



RAINBOW ARTISTS

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## May 2025 Newsletter

**Rainbow Artists Annual Picnic**  
**Tuesday, May 20, 12:30 pm**  
**Tiguex Park, 1800 Mountain Rd. NW**  
**(across from Albuquerque Museum)**

We will be near the main path under a shade tree. Bring a lunch and a chair as we catch up on each other's art journeys and plan upcoming programs. Free parking is normally available along 18th Street.

### Frame Sale

**May 23-24**— Ready-made frame sale—all frame sizes will be \$40-\$80. Sale runs Friday from 12-5 and Saturday from 10-5. **Slash Sale**-All remaining frames will be reduced to \$30 on Saturday from 3-5pm. [Weems Gallery and Framing 5935 Wyoming](#)

### Welcome new members: Fran Krukar and Wann Zhou

After graduating from the University of New Mexico with an art degree and spending years as a potter, Fran Krukar became a watercolorist. Her watercolors have been accepted into international, national and local juried exhibits. Her paintings have won awards including Best of Show at a New Mexico Watercolor exhibit. She shows her work at Yucca Gallery and local art and craft fairs. See her images on [Facebook](#).

Wanni was born in Nanjing, China and has lived in rural Canada and the US Midwest. She found her home in Albuquerque in 2017. She enjoyed making art as a child and in her teens, only rekindling her connection to this form of creativity in 2023. She works in both traditional and digital mediums, and her artwork explores her connections to nature, dreams, and ancestry. Find her work on [Instagram](#).

## ARTportunities

**New Mexico Art League**  
*Outside of the Box*

July 17—August 23

New or evolving artistic perspectives using any two-dimensional medium and incorporating imagery and/or words.

Submission Deadline May 31

Apply [here](#)

**Placitas Community Library**  
*Assemblage*

June 14—July 17

Assemblage...a multidimensional piece of art combining found objects or materials

Submissions accepted March 14—May 13

Submission form [here](#)

**Weems Gallery and Framing**  
*Embracing our Muses*

June 6—30

A multimedia exhibition of 2D and 3D work—a celebration of the many inspirations that encourage creativity. Each entry must include a description of what inspired you.

Submission deadline May 5

Entry form [here](#)

**City of Albuquerque** has a call for artists for a **Juneteenth Exhibition** with a deadline of June 2, 2025



Visit with the artists during the reception, or stop by the Gallery any time between **June 1 - 26** to see their art.

**Hoffmantown Shopping Center**  
8210 Menaul Blvd NE  
Albuquerque, NM 87110  
(505) 292-9333

**HOURS:**  
Tuesday - Saturday  
11 am - 4 pm

    
thegalleryABQ.com  
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### Rainbow Artists

Reception: Friday, June 6, 2025 5 - 8 pm

 <small>Color Me Leafy Watercolor by Janine Wilson</small>	 <small>Open Space Oil by Marian Berg</small>	 <small>Mountain Dreams Oil by Jackie Hertel</small>
 <small>Wings to Fly Watercolor by Grace Collins</small>	 <small>Tree Acrylic by Angela Storch</small>	 <small>Bloom Multi-Media by Leslie Kryder</small>



## ARTspiration

**Janine Wilson** has three paintings in the *Creatures Great and Small* exhibition at St. John's Gallery until July 29. She also has two paintings in the New Mexico Watercolor Society's spring show from May 3-24 at the Hispanic Arts Building at Expo NM. (Image page 3). Janine also has three paintings in the Small Works show at The Gallery ABQ until May 28.

**Genie Gray** and **Sylvia Domney** sold paintings at Daily Grind.

**Lannie Alexander** sold a painting at Horizon Bagels.

**Linda Allison** sold a painting at the Rebirth show at the Cathedral of St. John's Gallery.

**Joan Fenicle** is featured artist at Wild Hearts Gallery in Placitas April 29—May 25; reception on Saturday, May 17, 1-3 pm. *In Praise of Clouds* has ten oil paintings (eight of them new). Journal article [here](#). Virtual tour of the show and gallery [here](#). Image page 3.

**Genie Gray** was busy creating crocheted abjerias for St. John's Summer show *Creatures Great and Small*. (Image at right) She will have a watercolor titled *Kingfisher* in the Gallery ABQ show. She also currently has two watercolors at St. Michael's Episcopal Church, *Hornos* and *San Francisco de Asis*, and had three paintings at Horizon Bagels, *Succulent Salad*, *Blue Bunny*, and *Reminiscing*. (*Kingfisher* on page 3)

**Hue Walker Bumgarner-Kirby** is posting near-daily lighthearted cartoons on her Substack page.

**Leslie Kryder** recently completed a 4ft by 6ft panel, a “symbolic” painting, for her church. She sold *Robins Drinking* at the RGAA Weems Gallery show.

**Marian Berg** has been recovering from recent knee surgery, but just finished a "mini-mural" for Tina's birthday which will be in their yard (image page 3). She has a couple of other mural projects waiting to be done when she's completely mobile. She will also be attending an eight week professional development workshop for artists that's being held at the NHCC.

## Rainbow Business

**Bank Balance:** \$2,215.15

**Facilitators** for future meetings: Facilitators serve for three months and are responsible for acquiring or leading the program, leading the meeting and getting the information to Facebook and newsletter editors. Need volunteers for remainder of 2025

**Committee Vacancy:** Compiling artist list and handling intake of art.

Rainbow's proposal to City Hall was rejected.

### Future Shows:

1. June—The Gallery ABQ—Summertime  
Call for Entry Attached and on website
2. St. Michael's Gallery—Landscape

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## 2025 Membership Fees Due

Dues are only \$20 annually and entitle you to participate in exhibitions and show your work on Rainbow's website. If you wish to join or renew your membership, make check payable to Rainbow Artists and mail with your personal information to:

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12812 Bryce Court NE  
Albuquerque, NM 87112

Scholarships are available.



Genie Gray's delightful abjerias



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You can text photos for **Facebook**  
to Janine at 505-200-1638.

## 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.



Marian Berg, *Springtime Mini-Mural*



Genie Gray, *Kingfisher*



Janine Wilson, *Entangled Pear*



Joan Fenicle, *Bosque Visitor*