

Table Rock Art Guild & Gallery

Bringing Art to the Ozarks since 1980

President's Message

Dear Artists,

I'm happy to announce the top five sellers at the 42nd Festival of Arts!

1. Helen Long
2. Brian Stewart
3. Yvette Ayres
4. Yvonne Thurman
5. Janet Woods

As per custom, the top five are asked to donate a piece of their art for the next year's Festival of Arts Raffle.

The financial health of the Gallery is always a concern to me. The Gallery has the potential to be a financial drain on the Guild therefore should be looked at quarterly. My goal is to make the Gallery self-sustainable.

The first quarter 2022 compared to the same in 2023, the Gallery struggled and was approximately 52% off of the previous year, however the 2nd quarter it has rebounded and we are about 8% off of 2022 Artist payout amounts for both quarters.

Let's keep this trend going! If you want to show in the Gallery, contact Diane Robben. She can help you with necessary guidelines. The more artists we have the more diversity we have that can attract that one customer.

When the Artist sales thrive, our Gallery thrives!
Linda Edge-Dunlap, President

August 2023

Art-A-Facts

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Kimberling City MO 65686

tablerockartgallery.com or facebook.com/TRAG2022/

Next Table Rock Art Guild Meeting Tuesday, August 15, 2023

Social Time - 11:30 am - Bring a sack lunch
Meeting time - Noon
at the

St Andrew Presbyterian Church
30 James River Rd, Kimberling City

Program - Pandora's Box Presentations

Calendar At A Glance

September Artist of the Month Theme - Food
First Saturday Meet & Greet - Darla Earll and Diane Rosenbaum
Field Trip - Golden Museum - Sept 26

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State of the Gallery Report, 6-month review,
Artist Payout*

	2022	2023
Jan-March	\$3,174.00	\$1,519.95 (-52%)
April-June	\$2,084.55	\$3,315.63 (+59%)
Total	\$5,258.55	\$4,835.58 (-8%)

*I used the Artist Payout Amounts because that is where our profits come from. An increase in profits is due to an increase in sales. Artist payouts are 77% of the total sale. Our expenses are fairly constant with Rent, Utilities, Phone/Internet and the occasional supplies that keep the office-end running.

Table Rock Art Guild Membership Minutes - July 18, 2023

President Linda Edge-Dunlap called the meeting to order at 12 noon and reminded everyone to place their votes for the "Promote Missouri" Artist of the Month competition.

Brenda Viveiros gave the sunshine report. She recognized members present with July birthdays. Darlene Rutz's husband will be undergoing brain surgery and our prayers are with them. Brenda and Sharon Clarke attended Jack O'Keefe's funeral service in St. Louis and she spoke of how there was a bagpiper who played "Amazing Grace" at the graveside service. As our opening prayer, Brenda played the song "Let There Be Peace on Earth" which was sung at Jack's service.

Gayle Page presented a program on mixed media. She provided a variety of materials and encouraged members to make their own mixed media pieces of art as she related stories of impactful mixed media art pieces.

President Linda Edge-Dunlap asked for approval of last month's membership minutes which were printed in the July newsletter. Mary Phillip made a motion to approve the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Barbie Williams and the motion passed.

Sandy Fearn gave the Membership report. Five members joined today and we now have a total of 77 active members. Twenty-five members are present today. New members present today are Mary Beth Funk, Retha Clark, Lee Gouret, Kim Briggs and Karen Slings. Members who have recently joined are Debra Vaccaro, Lenore Wengstrom, and Diane Winegar.

Diane Robben reported that nine people attended the Plein Air acrylic workshop held last weekend and were very enthusiastic about what they had learned. Samples of works completed at the workshop were available for viewing. Diane expressed the wish to have another workshop next year. Diane reminded everyone that the Guild had voted to require that any work displayed at the gallery must be at least 80% original work. She asked that we each be our own judge and remove any work that doesn't fit that criteria.

Linda Edge-Dunlap announced there would be a Meet and Greet on August 5th featuring artists Diane Rosenbaum and Darla Earl. Jim Salvo will help with publicity if asked.

Diana Budler announced the top 3 Artists of the month. Third place was a tie between Janice Rosenburg and Bonnie Jacobs. Second place went to Paula Buzenius. First place went to Sharon Clarke.

Next month's Artist of the Month is Pandora's Box. Brenda Viveiros gave some background on how this special Artist of the Month is done for the benefit of our new members. This year's theme is "Accentuate the Positive." Those who purchase a box for \$5 will have a quote and the task is to create a piece of art inspired by that quote. Members will vote on their favorites and first, second and third places will receive cash prizes. All entries will be displayed for a month at the gallery and the public is invited to vote for their favorites. Winners of the "People's Choice" awards will receive medals. Brenda will make additional boxes available and have them at the gallery so new members can participate.

Split the pot of \$6.50 was won by Retha Clark. Lee Gouret won the drawing for a fresh loaf of bread.

Barb Hirsh reminded members that this Friday, July 21st, there is a field trip to the Flower Farm in Reeds Spring. Members attending will meet at 8:15 at the Old Fashioned Cinnamon Roll Company. Admission is free, but if you want to pick flowers, it is \$25. A field trip to the Golden Museum is planned in September. Check the newsletter for dates and more information. A studio tour of selected members' studios is planned for October. The date is to be determined.

Paula Buzenius gave a report on the Festival of Arts. We had a successful show though it was very hot. Paula thanked Jan O'Neill for heading up the effort to supply food on Friday night; Brenda Viveiros for sitting outside in the sweltering heat and directing people to the show; Diane Robben for also sitting outside doing the face painting and directing visitors inside. Everyone made this a huge success. Linda asked for discussion of how holding this in the summer worked for everyone and the feedback was positive. She asked members to give names of potential patrons to the art show to Sharon Clarke so that they can be included in the mailing for next year's show.

Jan O'Neill announced that the program in September will be presented by Brenda Viveiros and Sharon Clarke. They recently visited the St. Louis Botanical Gardens which currently is featuring an exhibit of Chihuly blown glass sculptures. The October program is still pending. November program is Masters & Mentors and December is the Christmas Ornament exchange.

A member asked who the top sellers in the annual show were. Linda was able to name the top two – Helen Long and Brian Stewart. A list of the top 5 will be included in the newsletter.

Minutes continued on the next page...

Minutes, cont.

Linda Edge-Dunlap announced that a membership vote is needed to determine our new meeting venue. The options are the Kimberling Area Library at a cost of \$50 each month, or the St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church for a freewill offering. Mary Beth Funk announced that last month's freewill offering went to purchase gas cards for people who need that help. Jan O'Neill made a motion that we vote on those two options by show of hands. Diana Budler seconded the motion. The majority of members voted to have our meetings at St. Andrews.

Linda explained that the board spoke with our financial advisor this morning and as a result of that meeting are recommending that all dividends, interest and capital gains be turned into cash in the Edward Jones account until advised differently by the 2024 board. After discussion, Jan Rosenburg made a motion to accept the board's recommendation. Helen Long seconded and the membership voted unanimously to accept the recommendation.

The Treasurer's report will be posted in the Gallery on the office bulletin board.

Darla Earl made a motion to adjourn and Kelly Hamilton seconded. Motion was approved and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Clarke, Secretary

August Birthdays

Diana Budler - August 25
Don Haberman - August 31
Gayle Page - August 21
Diane Rosenbaum - August 18
Brenda Viveiros - August 11



Field Trips

This year the field trips are meant to inspire. On July 21st we enjoyed a field trip to Hilltop Farm at 4038 Bear Creek Road in Reed Springs. It was inspiring to hear Cassie's story about how she bought the farm for her and her daughter. She later married her husband, Nick Presley. It was nice to be outside on a July cool morning. Luckily, we had time to enjoy the flowers and animals before the rain.

The next field trip will be to the Golden Museum in Golden MO on Tuesday, September 26 (they aren't open on Mondays.) We will meet at The Kimberling Shopping Center (the old gallery) at 10:00. Golden Pioneer Museum is at State Highway 86, in Golden, Missouri. Admission is free. The Prier family took over the Trail of Tears Museum collection and combined it with their own collection of Carnival Glass and American pioneer artifacts to create the museum. The museum gives a unique look into the lives of early Americans both native and the settlers who came in the 1800's. They also have a large mineral collection. After visiting the museum, we will go to lunch- tbd. If you interested notify Barb Hirsh - 630-910-0912 or bjhirsh@sbcglobal.net

Some images
from the Hilltop
Farms Field Trip
on July 21





Images from Jack O'Keefe's funeral in St Louis.

During our July Meeting, Gayle Page taught us about Word Art. She had lots of craft supplies laid out on all the tables and encouraged everyone there to create a small plaque on cardstock.



Diane Robben hosted a Plein Air Acrylic Painting Workshop on July 14 & 15. Instructor Jamie Green taught how to paint what you see in front of you and how to see the values in the various colors in a scene. Artists painted the Cape Fair bridge area (as seen from Diane's deck), a tree on the shoreline, and rocks.





Here's a little teaser for the upcoming September program about the Chihuly exhibit in St. Louis.

On July 12, Jane Ballard presented a Learning on Wednesdays program at the Kimberling Area Library.

She gave the same program again a week later at the Cassville Library.



Table Rock Art Guild & Gallery
The Public is invited to join our monthly meeting every third Tuesday of the month at 12:00 p.m.

August Artist of the Month Theme

"Accentuate the Positive"

With your "Positive Quotes" found inside your Pandora's Box

Accentuate:
Make noticeable or prominent

Positive:
Constructive, optimistic or confident.

"You got to accentuate the positive, eliminate the negative, and latch on to the affirmative. Don't mess with Mr. In Between."
Ann M. Maclean

The remaining boxes are at the Gallery located at the front desk. Pick one up for \$5.00. Find your number on the top of the box and write your name on the list beside the corresponding number.

Cash prizes for the 1st, 2nd, 3rd & Honorable Mention.

This month's meeting will be held on August 15, 2023

* Meeting at St. Andrew Presbyterian Church • 30 James River Road • Kimberling City, Missouri *

Jim Selton

Last Call for Pandora's Box!

Pandora's Box
 "Accentuate the Positive"

If you have not purchased your Pandora's Box or wish to purchase another, they are located in the Gallery office. The cost is \$5.00 which you may place in the available purple pouch. Make sure you put your name on the list adjacent to the corresponding number located on the bottom of the box you choose. Hope you have fun creating some works of art inspired by accentuating the positive. Be ready to tell your story of inspiration at the August Artist of the Month Program.

Gallery Artist and non-Gallery Guild members: Please know that there are brand new extra Pandora's Boxes at the Gallery. They are located under the glass top that holds our Cash Register. Please share this with any brand new members you know were needing a Pandora's Box for our August Meeting.

Gallery ARTIST

When you are working in the gallery..... please ask the purchaser to leave the box with you (we reuse them and save \$\$) The payment should be \$5 cash. There is a Purple Zip bag under the glass top for you to leave the \$5 in. Be sure to write on the sign-up sheet the purchaser's name and the number of their Box.

Thank you so very much Brenda for making more
 and to our Gallery staff for taking care of these purchases.

You are invited to Meet and Greet Artist
Diane Rosenbaum



Saturday August 5, 2023
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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You are invited to Meet & Greet Artist
Darla Earll

Saturday August 5, 2023
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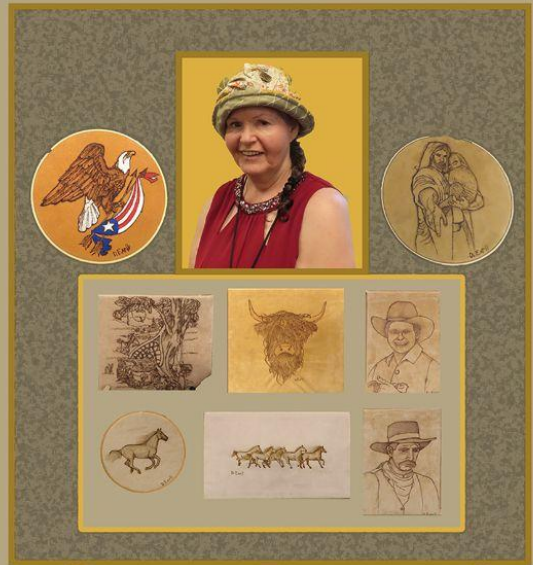


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August Artist Spotlight
2023

Paula Buzenius
Reeds Spring, MO.



Paula Buzenius began photographing in 1990 when digital photography was at its infancy. As the digital photography industry progressed, so did her equipment, skill and passion for this creative outlet. She attended high school at Riverside Brookfield HS in Brookfield, IL which happened to be on land she loved. Because of this proximity, Paula developed an early interest in animals and wildlife, which plays an important part of her photography collection. Paula moved to Dells in 1984 and between 2002 and 2019, she has served in several positions on the Dells Camera Club's board. In 2007, she chose to focus entirely on her photography. Besides receiving many awards from juried competitions, she has been published in the American Photographer Journal, Zoo Life, and the 2002 edition of Wildlife in Focus, a book of wildlife photographs in the coastal bend region of Texas. In between photographing wildlife, Paula also created a niche for herself photographing high school theatrical productions which eventually included 23 schools and on weekends at a wildlife ranch, photographed families with young exotic animals. Now, living in Missouri, Paula is enjoying her exposure to park wildlife and working with the Table Rock Art Gallery, where she exhibits and sells her nature prints.

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July 2023 Artist of the Month

"Promote Missouri"

First Place



Sharon Clarke

Second Place



Paula Buzenius

Third Place



Jan Rosenburg

Third Place



Bonnie Jacobs

Other Submissions



Program Results



Photography by Rick Gagle

"Bringing Art to the Ozarks since 1988"

The TRAG Masterpiece

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ARTISTS MEET HERE

TRAG Artist Darla Earl



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Darla retired from her position in Iowa and moved in the Branson area 8 years ago. She was taught to burn on wood. She was always always wanting to put her talents to the test. She loves learning new things and burning on leather was a great starting place. She enhances some of her work with very colorful acrylics.

Next step, Darla said "Maybe I could burn on material! Hummmm."



Leather



The next TRAG Monthly Meeting will be August 15 at St. Andrew Presbyterian Church 30 James River Road, Kimberling City, Missouri 12:00 p.m.

Pandora's Box
This years theme is Positive Quotes
Boxes are available at the Gallery for \$5.00.
Bring your artwork to August Meeting.

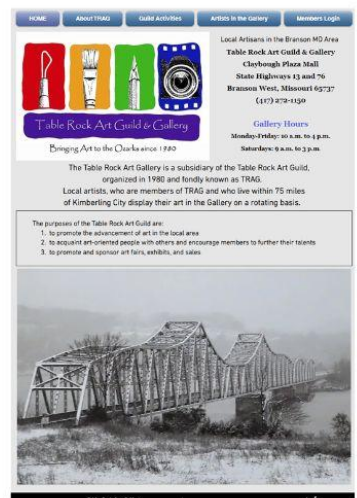
TRAG Field Trip to the GOLDEN PIONEER MUSEUM
State Hwy 86, Golden, Missouri
Tuesday September 26, 2023

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Check out the updated TRAG website! Jane Ballard has been putting in a lot of hours updating the website, cleaning up pages, organizing files, and adding SEO elements to make our website more compatible with Google and other search engines. Jane says there's a whole lot more to do, but this is a good start!

Jim Salvo will continue to create blog entries for the website, too, so be sure to get him any information you need for Artist Meet & Greet Saturdays, TRAG Masterpiece articles, and Spotlight Artists.

The website address is tablerockartgallery.com. Jane tells us, too, that we need new and current artists' profile pictures as well as current photos of artwork available at the Gallery. You can send that information to Jane at jane@janeballard.com. Check out the "Members Login" section with the password "TestingLogin"



42nd Annual Fall Festival, June 23-25, 2023



Diane Robben



Gus Robben



Kathy Thierstein



Debbie Bridges



Jim Salvo



Brent Holland



Helen Long



Jan Rosenberg



Yvette Ayres



Gail Attanasio



Darla Earll



Diana Budler



Linda Muraski



Sharon Clarke



Barbara Williams



Don Haberman



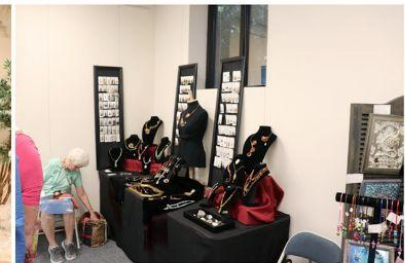
Jan O'Neill



Jane Ballard



Gayle Page



Yvonne Thurman



Janet Woods



Brian Stewart



Linda Edge-Dunlap

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