



February 2021 Newsletter

*Celebrating Our
70th Anniversary*



Presidents Message Feb 1, 2021

Happy Valentines to all of you,

What a way to start a New Year. The January acrylic demonstration with Linda DeLuca was fantastic. Thank you Gail Bannock and Lee Asta for making it possible. So, looking forward be sure to put Feb 8 on your calendar so you can attend Jordan Shapot's exciting demonstration. See his biographical sketch and details in this newsletter. Lee Asta, 1st VP over exhibitions, plus Lynn King and her committee are completing arrangements for our 70th Anniversary, NOW & THEN, April exhibition at the Brick. So be sure you have picked out your piece "from the past" plus one piece you've created this year; entry details are in this newsletter. We are hopeful that by April we will all be vaccinated and ready to PARTY HARDY at a reception.

Heather, Nancy and I are retiring from the board, so we are opening nominations for President, Treasurer and Secretary. Please consider contacting Jan Kiszonak about serving OAG in the coming year. We will announce the slate at the April meeting, the membership will vote on the slate of officers in May and the new Board will start serving June 1 for the fiscal year June 1, 2021 through May 30, 2022. The existing officer holders will remain as support for the new board until they feel comfortable in their new roles.

Everyone has been so patient this fiscal year in consideration of each other's health. We are moving forward in a strong position since you all maintained your memberships. Thank you. And to you new members, glad you have joined us, we are going to have a great time from now on.

Sending you virtual hugs and roses for Valentines,
Sharon Harris, President





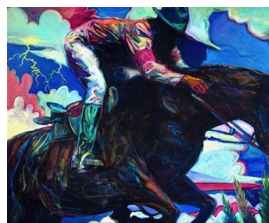
February 8, 2021 11 AM
The Brick City Gallery,

Presentation by
Jordan Shapot
Painting with Oils



Jordan Shapot, a native and current resident of Central Florida, obtained his Bachelor in Fine Arts degree from Savannah College of Art and Design in 2009. Besides creating art for galleries, he also does various commissions and freelance jobs ranging from illustration work to murals.

My newest body of work depicts subject matter comprised of seemingly random and increasingly chaotic mark making. The notion of organized chaos has proven to be a constant objective in my creative process. In contrast to the meticulous way in which I tended to portray subject matter at a younger age, I am currently getting looser with my color, shape and line. In order to focus on the essence of an object, I must visually deconstruct it. Then I build pattern and shape until I achieve a mood and complexity that is both visually interesting and that properly portrays the subject's reconstructed identity. Primarily working in oil paints, I apply my media very expressively with bold brushstrokes and vibrant colors to project the essence and energy of the subject matter.



**It's a short month but one filled with
Memorable Holidays And Local Events**

AMERICAN HEART MONTH

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Flower *Violet* Birthstone *Amethyst*

February 2 Groundhog Day Celebration (Gone Virtual)

February 5-6 Mount Dora Arts Festival

February 13 Meet the 2020 Horse Fever Artists at the Brick

February 14 Valentine's Day

February 16 Appleton Museum

Virtual Book Club "The Brilliant History of
Color in Art"

Also Limited Time Offer - 40% off Memberships

February 15 Susan B. Anthony Day

February 15 Martin Luther King Day

February 15 President's Day

February 16 Mardis Gras (Fat Tuesday)

February 17 Lent Begins



THE SHOW MUST GO ON - ONE WAY OR ANOTHER !!!

. . . In the event that a live show is at risk of being cancelled, plans are to have it as a Virtual Show.

Coming in April . . .



1950 - 2020

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

ALL ARE INVITED and WELCOME

“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
Details at www.ocalaartgroup.org

- **Deadline for Application** - Monday, March 15
- **Art Drop Off at Brick Art Center** - Monday, March 29
- 11:00 AM- 2:00PM
- **Hanging of Show** - Tuesday, March 30
- **Judging of Show** - Wednesday, 3/31, and/or Thursday, 4/1
- **In Person Reception, Brick City Art Center**
Friday, April 2, 2021 5-7PM Awards - 6PM

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***

AREA EVENTS AND HAPPENINGS



OAG Monthly Programs 2021

Feb 8 2021 - Oil Painting Demo with Jason Shapot - Brick City
70th Anniversary - April 2021 Brick City

***PLEASE CHECK WITH CONTACT PERSON AS MEETINGS MAY BE CANCELLED:**

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

Ocala Figurative Artists (OFA) CURRENTLY NOT MEETING

Meet at the Webber Gallery every other Monday from 12:30-3:30. It is limited to dry mediums and supply your own easel. Model fee. Membership in the Visual Artists Society is encouraged. Contact: Don Borie donborie@gmail.com or (352) 547-9034

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 citruswatercolorsociety.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.





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