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Arty Facts

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GALLERY HOURS ~ Tuesday-Saturday 11 AM - 5 PM

This Month's Featured Artists

Pam Chandler & Natalie Seppi

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UPCOMING

- **Sat, June 6th:** Featured Artist Reception, SUPPORT YOUR FELLOW ARTISTS!, 3-5 PM
- **Mon, June 8th:** Board Meeting, 10 AM
- **Sat, June 13th:** All Levels Alcohol Inks w/Darlene Wilkinson, 10 AM-12 PM
- **Sat, June 20th:** Photography Basics & Composition w/Richard Milligan, 10 AM - 12 PM
- **Sat, June 27th:** Desert Oil Painting w/Teresa Ebbs, 1-5 PM
- **Sat, Aug 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th:** 4 Sessions Watercolor Pouring Class w/Elizabeth Line, 1-3 PM

WEEKLY CLASSES

- **Tuesdays 9 AM-12 PM,** Oil Painting Class w/Joanne Berry
- **Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays 4-5 PM,** Kids Art Classes w/Nathaniel Zoret-Russell

All About Our Featured Artist, Pam Chandler



Pam Chandler is a multifaceted artist and professional whose talents span jewelry making, photography, and marketing consultation. With a background in nursing and membership at the Huachuca Art Gallery, she brings diverse expertise to her craft.

Pam's journey into beading began in 1992 when she took interest in a friend's jewelry-making hobby. Their creative sessions sparked a passion that would become a lifelong pursuit. Her dedication to mastery led her to study under Shirley Bovis, a world-traveled expert from Tombstone's Bovis Bead Company, who generously shared ethnic techniques and patient instruction. Through additional classes, Pam expanded her skills to include pearl knotting and stone wrapping.

Today, her business "Knot by Knot", offers specialized services in jewelry design, repair, redesign, and pearl restringing. Always evolving as an artist, Pam continues her education while sharing her knowledge through one-on-one classes. Beyond her beadwork, Pam leads a rich life filled with photography, mentoring, fitness, gardening, dog walking, and biblical study.



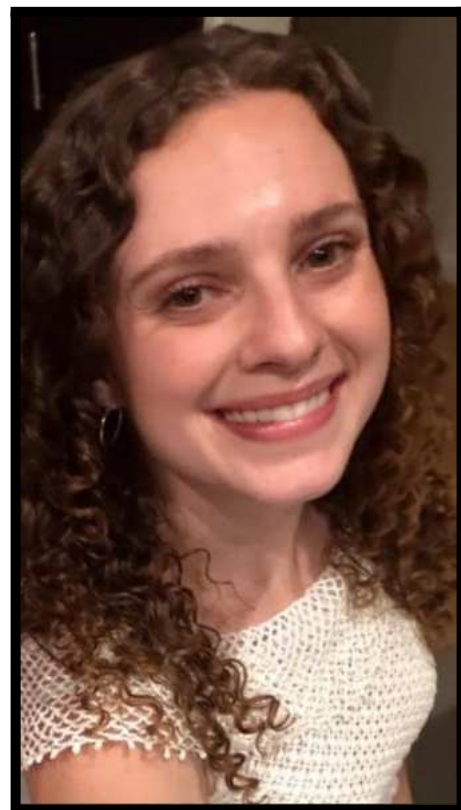
All About Our Featured Artist, Natalie Seppi

Natalie was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. She expressed interest in creating art at a young age, and her parents kindly enrolled her in art classes. Her grandparents, artists themselves, also taught her how to draw and paint.

She moved to the DC area in middle school, where she was exposed to beautiful art museums, installations, shows, and street art. She pursued her Bachelor's and Master's in International Studies, and she encountered unique landscapes, people, and art through her travels that inspired her to continue creating.

Natalie moved to Sierra Vista, Arizona, with her husband and two dogs in March 2025. She began focusing on her art after work, inspired by the beautiful desert landscape and the culmination of her life experiences.

She found the Huachuca Art Association a few months after moving to Sierra Vista, and has found joy and gratitude working with and learning from the talented artists around her. She is excited to share her paintings, oil pastels, drawings, and photography with the gallery in June, as well as many more pieces to come.



IN HONOR OF PAM AND NATALIE

Please Join Us For A Reception At The Gallery!

June 6th, 3-5 PM

Pam's and Natalie's artwork will be on display through the month of June.

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• *A Letter From Our President,* Naomi Blackwell

Greetings Artyfolk!

It is June, and with the arrival of the 6th month have come higher temperatures, ample sunlight, and all of us waiting with baited breath for what will hopefully be a not insignificant amount of rain. While we are waiting for the monsoons to arrive however, life continues, and there are cool things happening at the gallery, so consider this your open invitation to come hang out with us in a climate controlled, air conditioned space.

This month's featured artists are Natalie Seppie and Pam Chandler, whose work will be on display throughout the month. The June reception will be taking place on the 6th of June from 3-5 PM, and, as I usually do, I would like to encourage everyone who can to come out and support your fellow artists, while socializing and enjoying offerings from our snack table.

Speaking of socializing; if you haven't yet had the chance, why not come by and see the newly organized studio space during Open Studio hours, on Thursday and Friday from 11-5 PM. Bring whatever it is you are currently working on, pull up a chair and pursue your artistic endeavors in the company of other artists.

Finally, I am pleased to be able to announce that Alyssa Vinca, a local graduating Senior, is this year's recipient of the HAA Elizabeth Horning ART Scholarship. Myself and the HAA Board congratulate her on this achievement, and wish her all the best going forward in her artistic and scholarly endeavors.

And that, for now, is all the words I have for you today. Stay safe; wear sunscreen and drink plenty of water, and you'll hear from me in next month's issue;

'Ta for now,

Naomi B

HAA President

Congratulations to the **2026**

HAA Elizabeth Horning ART Scholarship Winner

High School graduate, **[Alyssa Vinci!](#)**



Events, Classes & Workshops

OUR CALENDAR OF EVENTS, CLASSES & WORKSHOPS IS ALSO AVAILABLE ONLINE AT OUR WEBSITE & ON FACEBOOK

Beginner - Intermediate - Advanced Alcohol Inks

with

Darlene Wilkinson

2nd Saturday of Each Month

10 AM - 12 PM

\$20



PHOTOGRAPHY BASICS & COMPOSITION

with Richard Milligan

Saturday, June 20th
10 AM - 12 PM \$20

Register at the Gallery.

The class will cover basic concepts of landscape photography composition and methods to make a photo more than just a snapshot. No camera is needed as these concepts apply to taking photos with your phone as well as any camera you may have.



DESERT OIL PAINTING

with Teresa Ebbs

Saturday, June 27th
1 - 5 PM \$35

All materials will be provided.
Register and pay at the Gallery.

Deadline for signing up is 5:00pm on Friday, June 26, 2026

WEEKLY OIL PAINTING

with Joanne Berry

Tuesday's 9 AM - 12 PM --- **\$60** for 4 Classes

Register at the Gallery or Call Joanne (520) 249-8395



Art By Student Karen Broussard



4 SESSIONS WATERCOLOR

POURING CLASS

with Elizabeth Line

**Saturday's, August 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th
1 - 3 PM \$80**

All materials will be provided.

Register at the Gallery. Limit of 8 Participants.

PLEASE REGISTER BY AUGUST 1st!

Questions? Please contact Elizabeth Line at 520-803-0195

Schedule:

August 8 - Each artist will do a drawing from a photo (which they will bring to this first class) on provided watercolor paper. The photo should have strong light and dark color values. The subject should not be too complicated.

August 15 - Drawings will be readied for the pouring technique.

August 22 - First pouring.

August 29 - Final pouring and critique.

YOUTH ART CLASSES !



Instructed by Nathaniel Zoret-Russell

Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays from 4pm - 5pm

All Ages Welcome

All Materials Included - Drop Ins Welcome!

No Registration Required

FIRST CLASS FREE!

\$12 for the first student, \$10 for each additional student.

Purchase a punch card of 10 classes for \$100

ESA reimbursement approved.

Students will be taught various elements of art and receive one on one coaching to help guide them to make their visions a reality.

Email zoret.nathan@gmail.com with any questions.

• Member News & Information

MEMBERS ONLY OPEN STUDIO

Every Thursday and Friday
from 11 AM - 4 PM in the Studio.
Join other members to work
on your projects.
Bring lunch if you'd like!

• WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A • FEATURED ARTIST???

• If so, please contact Amanda Bethard at
• 520-234-0014 or achickta@gmail.com.
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Do You Have Info To Share?

If you are an upcoming featured artist; or will be teaching a class or workshop; or have any other information you would like to share with the association and art community please email your information to the Arty Facts Editor & HAA Website Designer, Nicole Shelton & The HAA Email Organizers, Gabrielle LaFargue and Darlene Everhart by the **15th** of the previous month that your information needs to be published in. *For example:* If you are July's featured artist, please email your portrait, pictures of your art and your bio by June 15th! **Thank You!**

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Workshops & Classes

If you are interested in teaching one, please call Darlene Wilkinson at 540-308-0993 or email her at artsydarlene@gmail.com. **Note:** Non members are welcome to teach classes at our art studio!

FRIENDLY REMINDER: Board meetings are held on the second Monday of the month at 10 AM.

MEMBER WEBSITES

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Cindi Mapes	www.designsbycindi.com	Roderick Stevens	www.yesitsapainting.com
Lorna Zerba	www.lornazerba.com		

Extra helpers are always welcome on Hanging Day! Several 2 person crews to help hang and arrange table art help the day go smoothly. If you can help, please stop by the studio on Hanging Day.

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HAA Library

The Dale Boatman Collection

Members only may borrow two books for two weeks at a time. Children under 18 may borrow books if an adult member signs for the book(s). Renewals are available.

Please treat the books with TLC!

Library donations of recent publications are most welcome!

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