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April 2020 Newsletter

Rainbow Artists Monthly Meeting Sunday, April 19, 2-4 pm Cancelled (as was our March meeting) OFFCenter Community Arts 808 Park Ave SE

As we all work under the new rules of "social distancing", we can only hope that by May we might be able to see each other's smiling faces again. In the meantime, keep working on your Rainbow Colors projects. See below:

This is a collaborative project based on the book by Katherine Bold called *True Colors*. No rules. Each artist selects one color. No boundaries. A color journal will be made with black, white and all the colors in between using our imaginations with just a single color scheme. Each artist contributes a mono-chromatic journal page (12 x 12) to be inserted in a provided pocket protector—in her chosen palette. The finished work can be a page of various techniques and mediums including stamping, painting, sketching, fabric art, metalwork, transfers and layered texturing -- a wide spectrum of artistry and skill.

We are hoping the remarkable artwork of this project can be part of the Rainbow anniversary presentation. The artists are encouraged to share their story about themselves and their contribution and their inspiration behind the colorful page by writing a response and inserting it on the reverse side.

The following are colors selected by members Joan Brown, Suzanne turquoise, Ginger red, Denise blue, Mary pink, Nova red, Janine blue, Sue green, Kyrie purple, Jade blue, Angela green, Martha blue, Roberta black, Eliza red. Hopefully, when we meet next, we can start to see some awesome 12 x 12 artistic representations!

A reminder: United Way has help available for rent, utilities and food. Also, senior centers will deliver a meal for free. Contact the one nearest you.

Carol Adamec is hard at work

Since Christmas, I have been working 6-8 hours a day, almost every day, painting new work for a solo exhibit "In a Japanese Garden" that was scheduled for the month of April at L.Ross Gallery in Memphis, TN. Last week the show was cancelled, hopefully postponed until later this year, or rescheduled for next Spring. I am feeling part disappointment; and part relief to not have a 1,000 mile drive from Albuquerque to Memphis ahead of me and being away from home during this turbulent, unpredictable time.

Here's a sneak preview of one of my new paintings for the show.



"Kimono Swing 2", oil on stretched canvas, 36" x 48"

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Rainbow Activities

As we shelter in place, artists often retreat into their studios and kitchens where they find peace and inspiration. What have some Rainbow's been doing.

For Janine Wilson, structure is helpful. She paints in the morning, naps after lunch and works on other projects the rest of the day. She was a photographer before she was a painter so she has about 400 slides and photos to scan. Figures it'll be done in two months! She has also started a Corona Art Journal. We look forward to seeing some of the images from her journal.

Leslie Kryder's boyfriend sat for a portrait. She is feeling like it's a step forward. See it on the next page.

Linsay Locke shares that she's grateful for the contacts. Each morning she walks or practices yoga. Baking bread. and the garden keep her busy too. The studio needs cleaning and rearranging; hopefully making art soon. Zooming with friends is a fun activity. For her brain she's pulled out a French CD and old lessons. For mental and emotional health she strongly suggests avoiding binging on news. (Wow, I'm tired just reading all she is doing!)

Nova Denise is staying busy with spring cleaning of sheds, garage and of course indoors. This is such an awareness to us all that our earth is our responsibility and we need to be better stewards. Cleaning out sheds makes her aware of all the stuff that someday will be "ART" - sure some will be turned into art but the rest will be in the landfill. She thanks everyone for their friendship; stay safe.

Linda Allison is challenging those of us who sew, to start making face masks. There is just great need all over the country. They won't have the same standards as the masks they use at hospital, but maybe it would help and certainly keep us busy.

Suzanne Visor reported on a trip to the grocery store that was such an ordeal it left her beat so she made comfort food, a soft boiled egg just like "Mommy" used to make. Then sat with her face in the sun and petted kitty Zoey. She is thinking of all of you. Let's make some art now!

Carol Sullivan wants to start planting some veggies and flowers. She is busy reading" happy" history like about the gulag, WW I, and the Middle East today.

Grace Collins has been getting out her crayons and Van Gogh book and studying the way he painted portraits. She reads books and has been binging on PBS Passport. She reminds us that exercise is important.

Marian Berg is still working as a nurse, so she hasn't had much time off. She has been able to paint though and is tackling a never-ending pile of unfinished paintings. Stay safe, healthy and happy.

ILona Halderman does art work in the morning, then takes a nap, then tackles some housework or cooking. The routine is helpful.

Denise Gordon has been working on her "blue" piece for the Rainbow Colors album. Her contribution, a house she used to own in Boothbay, is on page 3.

Hilary Heyl reports that life hasn't changed much for her except more phone sessions for therapy and more meditation rather than school based work. She is feeling gratitude for having art in her life at this time. She and her husband are also readying their small farm for spring.

Martha Heard forwards information about the Wells Park Documentary which previews Friday night April 3 from 6 to 8 p.m. on Comcast 16 or One Albuquerque Media Gov TV, A great way to pass Friday night and learn more about your city and her neighborhood.

Joan Fenicle reports that she has been spending hours painting, something she could not do for long periods of time while caring for her late husband. Feeling rusty at first, It's a welcome respite from the business of the non-profits she works with and the never-ending stream of bad news. Sample on the back cover. Her May show at Wild Hearts Gallery has been postponed ...

Jade Herrera shares a thought for in-home exercise—try PBS. Ttoday she did yoga.....plans to do it twice a day



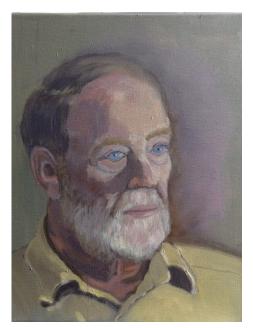


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Some Rainbow images





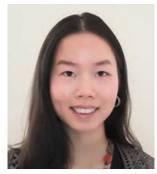
Denise Gordon's "blue" piece for Rainbow Colors above.

Leslie Kryder's portrait of her boyfriend at left.

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Meet Kyrie Rose Osborne



New member Kyrie Rose Osborne was born in Vietnam and grew up in New Mexico. She is an avid student of art, architecture and design as well as the structures, light and shadows found in nature. Her art is informed by prints

and calligraphy from her Asian heritage as well as the surrealists Hilma Af Klint, Joan Miro, and Salvador Dali.

Kyrie's mostly black-and-white ink drawings uniquely combine free-form curves, fluid movement, playful patterns, organic growth and surprising connections. She determines the final orientation of each drawing as it reveals itself to her upon completion.







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"Leaving La Bajada after the Rain" Joan Fenicle

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 deadline is the 1st of each month.



"Jack Rabbit" Carol Sullivan