



RAINBOW ARTISTS

a WOMEN'S COLLECTIVE IN NEW MEXICO

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January 2014 Newsletter

January meeting:

Monday, January 20, 6:30 pm

OFFCenter Community Arts, 808 Park Avenue SW

Program: Sondra Diepen had the opportunity to take a photography workshop outside of Big Timber, Montana, with well known photographer Barbara Van Cleve. Sondra will share her experience and tell us about Barbara, a Santa Fe resident for 24 years. Her main interest has been preserving the traditional ranching way of life of the West, both in New Mexico and Montana—roundups, branding, rodeos, horses, cowboys, big skies and the fabulous clouds building up over the Crazy Mountains behind her log buildings. She also published a book on just ranch women and was inducted into the Cowgirl Hall of Fame.



Upcoming Events

January: Rainbow Artists first show of 2014 at the **First Unitarian Church Gallery** opens Sunday, January 5, 9:30 a.m. in the Church Social Hall (formerly the Sanctuary) 3701 Carlisle NE, 87110. See the invitation to exhibit in “Opportunities” and on-line.

February 17, 6:30pm—monthly meeting at OFFCenter Community Arts. Program TBA.

March: OFFCenter Community Arts and Rainbow Artists will co-sponsor a no-fee, non-juried exhibit of Art Tee-Shirts **"Tee-Shirt Fantasies"** opening on Friday, March 7th from 5-8pm at OFFCenter Community Art Gallery. Exhibit entries will be donated for raffle with proceeds to benefit the programming of OFFCenter Community Arts. Entries are limited to women and one shirt per person. Shirts that are color stabilized and wearable are desired, but don't let that stifle your creativity - anything goes. Entries are due between February 26th and March 1st at OFFCenter during normal studio hours Tue-Wed-Thur 1-6pm, Fri. 1-5pm and Sat. 10am-2pm. Exhibit will end with a closing reception and raffle drawing on March 28th. Nova DeNise will teach two workshops at OFFCenter—Feb. 8th and 22nd, 2-5pm. There is a \$5 materials fee—bring your own T-shirt.

Rainbow Victories

Carol Adamec had 3 paintings juried into the "Merge" exhibit, sponsored by the Southwest Region of the Society of Layerists in MultiMedia (SLMM). The "Merge" exhibit was on display at the African-American Performing Arts Center at NM Expo in Albuquerque during the month of December.

Lorrie Bortner of Valdez (north of Taos) will be in the annual Millicent Rogers Museum, Miniatures Show. The opening is Friday, January 31 and the show runs through Sunday, March 2. Lorrie's painting is called Rooster 1.

Pea Garvanian is on a roll—she was chosen by Downtown Action Team to show her art in an empty downtown storefront on Gold SW in a program meant to increase enjoyment of and encourage people to linger downtown. The display was a grouping of solar-powered art lamps in the forms of animals. This display ran from mid-November through the end of the year. Sadly, this display of animals watched from directly across the street as firemen battled the blaze that completely destroyed National Flamenco Institute. Pea was also chosen by DAT to display her art in Tinnin Art Park in a nighttime show. Unfortunately, glaring parking lot lights could not be turned off, so the night viewing was not a good as anticipated. She had a very successful show in November at Recycle Santa Fe, selling more than 40 art lamps.



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Creating Fantasy T-Shirts

Rainbow Artist Nova DeNise is conducting two workshops on creating "Fantasies T-shirts" for the March show at OFF-Center Community Arts. The two workshops are on **Feb. 8th and 22nd, 2-5pm**. Each person will supply a T-shirt and Nova will demonstrate using stencils, acrylic paints, and India woodblocks to create your entry. Join in the fun and come create and a T-shirt to donate to raise money to support OffCenter. Bring a tee-shirt don't forget baby Ts and the toddler's size too... BYOTS (bring your own T-shirt)

"I have been a creative person for as long as I can remember and feel very fortunate to have grown up in Santa Fe, such an inspiring place to have grown up. I studied Art at NMSU and UNM. My background is in ceramics, printmaking, painting and pastels. I have volunteered for Art In The School, Mama's Minerals, and the Childrens Museum."

Contact OFFCenter (247-1172) to register. There is a \$5 materials fee.



Rainbow's new Treasurers

We'd like to introduce ourselves: Carol Adamec and Pea Garvanian have taken over the tasks of Treasurer and Membership Administrator with the departure of Shari Adkisson. We hope to come up to speed quickly to meet the needs of the group.

We would like to remind you that Membership in Rainbow is for a calendar year, from January 1 through December 31, which means the time to renew your membership is right around the corner, right now!

With the Unitarian Church exhibit launching the New Year with delivery of your art on Saturday, Jan 4th, we'd like to encourage you to renew your membership NOW. **Please fill out the attached renewal form and mail it to Carol with a \$25 check payable to Rainbow Artists.** (Carol's mailing address is on the form.) OR,

Fill out the form and bring it with your check and your art to The Unitarian Church on Saturday, Jan 4th. Carol and Pea will be there to accept your renewal. In addition to the exhibit at the Unitarian Church, exhibiting Rainbow Artists will have an opportunity to sell small art works and handmade items at the church's Sunday "Mercado" on January 5.

Your renewed membership in Rainbow Artists will provide several exhibition opportunities in 2014 already scheduled or in the works:

- The Unitarian Church: January 5 - Feb 18
- Java Joe's (February or March)
- OffCenter/Women & Creativity Month: March 2 - 28
- Ragin' Shrimp, April 28 - Aug 4

The membership form can also be found at <http://www.rainbowartists.com/> if you need to submit information for the website. Click into page called Membership.

All the best to you for a warm and wonderful holiday and a New Year FULL OF ART and EXPRESSION!!!
Carol (463-3122) and Pea (897-4180)



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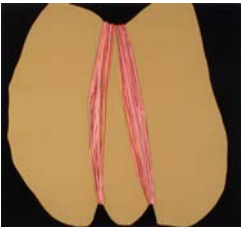
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4 Contemporary Female Artists Who Are Shaping The Future Of Painting

The year 1913 forever changed the trajectory of painting. Pablo Picasso and Georges Braque were spreading the Cubist gospel, transforming the public's understanding of not only painting, but of seeing. In the same year, Marcel Duchamp's "Nude Descending a Staircase, No. 2" premiered at the Armory Show, taking abstraction to new heights. If it isn't obvious already, these artists were all men. Thus we were ecstatic to discover an exhibition, on view exactly 100 years after Picasso and company's iconic year, devoted to contemporary painters reacting to history while pushing the field forward; an exhibition that is comprised entirely of female painters.



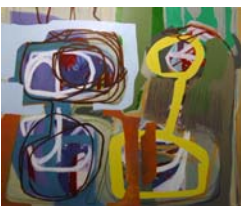
Amanda Valdez: Sharp divisions and enigmatic paradoxes gain visual bodies on her work, comprised of harsh edges and tight colored strings. There is a physical aftertaste to the paintings despite their angular abstraction.



Danielle Orchard: With a style reminiscent of Dana Schutz, Orchard focuses on the tightly wrapped package of domesticity and how it sometimes breaks down in the midst of the sloppiness of the body.



Genesis Belanger: Belanger's work gives the impression that some sort of cosmic event has just occurred, or, perhaps is about to occur. Time is disjointed and the viewer is left to put together the clues.



Justine Hill: Hill's paintings look like what might occur if wallpaper was released into its many parts, with each individual shape and color dancing, wrestling and buzzing around.

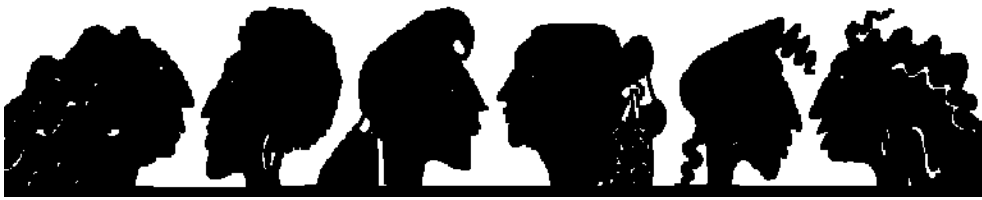
Opportunities

Chicago Urban Art Retreat Center is currently accepting submissions for two upcoming shows, *With a Broken Wing: Women Surviving Oppressions* and *Women's Herstory*. These will run concurrently from February 15th-March 29th in the main exhibition space in Chicago.

With a Broken Wing: Women Surviving Oppressions is a postcard art show displayed in the hallway of the Urban Art Retreat Center. They are inviting women to express their feelings concerning the oppressions women face on a postcard - any medium is acceptable, whether it is written word, a drawing, or applied paint. Mail your postcard to Chicago Urban Art Retreat Center at 1957 S. Spaulding Ave, Chicago, IL, 60623. Accepting all submissions until February 28.

Women's Herstory is an art show focusing on the historical experiences of women with the goal of educating the public on lesser-known topics in women's history. They hope to present an overall sense of women's history in a variety of formats (writing, painting, video, sculpture, mixed media, etc). Pieces should be 32" or less in all dimensions; video in VHS format. A brief statement (a paragraph will do just fine) should be submitted on the piece in order to help the audience understand the work better, along with a separate artist statement (specifically, who the artist is/from, what is their inspiration, medium, and why they chose to submit to this art show). Reply to this posting with a photo of the art to submit by Jan. 24th. You will be notified within 24 hours if the work is accepted. If so, we would ask you to send in the physical work no later than Jan. 30th. For any reason you are unable to send your work to the gallery, you can participate by emailing an 8x10 image of your art and we will include it in our show catalog to be on display during the show.

For more information visit http://www.urbanartretreat.com/upcoming_shows.aspx



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I dunno Bob, I just feel bad about this.



Mission Statement

Rainbow Artists, an award winning women's collective established 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 deadline is the 1st of each month.
Submit your news to joanf41@gmail.com.



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Membership Renewal 2014

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Mail completed form with \$25 check payable to Rainbow Artist to:

Rainbow Artists
c/o Carol Adamec
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Albuq, NM 87113
