



# *The Wickenburg Art Club*

## **ARTIFACTS**

**August 1, 2017**

### **Random Thoughts from Fred**

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The summer is slipping past; we are getting tired of triple digits on the thermometer with the A/C blasting at full throttle. Oh yes, that is why we chose to live here in the desert. Enough said.

We hope you all have had a productive and safe summer wherever you chose to spend it. We are approaching another busy time of the year when all the travels are completed and the winter residents return to Wickenburg.

The Wickenburg Art Club has had another very busy summer. Your Board of Directors has met twice each month and the Wickenburg Art Center has had steady use. Open Studio on Tuesday and Saturday has been very well attended. The Clay Group was re-organized through the efforts of Jackie Raatz and Doug Crammer. It is now a requirement of anyone interested in working in Clay to attend the Orientation Class. This class will acquaint the interested parties with the safety procedures and general rules that everyone is expected to follow. There is no fee for this orientation class. A beginners' class in Clay has been developed and one group of four has completed the six-class schedule. The second class of four people is half way through the schedule. The third class will be starting in August. When a large enough contingent of Clay people is developed, it will operate much like the Photography Group with a chair person and separate meetings.

You will find as you read this newsletter the Board has developed a new set of by-laws for operation of the Wickenburg Art Club. This document has been in the revision stage for at least four years. Please review this document and be ready to discuss this in the September General Meeting. We will be asking for a vote on the new by-laws by the membership during the October General Meeting.

West of Center is starting on July 28 with the kick-off reception from 5 -7 p.m. at the Cultural Learning Center of the DCWM. Pierre Prouty and Gabrielle Moate have been working very hard with the Desert Caballeros Western Museum folks to make this a fantastic event.

We look forward to another great year. Hurry back, we look forward to seeing you!

***Fred Fleck, President***

***Your club is in need of your help.**  
We **need** the following vacancies to be filled:*

**Treasurer**

*Volunteer should be familiar with basic accounting and Quick Books*

**Hospitality Co-Chair**

*Volunteer would work with Patti Knowlton*

**Volunteer Coordinator**

*Volunteer would organize the volunteers needed for each event during the year.*

**Sunshine**

*Volunteer would send out birthday cards, get well cards, etc.*

## West of Center Opening Night!

West of Center 2017 Opening Night was a rousing success on Friday, July 28, 2017 at the Desert Caballeros Western Museum. The Cultural Crossroads Learning Center was beautifully arranged with artwork from selected members, grouped by artist. The exhibition was so crowded that it was hard to get around to see everything. Sales generated were excellent for the opening night! The entire evening was perfect, with special thanks going to **Pierre Prouty** and **Gabrielle Moate** for the fine job they did planning this exciting exhibit. Thanks also to **Shirley Bartell** as hostess for the evening. Among dignitaries in attendance was Mayor Everett Sickles, enjoying the show. The wonderful support from the DCWM was hugely appreciated by all involved!

The show continues for three full months to October 29<sup>th</sup>, with demonstrations done each Saturday by members of the Wickenburg Art Club, between the hours of 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. **John Heckman** demonstrated pastels on July 29, followed by **Arija Powell** doing clay on August 5, and **Stephen Fitzgerald** carving wood on August 12. Check the museum's calendar for all demonstrating artists. ***Congratulations to all involved!***

*Find Donna Drake's photos of the evening soon on the website – [www.wickenburgartclub.org](http://www.wickenburgartclub.org)*

### Saturday Demonstration Schedule continued:

August 19 Karen Douglass – Acrylic  
September 2 Marian Koegele – Oil  
September 16 Open  
September 30 Open  
October 14 Nancy Hill – Watercolor  
October 28 Stan Strange – Photography

August 26 Stephen Fitzgerald – Woodcarving  
September 9 Danielle Selby – Gourds  
September 23 Susan Moehring – Pastel  
October 7 Karen Douglass – Jewelry  
October 21 Michelle Schuck – Oil

## Artist of the Month / May



First Place / Alex Villalva



Second Place /Patti Knowlton



Third Place /Dean Gundersen

Although the entries were few in number – four – members appeared to be serious about submitting their votes. Each piece was of a different medium: wood, oil paint, soft pastel, and painted gourd. Alex O. Villalva's gourd with brilliantly colored dragonflies adorning it earned first place honors and is on display at our Wickenburg Art Center. Second place went to Patti Knowlton's oil painting "New Little Sister" and Dean Gundersen's wood carving "American Indian" received third place honors. Our thanks go out to the four artists who opened up new avenues through their art.

Note: WAC will resume the Artwork of the Month competition this fall during our September, October, and November regular meetings. All members – juried or not – may enter one piece of art each month until winning first place. All first place winners (January through November) then vie for "WAC Artist of the Year" during our December Holiday Potluck Dinner. Members enjoy casting votes and artists benefit from a chance to showcase their talents – a win/win experience!

More information can be found at [www.wickenburgartclub.org](http://www.wickenburgartclub.org) or contact Donna Heslip at 623-764-5274.



## WICKENBURG ART CLUB GUIDELINES FOR JURYING

Jurying Chair – Helen Jenson (928) 671-1149

**Categories** These categories were approved by the Board in 2014.  
If you have other media, please contact jurying chairperson.

- **Acrylic**
- **Drawing** Charcoal, Colored Pencil, Scratchboard, Pen/Ink.
- **Jewelry**
- **Mixed Media** Any combination of two (2) or more mediums.
- **Oil**
- **Pastel**
- **Photography** Standard and/or digital.
- **Sculpture** Free standing or wall-hanging three-dimensional art pieces made of clay, wood, metal, stone, glass, paper-mache, gourds or similar materials.
- **Watercolor**

### **Rules for Submitting Art Work** (Current Club Members only)

- Submit three art pieces in the medium of your choice (see category list for direction). Each category must have 3 items specific to that category.
- Art pieces must have been created within the last 3 years.
- No copies or giclees are permitted. All artwork must be originals created by you.
- All hanging artwork must be framed, backed and have wire hangers. (No saw-tooth hangers).
- Artwork must be presented with clean frames, glass and matting with no damage.
- Gallery wrap canvases are allowed when canvas measures at least one inch in width, with sides painted and wired to hang.
- Forms must be completed, including “Hold Harmless Agreement and Statement of Originality.”
- After signing up and completing forms, you will receive a packet of information about the jury date and time by E-mail prior to the date.

### **Judges Evaluation**

- Composition - does artist understand how to create art showing focal point.
- Use of color, technical use of medium, drawing skills, values and texture.
- Originality in design.
- Presentation - Has artists shown art work in complementary frame and matting.

During the judging the room will be closed to everyone except judge and attendant. Judge’s results are kept confidential and will be returned to the artist. Each medium will be judged separately and must have at least two votes of “yes” by the judge to pass. All comments by the judge should be viewed as constructive aids to grow your skills as an artist. If you do not pass, we encourage you to try again by submitting fresh artwork at a future jurying event.

## Artisans' Fair is now on FACEBOOK!

The Wickenburg Art Club now has **three** faces on Facebook! We encourage all our members who use Facebook to go to the new **Artisans' Fair at Gold Rush Days** page and “like” it and ask your vendors, other artisans, friends and family to do the same. The club has a general club page (Wickenburg Art Club) and also a page for the Photography Club (Wickenburg Art Club – Photography Club). All three pages are beautifully maintained and kept current by **Donna Drake**.

## Educational opportunity coming in late September

David Dunlop is a **painter**, a teacher, a lecturer, and the writer and artist on the Emmy Award-winning PBS series **Landscapes Through Time with David Dunlop** and other **DVDs** about painting. He lives and paints in Connecticut and writes about his thoughts of art on his **Art Blog**.

Rick McGill will present a series of videos done by David Dunlop, who teaches art history and perfecting your art. The series will be about famous artists who were involved in the impressionist movement of the late 19<sup>th</sup> century.

Dunlop teaches the history techniques of each artist while painting their subject matter in the location of the painting. After watching this series, which will begin in late September, we will discuss those techniques and how we can incorporate them into our own artistry. This type of painting was called “en plein aire,” which means painting outside. We will partake of this info by painting outdoors at several locations around the area.

Rick will have a sign-up sheet available and dates and times in the September newsletter.

## Everything Else

### **Arizona Art Supply Store – 15% discount offered.**

*Location: 10659 Grand Ave #18 Sun City, AZ 85351 Phone: (623) 974-8200*

The Sun City Arizona Art Supply store is offering all WAC members a 15% discount on all non-sale items! In addition, the Arizona Art Supply Store will send us a \$25.00 certificate each month, to be awarded by a drawing to a member present at each of our general meetings. Store Manager Jocelyne says that she appreciates all the WAC members who come to the Arizona Art Supply store, and all the people up here in Wickenburg who drive down to visit her store. Just show your WAC membership card to get your 15% discount.

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## Check Your Calendar -

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Tuesday year 'round	Open Studio, 9:00a – 2:00p
Wednesday, October - May	Drawing Group, 12:30p – 2:30p,
Wednesday, spring/fall	Youth art class, 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4th Wed. 3:00 – 4:00p
Saturday year 'round	Open Studio, 9:00a – 2:00p

## Regularly Scheduled Meetings -

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First Monday, October – May	Photography Group, 6:30 – 9:00p
Second Monday, September – May	WAC General Meeting 6:00p
First & Third Tuesdays	WAC Board Meeting, 2:30p
Wednesday	Realtors, 8:00 – 8:30a
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday all year	Hassayampa Writers 1:30p

## 2017 Wickenburg Art Club -

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Positions in **red** are vacant. Will you volunteer your time to help?



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