email, text or call Theresa with any questions.

## CLASS OPPORTUNITIES

### **SINA MARCH'S OIL PAINTING CLASS**

**Fridays, 9:30 am to 12:30 pm**

**Class Room in the Back of Hobby Lobby**

**3600 Youngfield Street, Wheat Ridge, Colorado**

There are 2 openings in Sina March's oil painting class. We study the 6 elements and 8 visual approaches of painting with emphasis on shape, value, and color.

- The class limit is 10 students.
- The cost is \$30 per 3-hour class.
- There's no charge if you cannot attend.
- Please contact Sina on 720-233-5869 if you are interested.

## WHEAT RIDGE CULTURAL COMMISSION

Jessica Schwartz and Milly Nadler introduced themselves at the February WRAL meeting and expressed their interest in collaborating with the art league in bringing Wheat Ridge artists to the forefront of the art scene in the city. We look forward to working with this commission.

## EXHIBIT CHANGES 2020

If interested in exhibiting, please contact the responsible chairperson and please plan to arrive on time. There are some openings! Please note that the host may charge a commission fee for each piece of artwork sold at their establishment and it shall be paid at the time payment is delivered to the artist.

## EXHIBIT CHANGES 2020 continued

### **Arvada Methodist Church**

**(Apr 3, Jun 5, Aug 7)**

10:00 am First Friday, every other month  
6750 Carr St, Arvada

10% Sales Commission Required/Sale

Chairperson Sandra Davis 720-339-7197

### **Arvada Motor Vehicle Dept**

**(Mar 11, Jun 10, Sept 9)**

8:30am Second Wednesday, every 3 months  
6510 Wadsworth Blvd, Arvada

Chairperson Carol Fezell 303-919-4280

### **Highlands Senior Center**

**(Mar 5, Jun 4, Sept 3)**

10:00am First Thursday, every 3 months  
29th & Osceola, Denver

Chairperson Sherry Veltkamp 303-425-6582

### **Infinitus Pizza**

**(Mar 13, May 8, July 10)**

10:30am Second Friday, every 2 months  
5807 W 38th Ave., Wheat Ridge

Chairperson Sandra Davis 720-339-7197

### **Pietra's Pizza**

**(Apr 3, Jun 5, Aug 7)**

11:00am First Friday every other month.  
9045 W 44th Ave., Wheat Ridge

Chairperson Sandra Davis 720-339-7197

### **Wheat Ridge Active Adult Center**

**(Mar 6, May 1, July 3)**

8:30am First Friday, Every other month  
6363 W 35th Ave., Wheat Ridge

10% Sales Commission Required/Sale

Chairperson Ilona Hiebert 720-491-9124

### **Wheat Ridge Municipal Building**

**(Mar 6, May 1, July 3)**

11:30am First Friday, every other month  
29th & Wadsworth, Wheat Ridge

10% Sales Commission Required/Sale

Sue Weller 817-480-9692



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## EXHIBIT CHANGES 2020 continued

### **Holy Cross Lutheran Church**

**(Remove exhibits Mar 13) @9AM**

Every painting must include Name, Phone #, Title, Price and Medium. 30-40 paintings will be accepted (regular sized).

Frame may include glass. Painting is to remain in place until last day of exhibit, even if it sells.

4500 Wadsworth Blvd., Wheat Ridge

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## 2020 OFFICERS, CHAIRS, SUPPORT

President:	Sina March
Vice President:	Diana Williams
Secretary:	Karen Olson
Treasurer:	Mary Ellen Young
Program Chairpersons:	Mikki Johnson/ Judy Kissinger
Directory:	Paula Weisz
Librarian:	Virginia Avery
Refreshment Coord:	Julie Midyett
Carnation Festival:	Theresa Joyce
Historians:	Judy Kissinger – Monthly Artist Demonstrations and Workshops Theresa Joyce/Carnation Festival Art Show Committee – Carnation Festival Art Show
Newsletter/Emails:	Heidi Reed

Facebook: Alex Hinst



<https://www.facebook.com/WheatRidgeArtLeagueDenver>

Website: Mona Taherynia



<https://wralcolorado.weebly.com>

If you have news to share or artistic achievements, please let Heidi Reed know by end of each month at [hreed1211@yahoo.com](mailto:hreed1211@yahoo.com).