

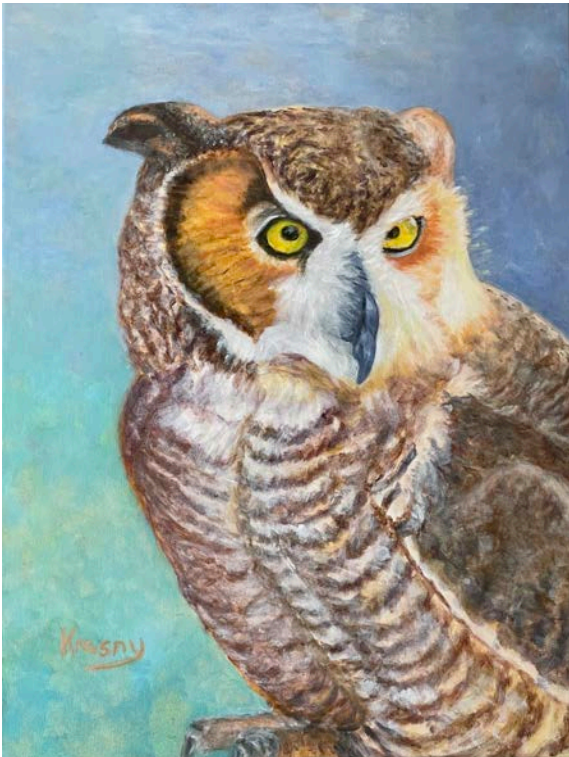


Sea Grape Artists Gallery  
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## Sea Grape Gallery's Artists of Month for April 2023

From April 6 to May 4, 2023, Sea Grape Gallery will be featuring two of their artists, Susan Krasny, oil, acrylic, and mixed media, and Brenda Berdnik, mixed media.

Sue Krasny's paintings are meant to communicate a unique sense of place through the bold use of color and light. While always having a passion for art since childhood, Sue had to put her art "on hold" until retiring to Florida where she pursued her art in depth by taking local workshops and traveling. Sue's travels, both in the United States and abroad, provide the subject matter for most of her paintings. This allows her to mentally re-visit each location and express its special qualities.



Sue's oil paintings are primarily done with palette knife to create texture and layers of color. The acrylic paintings might include playful elements such as luminous paint and surprises of texture. Lastly, her collages represent a blending of paint, handmade paper, shells and other found objects, and are often whimsical in nature.

Brenda Berdnik has always been involved in something art related. When moving to Florida from the Vermont area, Brenda worked mainly creating designs for apparel and textiles using watercolors, colored pencils, and acrylics. Eventually, her interest turned to 3-D and began creating one-of-a-kind jewelry, working in techniques such as Champleve, Kumboo, brass etching, and other enameling applications.



Brenda, a multi-faceted artist, has explored many mediums, including textiles, basket weaving, pottery, metalsmithing, enamels, mosaics, poetry, graphic design, and painting in mediums from miniatures to large works. As Brenda explains, “My palette of material is vast, and my techniques span the ages, which makes my creations a blending of skills from the past combined with the magic of technology.”

Many of Sue’s beautiful paintings and Brenda’s artful creations are prominently on display at the Sea Grape Gallery. In addition, more of their art and the artwork of all Sea Grape artists can be viewed at [www.seagrapegallery.com](http://www.seagrapegallery.com).

Sea Grape Gallery is celebrating their 35-year anniversary this year. Over the years, the Gallery has been awarded the Punta Gorda Chamber of Commerce’s Special Recognition Award and frequently won the Charlotte Sun Newspaper’s Readers’ Choice Award for Best Art Gallery. Come visit the Gallery and its many talented award-winning artists who are on hand to welcome and assist visitors.

Sea Grape Gallery is located at 113 W. Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda and can be reached on 941-575-1718.