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October 2015 Newsletter

Monthly Meeting: Monday, October 19, 2015, 6:30 pm OFFCenter Community Arts 808 Park Avenue SW

Guest speaker Nancy Brady is an artist with a BFA and MA in Art Education who teaches Art Education at UNM.

She also coordinates group trips to Morocco and will talk about her next trip which will focus on arts and spending time with Amazigh women cooking, doing embroidery and seeing what they make with recycled materials.

Since ancient times, Morocco has been a strategic crossroads of trade, with Spain to the north, the Atlantic Ocean to the west, Algeria to the east and the Saharan desert to the south. This trade has inspired scholars, merchants, craftspeople, agriculturalists, musicians, story tellers and poets, who have kept their identity for thousands of years.



ARTdates

Monday, November 16: Monthly Meeting: Program TBA.

October 21: Day of the Dead Altar at South Broadway Cultural Center. Rainbow artists are putting up an altar at SBCC this year. Our theme will be our beloved Thora Guinn. If you have good photos of her or small paintings by her, we would appreciate your contributions which of course will be returned to you. Augustin Romero has asked that we set up the beginnings of an altar on October 21st. If you have a card table or other possible set up items, you can either bring them to the meeting on October 19th, or on October 21st to SBCC. We will begin our set up at 3:30 p.m. on the 21st and then finish another day which will be determined at the meeting on the 19th. We would also be looking for appropriate fabrics – scarves, table cloths – and appropriate Day of the Dead items as well as mementos of Thora.

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Notes from September 20 Meeting

Treasurer's Report: Current balance in checking account \$1,619.44; expenses since August: \$16.08 for newsletter copies, \$25 contribution to OFFCenter.

Rainbow Artists will participate in a show at the St. Michael's Church (601 Montano) in Jan-Feb. 2016 with entries accepted on Jan. 13. Title of the show: "Windows to the World" and all work must show a window in some form. Grace, Martha and Carol will hang the show and it will run about a month There is no entry fee for this show.

Our proposal to Open Space for a show called Bosque Rhythms was not accepted. Martha is submitting our proposal on the same theme again for an exhibit at SBCC in the Main Gallery. If you have a work which is appropriate for this theme, would you please send a pdf to marthaelizheard@gmail.com.

The Rainbow mission statement should be reviewed on the website and rewritten.

Rainbow Artists will create an altar for the Day of the Dead at the South Broadway Cultural Center. One of our members should coordinate this project. We agreed to bring pieces for the altar to our meeting October 18, preferably personal memoirs of our deceased member Thora Quinn to whom the altar will be dedicated.

Our art show at the Tortuga Gallery in June 2016 will be organized by Eliza M. Schmid. We have to decide whether we will have invitations printed by a commercial print shop or by Denise Weaver, one of the artists at the Tortuga Gallery. She usually charges \$150.- for 1000 invitations.

Our upcoming show at the Unitarian Church in April 2016 will be coordinated by Eliza M. Schmid who is a Board member there.

Ginger said that the OFFCenter has lost some funding. It was suggested to increase our monthly contribution to \$50 month instead of the present \$25. Individual members are also encouraged to donate or to buy raffle tickets

It was decided that we will have an arts how at the Center for Peace and Justice in Jan-Feb. 2016. This show will be organized by Eliza M. Schmid. Rainbow artists who wish to exhibit will bring their art to the Center on Wednesday, Jan. 6. Since the exhibition space is small there, only some 15 paintings can be shown. Carol Adamec is willing to print the labels if we send her our titles before the hanging of the art. We may decide to have a reception there, but it is not necessary.

Ginger showed us a film "We are Animals of Language" about the N.Y. artist Leslie Dill. She produces sculptures from bronze or wire which are connected to the poems of Emily Dickinson. Is was an usually inspiring and beautiful film. Thank you, Ginger!

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. a wongn's collective in New Mexico

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ARTvictories

Breeze Wise sold her mixed media assemblage piece, "Catnip Dreams" to a person who saw it at the O'Neill's exhibit. She also sold an altered tin piece, "Gaia's Daughter", at a social event.

Janine Wilson has a painting in the New Mexico Watercolor Society exhibition at New Mexico Expo from October 4-25. Thursday - Sunday from 10-4.

Eliza Schmid has several, small, egg tempera paintings in the show at St. Mark's Episcopal Church. She also has two paintings at the Johnson's of Madrid. Her show at the Factory on 5th, main gallery, will continue throughout October 2015. Eight of her paintings were accepted by the NM Cancer Center (uplifting paintings with lots of balloons).

The Apronista Collective, A group largely from Rainbow, had a very successful booth at OFF-Center's Folk Art Fair. What fun was had! The group raised money, too, for their project to celebrate Women's History Month and Women & Creativity in March of 2016. They pooled work each had on hand as well as pieces made especially for the day - aprons, ceramics, small bags, some printmaking, and even iris corms. See pictures on back panel.

Dee Sanchez has a solo exhibition "PAINTING THE NORTH - Landscapes from Taos and Beyond" at Sumner and Dene Gallery in downtown Albuquerque on Friday, November 6, 2015.

Artists Reception from 5-8pm with food, refreshments, and music by Mezcla Latina. Dee will exhibition more than 50 oil paintings depicting subjects from her day trips all over New Mexico.

To see all paintings: www.paintingthenorth.com Blog: www.deesanchezpaints.com

ARTportunities

New Mexico Art League call for art:

Limited Edition Prints of All Kinds
Deadline for entries: December 12, 2015
All original printmaking mediums are acceptable: lithographs, etchings, mono prints, aquatints, woodblock prints, serigraphs, etc.

The Small Works Holiday Show and Sale Deadline for entries: October 24, 2015. This show is open to all artists working in the media of painting, drawing, printmaking, photography

and mixed media.

Information: newmexcoartleague.wildapricot.org

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 pgleftovers@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". Get Pea any 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.



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Here are Ginger Quinn and Nova DeNise in the We ART the People booth. Photo by Caroline LeBlanc.



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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