

Celebrating 71 Years
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Newsletter





President's Message

As I was about to embark on the exciting challenge for our FEBRUARY Fine Art Show , "A Stroke of Genius", this OMEN is what appeared in my Horoscope: **"Gather up inspiration. It may feel passive at first but you need to take things in before you can expect yourself to turn out good work. What expands your dreaming power, expands your doing power, too!"** If you are STUCK in the middle of this journey like I am read this saying over a couple of times and perhaps it will help you continue. You still have till January 17th for the deadline; so relax and take a break like I am doing! This will be a show that really demonstrates what a phenomenal group of artists we are! We need only 27 artists MINIMUM to meet our goal! We have 62 members, so I think we can do it plus more!

Now for my main thought for January: Resolutions for this New Year. I don't remember ever making any in all my years of life (and there have been many of those) I think I am as GOOD as I am going to get and I do not think I could make promises I really don't feel like keeping! I did, however, give up things for LENT in my schooldays, but that was probably because we had Nuns checking on us and our performance of those promises.

HOWEVER, this does NOT mean YOU shouldn't make any RESOLUTIONS! I'd like you ALL to make the Resolution to attend the rest of this year's Meetings at the Brick. I know this is possible because there are only a few left already, because we have interspersed them with trips and luncheons. We only have January's, February's, April's, and May's and March is a TRIP and JUNE is a LUNCHEON, then July and August are open for us to plan and HANG LOOSE! What do you have to gain by coming to our meetings? First, you will get the chance to meet old friends and, even better, a chance to make NEW ones! Next, you will get to see an interesting Demonstration. Most important: you will hear all about our wonderful shows we are planning as well as some trips and special luncheons that are also being planned.

The ending of 2021 has gone out with a BANG (with occurrences you probably have not even heard about!) We have had sad deaths, operations, sicknesses and even falls and a broken back! You would never even suspect any of this because (as they say in show business) "The Show must go on!" Our Executive Board has managed to continue to provide you with the most amazing VENUES for your enjoyment.

So this is what I am asking of you . . . *This is a direct quote from your President, Leona (Lee) Asta:* Please start your New Year off with this Resolution —If they (Exec. Bd.) can do it, I can do it!

"I promise to make every effort to support the many exciting VENUES that have been developed for me and my artistic abilities...even if they are out of my comfort zone!!!" starting with the Marion Theater Show in January, with an art show based on movie classic "Roman Holiday" , followed by February's "Stroke of Genius" in . on to April's Show at the new NOMA Gallery with the theme: "Rhapsody in BLOOZ". We then skip to June for a three month show at a local bank which Lynn is NOW setting up details for . Lastly, we are planning an exciting FUNDRAISER for October based on artist Georgia O'Keefe and her life and art!!!!

Obviously, these are very exciting VENUES for our art and while we have spent OUR time planning them, now is when we not only will need your art, but your help. So please resolve to not only give us your support BUT, offer your help to make these the success we want and so deserve!!!!NOTE: As your President I would like to wish you all a wonderful New Year - 2022. And may we all continue to create and enjoy our lives to the fullest! ***How lucky we are to have our ART!!!!***

Fondly,
Lee Asta

January Meeting Information

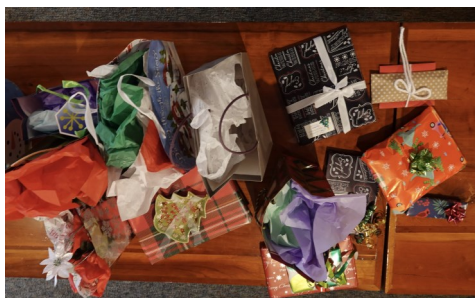


January 10, 2022 - OAG Board Meeting at Brick City Center for the Arts 10:45 AM - 11:45PM
Our first Meeting of the New Year is scheduled at the Brick City Art Center for **NOON**. It is very important for you to attend this meeting for several reasons. We will not only be having a beautiful Demonstration, but also have made arrangements to have a **SHORT** Business meeting followed by a **brief Tutorial Program** to help with submitting the **Application** for our **Fine Arts Show in February**. Since **Ashley Justiniano** will be involved in the **JURYING** of our submissions, she has offered to do a **Presentation** to clarify the admission process for our photos and paperwork. Bring your questions and be there at **NOON** for a short meeting before the **DEMO!**

DEADLINE FOR THIS SHOW'S APPLICATION, ETC. IS **JANUARY 17th!!!!**

This is a **MEMBERS ONLY SHOW**.

Christmas Holiday Party at the Braised Onion



Good Food, Good Friends, Good Times

Peggy Lefebvre

"Steps for a Successful Watercolor Painting "

Monday, January 10, 2022

Members' Meeting—12PM Program—12:30 —2 PM

\$ Cost—free

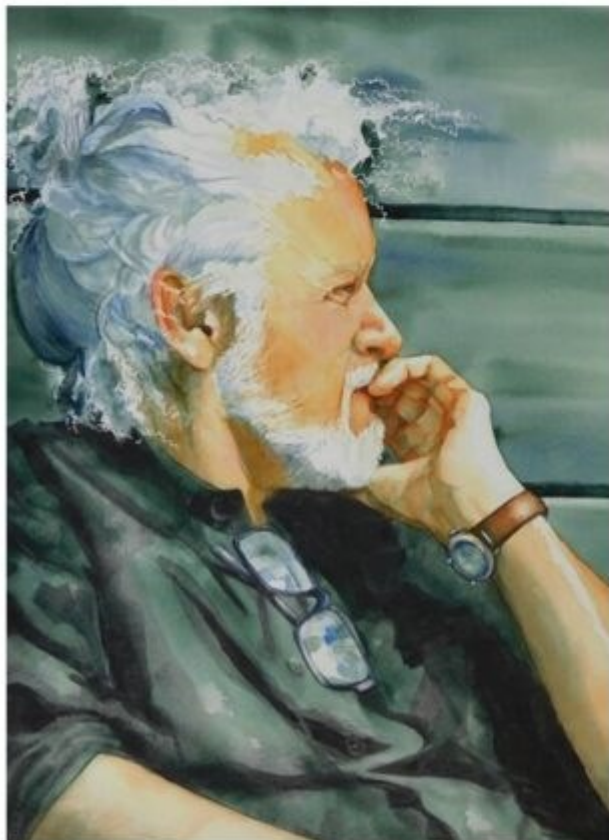
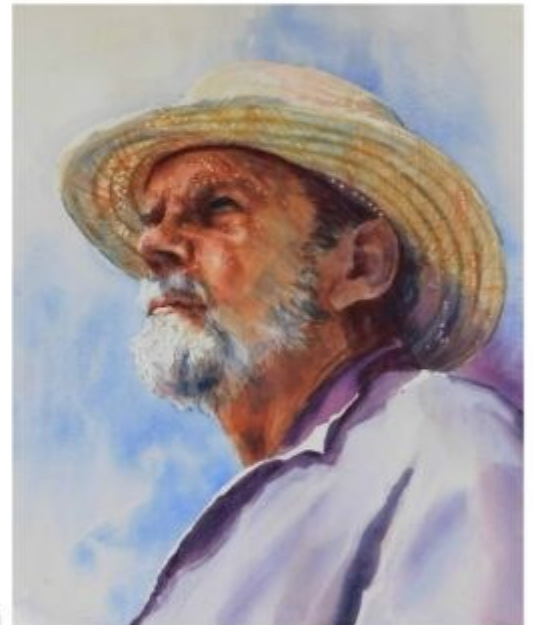
Location—Brick City Center
for the Arts
23 SW Broadway
Ocala, FL



Peg lives in The Villages, moving from northern Ocala in 2015. While living in Ocala, she was a member of OAG and student in several of the watercolor workshops which the club sponsored.

Five years ago **Peggy Lefebvre** decided that she would overcome her phobia of portraits. Painting faces had always produced disappointing results. Now she is a "face junky", collecting photos of strangers who have interesting faces. What was once a challenge has become a passion. Peggy will demonstrate that producing portraits can be broken down into a series of steps and techniques which lead to successful and vibrant portraits.

Fascinated by art since childhood, she continued pursuing the arts with a BFA from the University of Illinois which launched her career in advertising. After selling her ad agency, Lefebvre Advertising in Southern California, Peg and her husband moved to Italy for a 9-year cultural adventure. Returning to the States in 2011, her watercolor endeavors began in earnest.



Peggy regularly enters watercolor society shows in Florida and has served on the Board of the Florida Watercolor Society. Peg is a Signature Member of the Tallahassee Watercolor Society, and has received numerous awards for her works.



Call to Artists

Classic Movie Challenge -January 2022 - CHRISTMAS BONUS!!!!

The application fee for Roman Holiday is waived!
Get your painting pants on and get an application to Jan Tindall by **January 3rd**. We can set a time in January to watch this delightful movie together.
*** Those who have already paid fees will have the money in escrow for the February film, Red Shoes.**

Please note that there is NO COMMISSION for artwork sold at Marion Theatre exhibits. Application Deadline is the **FIRST MONDAY** of the month. **DROP-OFF/ PICK-UP** is the **FIRST THURSDAY** 1-3 pm.

Classic movie art challenge:
Create art inspired by the movie
MONTHLY: MARION THEATRE

January: movie "Roman Holiday" starring Gregory Peck and Audrey Hepburn
Requirements: Members only:
Dues: June 2021-2022
All art must be framed 11x17 (no mat) wired to hang) Black metal
Amazon : Walmart: Michaels: Approximate price \$5.00- \$7.00 *available sources*

This will be an ongoing challenge for our members
2 dimension media
~~Entry fee \$10.00-~~
Space for 30
Sales proceeds: 30% commission

Theatre staff will jury if art exceeds available space:

Email:check and application by DEC 17th
Lee Asta, 1941 Palo Alto Ave
The Villages, Fl



New Year's Resolutions



Happy New Year

I resolve to do more painting this year and experiment with new techniques *ie.* Mixed Media!

Attend more art classes, shows and workshops. Perhaps, I'll find the time getting up early am, drinking coffee and painting before the day begins? I would also like to continue supporting OAG and, would like to resume my Yoga practice, visit new places with friends and maybe, read, at least one book per month! Happy New Year my friends! *Hugs, Lynn*

I resolves to read less and paint more

Joanie Ford

OCALA ART GROUP - INSPIRED BY THE MASTERS

Stroke of Genius

Fine Art Exhibit

at Brick City Center for the Arts

FEBRUARY 2022

WINSLOW HOMER



MARY CASSATT



JOHN SINGER SARGENT



Members Only Exhibit Calendar

Application Deadline Monday, January 17, 2022

print copy and check - mail to Lynn King

Image of your artwork and application form for - email to Barbara Fife

Drop off: Brick City Center for the Arts, Monday, Jan. 31, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Hanging: Tuesday, Feb. 1 and Wednesday, Feb. 2

Judging: Wednesday Feb. 2 and Thursday Feb. 3

Reception: Brick City Center for the Arts, Friday, February 4 from 5 to 7 p.m.

Pick Up: Saturday, February 26, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. (contact Lynn King if problem with this time frame).

This Show and ALL OTHER OAG SHOWS this year are for MEMBERS ONLY.

Membership Applications are available on our website at: ocalaartgroup.org



OCALA ART GROUP HOSTS AN

Acrylic Workshop
with
Cindy Vener

Loosen up your paint style!

FEBRUARY 9, 2022

AT BRICK CITY CENTER FOR THE ARTS

For workshop registration and inquiries
visit the Workshop page.

Sign Up Procedures and Forms are available on our website :
www.ocalaartgroup.org

Joyce Zeedyk Critique Session

Monday, Feb 14, 2022 Members Meeting—12 PM
Program—12:30 PM—2 PM

\$ Cost—free
Location—Brick City Center
for the Arts
23 SW Broadway
Ocala, FL



Joyce Zeedyk

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.



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.

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 one or two of your paintings and get suggestions. Joyce can help you find solutions to finish and unify your art.



Ocala Art Group invites all artists, young and old, working in all genres to attend and meet like-minded people, soak up fresh ideas and share in our energy and passion for art.

This Mixer is scheduled for **Feb. 19th 3-5pm** at the Brick and during our month long "Stroke of Genius" Show. Free event.
Refreshments served.

Hope to see you there!



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

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