



RAINBOW ARTISTS

a WOMEN'S COLLECTIVE IN NEW MEXICO

ESTABLISHED JANUARY 1990

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November 2014 Newsletter

**November meeting: November 17, 2014,
6:30 pm OFFCenter Community Arts
808 Park Avenue SW.**

The November 17 Meeting will be devoted to making dolls for the Earth Spirit exhibition at OFFCenter in March 2015, a continuation of a previous doll making workshop in August.



Apronistas will bring some wood, bark, seeds, rafia, fabric bits etc, and members are encouraged to bring their own gathered materials from the bosque or mountains. Flat stones, shells, rusted pieces, cord, thread and more will be needed.

October's Meeting Notes

13 Rainbow artists and one guest attended. Carol Adamec, treasurer, reported that our funds are getting low, but a useful idea to remedy the situation developed during the meeting.

The Apronista group, (eight women, most of whom are Rainbow members) invited the Rainbow Artists to participate in an exhibit, "Earth Spirit Dolls" which has been accepted for March, 2015 at the OFFCenter Art Space. We decided this show will be a fundraiser for Rainbow. All members present voted yes to the invitation and we had an enjoyable meeting discussing possibilities for this fun and playful group show.

"The Earth Spirit Dolls came to life at an Apronista Art Retreat in the NM mountains. We created small evocative female figures from nature's art materials, referencing ancient protective "pocket" dolls. The figures seemed to breathe and awaken to offer wisdom and healing. We dedicate our dolls to honoring, healing and safeguarding women and the earth. We invite the Rainbow Artists to join us in creating earth spirit dolls for a March Exhibit highlighting International Women's Month." ... the Apronistas.

Thora Guinn: 1916-2014

Long-time artist, founding member of Rainbow Artists, activist and friend Thora Guinn passed from this earth peacefully at home Tuesday afternoon, November 4, at the age of 98. She will be remembered for her strength and passion which guided her throughout her long and productive life.

Comments from fellow Rainbow Artists include "a great redwood has fallen"; "Thora has touched my life on many levels. She will continue to be an inspiration for me."



We have no word at this time about a memorial service. We will share memories of Thora at our November 17th meeting.

This exhibit will not have an artist entry fee and OFFCenter is waiving their exhibit fee for the space. In exchange for the Center's fee, we agreed to conduct a doll making workshop in March at OFFCenter and also to help hang their April show which will be a spin off from the Earth Spirit Dolls but will include other art forms made from nature's raw supplies. OFFCenter's April exhibit will honor the Earth for Earth Day month. Details for the Earth Spirit Doll exhibit appear on page 2.

Eliza Schmid joined the Publicity Committee with Jackie, Marian and Teej. Thank you, Eliza.

Winona Fetherolf conducted a collage workshop which provided an opportunity for us to relax and imagine and dream. She brought colorful papers and materials and the Rainbow artists excitedly completed a collection of interesting, expressive collages. Thanks to Winona for allowing us to just "go for it." We had a great time.

December is the month of our **HOLIDAY PARTY**, no meeting. Think of a small piece of your own work to exchange as a gift to another Rainbow Artist. Date and location to be announced.



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ARTportunities

Women of Many Colors:

This art show is open to women around the globe!

Women of Many Colors

Liz Long Gallery at Urban Art Retreat

1957 S. Spaulding Ave. Chicago, IL. 60623

Send images of your actual art you would like included!

sophiebella@sbcglobal.net

Size limitation is 32" in all directions. Please check out the guidelines on our website

www.urbanartretreat.com on how to submit your art.

FREE to be included!

Jan. 23- all entries final by this date

Jan. 30- all art in gallery by this date

Feb. 14 (1-4) Art show opening reception

March 21- last day of show closes at 4p.m.

March 23-27...art is returned on these days!

New Mexico Art League Call for Entry:

Holiday Small Works Show and Sale sponsored and curated by The New Mexico Art League Exhibition Committee.

This exhibition is open to all artists living and working in New Mexico. The show will feature prints, drawings and paintings. The Art League will retain 30% of sales to help support their community and workshop programs.

Entry deadline November 29. Show runs December 4-27.

For more information, go to www.newmexicoartleague.org

NMSU University Art Gallery accepting proposals

The NMSU University Art Gallery invites proposals for solo, group and curated exhibitions, open to all media including ceramics, glass, sculpture, painting, drawing, print-making, new media, video, performance, sound and installation. Proposals will be accepted for exhibitions which fill the full gallery space or which are created for specific sections of the gallery. Submission deadline December 20, 2014.

For more information go to:

<http://uag.nmsu.edu/exhibition-proposal>



List your artist profile for free at <http://www.abqtodo.com>

ARTdates

November 17, 2014: The November meeting program will be devoted to making Earth Spirit Dolls for the March 2015 exhibit.

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.

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From Winona Fetherolf's collage workshop at the October Rainbow meeting.





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ARTvictories

Barbara Endicott received a NM Art League award in the “Face the Music” exhibition for her drawing “Night Jazz”.

Eliza Schmid had two egg tempera paintings juried into “Ensenada” at the African American Performing Arts Center.

Janine Wilson has two pieces in the Holiday Small Works show at the NM Art League and two paintings in the Wednesday Abstract Group exhibition at La Mesa Presbyterian Church (Dec. 3-Jan. 7).

Dee Sanchez will be at Weems International Artfest November 14-16 at EXPO New Mexico. Check out her booth.

Grace Collins sold a painting at St. John’s Cathedral Church.

Pea Garvanian had her solar art lamps at La Montanita Westside’s 1st Birthday Celebration on October 25. She will also be at Hope Christian School on November 15th.

Nova Denise has two pieces in OFFCenter’s “Out of Your Gourd” exhibit which will be up until November 26th.

Martha Heard will be giving a talk on November 21 at a meeting in Alicante on a woman’s life during the repression in Spain “I Was Without Speech”. Her mother committed suicide while her father was in prison where shortly afterwards he was killed. She will also present her book *Salir de Silencio: Voces de Cáliz 1900-1938*. (The aforementioned woman was the inspiration for the book’s title although this story was not included because it happened in 1940.)

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Promote your art for FREE

As of this month, only 21 of 39 Rainbow members are taking advantage of this great opportunity for exposure and promotion—that means 18 of you do not have a page on our site. Over the last month our website has enjoyed 1,903 unique visitors and 4,132 page views.

We would also love to share your Facebook posts on Rainbow’s Facebook site, but many of you protect your posts from being “shared” so we cannot.



“Enchanted” Nova Denise



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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.veyrichgallery.com

Marion Berg and Pea Garvanian—SE-OC Right Brain Gallery, 3100 Menaul NE
www.se-oc-rightbraingallery.com

Joan Fenicle—Arte de Placitas, 221 State Highway 165, Placitas - 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 deadline is the 1st of each month.
Submit your news to joanf41@gmail.com.
News can be added at any time on the website.



Thora was best known for the social commentary in her art.