



RAINBOW ARTISTS

a WOMEN'S COLLECTIVE IN NEW MEXICO

ESTABLISHED JANUARY 1990

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## February 2015 Newsletter

**February 16, 2015, 6:30 pm:**  
**Monthly meeting**  
**OFFCenter Community Arts**  
**808 Park Avenue SW**

**Program:** **Compassion and Choices** presentation about death with dignity.

**Start the Conversation about Advance Health-care Planning.** Talking about death does not make you dead! But it can be difficult. What decisions about your healthcare can you make now? Who will carry out your wishes? Let's explore how to start the conversation with family and friends. This is a non-religious, free presentation with handouts for you to take home and complete.

**Presenter:** Compassion & Choices Albuquerque Action Team

**Facilitator:** Ginger Quinn

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## Contacts

**Treasurer:** Carol Adamec (ccadamec@gmail.com)

**Co-Treasurer:** Janine Wilson (janineabq@gmail.com)

**Newsletter editor:** Joan Fenicle (joanf41@gmail.com)

**Exhibition Committee** (vacant)

**Historian:** Janine Wilson (janineabq@gmail.com)

**Publicity:** Teej (tj@brimy.net), Marian Berg (marianvberg@gmail.com), Jackie Hertel, (jhquickbeam@msn.com) and Eliza Schmid (elizakschmid@gmail.com)

**Facilitator Jan-March 2015:** Ginger Quinn—  
gquinn411@gmail.com

Need a pop-up tent for an outdoor show? Rainbow has two. Contact Pea at 897-4180 or [pgleftovers@gmail.com](mailto:pgleftovers@gmail.com) to schedule using one.

## ARTdates

The **Earth Spirit Dolls** show will be organized and hung by the Apronistas. Hanging will take place Monday, **March 2, 2015**, time and place to deliver work to be announced.

Opening Reception will be Friday, **March 6, 2015**. Show will come down March 28 or 29. Off Center will take 30% of the proceeds of sales. All dolls will be priced at \$15, thus Rainbow can "earn" \$10 for each doll sold and we would like to fill the wall with at least 100 dolls of a size eight inches or less. All dolls in this size range will be accepted, so here's a chance to get creative, make as many small dolls as you wish and help our organization get funds for future shows.

**March 14: 11-1:30** at OFFCenter. Rainbow Artists will present a **Spirit Doll Making Workshop**. The workshop will demonstrate methods for creating small imaginative dolls from natural materials, branches, seeds, grasses, found objects and fabric. All materials will be provided for this free creative event and dolls created can be exhibited in OFFCenter's Earth Day exhibit during the month of April. Join us to bring to life your own spirit doll. This workshop is in conjunction with "**A Wall of Dolls**", earth spirit figures and fetishes, a Rainbow exhibit partnering with Women and Creativity 2015 and taking place at Off Center Arts, March 6-28.

**March 16, 2015**, monthly meeting at OFFCenter. Joan Fenicle will moderate a discussion on "**How Mundane Routines Produce Creative Magic**". There will also be an art book swap and give away during the break.





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## ARTportunities

**Call for Artists: Albuquerque Center for Peace and Justice:** Want to combine your art with a social message? A group of us who were involved in the initial "Earth's Last Supper" want to revive it on Earth Day in April 2015. Call Suzanne Ziglar at 255-4074.

**Call for Art Entries for "Altars of Light":** Calling for art using the altar and its image as sacred ground to promote healing from wounds of sexual violence. Accepting entries March 25, 26 noon-6pm. Juried. Two entries per person. Free. Co-sponsored OffCenter Community Arts/NM Art Therapy Association. For more information you may call 505-247-1172.

## Membership Renewals

January 1 is the annual renewal date for Rainbow Artists memberships. Membership is \$25 and goes to support our programs, exhibits and newsletters.

Please complete the attached renewal form to ensure all your contact information is correct and up to date for 2015. Then mail the form and a \$25 check payable to Rainbow Artists to the Treasurer:

**Carol Adamec**

**124 Marlowe Lane NE, Albuquerque, NM 87113**

At the next Rainbow meeting Monday, February 16, Carol will have membership renewal forms available so members can pay with check or cash that evening.



← "(See Winona Fetheroff and her creation at left.)"

## January's Meeting Notes

Twelve women, including two visitor/potential members attended the Jan. 19 meeting and doll making. Carol Adamec, treasurer, gave a financial report and announced that her co-treasurer Pea Garvanian has resigned. Janine Wilson agreed to partner with Carol as the new co-treasurer; she was nominated and approved by all present.

It was decided to use email exhibit announcements for the "Wall of Dolls" fundraiser exhibit in March at Off Center. Members will receive these "e cards" from the Publicity Committee in February to send to their personal art lists. The "Wall of Dolls" is a partnership with Women and Creativity 2015 and will be listed on the W and C calendar centerfold in the Edible Magazine February issue. The Rainbow Publicity Committee will also announce the exhibit on various online arts calendars and in local news papers.

The program for the February Meeting, organized by Ginger Quinn, will be a talk from a representative of the death with dignity group, Compassion and Choices. This is deemed an important topic and a group worthy of our support.

We still need a few women to form an Exhibit Committee to seek venues for our art and organize shows for the future.

After the short business meeting, everyone happily dug into the piles of spirit doll making supplies and began dreaming up wonderful combinations of materials and color to create amazing dolls. We had music and snacks to enhance our creativity.



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## ARTvictories

**Tricia Bentley-Thorp** had artwork accepted into the New Mexico Art League exhibit "Black and White". It will be open to the public from March 10-17 with a reception on March 14 from 5pm to 7:30pm.

**Eliza M. Schmid** and several other Rainbow Artist members have work in the People's Art Show at Factory on 5th.

**Reugee women and girls** will model for the first time in a fashion show Valentine's Day weekend: On the Map: Made in AfriQue! Arts and Crafts and Global Fusion fashion show. For more information go to [ABQontheMap.com](http://ABQontheMap.com) or [womensglobalpaths.wordpress.com](http://womensglobalpaths.wordpress.com).

**Joan Fenicle** is in a three-woman exhibit at Framing Concepts Gallery, 5809-B Juan Tabo NE. The show is titled "Broad Strokes" and will feature the work of Carol Estes-Nowlin, Joan Fenicle and Lisa Chernoff. The opening reception will be Saturday, February 21, 1-4pm.

**Suzanne Visor** ([paintedskysilk.com](http://paintedskysilk.com)) is teaching design and composition to silk painters in Southern California at Hidden Valley Retreat Center in San Diego the week of February 2. These are two-day workshops with ten students per workshop. She was excited to be invited to work with these women, many of whom are silk fashion designers. Her goal is to help silk painters grow into skilled designers of compositions that translate into 4-D wall work. Ultimately the goal of Silk Painters International is to elevate our art form to the level of fine art in the eyes of the art world.

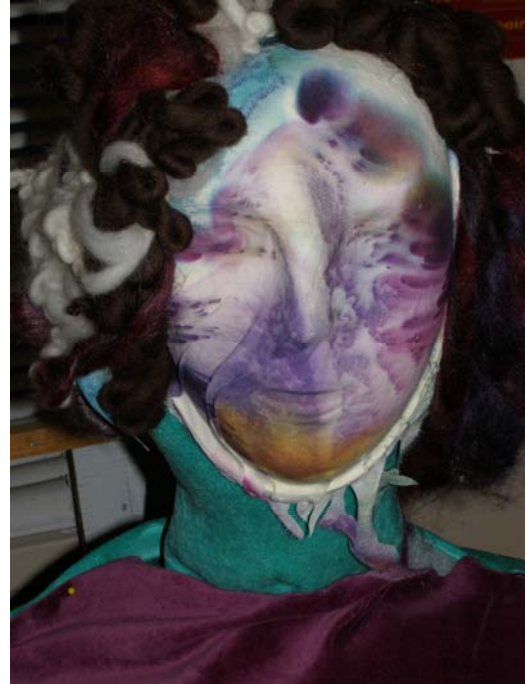


Image by Suzanne Visor: head of a life size doll whose face is painted silk

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## Promote your ART—it's FREE

Is your Personal ART Page in the "MEET OUR MEMBERS" section of the website?

Take advantage of this great opportunity, by being a Rainbow member, for exposure and promotion on the Rainbow Artist website in the "Meet Our Members" section. Send your bio and/or artist statement and a few photos of your art to Pea at [pleftovers@gmail.com](mailto:pleftovers@gmail.com), and she will "build" your personal art page. Pea welcomes periodic changes to your page.

Over the course of a month, the Rainbow Artist website enjoys ~1,900 unique visitors and ~4,000 page views. Make sure those visitors can view YOUR ART.



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## Galleries we love!

An increasing number of Rainbow Artists have gallery representation on a regular basis ... we congratulate them and want to give exposure to those who have faith in us.

**Carol Adamec and Pea Garvanian**—Weyrich Gallery, 2935D Louisiana NE, [www.weyrichgallery.com](http://www.weyrichgallery.com)

**Marion Berg and Pea Garvanian**—SE-OC Right Brain Gallery, 3100 Menaul NE  
[www.se-oc-rightbraingallery.com](http://www.se-oc-rightbraingallery.com)

**Joan Fenicle**—Arte de Placitas, 221 State Highway 165, Placitas - [www.artedeplacitas.com](http://www.artedeplacitas.com)

## Mission Statement

Rainbow Artists, an award winning women's collective established in Albuquerque in 1990, supports, promotes, and encourages women artists.

- \* We embrace ethnic and artistic diversity.
- \* We strive to grow in our art and our association with each other.
- \* We share our talents and enrich our creativity and our community through collaborative exhibits and projects.

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(Newsletter now on line)

Newsletter deadline is the 1st of each month.  
Submit your news to [joanf41@gmail.com](mailto:joanf41@gmail.com).  
News can be added at any time on the website.