



RAINBOW ARTISTS

a WOMEN'S COLLECTIVE IN NEW MEXICO

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June 2015 Newsletter

Monday, June 15, 2015, 6:30 pm:

Monthly meeting

OFFCenter Community Arts

808 Park Avenue SW

Rainbow Artists will participate in a round-table discussion and "show and tell" on how you record your artwork. If you still keep albums, bring one to share. If you keep digital records, perhaps you can show them off on your phone or tablet. Too many of us let work out the door without keeping a proper record of it. Even artists producing temporary works of art (Cristo & Jeanne-Claude; Andy Goldsworthy) document their work and produce books that allow the work to live on in some form. It's an important part of the process that is often neglected.

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 Garvanian at pleftovers@gmail.com, and she will "build" your personal art page. Pea welcomes periodic changes to your page.

ALL members have a page on the site ... but yours may be dated or may say "under construction". Check it out and get Pea the missing information.

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.

May meeting notes

The meeting was called to order at 6:45pm on May 18, 2015

Financial: (Carol Adamec) Bank balance is \$1,814.53. There are presently 34 members all of whom have paid their annual membership fees.

Exhibit at the O'Neill's Restaurant: Ginger and Sue Pine will organize and hang the show. The artists who will show in July should bring their two paintings to Ginger's home at 907 A 7th St. NW on July 5, between 4-6pm. Carol will make the labels. The owner of O'Neill's will take 10% of each sold painting and wishes to wait until the check for the sold painting clears, and then the artist should bring a replacement for the sold painting upon his notification. The August group will take their paintings to Ginger's home on August 1 4-6pm. The reception for the August group will be on August 10, 5-7pm.

There will be another Spirit Doll workshop by the Apronistas at the OFFCenter Gallery on June 6, 11am-3pm.

Breeze suggested that we ask the UU Congregation to have a Mercado prior to our art show next year in April 2016. I will bring this request up at the next Art Committee meeting of UU.

Eliza has offered her home on July 20 for Rainbow's annual picnic and meeting. We can watch her film about Friedrich Hundertwasser ("the Hunderwasser Haus") on her old, but functioning TV set after the meeting.

In May Hillary Heyl presented a DVD titled "Reconciliation" about her work with an international group called "Women to Women". The film showed how women and men are attempting to heal the wounds of horrible genocides (Ruanda) and eternal war ((Israel, Palestine). It was very engaging.



In memory of Marilyn



Marilyn Siani lost her battle with cancer and has left us too soon. Marilyn moved to New Mexico from Pennsylvania and soon became involved with Rainbow Artists. Most of us remember her for her paintings and the fact that she was a fine seamstress. But more

recently she made jewelry and, like most things she did, mastered her craft and began selling with an Etsy shop and at various craft shows.

Her daughter Terese and Marcia Siani Frank will honor her life Saturday, June 6, 11am-noon at her home on Forrester NW. They would love for you to stop by and share your memories. They would like to donate some of her art and jewelry supplies and tools to those of you who shared her passions.



Available to Rainbow Artists

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

Creativity in a Nutshell

One of my favorite writers on creativity, Arthur Koestler, has a unique way of describing three kinds of creativity:

- * ARTISTIC: Ahhhhhhhh!
- * SCIENTIFIC: Ah-Ha!
- * COMIC: Ha-Ha!

And that's it in a nutshell. Creativity is a response to something, not a sleight-of-hand that pulls something out of the air. It may be nothing more than an unusual juxtaposition of two very dissimilar things, leading from a treatment for one disease to a cure for another very different condition. It may be an artist combining totally unrelated elements in a painting to challenge the thinking of viewers. Certainly we can see how humor depends on the unexpected for its punch line.

So the way to become more creative is to investigate the possibilities of cross-fertilization—combining things that have nothing in common—to come up with a whole new concept. What a great idea! It just takes a little courage to put it down on paper or canvas. (©1999 Nita Leland)

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ARTvictories

Lorrie Bortner is included in a group show at the Taos Visitors Center to run through June 30. Her paintings are on the right and above the visitors info desk. lorriebortner.com.

Janine Wilson has two paintings in the Pen Women exhibition at the salon of The Gallery ABQ. The show runs June 5-25.

Eliza Schmid: has a solo show at Tortuga Gallery (Edith at Pacific SE) during July with an opening Saturday, July 11, 5-8pm with live music and refreshments. The title is Joy and Sorrow in Painting.. Her show at OT Circus continues until the end of June with the gallery open during the June 5th ARTScrawl and each Saturday 10am-2pm. She has three paintings in a show at the Jewish Community Center, 5520 Wyoming NE and continues to show her work on the Mezzanine of the Andaluz Hotel Downtown. The new gallery 606 (Broadway at Iron SE) has 14 of Eliza's egg tempera paintings in "People and Faces".

Eleanor Trabaud:

Eleanor has a show with Pat Conway at The Factory on 5th opening June 5th, 5-8pm. It continues through June 27 and is titled Same Space New Work. The show is in the north gallery, on the right as you enter the gate and there will be a sign. Eleanor and Pat plan to be there on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays from noon until 5pm.



ARTportunities

Call for Artists: Mama's Minerals' 10th Annual Arts & Crafts Fair, June 20, 10am to 4pm at their new location. Over 100 artist booths, live entertainment, food vendors and more. Booth fee \$50 with \$5 of that benefiting non-profit organizations. Artists applications considered on a first-come basis. PLEASE no phone calls. Download application form at http://mamasminerals.com/assets/images/Downloadscraft_fair_app_and_guidelines_2015.pdf

OFFCenter We Art the People Festival: Who is interested in helping put up and man a booth for this popular September festival? Sue Pine is working on getting a booth space for Rainbow. Volunteers are needed to help Sue with the booth. More information at the June meeting.

Rainbow has three exhibits in the mix and a proposal in to Augustine at South Broadway Cultural Center for another. Confirmed are:

1. **O'Neill's in Nob Hill** for Cool Nights (predominantly cool colors) in July and Hot Days (predominantly hot colors) in August. Maximum two pieces no larger than 30". Call for Entry enclosed. Call for entry for the July show is attached and on the website. Please provide Sue Pine with the following information as soon as possible:
Title of Piece; Medium; Dimension; Price; Contact Number (that you want O'Neills to have)
2. **The Unitarian Church** in April, 2016 with the possibility of participating in the Mercado held on Sunday, April 10. Details to follow. Eliza Schmid will coordinate.



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"Empty Nest" by Joan Fenicle went to a new home during Placitas Studio Tour.

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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News can be added at any time on the website.