

## President's Palette

*By Marti Dunn*



I read a quote on FB last week..."Money can't buy happiness, but it can buy art supplies." I don't know about you, but getting to go and buy new art supplies gives me lots of happiness.

Do you remember when you were young and loved getting all new school supplies, especially the crayons? You begged your mom to get the biggest box with ALL those colors! Did you tear open the bag of goodies when you got home, pull out that box of luscious sticks of colors, open the lid and AWWW...that moment when you smell your brand new box of crayons! I loved that! There they are standing there all neat and clean, not a break or a tear in their wrapper, not one little piece out of place.

I suppose that may be why I became an art teacher. Opening up the art supply catalog every year to order new supplies was like a Toys R Us catalog to a child. ALL those markers and pastels and watercolors and paints!!! I had a plethora of things to choose from! When the boxes arrived with all my goodies, it was like Christmas!

We probably don't use crayons much any more (unless you're coloring with your kids or grandkids). We now use our "big kid" art supplies. What are you creating with yours? Here's wishing you happiness wherever you find it.

Color on,

*Marti*

P.S. and take a sniff of those crayons every once in a while-it will be good for your soul!

The next **BVAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING** will be  
**MON, MARCH 7th: NOON**

### March Workshop:

"Animal Portraits in Charcoal" with our recent demo artists, **Stephany Chavez**. **Wed, March 23; from 9am-3:30** with a lunch break.

**\$100—Supplies included.**

Stephany's Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/StephanyChavezWildlifeAndRetrievers/?fref=ts>

Her website is: <http://www.scwildlifeart.com/>

For payment & reservations they can contact [kellyhathaway@kw.com](mailto:kellyhathaway@kw.com) or call 979-450-4109



## From the Arts Council

### CALLING ALL ARTISTS!

The *Arts Council* and *Messina Hof* are looking for an original work of art to be featured on Messina Hof Artist Series wine labels. The winning artist will receive **\$1,000.00**, a VIP package for the 2016 Texas Renaissance Festival, plus their name and artwork on Artist Series wine labels! The theme of this year's contest is *Renaissance* and submissions are **due March 4th**.

Remember when BVAL had the Renaissance-themed member show a while back? Maybe you have a piece of art just begging to be used for the Messina Hof competition! The only contest requirements are that it be 2D art, the artist is a resident of Texas, and they are over the age of 21 yrs!

For contest guidelines visit [messinahof.com/artistcompetition](http://messinahof.com/artistcompetition).



Join The **Arts Council** for a casual afternoon of art at **Boots & BBQ, April 2nd from 1:30pm-4:00pm**. The event will take place at the home Pam and Bob Smits located at 5011 Timberline Dr. in College Station. Festivities include live music by Christopher Crow Band, visual art, and delicious BBQ provided by Hans Hammond & friends! Advance reservations required. For more information and to make reservations visit [acbv.org](http://acbv.org) or call **979-696-2787**.

### Current BVAL Members who are teaching classes

**Chris Wilson**- iamchriswilson@verizon.net – Thurs watercolors, 9:30-12:30, offering to all levels

**Mirka Hokkanen**- Printmaking Classes –Many times avail at the Arts council and Purple Turtle Art Studio

Mirka\_hokkanen@yahoo.com, phone 832-270-8680

## BVAL Around Town & News



CONGRATULATIONS to BVAL metal sculpture, **Jay Schaan's**, as his sculpture, "*Trinity Chime*," has been accepted by the city of Bastrop to be showcased in their 2016 **BAAIP** [Bastrop Art in Public Places]. This is all the info they have to date. They should be updating their website soon [www.baipp.org](http://www.baipp.org).

Saturday March 19th

Bastrop's Downtown Sculpture Stroll 1-3 PM

Artist's Reception & Awards Ceremony 3-5 PM



**Guerrilla Art Takeover**  
Presents  
**FLOWER POWER**  
An ART SHOW EXTRAVAGANZA At  
**NITA'S FLOWERS**  
Sat., March 19, 2016  
12 – 5pm  
Nita's Flowers  
919 S. Texas Ave, Bryan, TX 77803

We're taking over Nita's Flowers! There will be amazing art, created just for this event, as well as, flower bouquets & arrangements everywhere! And all of it will be for sale to take home that day! So whether you are a lover of beautiful things, collector of art, a floral enthusiast, planning a wedding or special event, or just love spring, you've got to come see this EXTRAVAGANT event!

# 2016 JUDGED SHOW WINNERS

## BEST IN SHOW



**Roots, Monika Pate. watercolor**

### Professional Division Winner



**Little Red River, Monika Pate  
Watercolor**

### Semi Professional Division Winner



**Cyan Wash, David Sites  
Digital Art**

### Adult Student Division Winner



**Spit Bath, Iva Banks  
Linocut**



**Non-Professional Division Winner  
House On Fire, Mark Sadowski  
Photography**



### High School Student Division Winner

**Mother, Leah Liu  
Painting**

## **PAINTING OIL/ACRYLIC**

### **Professional Division**



**First Place, Adoring Look,  
Cecil Luepritz**



**Second Place, Cactus,  
Daniel Xiao**



**Third Place, Thank You  
For The World So Sweet,  
Ceci Luepritz**

### **Semi Professional Division**



**First Place, Before Night,  
David Sites**



**Second Place, Wading,  
Coleen Bradfield**



**Third Place, Orange Burst,  
Becky Witherspoon**

### **Non Professional Division**



**First Place, Papi and  
Nancy, Karen Perez**



**Second Place, Sleeping Tess,  
Karen Perez**



**Third Place, My Cherry  
Blossoms, Ellis Mooring**

**Adult Student**



**First Place, Lily,  
Cynthia Meersman**

**High School Student**



**First Place, Mother,  
Leah Liu**

**Watercolor/Water Media Category**

**Professional**



**First Place, Little Red River,  
Monika Pate**



**Second Place, Hidden  
Treasures, Anita Cannon**



**Third Place, Sigiriya Fresco  
Painting, Sisira Seneviratna**

**Semi Professional**



**First Place, Lovely Desolation,  
Jeanne Haywood**



**Second Place, Misty Morning  
On Haley's Pond, Gary Robbins**



**First Place, Ocean Sunset,  
Shriyn Gabbard**

**Non Professional**



**Second Place, Snow On  
Mill Creek Arkansas, Ellis Mooring**



**Third Place,  
Secluded Lighthouse,  
Shriyn Gabbard**

### Adult Student



**First Place, Sittin' Pretty,**  
Dena Gaskin



**Second Place, Still Life With Fruit,**  
Wend Kenney-Kennicut



**Third Place, Autumn Quilt,**  
Dena Gaskin

## Drawing

### Professional



### Semi Professional



**First Place,**  
**Mediterranean Murex,**  
Gary Robbins

**First Place,**  
**Bodhisattva Statue,**  
Sisira Seneviratna

### Adult Student



**First Place, Spit Bath,**  
Iva Banks



**Second Place, Harvest**  
**Season, Hannah Winfield**



**Third Place, Pippin,**  
Emily Edwards

## Pastels

### Professional



First Place, Bandit,  
Sherry Killingsworth



Second Place, Morning Light,  
Sherry Killingsworth



Third Place, Dunes,  
Sherry Killingsworth

### Semi Professional



First Place, Summer,  
Fade, David Sites

## Mixed Media

### Professional



First Place, Lost in Speculation,  
Chris Rogers



Second Place, Sunflower,  
Janice Dress

### Semi Professional



First Place, Cold,  
Coleen Bradfield



Second Place, Warm,  
Coleen Bradfield



Third Place,  
Sea Plumes,  
Becky Witherspoon

### Non Professional

First Place, Plow Power,  
Poul Onderko





## Adult Student



**First Place, Renoir's Girls  
At The Crest, Emily Edwards**



**Second Place, Once Upon  
A Time, Cynthia Meersman**



**Third Place, Rose,  
Cynthia Meersman**

## Sculpture

### Professional

**First Place,  
Pivot Point Junior,  
Jay Schaan**



**Second Place,  
The Trowel, Jay Schaan**



**Third Place, The Hat,  
Jay Schaan**

### Non Professional



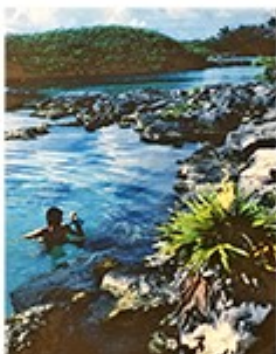
**First Place, Tea Time,  
Iva Banks**



**Third Place,  
Moon Gazing Hare,  
Iva Banks**

# Photography

Semi Professional



First Place, Morning At The Lagoon, Gary Robbins

Non Professional



First Place, House On Fire, Mark Sadoski



Second Place, Zoroaster Temple, Mark Sadoski



Adult Student

First Place, Wagon Wheel, Cynthia Meersman

Third Place, Cape Wheel, Kathryn King-Meters



# Digital Art

Professional

First Place, Bonnie Chapa, Waco Hippodrome



Second Place, Utopia Longhorn, Bonnie Chapa



Third Place, Red Guitar, Bonnie Chapa

Semi Professional

First Place, Cyan Wash, David Sites



Non Professional

First Place, Michael O'Brien, Sun Edge



**BVAL** usually meets on the 1st Monday of the month at NOON. You should always be able to get the next meeting information on our webpage: [www.bvartleague.org](http://www.bvartleague.org)

We meet in the studio at The Arts Council Building  
2275 Dartmouth, College Station, Texas 7784 (979)-696-2787

**If you would like to join the BVAL, membership applications** can be found on our website or in the BVAL office at the address above. Payment can be mailed to the address above or made through the PayPal link on our webpage.

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