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Newsletter





Presidents Message May 1, 2021

***My last message to you all,***

Well folks, my tenure as your president is coming to a close at the end of this month and you will be hearing from our new president, Lee Asta in June. We have a great slate of officers for the coming year but May is the month that your presence is most critical. May is the month that you elect these great volunteers to serve us as the OAG Board for 2021-22. Please, put this meeting date on your calendar, Monday, MAY 10<sup>th</sup> and pledge to attend the meeting that we will hold at the Brick on that day.

You will be voting to elect the following officers:

President—Lee Asta  
1<sup>st</sup> VP of Exhibitions—Lynn King  
2<sup>nd</sup> VP of Programs—Gail Bannock  
Treasurer—Marcelle Schvimmer  
Secretary—Joanie Ford  
Membership—Heather Doherty  
Web Master/Face Book—Barbara Fife  
Newsletter—Jan Kiszonak  
Publicity—Iris Kaplan

Lee and her committee executed a great 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary exhibition, Then and Now, in April. The show was outstanding and the reception was a great success. We had 36 artists in the show and 77 people in attendance and the award winners were all well deserved. Thank you all for bringing this great show to reality.

I want to take this last time to say THANK YOU to everyone who served on the OAG Board over the past three years. I wish to give special recognition to Lee, Lynn, Gail, Barbara, Sue, Sherese, Jan and Heather for everything they have done to make OAG a success during this period. You all have worked so hard and have done such an outstanding job over a long period of time. You have been the glue that held us all together and were an enormous support to me as your president. OAG's success is due to your dedication. Thank you.

May 30<sup>th</sup> is due's renewal time again. We have a great year coming up with strong leadership, so get your dues to Heather or Marcelle this month at PO Box 772834, Ocala, Fl 34477-2834. Last, thank you all for your consistent belief in OAG, I hope to see you May 10<sup>th</sup> to tell you in person.

Thank you all again for giving the privilege of serving OAG  
Sharon Harris, President

# May 10, 2021

## Presentation by ALEXANDER TURNBULL

Sandy will present his creative painting process from start to finish and review the elements of a good composition. He will critique an unsuccessful painting and show a corrected version and discuss the dangers when using reference photos. A number of his paintings done in a variety of different mediums will be on display. The Demonstration begins at 12 PM



Alexander "Sandy" Turnbull is a fine artist producing works which include portraits, landscapes and still life paintings. His mediums include pastel, oil and watercolor. He is a retired mechanical engineer living in The Villages, Florida, and is active in the art community, (member of the Visual Art Association -the Villages, the Central Florida Pastel Society and the Ocala Art Group). Alexander served in the U.S. Air Force and is a Vietnam ERA Veteran.

Throughout his forty year working career he honed his artistic skills via classroom studios, personal studies and numerous workshops. He has taught art for a commercial art supply company and has given demonstrations in art composition and presentations of his creative process. He has received several awards for his work locally, most recently "Best-In-Show" with the Ocala Art Group. He has what is known as a painterly style, which incorporates loose, expressive strokes with emphasis on movement and texture.



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## Marion Theater Call To OAG Members

### CLASSIC MOVIE CHALLENGE from Marion Historical Theater in Ocala

You are being challenged to create an original 2D picture inspired by the Featured Classical Movie each month at the Theater. You may participate for any or all months. The movie for June 2021 is Alfred Hitchcock's "North by Northwest" starring Cary Grant, Eva Marie Saint, and James Mason. The artwork will be up for sale for the entire month. This looks like it will develop into a wonderful avenue for exposure to the fine artists from our group.

Cost: only \$10 application fee. Your check should be made out to **OAG** and mailed with the Application Form from the OAG website [ocalaartgroup.org](http://ocalaartgroup.org) to Janice Tindall, 1406 Arbor Trail, The Villages, FL 32162.

Deadline for application: **Wednesday, May 19** (no later).

**ALL ITEMS BELOW MUST BE FOLLOWED OR A PIECE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR HANGING!!!**

1. All art must be framed in an 11" x 17" inexpensive black metal frame available at Walmart or Amazon for under \$10 (ordered in packs of three from Amazon). Other sources should have something similar. It should look "POSTERLIKE", not matted.
2. All original artwork will be priced at \$50 (professional prints acceptable).
3. All must have an identifying tracking card (downloaded from the OAG website [ocalaartgroup.org](http://ocalaartgroup.org)) attached to the back.
4. All must have an OAG Business card (provided at drop-off) on the front.
5. There is room for only 30 pieces of art. If we have more pieces, the theater administration will be the juror. If not accepted, the entry fee of \$10.00 will not be cashed.

Drop-off for art will be Wednesday, June 2 from 1 - 3 PM. Pick-up and drop-off for the next month will be Wednesday, June 30 from 1 - 3 PM.

# Member SPOTLIGHT

*Award Winning Artist*

*Susan Primeau*

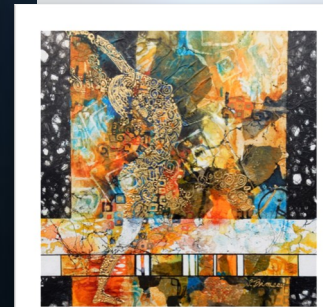


Award-winning, Ocala artist Sue Primeau finds inspiration in her travels and the beauty that surrounds our everyday life. She says she has always painted and drawn, although it was only some 25 years since she has been willing to put any work on display. As a child, crayons were her medium of choice and she left drawings on surfaces throughout the house only to have her crayons disappear as punishment. She then turned to carving images onto wood surfaces, which also met with disapproval. Once she began taking formal art instruction at local art schools, she began painting with oils and eventually transitioned to acrylics.

When it was time to choose a career path, Sue's parents did not support the idea of her becoming an artist. She ended up working in the printing industry and then worked with numerous artists in the gift and stationery industry. Through it all she learned to be a business woman and continued exploring her passion for art with various classes in between work, and pursuing an MBA.



Thanks to a dear friend, who insisted their next art class be in watercolor,



Sue started a whole new path in her artistic journey. Sue was sure she wouldn't enjoy watercolor. As it turned out, when the instructor said it was time to clean up at the end of the first class, Sue was convinced only ten minutes had passed. A quick check of her watch confirmed three hours had elapsed . . . that was it, she was mesmerized by the medium and hooked by its unique properties. Sue works primarily in watercolor, a medium she prefers not to control. She often begins by letting the shapes and colors occur spontaneously with little or no guidance, then she determines how to develop the hidden painting.

Today, Sue enjoys integrating her hand-made collage papers with her paintings. Her work has been licensed on greeting cards and many of her works and painting lessons are published in how-to books by internationally known, WI artist, Karlyn Holman on the subject of watercolor painting. Aside from painting Sue loves to teach watercolor locally and on her international travel adventures.

Sue is proud of the unique travel experiences she and her friend Nancy Olker have been able to create by combining their passions for art, Pilates and travel. They take small, intimate groups of 10 to 12 travelers to unique, off-the-beaten-path venues in Italy, France and Portugal. They are exploring completely new adventures in Greece, Lithuania and Ireland. Once set up in their home-away-from-home, they make daily excursions to fascinating historical and cultural sites or local artist studios where they learn about the artists' craft or try their hands at the craft. The days are also intermingled with art lessons led by Sue and Pilates lessons led by Nancy.

Find Sue's portfolio at [www.teamingpondinc.com](http://www.teamingpondinc.com) or through her affiliations with Artist Alley Alliance, Rainbow Springs Art, Florida Watercolor Society, Ocala Art Group and the Citrus Watercolor Society.

# Ocala Art Group Show *Then and Now* in Celebration of our 70th Anniversary *April 2 thru April 30, 2021*

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

## *Thank you*

for the invitation to judge this exhibit for the Ocala Art Group. It was an honor for me to choose the awards for this special 70th Anniversary Show.

What I love most about this show is the diversity of all the artwork. Unfortunately, I felt that there were not enough awards for the size of the show. I wish I could have given out many, many more awards and given more of the artists recognition! You all deserve an award for your fine artwork, especially during these difficult times. You have proven that artwork soothes the soul. Everyone who participated in this show should be very proud of their artwork and growth in "Then and Now."

I so enjoyed the show. It did soothe my soul.

*Susan Silverman Fink*

## JUROR'S STATEMENT SUSAN SILVERMAN FINK



FIRST PLACE  
A NEW DAY DAWNING  
Watercolor  
SUSANJANE DONOHOE  
AWARD- \$100

SECOND PLACE  
EVENING DRAWS NEAR  
Acrylic  
SHARON REPPLE  
AWARD - \$75

THIRD PLACE  
ON THE LOOSE 'SHROOMS  
Watercolor  
HEATHER DOHERTY  
AWARD - \$50

HONORABLE MENTION  
WASHINGTON SQUARE PARK  
Watercolor  
JAN KISZONAK  
AWARD - GIFT CERTIFICATE

HONORABLE MENTION  
TREE SONG  
Watercolor  
SUE PRIMEAU  
AWARD - GIFT CERTIFICATE

***Thank You to all participants for making this a very successful show! Pick up artwork Monday, May 3 11am - 2 pm.***

# AREA EVENTS AND HAPPENINGS

## OAG Monthly Programs 2021

May 10, 2021 - Presentation by Sandy Turnbull - Brick City 12PM

\* PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR AND PLAN TO ATTEND THE MAY MEETING TO ELECT  
OUR NEW SLATE OF OFFICERS 11 AM

## Marion Cultural Alliance

Click to see the many events and opportunities for artists happening now  
[ashley.justiniano@mcaocala.com](mailto:ashley.justiniano@mcaocala.com)

## FINAL First Friday Art Walk of 2021

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](http://www.ocalafl.org/artwalk). [www.ocalafl.org](http://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](mailto:Woyzrus@cs.com) or (352) 598-9069

## Ocala Calligraphy Guild (OCG)

Meet Virtually 3rd Monday. To request the Zoom Link , email  
[info@ocalacalligraphy.org](mailto:info@ocalacalligraphy.org)

## The Villages Workshops [villageartworkshops.com](http://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](mailto:wboyd2009@yahoo.com)  
or (804) 536-1794 Beverly Hennessy [bbaugh97@aol.com](mailto: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](http://citruswatercolorssociety.org)

Keep checking our fabulous OAG website [ocalaartgroup.org](http://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](mailto:clayart@tampabay.rr.com)

Questions regarding details contact Jan Kiszona [jank@applemountaingolf.com](mailto:jank@applemountaingolf.com)

***Please send news items, awards and happenings to  
Jan Kiszona [jank@applemountaingolf.com](mailto:jank@applemountaingolf.com) by the 20th of the month.***

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