



RAINBOW ARTISTS

a WOMEN'S COLLECTIVE IN NEW MEXICO

ESTABLISHED JANUARY 1990

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September 2016 Newsletter

Monthly Program:

Exhibit Preparation and discussion

Monday, September 19, 2016, 6:30 pm

OFFCenter Community Arts

808 Park Avenue SW

Nova will bring materials to mount the children's artwork in preparation for "Through the Eyes of a Child".

There will also be a report on the vote for changing (or not changing) Rainbow Artists' name.

A volunteer is needed to facilitate Rainbow meetings October through December, 2016. The facilitator runs the meeting, takes notes and arranges for a program. Often there is no December meeting with a party instead—so you may only be asked to arrange for two programs.

ARTportunities

Mindful Meditation and Writing Retreats:

Mitra Bishop Roshi and Caroline LeBlanc will be offering these day long retreats beginning June 25, 2016 through January, 2017. Contact Caroline for details: wildernessheart@msn.com

SAFE House, the sole domestic violence shelter in Bernalillo County and the largest shelter in New Mexico and 3rd largest in the country is seeking artists interested in painting a birdhouse to be auctioned off to raise money for the shelter. They supply the birdhouse. The 8th Annual Birdhouse Fundraiser is Nov. 6. Contact Jennifer Mangum, 242-3633 or jmangum@safehousenm.org.

Small Works Holiday Show: A wonderful, fun show to celebrate the season! This small works show is open to all NM artists working in the media of painting, drawing, printmaking, photography or mixed media. Exhibit: December 3 through January 7, 2017
Entry Deadline: October 14, 2016
Prospectus at newmexicoartleague.org.

ARTdates

Rainbow Artists at St. Marks: "Through the Eyes of a Child" has been set for October.

Grace Collins is the exhibition coordinator—504-6726. Exhibition Agreement online and enclosed. Artwork is to be delivered Friday, September 30, between 10am and noon. A list of entries must be provided at least one week prior to delivery date—see agreement for details.

September 24 is the next day of **Mindfulness**: Please RSVP by September 20. Caroline LeBlanc at dayofmindfulnessabq@outlook.com.

New member Leslie Kryder is looking for a used palette suitable for use with acrylic paint. Should have a tight fitting lid. If you have one you would like to sell for a reasonable price, please contact her. 575 405 1966, leslieunm@gmail.com

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Facilitator needed October-December 2016



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Rainbow August 15 Meeting Notes

In attendance were Janine Wilson, Breeze Wise, Lonni Ann Fredman, Grace Collins, Linda Faust, Elizabeth Runyon, Suzanne Visor, Pat Young, Judith Kidd, Jackie Hertel, Winona Fetherolf, Nova Denise, Marian Berg, and Carol Adamec.

Treasurer's Report: Balance in the Rainbow checking account, as of August 15, is \$1,325.56.

New member Linda Faust volunteered to help out with Rainbow's social media and website efforts.

Name Change Discussion:

- Members shared their thoughts about changing the name of the Rainbow organization, in particular the responses they have received about the word "Rainbow" and its current connotations. Several members reported on conversations they had with members of the Albuquerque art community about the name change.
- Although opinions and reasoning both for and against the Rainbow name change varied greatly, there was a consensus among the members that the name should express and embrace diversity to appeal to all women interested in creating art.
- The current Mission Statement was also given some scrutiny, with suggested rewording to better reflect the intentions of our group.
- After a lengthy discussion, it was decided that, before proceeding with renaming the group, a vote be taken to determine if a majority of Rainbow members even want to pursue a name change.

Judith Kidd volunteered to prepare a summary of the various points discussed at tonight's meeting that will be sent to all current members. Members are encouraged to email their comments to Judith (judkidd@msn.com)

for inclusion in the summary. The summary will be disseminated to the members who are asked to cast their vote on the issue of whether or not to change the name of Rainbow Artists. (PS-an email was subsequently sent out and we have now heard from 24 members out of 37. Please vote yes (change) or no (don't change) by Sept. 16.) Results will be announced at the September meeting.

New Exhibit Proposed: Out of tonight's discussion arose the desire for an exhibit entitled, "What does Rainbow mean to you?" to solicit the community response to idea of diversity. Lonni Ann Fredman, Judith Kidd, and Marian Berg will head up a committee to organize the exhibit. A Call for Entries will be extended to the Albuquerque community, as well as the Rainbow Artists, once arrangements have been made.



Marian Berg: Birds over the Bosque

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 Janine Wilson at janineabq@gmail.com and she will "build" your personal art page. She also welcomes periodic changes to your page.



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ARTvictories

Eliza Schmid: the NM Art League accepted one of her landscape paintings (egg tempera) for their show Sept. 6- Oct. 8 at the Art League on 3409 Juan Tabo NE. The reception will be on Sept 10, 5-7pm.

Nova Denise had two pieces of her art accepted into the Fine Art's Gallery at the New Mexico State Fair.

Lorrie Bortner has a painting called Deer Tree in the group show at the Taos Visitors Center The show runs through October 30.

Marian Berg recently attended a workshop in Portland and learned the ancient method of applying vitreous paints on glass. This involves different brush and subtractive stippling techniques along with multiple kiln firings to achieve depth and dimension in the final glass painting. (Image below)



Gloria Hajduk is having a one-person art exhibit titled "Serious Fun". The artwork consists of recycled and conventional materials brought together to create social statements and chuckles. Location: O'Niell's Irish Pub Restaurant 3301 Juan Tabo NE Albuquerque, just north of Candelaria Ample Parking. O'Niell's will host a reception for the artist on Monday, September 12, 2016 7-9pm with complementary hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. Art will be on display during the entire month of September 2016.

www.facebook.com/gloria.hajduk.html .

Dee Sanchez has been selected as the poster artist for the 2016 Corrales Harvest Festival. She is part of a group of 20 plein air artists painting Corrales during twice weekly paint outs for the next nine weeks. These artists will be exhibiting their finished paintings at the festival. Visit www.artistspaintcorrales.com.

Thank you

The support from my Rainbow family (yes, you are family) at both the opening reception at Framing Concepts Gallery and the Local Treasures awards ceremony is deeply appreciated. It is a reminder what Rainbow is about— supporting each other in our struggles, our art and our successes.
Joan Fenicle ...





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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.
News can be added at any time on the web.



La Cueva Blue—Joan Fenicle