

Citrus Ridge Decorative Artists

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Society of Decorative Painters

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Kathryn Crane-Thielen



President's Message

We had a wonderful meeting in June with a relaxing red, white & blue class taught by Michelle. I was doing really good until my doll head fell over into her own paint and got a black eye. Thanks Michelle for a fun class. We had our business meeting and you can see from the minutes we covered a lot and voted on several key issues. As I reported from the SDP conference, we voted to allow student members to join SDP for a reduced rate so now they can join our chapter. If you know any budding artists from 9th grade up that are full time students bring them to the next meeting and see if there's an interest in our chapter.

Coming up we have Pam Thomas in July and our own Vicki Alley in August so plan to be there. Hope you have a wonderful, restful and safe summer.

Happy painting!
Suzi

Don't forget your Name tag each meeting!

LaMoyne Meek
Membership chair



General Meeting Minutes for June

The June 22, 2013 meeting of the Citrus Ridge Decorative Artists was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by President, Suzi Mills. Eleven members were present, creating a quorum.

Secretary - The meeting minutes for the March General Meeting were published in the April newsletter. Motion to approve by Barbara Layton, seconded by Margie Pollard, approved by vote of the members present.

Treasurer - Treasurer's report as published in the June newsletter was approved.

Special Committees - Nominating Committee. Andi Scott and Kathryn Crane-Thielen are currently on this committee. It was discussed that adding a third member would be desirable. The third member will be sought.

October is National Decorative Painting Month - It was unknown for sure if Kathryn had reserved the cabinets at the Winter Haven Library. (Afterwards it was learned that yes, she did reserve the upright cabinets inside the library itself.) Vicki Alley discussed possibly having some simple make it/take its set up in the foyer outside the library on one of the days. We could also have some informational brochures, etc. This will give the library patrons an idea of what we do and possibly obtain interest in our chapter.

Fund Raiser - Possibly a "high tea" with tiny sandwiches, scones, mismatched teacups, etc. Vicki Alley made a motion to "take a year off" with no major fund-raiser in 2014. Barbara Layton seconded the motion and it was approved by vote of the members present.

A motion was made by Margie Pollard, and seconded, to make a painted quilt for the fund-raiser in 2015. The membership approved the motion. Deanna Spence, LaMoyné Meek, and Mary Francis will head up the Quilt Fund-Raiser Committee.

Future Seminars:

Debra Welty is planned for January, 2014. She works mostly on fabric but also with canvas and oil, as well. Her palette fee is \$3.00. No travel fees involved as she will already be in Florida. Check out her website: www.koalatvart.com to get an idea of what she has available.

Mark Polomchak - He is a watercolor artist. His fee is \$55 per day per student with a minimum of 18 people. He will be looked at as a possible seminar for 2014. Michelle Mueller made a motion to book him for November 2014 if he is available. The motion was seconded and it was approved by vote of the members present.

Vicki Alley made a motion to offer him as a one-day free seminar to current 2014 CRDA members. Carol Brown seconded the motion and it was approved by vote of the members present.

Sherry Nelson will be booked and **Janelle Johnson** will be considered for an upcoming seminar.

Reciprocate Announcements:

Any upcoming announcements for CRDA events that we wish to publicize, should be sent to Deanna Spence, Newsletter Editor for Osceola Decorative Artists. Any upcoming announcements that ODA wishes to have publicized should be sent to Kathryn Crane-Thielen, Newsletter Editor for Citrus Ridge Decorative Artists.

Projection System:

Vicki Alley showed a description of a projection system under consideration for purchase by our chapter. It is very portable and uses a 50 inch screen. The system also includes a microphone. Several members will be instructed to its use so that if one person is not in attendance at a class or seminar, another will know how to use it.

A motion was made by Carol Brown to purchase the projection system, similar to that used by Susan Scheewe Brown. Estimated cost is \$1500. The motion was seconded by Mary Francis and approved by vote of the members present. Deanna Spence will handle the actual purchase.

General Meeting Minutes for June Con't

Upcoming Monthly Programs:

July is Pam Thomas presenting a watercolor type card program.

August is Vicki Alley presenting a Ros Stallcup design on a garden sign that has two surfaces. Cost will be \$25 (\$20 for the sign and \$5 for the class.)

September is Julie Polderdyke presenting an autumn veggie design

October - is open, but we will be asking Kate Dowd to do one of her projects.

November is Bonnie Rand who will present a textured rose.

Old business:

Still need to put together a brochure about our chapter.

New business:

Student Membership - To further the newly voted-in Student Membership category of SDP, it was discussed soliciting student members for CRDA. A motion was made, seconded, and approved, to charge a \$5 membership to our chapter to any full-time high school student and up. Parameters will be decided should the subject come up later.

Other: Ways and Means has several painting books that have been offered for sale but are still unsold. ODA's Ways and Means also has a pile of books that have aged. It was decided that the two chapters will trade the books, thus giving each membership something new to consider for purchase. Mary Francis will handle the transitioning.

Show and Tell:

Several beautiful items were shown by Deanna Spence, Barbara Layton, Michelle Mueller, Suzi Mills, and Mary Francis.

Facebook Page:

We have a Facebook Page for members to post bits of interest. Open to other painters, as well.

Chapter Meeting Times:

It was agreed to start all meetings at 10:00 a.m. unless otherwise announced. Seminars will start at 9:00 a.m.

Barbara Layton made the motion, seconded by LaMoyne Meek, and approved by vote of members present to adjourn the meeting at 11:00 a.m. Shortly after, the program, a Patriotic Design on a plant poke, was presented by Michelle Mueller.

Mary Francis, Secretary

Community Opportunity

This is a great opportunity for our CRDA members to do a community project together. A local school near Pepperidge Farm is desperately in need for help. Pepperidge Farm employees are gathering school supplies for the students.

I offered to paint a mural through the CRDA members and it was a terrific response for, "YES". We will keep you posted.



Hello My Fellow Chapter Members,

What an experience going to Conference was for me this time. When I went to registration they handed me a little sign that said Candidate and I wore on my name badge. Then starting on Tuesday I was passing out lights that you wore on your finger with a note attached that said Brighten our Future with TONI HOFFER Board- Member- at- Large. I ended up passing out 150 of those rings before the election.

On Wednesday was the annual meeting where voting for officers takes place. I had to sit up front with the other candidates. There were six of us running for Board-Member-at-Large and there were only 2 positions available. As I sat there, with the other candidates, they were reading their speeches they had prepared and making corrections. I did not have a prepared speech. I don't normally have a problem talking in front of a large group of people...except...when I got up on the stage to speak the first thing I saw were the two women holding up cards with the time on them. I only had two minutes to speak and the time unnerved me. But, I proceeded to talk and my focus was on a whole group we have not targeted...the handicap. And I proceeded to tell my story about being diagnosed with MS and how belonging to a chapter and SDP brought me out of my depression and gave me something to look forward to each day. I also brought up how we can help these people afford to be a member and that is with a program that I call Pennies for Painters. At each chapter meeting a container goes around to all the chapter members to just put their change in. And then when a member needs help with paying for a program or chapter dues then there is help for them, The President handles all of this and it is anonymous. That was my speech. Now came the waiting time.

They did not have the results by the end of the meeting. I had to wait until around 5:p.m. and I walked down to the registration area. There on a board were all the candidates pictures and across my picture was ELECTED!!!! Yikes....Now what????? I received a white ribbon that I wore to show members I was elected. Every one was very gracious and said they voted for me after hearing my speech.

I was supposed to attend a new Board member meeting on Saturday but I was flying out on Saturday. So they met with me on Friday and had me sign papers and I gave them information for my business cards.

I flew out on Saturday still saying to myself what have I done. There are many responsibilities as a Board member. I receive about 20 emails a day and there is a special forum board that I have to go to, to vote as a Board member. But, I find it VERY exciting and I'm glad the members afforded me this opportunity. I am learning as I go along and everyone on the Board has been very nice to this "newbie"

I will work hard. My first Board meeting by Skype was 4 hours long. But being on the other side has been very interesting and I know I still have a lot to learn.

Thank you for voting for me and I'm very proud to represent the state of Florida.

toni hoffer

Board-Member at Large

TREASURER'S REPORT - JUNE 2013

Check Book Balance 5/31/13: **\$10,086.76**

	<u>MAY</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>BUDGET BALANCE</u>
INCOME:			
Membership Dues	\$0.00	\$280.00	\$420.00
Programs & Seminars	\$25.00	\$4,295.00	(\$795.00)
Ways & Means			
Regular Raffle	\$35.00	\$274.00	\$226.00
Special Raffle	\$39.00	\$39.00	\$61.00
Basket Luncheon	\$0.00	\$3,683.50	(\$183.50)
Miscellaneous	\$0.00	\$35.00	\$15.00
Total Income	\$99.00	\$8,606.50	

EXPENSES:

Administration			
Checks & Bank Fees	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$20.00
Meeting Room Rent	\$50.00	\$270.00	\$330.00
Supplies	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$60.00
SDP Annual Fee	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$40.00
SDP Insurance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$65.00
Installation of Officers	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$30.00
Convention Expenses	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
Hospitality	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
Membership	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$75.00
Miscellaneous	\$1,466.28	\$1,490.27	(\$210.27)
Newsletter	\$0.00	\$18.94	\$31.06
Philanthropic	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
Programs & Seminars	\$472.75	\$4,851.36	(\$1,351.36)
Publicity/Website	\$0.00	\$180.00	\$400.00
Sunshine	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
Ways & Means			
Regular Raffle	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$20.00
Special Raffle	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10.00
Basket Luncheon	\$0.00	\$1,103.40	\$396.60
Total Expenses	\$1,989.03	\$8,413.97	

Check Book Balance 6/30/13: \$8,196.73

Seminar Projects

Seminar 2013 Projects		
July 27	Pam Thomas	Watercolor type project on cardstock
Aug 24	Vicki Alley	Ros Stallcup's design "Pumpkins for Sale" Acrylic Garden sign
Sept 28	Julie Polderdyke	Acrylic Pumpkins and veggies in a bowl
Oct 26	Kate Dowd	Colored pencil on shrink plastic
Nov 23	Bonnie Rand	Textured rose
Dec 21	Christmas dinner	TBA

Message from Michelle -Seminar Chair

I hope everyone had fun with the Patriotic Plant Poke. They all were great!

July - Pam Thomas is coming with her greeting card project. Really cute. You need to bring the following supplies:

3/8" angle brush, 1/2" angle brush, #4 round brush, Ultra fine point Sharpie permanent pen (black) or any other ultra fine point pen that is permanent, tracing paper, graphite paper, regular acrylic supplies. She is supplying paint, photos, instructions, patterns, watercolor paper and blank greeting cards. Cost is \$5.00

August program by Vicki Alley. Please let me OR Vicki know if you want the yard sign. Make your \$20 check for the sign to Vicki Alley. Either mail it to her or give it to me at the July program. Class fee will be \$5.00

September program by Julie Polderdyke. If you want a cut out from Tom, please let me know and I will get the price. Otherwise, she said it can be painted on anything we want. Enlarge the pattern, stretch out the design, etc. She said "Be creative". We will have the patterns in August so the pattern can be applied and base coated BEFORE the September program. Class will be \$20.00. If you just want the pattern and aren't coming to the class it's \$7.00.

2014 Programs - Debra Welty in January for two and one half days. We will need to select the designs. Check out koalatyart.com to see her designs.

Mark Polomchak in November. **Sherry Nelson** will get back to us about her schedule for next year.

If there is something or someone you want for a program, just let Suzi, Vicki or me know and we will work on it. Michelle

Seminar Projects Continued



July Program taught by Pam Thomas

Supply list for July's Project:

3/8" angle brush

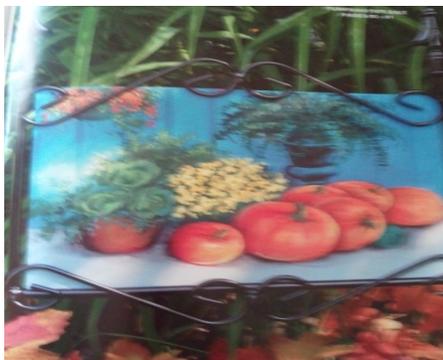
1/2" angle brush

4 round

Ultrafine point Sharpie or other fine permanent black pen

Tracing paper, graphite, regular painting supplies.

Pam will supply the paints, photos, patterns, watercolor paper and blank greeting cards. \$5.00



August Program taught by Vicki Alley—A Ros Stallcup design

This garden sign project could be the beginning of several fun projects. Since the sign has two sides, someone could teach another project on the other side and we can always purchase more boards for a minimal fee and have more projects!! \$5.00 for the class.

The cost is \$20.00 for supplies, which includes the lawn sign with two insert boards, shipping and Vicki basecoating ahead of time.

Vicki's Supply List for August Project

Here's a list of brushes and paints you will need (or colors similar) and I will be bringing colors as well:

I will be base coating the boards ahead of time using the ocean blue, black green and slate grey

BRUSHES NEEDED:

3/8" angle shader
10/0 fan brush
3/4 foliage brush
#2 round brush
#8 filbert brush
1/2" angle shader

DECOART COLORS:

Cad Yellow
Lemon Yellow
Cad Orange
Brandy Wine
Avocado
Olive Green
Evergreen
Dioxazine Purple
Soft Black
Blue Mist
Tangelo
Bright Orange
Ocean Blue
Glazing Medium
Slate Grey

Ladies: I won't be at the meeting in July, but Michelle will let me know who has paid for the garden signs so I can place the order while I am on vacation. I want to have enough time to have the shipment sent to me and time to base coat the boards ahead of time. Please make your checks payable to me personally since I will be ordering the signs myself.

But if you want to paint it on the surface of your choice, that is absolutely okay with me too! The surface should be about 10 X 10.

Also, I will place an order for any needed brushes. Please let Michelle know what brushes you will need and I will place an order.

Vicki



We need Treasure Boxes

Bring in your Show and Tell art work, each meeting

Seminar Projects Continued

September Program - Julie Polderdyke

Surface of your choice as long as it has a flat painting area of 11 ½ inches in diameter and you should have it by August since we will be base coating the design prior to the program.

Let Michelle know if you want a cutout design.



More info on October Project in August's Newsletter



Ways and Means

Thank you Deanna for your wonderful W&M donation!

Remember fall is fast approaching and we *all* will be contributing to the table.

Painters, please dig through your painting closets, cupboards, book stashes and donate to this table. It is a rent fund for us.

Kathryn



Painting Tips Corner

Kathryn purchased this great reference color chart, it is rectangular rather than a circle and she finds it an easier reference.

It is like using a legend on a road map

Hobby Lobby \$13.99

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



July Birthdays

Deanna Spence — 10

Somehow in working the June newsletter, I deleted the Birthday painters by mistake, my apologies.

So happy *belated* Birthday to:

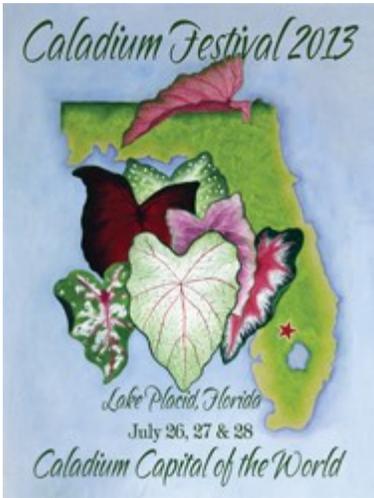
Deb Aubib—7

June Schneider—29



Post-It

The Caladium Festival is July 26, 27, and 28, 2013 in Lake Placid, Florida.. Caladium Capitol of the World... voted " America's most Interesting Town" by Reader's Digest in 2012.



www.lpfla.com/caladium.htm

Judy Nicewicz displays her art work in the Art Show



Kathryn's pineapple crop!

I planted one pineapple top and look, 4 have come over 2 years.

I planted butterfly flowers & a dozen of caterpillars evolved eating the plant away, then they all disappeared. Did the birds eat them? Suggestions please?

Upcoming Events in Other Florida Chapters



Florida Suncoast Decorative Artists (Tampa)

July 20 Nancy Kirkpatrick—watercolor *Dancer in Red Dress*

July 9—Pat Lentine at Ann Roberts Studio color pencil

October 19— Trash Chic

Gulf to Bay Decorative Artists (Sarasota) <http://gbdafl.org/>

July & August (July 27th) Project Merry Christmas By Marianne Flynn

March 15, 2014 TRASHIQUE, BASKET, and BOUTIQUE Luncheon

Please check their web sit for each month's project. Meets the 1st Sat. of every month

Heart of Pinellas Decorative Artists (HPDA) <http://www.hpdafl.com/>

July - Enamel Paint Snowman Plate taught by Sherrie Colgain

August - Fabric Pen/Ink taught by Ruth Johnson

September - Ceramic Mug taught by Kathy Kelley

October - Silk Painting - taught by Michelle Shroyer

November – OPEN

December - Christmas Party

Nature Coast Decorative Artists <http://www.naturecoastdecorativeartists.com/>

Seminar October 5th and 6th Melissa Miller Nece Water Colored Pencil Seminar

June 29 Pat Otto will teach us to mix a full palette from 3 oil paint colors and we will complete an 8x10 floral painting.

July 6We are having a Birthday Party Picnic and a special demo along with a Chinese Auction.

August 3... Pat Otto is teaching an acrylic titled *Doggy Tales*.

August 31..Carole Sheftic is teaching a watercolor of a Light House.

September 7... Fall Program and special workshop

October 5 & 6 Seminar with Melissa Miller Nece / water colored Pencils'

November 2 Hazel Dickson will be teaching.

December 7 ..Our Christmas Party

Ocala Decorative Artists <http://www.ocaladecartists.com/>

Seminars Jamie Mills-Price Seminar Saturday and Sunday November 2 and 3, 2013

July 27th, 2013 Pat Scribner will teach oil on Canvas.

August We will be getting ready for our Basket Luncheon so this workshop will be set aside for you to help us with centerpieces/favors etc.

September Basket Luncheon

October Bev Brockschmidt will do a fabric project (chose either a dog or a cat) or even both on a white fabric surface of your choice.

November Sonja Bernier will teach us one of her cute Christmas projects

December Christmas Party

Manatee Haven Decorative Artists (MHDA) www.manateehavendecorativeartists.org

July 13, 2013 Dani will be teaching the Woodland Santa

August 10, 2013 Pat Otto will be teaching a Safari shirt painting

September 14th Bea will be teaching a nautical scene on a barrel stave or surface of your choice.

October 12th Carole S. will be teaching a watercolor of her family's covered bridge.

November 9th Lynda and Bea will teach us how to "Tangle"

December 15th Christmas Party

Thank you Suzi Mills
for this fun recipe!



Key Lime Pie Squares in a Mason Jar

Crust

2 cups finely crushed gingersnap cookies

3 TBS salted butter, softened

Filling

4 oz. cream cheese, softened

4 large egg yolks

14-oz can of sweetened condensed milk (not fat free)

1/2 cup key lime juice

2 tsp. lime zest (about one lime)

Start by pre-heating the oven to 350 degrees and greasing bottoms of mason jars.

To make the crust, I started with the gingersnaps and butter. I zapped the butter in the microwave for 5 second intervals until softened ..

Then I crushed the gingersnaps until they were finely crushed. You could use a food processor, but I don't have one. So I just put them in a Ziploc bag and beat them with a rolling pin ...

I mixed the gingersnap crumbs with the softened butter by hand, and pressed into the bottoms of the mason jars,. using the back of an ice cream scoop to press down in place. I baked the crust for 8-10 minutes in the oven.

I started with the cream cheese first. Then added in egg yolks one at a time. Once mixed, I added the condensed milk, lime juice, and lime zest until combined. My final step was adding a bit of green coloring with the addition of some food coloring ...And then I poured it on top of the ginger snap crust and baked at 350 for 15-18 minutes ...I refrigerated them for a few hours before the party

Sunshine State Decorative Artists 2014 RETREAT

I've Got the

Painting



March 27-30, 2014

 www.ssdaflorida.com

Teachers: Submission of photos for projects must be in by **June 30, 2013**

Send teacher project submissions with form available on site to
Carole Sheftic - 3959 W Scooter Ln, Dunnellon, FL 34433 or csheftic@bellsouth.net

Send class registration to
Carole Sheftic - 3959 W Scooter Ln, Dunnellon, FL 34433 or csheftic@bellsouth.net

Send membership dues, board and room registration to
Erica Danke - 7138 Chatum Light Run, Bradenton, FL 34212 or ericadanke@aol.com

For more information or questions contact:
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Due to multiple computer crashes our name data base is unavailable. There is a contact us page on the website. Please enter in your name, address, phone and email if you want to be sent info updates. The old site will be up for another month or so if you want to see last year's projects and get a flavor of the event.

Make plans to join us for this fun and educational get-away. Make new friends and spend time hanging out with the friends you made last time. We have raffles, gift exchanges, goodie bags and other shopping opportunities. The rooms are clean, comfortable and the food is great.

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Scharff Brushes

50% off

Chapter Fund Raiser

Ok, so this is how it works. When you buy your brushes from Scharff, you are purchasing them at a reduced rate of 50% off retail prices. Our Chapter earns a 10% profit on each order. Now how great is that!!! Your orders will be individually wrapped with an additional 50 cents added for shipping.

There's no better time than now to get the brushes you need and want and earn your Chapter a few extra dollars at the same time. There is no other way our members can get these brushes at **half price** AND get them shipped!

QUALITY CUSTOM WOOD CUTTING FOR THE DECORATIVE ARTIST DISCOUNT PRICES FOR CHAPTER MEMBERS

I can custom cut any wood item for you from any pattern.

If you don't have a pattern, but have an idea, let me know and I can make it for you. All items can be made from solid Pine, Baltic Birch plywood or Ultra Light MDF board. Any size 1/8" to 1-1/2". Every wood item is free from knots and any defects.*

Finished - Sanded - Ready to Paint or Stain

**Ultra Light MDF board is my recommendation because it has an ultra smooth surface, no knots or wood grain, does not warp, sands easily if needed and is less expensive than wood.*

For more information please contact Tom Mingolello

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