

Table Rock Art Guild & Gallery

Bringing Art to the Ozarks since 1980

## *President's Message*

Dear Artists,

It has been my pleasure to serve as your President for the last two years. Thank you for your volunteerism and dialogue when I asked you for assistance. Thank you for your "can-do" attitude on the daunting tasks as well as the "fun" ones. I guess what I am saying is that our current Guild membership is more excited than they have been in a while and for that I am truly grateful. Each of you made my job easier.

When I accepted this position in December 2021, I assured you that my goal was to guide the Gallery to self-sustainment. That goal has not been reached yet, but we are closing the debt gap. The Gallery is going in the right direction. By elevating your individual art and having a larger variety of art and artists, we are giving the customer the best that we can.

Also in the last year, the Board of Directors has become self-governing. Work was made on a Contract of Conflict of Interest, which all Board members agreed to and signed. Because Table Rock Art Guild is a non-profit 501(C) 3, this action was mandatory by the Internal Revenue Service.

Major revisions were made to our Facebook and Web sites created by Jim Salvo and Jane Ballard, garnering increased visits by people learning about our Guild, Gallery and our many activities. Major changes were made by our Gallery Co-Directors, Diane Robben and Gayle Page, to include summer children's art classes, the very successful "Christmas Walk" weekends, and "Art in Business" where local businesses may rent our member's art to hang on their walls.

So for all these successes, I thank each and everyone you.

Sincerely,

Linda Edge-Dunlap  
President 2022-2023

# January 2024

## Art-A-Facts

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## Next Table Rock Art Guild Meeting Tuesday, January 16, 2024

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

**St Andrew Presbyterian Church**  
**30 James River Rd, Kimberling City**

Program - For January's program we are having John Giebler from Gibson Adult Education talk to us about needing instructors for teaching art.

We are also playing a game called "Who Am I".

## Calendar At A Glance

Jan 6 - First Saturday - Creative Saturday at the Gallery with Gayle Page and Diane Robben presenting her Homestead Portraits

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## *Table Rock Art Guild Membership Minutes - December 19, 2023*

President Linda Edge-Dunlap called the meeting to order at noon. Don Haberman offered a prayer of friendship. Linda called for approval of the minutes. Debbie Bridges moved the minutes be approved as published in the monthly newsletter. Brenda Viveiros seconded and the motion passed.

Brenda Viveiros thanked Linda Edge-Dunlap for her exemplary service as President for the past two years. She presented Linda with a gift from the membership which was an annual membership to Crystal Bridges.

Brenda Viveiros proceeded to install the Executive Officers with the example of us all being part of a puzzle which needs everyone working together for success. She listed the primary duties of each officer and received their assurance they would fulfill the duties of their office.

Officers installed were President Jan O'Neill, 1st Vice President Yvonne Thurman, 2nd Vice President Paula Buzenius, Treasurer Linda Muraski, and Secretary Sharon Clarke.

Linda Edge-Dunlap announced that the January artist of the month theme is "before and after" thrift store finds. The idea is to find something in a thrift store, take a picture of it, and then use the item to create a piece of art.

Linda Edge-Dunlap announced that the theme for this year's annual Festival is "Caribbean Wonderland."

The meeting was adjourned at 12:24pm.



## *January Artist of the Month Theme*

January's Artist of the Month Theme is "Before and After - Thrift Store Finds." Go to your favorite thrift store, find something you can make something wonderful with, and take a picture of it BEFORE you start working on it and bring the photo and the finished piece to the January meeting.

### *Artist of the Year*

Your Art Guild is going to do something new this year with an "Artist of the Year" presentation to be made at our December 2024 meeting. All artists who participate in the Artist of the Month Theme Challenges will be eligible for Artist of the Year. Points will be scored as follows -

- 1 point for participating in any month's theme
- 2 points for receiving Third Place
- 3 points for receiving Second Place
- 4 points for receiving First Place

At the end of the year, the Artist with the most points will win "Artist of the Year"!

### *First Saturday*

First Saturday - January 6, 2024 - 9 am to 2:30 pm

Join Gayle Page for an interactive art experience in the world of collage. Create your own collage piece and photograph it to take home your memories! Guess the number prize giveaway and design puzzles to work, too!

Diane Robben will be talking about her Homestead Portrait Paintings. She will be showing before photos and after painting samples as well as a bit of the story behind the scenes.

### *Teaching Opportunity*

Gibson Technical Center in Reeds Spring needs Art Instructors for their Adult Evening classes. The classes are 2 hours a week for 10 weeks. The instructor would make \$30 an hour plus can ask students for the cost of supplies. The class can be for beginning drawing, watercolor, or acrylic painting. The class needs at least 12 students. If they don't get 12 then it will be cancelled. If any of you are interested, call or text either Jan O'Neill (417-593-1238) or Erica (515-289-6263)



# TRAG December Meeting, Holiday Party, Installation of Officers



## Potluck Dinner and Installation of the 2024 Officers

- President - Jan O'Neill
- First Vice - Yvonne Thurman
- Second Vice - Paula Buzenius (Gail Attansio standing in for ceremony)
- Treasurer - Linda Muraski
- Secretary - Sharon Clarke



*Ornament Exchange*



*And a good time  
was had by  
all!*

*Happy New Year!*



## *Studio Tour*

On November 30th, several TRAG members enjoyed a field trip to Judy Musch's and Diane and Gus Robben's art studio. It was an inspiring day admiring the art in their homes and the creative studio spaces.

Thank you to Judy for the freshly baked Christmas cookies. Thank you Diane and Gus for the treats and ornament painting session with congratulations going to Yvonne for winning the best ornament!

Lunch was delicious and served in the private room at Flat Creek. This was a great way to get to know each other better. Please let me know if you are willing to open your studio for a tour next year.



## *Gardens Aglow*

Our last field trip for the year was one of the best. We enjoyed a wonderful walk through Gardens Aglow. A botanical-themed light festival in the Mizumoto Japanese Stroll Garden in Springfield. More than 200,000 festive lights accent the unique structures and landscaping of the Stroll Garden and capture the winter beauty of nature. Light features include RGB lights, light tunnels, firecracker lights, framed installations, water feature lights, up lighting, and string lights. It was beautiful. We then had a delicious hibachi dinner at Nakato Japanese Steakhouse.



If you have an idea for a field trip next year, let Barb Hirsh know....630-910-0912.

In 2023, we had seven field trips centering around Creativity.

Next year our focus will be "Local Gems."





# First Saturday

Jan. 6, 2024, 9:00am-2:30pm



Blast into 2024 on the First Saturday of the New Year at The Table Rock Art Gallery in the Claybough Plaza for an interactive art experience in the world of collage. We will have 'Hands on' activities in the form of: interactive "In- the- moment- art" where you arrange your own rolled paper collage. A giant line design puzzle to work, as well as smaller magnetic puzzles to solve. A "Guess the number" prize give away, snacks and over 30 artists displaying art for sale in the gallery.

Fun for the whole family; children welcome but should be accompanied by an adult. Looking forward to seeing you there.  
Open 9:00am - 3:00pm.



*Gallery Assistant Director  
Gayle Page*



*Gallery Director  
Diane Robben*



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## Art Books for Sale

Over many years, I have had the good fortune to collect many wonderful art books and I now find it is time for me to share them. I feel that they might be of good use to those moving forward in their art or perhaps, just getting started.

The majority of my books are geared towards watercolor, but there are a few books on acrylic and art in general. They are \$5 per book and all books are in wonderful condition. Please call to come visit and make your choices. I live in Kimberling City.

Nina Fournier  
417/231-3248

## January Birthdays

Yvette Ayres - Jan 31  
Rick Cagle - Jan 14  
Ginny Campbell - Jan 17  
Cindy Herron - Jan 16  
Brian Stewart - Jan 7  
Jon Thompson - Jan 22



## Rotary Club Grant



Thank you Rotary Club of Table Rock Lake for supporting arts in the community. Congrats to Program Director, Brenda Viveiros, of TRAG's Annual Children's Art Show on securing funds for March 2024! It's going to be a great event!

Special thanks TRAG members Sandy Fearn, Erica Abell-Holland and Vera Holland for collaborating on the grant and presentation.

# January Artist Spotlight

Pat Bell <sup>2024</sup>  
Kimberling City, MO.

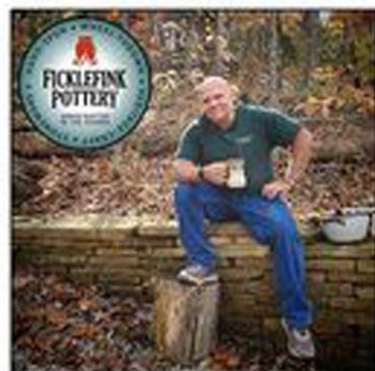
*Tom and I moved here from Texas in 2004, for the beauty of the rolling hills, the woods and most of all the assortment of animals that live here. I take photos mostly of Ozark animals and backroads whenever possible and paint them. My medium is watercolor. I knew very little about watercolor until I started classes with Karen Deeds. I paint what I see and feel.*

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# ARTISTS MEET HERE

## TRAG Artist Joel Fink, Master Potter



Joel has been immersed in a two-decade journey inspired by the artistry of clay. Introduced to this world by his wife. His initial encounter with art was limited to a few public education classes. For 16 years, Joel honed his craft as a production potter at Silver Dollar City, delving into the mechanics of pottery and embracing the spirit of the Ozarks. Now, on a solo expedition, he meticulously crafts his distinct glaze line with nods to the nature surrounding his life, while creating masterwork with surface modifications. Beyond the potter's wheel, his artistic pursuits extend to drawing, painting, and the emerging realm of sculpting. Joel asks that you join him in this profound exploration of art and the philosophy of simply being.

<https://www.etsy.com/shop/FicklefinkPottery>



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will be January 16, 2024 at  
St. Andrew Presbyterian Church  
30 James River Road,  
Kimberling City, Missouri 12:00 p.m.

Happy New Year  
**2024**



January	1 closed Panel Change New Years	2 Jan R	3 Janet S. Gail A	4 Jennifer Cole + Brenda V	5 Janet S Yvette A	6 Brian S. also Gayle P.
	8 Kathy T Linda M	9 Barb H also Kelly H.	10 Paula	11 Sharon C	12 Diana B (for Dark)	13 Jan O
	15 Erica (for Brent)	16 meeting Janet W. Jane B	17 Kathy T. Gail A	18 Jim S	19 Gus Robben + Diane Robben	20 Debbie B.
	22 Darlene Shawn S. (also)	23 Linda ED pm - Linda m	24 Paula	25 Yvonne + Diane Rosenbaum	26 Don H	27 Diana B