



Citrus Ridge Decorative Artists

An Affiliated Chapter of Society of Decorative Painters
www.citrusridge.org



President's Message

By Barbara Fowler

2017 already! May all of you have a year full of blessings and painting projects that are used to bless many! This is my first month as the chapter's president and I'm looking forward to serving you and encouraging all.

We want to be sure to say thank-you to our previous officers that have served faithfully. Kathryn, you are way up north, enjoying the cold weather, but we know your heart is there with family and friends. We wish you the very best! Let us hear from you soon! :)

Looking at our calendar for this year thus far is full of great events to come. This month our own Andrea Scott will be teaching and showing us a beautiful swan project done with colored pencils. This is designed and created by Andrea and it is called "Behind the Curtain." Being from Lakeland, she has appreciated the beauty of the swans there as well. A must see if you visit the city.

We have accomplished much in the past. Our mission statement has been fulfilled and we will continue to endeavor in the same vein: "CRDA's purpose is to teach, inspire, and share the creativity of decorative arts." Let our artful attempts be to touch the souls that take it in and enjoy the beauty. From one soul's depth to another--art is a vital part of living.

Look at our calendar of events coming up. There may be some changes and additions. See you Jan. 28 to be surrounded by the feathers of a lovely swan!

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OUR MISSION

CRDA's purpose is to teach, inspire, and share the creativity of decorative arts.

NEXT MEETING INFORMATION

Where?	Cypress Gardens Mobile Home & RV Park 1951 Lake Daisy Road Winter Haven 33884
When?	January 28, 2017
What time?	9:00 AM

Program Notes from Stephanie

We have a great year planned out!!

I do still need teachers for the afternoon projects in July, August, September, and October. Please let me know what month you would like to teach.

We need to get our payments in for the Mark Menendez seminar. Please get them to me as soon as possible as I do have to order the paints and the pencils.

Feb 25th is a water color of "Koi Fish Pond". I will bring the original that I painted to the Jan. meeting. It really is a fun piece to paint. I will furnish most of the supplies needed to complete the painting. The charge will be \$30.00 per student.

2017 Project Calendar

January 28	Andie Scott "Behind the Curtain", Colored Pencil
February 25	Stephanie Pooler "Koi Fish Pond", Watercolor
March 11	Re-purpose Luncheon
March 25-26	Mark Menendez "Golden Iris", Oil (Saturday) "The Cardinal", Colored Pencil (Sunday)
April 22	Table decorations for SDP Conference
May 27	Our charity painting
June 24	Vicki Alley
July 22	TBA
August 26	TBA
September 23	TBA
October 28	TBA
November 11	Bobbie Campbell
December	Christmas Party

2017 Board Members**President**

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We received the following thank you note following the Polk History Center's Festival of Wreaths:

Dear Friends;

We were pleased and honored to have your participation in our Festival of Wreaths at the Polk County History Center this year. Thank you for supporting the History Center with your collection of unique and professionally designed wreaths.

The CRDA wreaths generated a lot of discussion and admiration by our visitors and bidders raised over \$200 for History Center programming. One happy bidder bought the Swedish dala wreath as a keepsake for her one year old grandson.

We are grateful for your interest and support, and look forward to including you again next year. Best wishes for a safe and happy holiday season and a prosperous new year.

Kind regards,

Myrtice Young, Historic Preservation Manager

We're on the Web!

Visit us at:

www.citrusridge.org

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DECORATIVEPAINTERS.ORG

SAVE THE DATE
JOIN US NEXT YEAR AT THE **45th Annual**
Society of Decorative Painters
International Conference & Expo
May 17-20, 2017
Oceans of Color
Ocean Center Daytona Beach | Daytona, Florida

The Conference Special is now available and class registration is open! Go to decorativepainters.org to view or download a copy of the class schedule NOW!

Ways & Means News

By Vicki Alley

Wings Over Florida Quilt:

Remember ladies, if you know of somewhere where the quilt can be displayed, please let me know.

And when you are ready for more raffle tickets to sell, let me know. This could be a real big fundraiser for us, but we **ALL** need to support this fundraising opportunity.

Weather permitting, it will be on display at the Citrus Festival, scheduled to be held in Frostproof on Saturday, February 18th.

I plan to have a booth there and will have it on display with tickets to sell. Have you looked in your area to see what is going on and where it can be on display??

We will be bringing it with us to the SDP conference in Daytona Beach and our chapter will be sharing a table with the Gulf to Bay chapter at the chapter's marketplace. We will work out a schedule so whoever is going from the two chapters can share in the duties of manning the booth for a couple of hours.

Ways and Means Table:

As you go through all your painting supplies, take a look at what you are not using. Is it worth even keeping?? If it is and if it's been sitting around for a while, chances are, you will probably never do anything with it. Perhaps someone else in the chapter could do something with it. We can either put it on the Ways and Means table, or I can give it to someone to work their magic on it and bring it back for the table.

Do you have some painting books or pattern packets you will probably never use? Or you have used them and won't be using them again? Bring them in for the Ways and Means table.

And don't forget your birthday surprise for the table. Your birthday only comes once a year, bring something special, painting related and gift wrapped, for the Ways and Means table.



Treasurer's Report – November

By Suzi Mills

Check Book Balance AS OF 11/30/2016 \$ 936.19

INCOME:		YEAR TO DATE	BUDGET BALANCE
Membership Dues	\$ 140.00	\$ 595.00	
Programs & Seminars		\$ 1,436.00	
Ways & Means		\$ 722.00	
Fundraiser luncheon/quilt	\$ 130.00	\$ 130.00	
Scholarship Fund			
Miscellaneous			
Total Income	\$ 270.00	\$ 2,883.00	

EXPENSES:		YEAR TO DATE	BUDGET BALANCE
Administration			
Checks & Bank Fees		\$ 53.95	\$ (33.95)
Meeting Room Rent	\$ 25.00	\$ 496.00	\$ 592.50
Supplies			\$ 20.00
SDP Annual Fee	\$ 37.90	\$ 37.90	\$ 2.10
SDP Insurance	\$ 66.00	\$ 66.00	\$ 4.00
Installation of Officers		\$ 46.66	\$ 23.34
Convention Expenses		\$ 500.00	\$ -
Hospitality			
			\$ 50.00
Membership			
			\$ 100.00
Miscellaneous			
		\$ 286.87	\$ 885.13
Newsletter			
			\$ 100.00
Philanthropic			
	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 50.00
Programs & Seminars			
		\$ 4,130.39	\$ (941.39)
Publicity/Website			
		\$ 360.00	\$ 40.00
Scholarship Fund			
Sunshine			
		\$ 18.14	\$ 6.86
Ways & Means			
Raffles, etc.			\$ 20.00
2017 Fundraiser		\$ 1,152.60	\$ 871.18
Total Expenses	\$ 228.90	\$ 7,248.51	

Check Book Balance As Of 12/31/2016 \$ 977.29

Good morning from sunny, cold Nova Scotia!

Paul and I made it to Halifax after a long 4 day drive through the northern states and 2 provinces in Canada. The drive was uneventful other than bad fog in Pennsylvania mountains and snow in the mountains in Maine coming into Canada. Immigration was a breeze but tedious and they did not even look inside our car at all; Paul laughed saying he could have brought all the guns he wanted. I guess we look and act unsuspecting.

We lost one of our cats on the journey in North Carolina while packing the car in the morning. She was a lively one who always wanted to see the great outdoors, well she got it and we had to leave her to make tracks for north. We hope a dear soul will give her a nice home if she is found..

I forgot how long it takes to get ready just to go outdoors, no slipping on the flip flops any more; it takes a half hour to add layers and boots for a dog walk. Speaking of which, Mitch loves the long, walks we have daily. He is rather non plussed about the snow and the cold bothered him the first few days but he now has a nice warm coat that we purchased for him to walk in.

I love the weather, cold, crisp with the crunch of snow under my boots. Paul shoveled for 2 hours yesterday and came in stating, he did not sweat a drop or had to drink a gallon of Gatorade but he needed a long nap after all his work.

We will start house hunting soon and plan to go to the South Shore which is by the sea and very beautiful. Lots of tourists in the summer, so maybe I will find a place to sell my painting wares.

All my painting supplies are still on the moving van which will arrived tomorrow to unload at our storage; I can't wait to get my hands on them. I have been tangling in the mean time. I hope to go to the SDP conference but I just hope the funds are available. The costs are considerably more expensive here.

The main reason for us coming here was to be near my boys and grandchildren so we had dinner on January 1 to start 2017 off to a good frame of mind.

So my southern, Florida friends, best wishes for 2017.

Love
Kathryn

Keep me posted on what is going on in your world.



Christmas Party Photos



Citrus Ridge Decorative Artists

January 28, 2017

"Behind the Curtain"

Designed and Taught by Andie Scott



This was inspired by the City of Lakeland, Florida where our mascot is the swan. We are lucky enough to have swans all over town in many of our lakes that were started when Queen Elizabeth of England donated a pair to the city. We have both White Mute swans, and Black Australian swans. We often see baby swans and other water birds riding on their parent's backs to hide. This little cygnet is hiding on his dad's back in a flurry of feathers, just peeking out 'behind the curtains'.

Supplies Needed: Mi-Teintes paper # Sand, 9x12
 Prismacolor Premier Colored Pencils: Colorless Blender, White, Eggshell, Black,
 90% French Grey, Light Umber, Skyblue, Prismacolor Verithin Black
 Eraser
 Pencil sharpener
 Paper towels
 Odorless Thinner*provided in class
 #6 Filbert acrylic paint brush
 Yellow Canary tracing paper, or velum
 Dark grey graphite paper

JANUARY PROGRAM SIGN-UP

Name: _____ E-mail: _____

Class Fee: _____ \$15.00 - Chapter Member
 _____ \$20.00 - Guest

Complete this form and send with class fee payment (make checks payable to CRDA) to:

Stephanie Pooler, 120 Beck Street, Winter Haven, FL 33884

Citrus Ridge Decorative Artists

February 25, 2017

“Koi Fish Pond”

Taught by Stephanie Pooler



Supplies Needed: Standard Watercolor Supplies: Transfer paper, Brushes, Water Basin, etc.
Large Bath Towel (an old one that you don't mind getting paint on)

FEBRUARY PROGRAM SIGN-UP

Name: _____ E-mail: _____

Class Fee: ___ \$30.00 - Chapter Member
 ___ \$35.00 - Guest

Complete this form and send with class fee payment (make checks payable to CRDA) to:

Stephanie Pooler, 120 Beck Street, Winter Haven, FL 33884

Citrus Ridge Decorative Artists

MARCH 25-26, 2017

Seminar with Mark Menendez



Saturday, March 25, 2017

“Golden Iris”, Oil --- \$75.00

Includes: Canvas
Paint & Solvent
Pattern

Please bring oil brushes and regular Oil painting supplies.



Sunday, March 26, 2017

“The Cardinal”, Colored Pencil --- \$75.00

Includes: Paper
Colored Pencils
Pattern

Please bring pencil sharpener, eraser, and Regular colored pencil supplies.

MARCH SEMINAR SIGN-UP

Name: _____ E-mail: _____

Class Fee: _____ \$75.00 - “Golden Iris”, Saturday, March 25
_____ \$75.00 - “The Cardinal”, Sunday, March 26
_____ \$140.00 - Both Projects

Complete this form and send with class fee payment (make checks payable to CRDA) to:

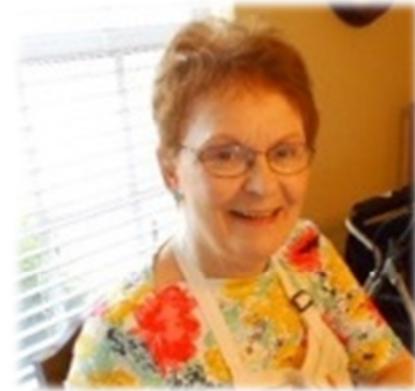
Stephanie Pooler, 120 Beck Street, Winter Haven, FL 33884

Seminar Location: Cypress Gardens Mobile Home and RV Park 1951 Lake Daisy Road, Winter Haven, FL 33884

CRDA Member Profiles

Judi Arntz

- Year-round resident of Haines City
- SDP member since 1978
- CRDA member since 2013
- Other chapter memberships: Osceola Decorative Artists
- Favorite subject to paint: Anything!
- Favorite painting medium: Likes them all!
- Other hobbies: Quilting, sewing, scrapbooking
- Some interesting facts about Judi:
 - She was born and raised in Ohio
 - Ohio State Fan!!



Lynda Jeskey

- Year-round resident of Avon Park
- Goes north for the summer, but no home up there
- SDP member since 2012
- CRDA member since 2012
- Favorite subject to paint: Flowers
- Favorite painting medium: Oils, some acrylics
- Other hobbies: Quilting, machine embroidery, golf, travel



Stephanie Pooler

- Year-round resident of Winter Haven
- SDP member since 1992
- CRDA member since 2014
- Other chapter memberships: Osceola Decorative Artists, Sea Strokes (Maine)
- Favorite subject to paint: Flowers, birds, still life
- Favorite painting medium: Acrylic, watercolor
- Other hobbies: Quilting, cooking, playing cards, dominoes, making jams & jellies
- Some interesting facts about Stephanie:
 - Stephanie belongs to Garden Grove Church where she is very active. She does a mission trip each year to El Salvador where she helps teach the women to hand sew.
 - She has 6 grandchildren – 5 girls and 1 boy – ranging in age from newborn to 18 years.



Member Profile Questionnaire

Please complete the following questions so that brief bios of our members can be included in our newsletter in the coming months.

Name: _____

Address: _____

____ Year-round Resident

____ Snowbird from _____

SDP Member since: _____

CRDA Member since: _____

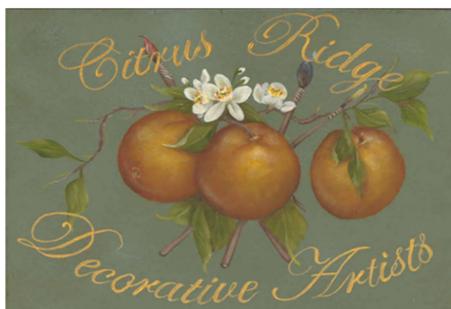
Other Chapter Memberships: _____

Favorite Painting Medium(s): _____

Favorite Subject(s) to Paint: _____

Hobbies (besides painting): _____

Other interesting facts about yourself: _____



2017 Membership / Membership Renewal Form

Please print:

First name: _____ Last name: _____

Address: _____

Snowbird address: _____

Home phone # _____ Cell # _____

E-mail address: _____

SDP Membership Number: (Required) _____

How many years have you painted? _____

Birth date: Month _____ Day _____

Skill level: Teacher ___ Home studio ___ Business studio ___ Distributor ___

Your preferred medium: Oil Acrylic Colored Pencil Watercolor

How are you able to work and help our chapter grow?

___ Setup and breakdown at meeting

___ Teach a project

___ Prepare food or clean up food

___ Assist a teacher

___ Paint for the Ways & Means

CRDA dues are \$20.00 to be paid when joining or renewed before the start of the new year.
(\$50.00 must also be paid to the Society of Decorative Painters)

Checks for chapter dues are made out to CRDA

Mail to: Barbara Layton
149 Club Villas Lane
Kissimmee, Fl. 34744

Membership paid: _____ Membership packet issued: _____

SDP Confirmed: _____ Roster updated: _____