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## Heritage Fine Arts Guild Newsletter May 2024



### May 8, 2024, Meeting Information

We have moved our meetings and workshops to Ascension Lutheran Church, located at 1701 W. Caley Ave, Littleton 80120, Room 106. This is the same location that we hold our paint days. Enter the parking lot off of Stern Blvd on the north side of the church. The church is located on the northwest corner of Caley and Windermere.

Monthly membership meetings are held on the second Wednesday of the month at 7 pm and are open to the public. The Board meeting begins at 6 pm and members are welcome to attend.

### Demo

**Title: Entering Art Shows – A Step-by-Step Guide to Success**

**Instructor: Trish Sangelo – Director, ACC Colorado Gallery of the Arts**

**Location: Ascension Lutheran Church, 1701 W. Caley Ave., Littleton, CO 80120**

**Date & Time: May 8, 7 pm (following Heritage Guild general business meeting at 6:00pm)**

**Description: As part of the Heritage Fine Arts Guild monthly meeting, Trish Sangelo is giving a presentation on how to successfully enter art shows—from digital entry to improving your chances of winning an award! Open to members and non-members alike, this special session is intended to help increase your confidence and process in submitting your artwork to “This is Colorado” and other art shows you are thinking of entering.**

Topics to be covered:

- Tips and tricks on photographing artwork and generating image files suitable for digital entry.
- Paying attention to the fine print in the prospectus; ensuring your pieces are eligible.
- How to select paintings to entering (cohesive, professional representation and other things judges may looking for)
- The entry process with a step-by-step demonstration using the ACC show submission page.
- Preparing your artwork for hanging with tips on matting and framing, suitable hanging methods/supplies
- Etiquette for artwork delivery/retrieval and participation in show-related activities/events



## **President's Message**

### **May 2024**

April showers have brought May flowers and I hope there is no more snow. The trees with their spring blossoms are a delight to see as I drive around town. I am hoping to have peaches on my tree this year. I only get fruit about every fourth or fifth year due to late frosts.

As we near the end of our fiscal year (the end of June) I am thinking about what we have accomplished this year. Moving once again to a new venue, Ascension Lutheran Church. Having some wonderful art shows coming soon and ones accomplished last fall. Getting accepted for a City of Littleton Arts and Culture grant, funded by the city lodging tax. That, in addition to our SCFD (Scientific and Cultural Funding District) grant are so beneficial to our ongoing ability to offer our members quality and informative programs. A big thank you to Carolyn Moershel and Cheri Green for their work on the applications.

The meeting space at Ascension Lutheran Church has been a wonderful venue with good light, a large space for many people to come and interact, no stairs, kitchen, and restrooms adjacent. If you haven't joined us there, please come to a meeting and/or workshop.

At our last workshop we got to chatting about the importance of belonging to a group of like-minded people. We enjoyed each other's company as we painted or drew our art. The comradery of others is so important as we shed the stresses of life and everyday living. It is such a joy to belong to the Heritage Fine Arts Guild.

We need a volunteer to help with the board position of Publicity. This would entail sending press releases to newspapers to publicize our workshops and

Art Shows. Kim Dwyer has been our Director of Publicity this year and is a good source for further information. Sue Connors has recently designed a small postcard sized handout that can be used to advertise our guild. Keep a look out for these as they are going to press soon.

As always, keep painting!  
Lynn Hegstrom



## **2024-2025 Membership Renewal**

It's that time again. The 2024-25 Heritage Fine Arts Guild year starts July 1 so please renew your membership. The annual dues are \$45.00. Continue to enjoy access to member-only art shows and reduced fees for workshops.

Go to [www.heritage-guild.com/apply-and-pay-for-membership.html](http://www.heritage-guild.com/apply-and-pay-for-membership.html) to rejoin for next year.

## **April Highlights**

**April Demo with Jo Anne Nelson**



In a very engaging demo—and as an enticing intro to her upcoming mixed-media/collage (May 18) workshop—Jo Ann showed us different ways to create solid, textured substrates. From found wood panels and trim to Masonite remnants, Elmer's Glue-All instead of medium, house paint in lieu of Gesso, Jo Ann shared ideas on how to create economical versions of the expensive, ready-made items sold at art supply stores. She explained collage and mixed-media techniques using all kinds of materials and repurposed objects, including different kinds of paper, photographs, cheese cloth, stencils and spackle, rusty old metal objects, and even highway sign reflector beads—clearly a luck find! The possibilities are virtually endless, but the most important thing is to have a PLAN—to *tell a story!* Even if the viewer won't fully understand what's behind the painting or collage piece you are creating, if there's a story, the viewer *will* sense it and be drawn in, trying to figure out what it means and what your intentions might have been. It's a great way to

connect and make your art truly *engaging*!

**Thank you, Beatrice Drury, for the wonderful review of Jo Anne's demo.**

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**“Photo-op” outing to Littleton Museum...  
April 20, 2024**

What a perfect, “post-snowy” day it was for some unusual, atmospheric images just crying out to be turned into paintings!



Also, the Still Life set up for Saturday Paint Day participants wanting to stay inside.



**Thanks again to Beatrice for the great photos.**

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## **Join Our Artists Page**

We want to highlight the beautiful, creative work our members produce by featuring all of you on [Our Artists](#) webpage. All you need to do is go to the link on the page, submit a few photos of your paintings and a brief artist statement. Our webmaster will do the rest!

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## **Heritage Guild Social Media**

Our Publicity Director, Kim Dwyer, wants to increase our social media presence but **she needs your help** to make the most of her efforts to boost membership and encourage participation in our workshops.

Share your unique journey and experiences by completing the testimonial form at <https://forms.gle/berBqguF7MTTDR947>, giving a personal touch to our guild. Join us on Instagram (@heritagefineartsguild), where you can like, comment, and share our posts. Share the magic of our exhibits and workshops by tagging us in your photos and using hashtags like #ThisIsColorado and #HeritageFineArtsGuild. Not familiar with tagging? Simply add "@heritagefineartsguild" in your post or comment to connect. Let's showcase our creativity and inspire others to become a part of our wonderful guild!

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## Workshops

Click on the button to register for a class.

### ***"From Substrate to Story Telling: Steps to Creating Exciting Mixed Media Art" with Jo Ann Nelson***

*Saturday, May 18, 2024 -- 10am - 3pm*

Ascension Lutheran Church

1701 W. Caley Ave.

Littleton, CO 80120



In a fun and relaxed environment, learn how to create one (or two, for artists who tend to work fast) mixed media piece(s). Jo Ann will take students step by step through the process—from preparing the substrate to applying texture, working out a good composition, and adding paint—everything it takes to create intriguing, expressive artwork that speaks to the viewer. Her mixed media techniques combine acrylic paint with a variety of materials she is bringing to share with the class.





For more information about these great workshops, supply lists and how to register please go to [heritage-guild.com](https://heritage-guild.com).

[Register](#)

## Shows

### **Competitions/Shows for 2024**

**Call for Entry**

**Best of Heritage Fine Arts - The Bemis Library Show**

**June 1 - June 30, 2024**

Our juror, Victoria Kwasinski, holds a BFA from Rocky Mountain College of Art and Design. She has over thirty years of experience as a professional artist in positions of corporate graphic artist, freelance illustrator, gallery owner, fine artist, and art instructor.

In choosing work for juried shows, she looks for art demonstrating sound art principles including good color, value, composition, design and technique.

Awards are chosen on the basis of these principles, as well as those works that express the artist's unique voice, create a sense of wonder, and invite the viewer to be involved in the work.

We look forward to a fantastic show with all members participating. Cash prizes will be awarded!

**Application Deadline: Wednesday, May 15, 2024, 10:00 p.m.**

**Acceptances Sent: Sunday, May 19, 2024**

**Delivery of Paintings: Saturday, June 1, 2024, 9-11:00 a.m.**

**Reception/Awards: Sunday, June 2, 2024, 2:00-4:00 p.m.**

**Painting Pickup: Sunday, June 30, 2024, 1:00-3:00 p.m.**

Submission requirements and details for the Best of Heritage/Bemis Library Members Show:

- Application fee is \$30.00 for 3 entries per artist member. All selected art will remain in the library from June 1-June 30, 2024. Sales are handled by the individual artist.
- All art must be clean and framed or have finished edges. All pieces must be hung using a D-ring and wire securing system. No sawtooth hangers or metal screw eyes are acceptable. ● Please submit a digital image of each painting along with your Entry Form.
- Digital images (no larger than 1.5 Mb.) must be cropped to show only the painting (no mat, frame or other background in the picture). Please label your image file with your name, the title of the piece, medium, size (framed) and price or NFS. (for example: ssmith\_Challenge\_collage\_30x30\_475).
- Selected work is to be delivered to Bemis Public Library, 6014 S. Datura Street, Littleton Colorado, 80120, between 9-11 am on Saturday, June 1, 2024. Please attach information with your name, title, and price (or NFS) to the back of your work. Please see the Heritage Fine Arts Guild Website ([Heritage-guild.com](http://Heritage-guild.com)) for application and details!

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**This is Colorado at Arapahoe Community College** - August 22- -  
September 26, 2024.

Art drop off is August 19th with the reception on September 22,  
2024.

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**Healing Arts at Centura Littleton Hospital** - Is scheduled for  
October through December 2024. Call For Entry - TBA.

This list will be updated as additional shows are added.

As you can see from the schedule above, we will have a busy summer and fall with competitions and Calls for Entry. I challenge all members to explore workshops and push yourself to produce new and exciting work for the 2nd half of 2024! We (the show committee) want to see your creations and hope that everybody will “strut your stuff” by applying for these opportunities. If you have any questions or concerns, call me and I will help with the application process!

Sincerely,  
Celeste

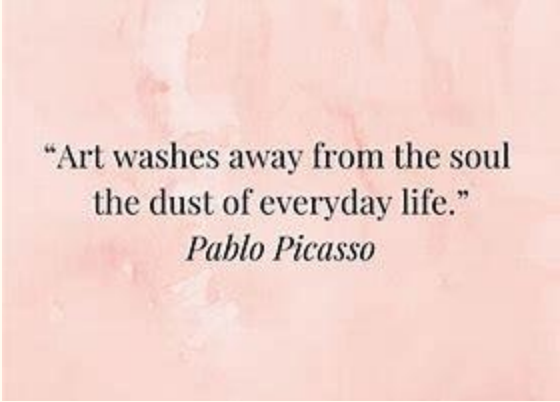
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**Paint Day Thursdays**

Paint Day, open to both members and non-members, is held every Thursday at Ascension Lutheran Church, lower level, between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

Parking is available on the north side of the church. A donation of \$1 per session is requested to help cover costs. Contact Kathy Reitz at [kmr68@q.com](mailto:kmr68@q.com) for more information.



“Art washes away from the soul  
the dust of everyday life.”  
*Pablo Picasso*



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