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Nature in Balance

An Introspective Exhibition Showcasing the Calm of the Natural World

SEPTEMBER 9 - OCTOBER 29, 2020



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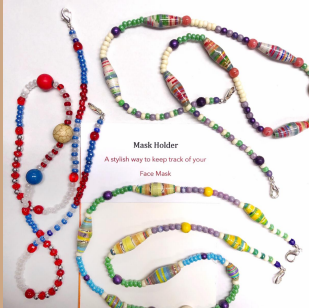
September 2020

Greetings!

Was it really below 70 degrees yesterday morning? Yay! That means that we are almost past another Arizona summer and are ready for Fall!

Well at the Shemer Art Center September also signals the start of our second-to-last class session of the year! This September we are pleased to offer virtual, in-studio AND HYBRID classes for our students, providing something for everyone! After all, the "Earth" without "art" is just "Eh," right?

In addition to classes we have two new exhibitions on display, both of which will soon be available for virtual viewing. The first, **VARIABLE DIMENSIONS**, features both 2D and 3D images and stories by Iraq-native Rafiq Majeed. The second exhibition, **NATURE IN BALANCE**, features the introspective works of 32 Arizona artists, each conveying a calm, zen-like feel that will appeal to all visitors in this time of world disarray! See below for more information about both. The AMAZING news is that we have ALREADY SOLD one item from the NATURE IN BALANCE exhibition, which opened yesterday! So again, we look forward to sharing these new exhibitions with you **TONIGHT at our**



Beaded Necklace Mask Holders by Christine Sandifur

MASK HOLDERS ADD TO GIFT SHOP OFFERINGS!

Beaded mask holders by Christine Sandifur are just one of the many new items in the gift shop at the Shemer Art Center!

Be sure to keep our Gift Shop in mind if you need anything from a greeting card to a hostess gift or a present for a special occasion. The Shemer Art Center is an easy place to shop, with plenty of parking, no crowds, and even personalized notes from our artists to make your gifts truly one-of-a-kind!

For more information about our gift shop or video click [HERE!](#)

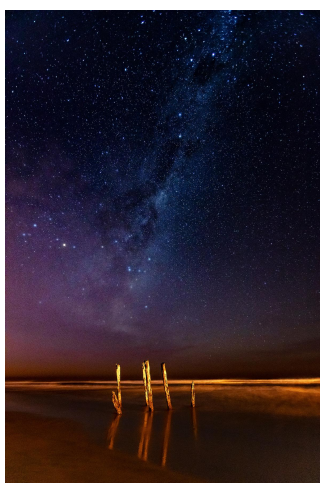
ARTIST CAFÉ

opening reception, and with the members of the public who visit us after. Yes, we are still following our safety code of conduct (masks required, social distancing observed, etc.), as posted in each of our public areas.

We also have new artist works in our gift shop, and we are pleased that our returning students, as well as our new students, are comfortable with our newly organized spaces and our new Keurig coffee maker!

We look forward to seeing you soon!

NOW OPEN! ON DISPLAY THROUGH OCTOBER 29!



"Star Gazing on St. Clair Beach"
by Reed Woodward

NATURE IN BALANCE

An Introspective Exhibition Showcasing the Calm of the Natural World

Now on display:

**SEPTEMBER 9 -
OCTOBER 29, 2020!**

This exhibition, juried by nationally and internationally recognized Arizona artist Julie Gilbert Pollard, features over 62 works of art by 32 Arizona artists in a variety of mediums.

**OPENING RECEPTION: TONIGHT!
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 6-8 pm**

**TO VIEW A LIST OF ALL UPCOMING
EXHIBITIONS CLICK [HERE!](#)**

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

Registrations are now being accepted for these upcoming virtual, in-studio and hybrid classes and in-studio workshops:

[NEW YOUTH CLASS!!](#)



**SEE IT, FEEL IT:
PEOPLE'S
INTUITIVE
REACTIONS TO
FAMOUS ART**
with Dan Hill

October 22, 2020
5:30-7:30pm

Seating is Limited!
To sign up
click [HERE!](#)

**SEPTEMBER
MEMBERSHIPS
NOW DUE!**

**ARE YOU A
MEMBER?**

If you became a member of the Shemer Art Center at anytime before SEPTEMBER 2020, now is a great time to renew your membership and show your support of the Shemer! Click [HERE](#) to choose a membership level. If you are not sure of the timing of your membership, give us a call! We will check for you! Your membership helps us provide visual art education and

New! Teen Wheel-Throwing with Stephen Bonyard, Sat., Oct. 10 - 24, 10 - 1 pm

UPCOMING CLASSES:

New! Oil Basics with Sue Hunter
Tues., Sept. 22 - Oct. 20, 1 - 4 pm

Virtual Class Drawing Basics with Elliott Everson, Tues., Sept. 22 - Oct. 20, 9:30 - 12:30

Virtual Class Colored Pencil Techniques with Elliott Everson, Tues., Sept. 22 - Oct. 20, 1-4 pm

Virtual Class Watercolor Techniques with John Erwin, Tues, Sept. 22 - Oct. 13, 9:30-12:30

Watercolor and Ink with John Erwin
Thurs., Sept. 17 - Oct. 8, 9:30 - 12:30 pm

Watercolor Cards with John Erwin,
Thurs., Sept 17- Oct. 22, 1 - 4 pm

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS:

Glass Enamel Painting: Starry Night with Lauren Toth, Sat., Sept. 19, 10 - 1 pm

Virtual Class Wine & Watercolor with John Erwin, Thurs., Sept., 24, 6 - 8 pm

Whimsical Ceramic Planters with Kimberly Harris, Thurs., Oct 10 & 17, 10 - 2 pm

New! Small Wire Sculptures with Linda Vahrenkamp, Sat., Oct. 17, 10 - 12 pm

For more details about any of our upcoming virtual, in-studio or hybrid classes click [HERE!](#)

**NOW ON DISPLAY
THROUGH OCTOBER 29!**

**VARIABLE
DIMENSIONS**

A Solo Exhibition Featuring
2- and 3-D Images and

programming for the community.

Thank you!

ART IN THE MAKING LECTURE



Self-Portrait, by Peter Paul Rubens, 1623

BAROQUE PAINTING IN FLANDERS & SPAIN

**Thursday, Sept. 17
5:30 - 7:00 p.m.**

The one northern artist to come most directly into contact with the Roman artists, Annibale Carracci and Caravaggio, was Peter Paul Rubens (1577-1640).

Learn how he met Velazquez (1599-1640), the court painter to King Philip IV in Madrid. This lecture will also look at El Greco (1541-1614), known for his elongated figures in cool colors, expressing his intense religious feeling.

PRESENTATION & SLIDE SHOW BY ELEANOR SYPHER, PH.D.



"Woman with Lion"
by Rafiq Majeed

This exhibition features 18 works of art by Baghdad-born artist Rafiq Majeed. As a graduate of the University of Baghdad, Rafiq has worked in a variety of artistic fields such as photography, goldsmithing and painting. His major medium now is painting, in oil, acrylic, ink and mixed media.

He studies ceramics and glass arts at Glendale Community College, and in this exhibition shows how he combines his painting and ceramics skills to make a statement and tell a story!

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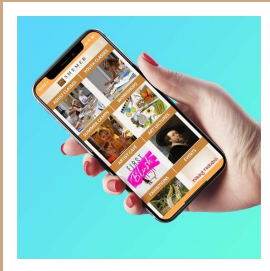
**SHEMER ARIZONA ARTS FESTIVAL
(Outdoor Event)
September 25!**

To see a list of all upcoming artist opportunities click [HERE!](#)

\$10 requested contribution for presentation, snacks and refreshments.

To reserve your seat click [HERE!](#)

SHEMER ART CENTER APP!



Remember, if you haven't already, be sure to add the Shemer Art Center APP to your cell phone! It's only a click away! Go to Google Play or the Apple APP store and search for Shemer Art Center - for easy access to everything "Shemer!"

WITH "MASKED" GRATITUDE!

Just a short note of thanks to all the students who have returned to the Shemer Art Center! We are happy to see that all our efforts since June 1 to ensure the safety of our staff, students and visitors are working, and that by limiting all our classes to six students everyone is able to feel comfortable and get back to creating art!

For those of you who have enjoyed our virtual class sessions please know that these are not going away, and we already have two hybrid classes where students in-studio can interact with online students!

The most important thing is that we are reaching out, interacting, getting back into our routines and safely sharing our art and life experiences! That is what the Shemer Art Center is all about and that is why ART LIVES HERE!

Shonna James, President & Executive Director