

OCALA ART GROUP

Established 1950



April 2021
Newsletter



Presidents Message

April 1, 2021

Greetings and Happy Easter,

April is a glorious time of the year. It is a time for refreshing ideas and resurrecting abandoned themes. In short April is a time of rebirth, renewing and resurrecting. We as artist can feel the sullen browns and dull, flagellant greens give way to spring green and the sky turning from a grayed ultramarine to a brilliant azure. Yes, spring brings heightened color, change, and hope. I hope this message finds all of us finding this April, freshened with a rebirth of ideas and new energy to face the realities that 2021 will bring to our lives.

This April, after a very hard and challenging year, we at OAG are awakening to a thankful new beginning.

First, Lee Asta, 1st VP over exhibitions, plus Lynn King, Barbara Fife and the committee have completed receipt of works for our April, 70th Anniversary , NOW & THEN, exhibition at the Brick. We have had exceptional response to this exhibition invitation. Due to their hard work to keep us strong, we will start our new year with a fantastic exhibition celebrating our 70th Anniversary. Please plan to attend the reception April 2nd, at the Brick where awards will be presented at 6:00 pm.

Second, we made a call for folks to step up and accept leadership roles to carry OAG into the next 70 years. That call was answered. We have a full complement of folks willing to serve OAG as your 2021/22 Board of Directors. The nominees are mentioned herein, please be present at the meeting in April and May to acknowledge the new board and then to vote to accept their nomination in May. We need you as members to be present in May for that vote. We know you will be present to make OAG successful.

Third, after starting the 2021 New Year with three great demonstrations, we have another great program developed by Gail Bannock. She has arranged to have a highly respected artist, Joyce Zeedyk to critique our works at the April meeting. Bring one, maybe two works to the meeting that begins at 11:00, critiques at 12:00, at the Brick on April 12, I hope to see you all then.

Thank you all for bearing with us and to you new members, glad you have joined us, we are going to have a great time from now on.

Have a Blessed Easter,

Sharon Harris, President

April 12, 2021 12 Noon at the Brick City Gallery



Ocala Art Group Critique Monday, April 12, 2021

by Joyce Zeedyk

Joyce's interest in art began as a child living on a farm in Kankakee, Illinois, with all things outdoors. She began drawing and painting stones, leaves, bugs, animals and horses. Her artistic passion was broadened by family trips to the Art Institute of Chicago as well as other galleries and museums.

Joyce graduated from Illinois State University with a major in Art Education. She taught art at Bradley Bourbonnais Community High School for 32 years. Her students won numerous art shows because she encouraged and emphasized art appreciation and creative decision making.

As a working artist, Joyce became an accomplished painter using acrylic paint to create both two and three dimensional art works, favoring large compositions and murals. Her works are located in private collections in the US and Germany.

Retirement brought Joyce to Florida resulting in a renewal of the beauty and inspiration of the outdoors. Palm tree parts became animals, including fish, birds and turtles, as well as Santas. These crafts are sold locally not only by commission but also in the Almost Perfect furniture store.

Sharing art is always an encouraging experience, so bring some of your paintings and get suggestions. Joyce can help you find solutions to finish and unify your art.

Member SPOTLIGHT

Ocala Art Group Welcomes New Member Ron Foreman

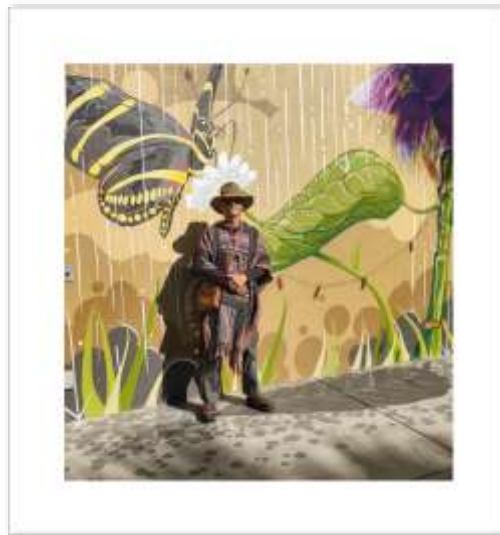
Ron Foreman was born in Washington in 1940, After completing high school, he served in the Navy and attended Art school.

A summer job exposed him to the small remote mountain town of Libby, Montana where he was married and had four children.

By 1972. while employed at the local sawmill, his hobby of wood carving had evolved into a full time occupation.

Foreman is respected in the art world for his high quality detailed creations. His work is in fine art galleries and private collections throughout the U.S.A. and abroad.

Surviving two wars and long Montana winters, Ron moved to Florida and offers his limited edition bronze and original one of a kind sculptures.



Celebrating Our 70th Anniversary



Please join us in Celebration of
70 years devoted to the Arts

1950 - 2020

“THEN AND NOW”

**Ocala Art Group Show
April 2 thru April 30, 2021**

at the Brick City Center for the Arts,
23 SW Broadway St. Ocala, Fl

Directions at www.ocalaartgroup.org

In Person Reception,
Brick City Art Center

Friday, April 2, 2021 5-7PM
Awards - 6PM

AREA EVENTS AND HAPPENINGS

[OAG Monthly Programs 2021](#)

[April 12, 2021](#) - Critique by Joyce Zeedyk - Brick City

* PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR AND PLAN TO ATTEND THE MAY MEETING TO ELECT OUR NEW SLATE OF OFFICERS

[First Friday Art Walk](#)

Held the first Friday of each month from 6-9 p.m., **September thru May takes place in Ocala's historic downtown.** Performing and visual artists may participate by applying at www.ocalafl.org/artwalk.

www.ocalafl.org

[First Saturday at the Appleton Museum - FREE Admission](#)

[Ocala Plein Air Painters \(OPAP\)](#) Meet the 2nd Saturday each month

Contact: Rich Woy Woyzrus@cs.com or (352) 598-9069

[Ocala Calligraphy Guild \(OCG\)](#)

Meet Virtually 3rd Monday. To request the Zoom Link , email info@ocalacalligraphy.org

[The Villages Workshops](#) villageartworkshops.com ACTIVE CLASSES

NEW LOCATION: Spruce Creek Professional Center

10935 SE 177th Place - Ste 406, Summerfield, FL 34491

For questions or registration:

Contact: Wanda Boyd wboyd2009@yahoo.com or (804) 536-1794

Beverly Hennessy bbaugh97@aol.com or (352) 753-1383

[Citrus Watercolor Society \(CWS\)](#) Citrus Watercolor Society is not meeting face-to-face yet, but they are now offering live online watercolor workshops on Zoom. Information is on the website citruswatercolorssociety.org

[CEDAR KEY ARTS CENTER](#)

The Cedar Key Arts Center, coordinating sponsor of the spring arts festival in Cedar Key, is cautiously, **and optimistically moving forward with plans for the “re-envisioned” Old Florida Celebration of the Arts** in Cedar Key, April 17 and 18.

AREA EVENTS AND HAPPENINGS

Winslow Homer

Homosassa Celebrates His Legacy



A Special Opportunity ...

The Citrus County Library System and the Friends of the Homosassa Public Library are inviting everyone to attend a new permanent art exhibit consisting of eighteen pieces celebrating the life and art of Winslow Homer.

Homer, one of America's most famous realist artists who lived (1836 – 1910), he would have been 185 years old this year. He painted eleven beautiful watercolors during a visit to Homosassa, Florida in 1904 while vacationing in the area. He enjoyed fishing in the Homosassa River and would paint from his boat.

Homosassa Public Library will be holding a special event on Friday, April 9, 2021 from 2:00 to 4:00 pm in the Library Commons area to celebrate Winslow Homer and its new permanent exhibit with presentations, activities, and a self-guided walking tour.

Citrus Watercolor Society will have an information table and a few artists demonstrating watercolor painting.

If you are a CWS member and are interested in painting at the library, please contact Susan Strawbridge by e-mail at susand319@aol.com or by phone (352) 212-4378.

Keep checking our fabulous OAG website ocalaartgroup.org
for new updates!

Designed and managed by Barbara Fife

Exciting things are in the works!

OAG has a page on Facebook managed by Barbara Fife.
Just request to join the group.
Ocala Art Group



ONE BLOOD THEMES 2021

Start painting now in preparation for upcoming themes.

THEMES: In the Mood
Imitation of Life
Secret World
Art Outside the Lives
Bright and Beautiful
Seeing the Light

VOLUNTEERS needed for positions of HOSPITALITY Chair
and One Blood Exhibit Chair

Interested parties contact Sharon Harris clayart@tampabay.rr.com

Questions regarding details contact Jan Kizonak jank@applemountaingolf.com

*Please send news items, awards and happenings to Jan Kizonak
jank@applemountaingolf.com by the 20th of the month.*

*Send any changes of contact information to
jank@applemountaingolf.com and sue_primeau@yahoo.com*



OAG Membership Application

Name _____

Date _____

Address _____

State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Membership: New _____

Renewal _____

Single Membership \$35 _____

Family Membership \$50 _____

Mail application and check to:

Ocala Art Group
P.O. Box 772834
Ocala, FL 34477-2834

Welcome to the Ocala Art Group

The Ocala Art Group, Inc. (OAG) is a not-for-profit educational corporation. Membership is open to all who share an interest in fine arts. The objective of the OAG is to provide programs that appeal to every art enthusiast.



Ocala Art Group Web Site
<http://www.ocalaartgroup.org>

And Facebook
[http://www.facebook.com/
groups/ocalaartgroup/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/ocalaartgroup/)

Meetings are the second Monday of each month at the Brick City Center for the Arts
23 SW Broadway
unless otherwise posted.

Meeting time is 11:00am with a program to follow