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# Arty Facts

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GALLERY HOURS ~ Tuesday-Saturday 11 AM - 5 PM

## This Month's Featured Artists

Teresa Ebbs and Vladka Zboril



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### Outline of Events *for more information, please see pgs. 4, 5 & 6*

#### UPCOMING

- **Sat, May 2nd:** Featured Artist Reception, SUPPORT YOUR FELLOW ARTISTS!, 3-5 PM
- **Sat, May 9th:** All Levels Alcohol Inks w/Darlene Wilkinson, 10 AM-12 PM
- **Sat, May 9th:** Encaustic Art Painting w/Wilma Richards, 1-4 PM
- **Mon, May 11th:** Board Meeting, 10 AM
- **Sat, May 16th:** Arizona Sunset Oil Painting w/Amanda Bethard, 1-4 PM
- **Sat, May 23rd:** Watercolor Greeting Cards w/Teresa Justice, 1-4 PM
- **Sat, May 30th:** Heart Acrylic Painting w/Wilma Richards, 1-4 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, Teresa Ebbs

I grew up in a small country town in Texas. As a child I loved chasing butterflies, listening to the wind blow through the pines, picking wildflowers, and trying to catch birds. I truly loved the beauty in nature even as a child. When I wasn't outside enjoying nature, I'd spend hours in my room painting little childhood masterpieces with my small set of watercolors. My daddy would go to the newspaper office and get end rolls of paper for me to paint and sketch on.

I've had a love for art since I was a little girl. When I was in my second year of high school, my oldest sister found an art teacher and we began taking private lessons for oil painting. She said it had been Daddy's wish before he died that I take painting lessons. I instantly loved it! I took lessons for two to three years.

I was married to my high school sweetheart, Arlie, shortly after graduation. Two years later he joined the Army and we began to travel across the country and abroad. I painted on occasion as we moved from place to place, and sold some paintings when we lived in the New England area. It was when we moved to Arizona and settled near Ft. Huachuca to raise our two boys, that I really began painting once again on a regular basis.

I was truly blessed when I met Tim Hurst, a member of the Huachuca Art Association by chance. He saw some of my paintings and encouraged me to become a member. Once I joined, I met a wonderful group of people. I later joined Tombstone Art Gallery and Endeavor Art Gallery. Life has taken me on many journeys, and this journey led me to my childhood dream of becoming an artist.

The beautiful sunsets and sunrises, the hummingbirds chattering amongst my roses, the hawks soaring above, and the beautiful mountain views serve as my inspiration. I paint from my heart, truly enjoying each brush stroke as I create my paintings. I hope you enjoy them as much as I enjoy painting them!

I also love designing and creating unique jewelry designs. All chains are created ring-by-ring using quality stainless steel rings. They are embellished with crystal, glass and gemstones creating special pieces that will compliment any style, from casual to dressy.



# All About Our Featured Artist, Vladka Zboril



Vladka was born in Prague, Czech Republic. After high school she began her studies in art and has been a Graphic Artist for over 15 years.

In 1983, she emigrated to Germany. Two years later she was granted American political asylum and moved to Hollywood, California. From there, she attended a handful of Ceramic semesters at Santa Monica College.

In 2021, she moved to Sierra Vista, where she is a member of The Huachuca Art Association.

She is also currently continuing her studies of the art of ceramics with Virginia Thomson at Cochise College.

Vladka would like to express her gratitude to the art community here in Sierra Vista and I quote, "I feel very lucky to be always among so many talented beautiful people."



# IN HONOR OF TERESA AND VLADKA

*Please Join Us For A Reception At The Gallery!*

**May 2nd, 3-5 PM**

*Teresa's and Vladka's artwork will be on display through the month of April.*



## **. A Letter From Our President,** *Naomi Blackwell*

Greetings Artyfolk!

It is the merry month of May, and the weather is growing steadily warmer; so if you are in need of something to do and don't want to be subjected to the hazardous temperatures of our state of Arizona, then why not spend some time in our lovely, bright, climate controlled gallery?

We will be having our Featured Artist reception on Saturday, May 2nd, so I would like to cordially invite you all to support this month's artists; Teresa Ebbs and Vladka Zboril. There will, as always, be light refreshments provided while you have the opportunity to socialize and discuss Teresa's wall art and Vladka's ceramics with the artists themselves.

In addition to the featured artists reception, I encourage everyone to keep an eye on our calendar of events and workshops, as there is a constantly changing lineup of interesting classes being taught in our studio; which has been recently greatly improved by the efforts of Robin Lara and an industrious group of volunteers.

I would also like to remind everyone of Open Studio Hours, which take place every Thursday and Friday from 11-5; during which time all members of the HAA can come and work on their current projects in a supportive, community environment.

And that, for now, is all she wrote. Stay safe and hydrated everyone; and I'll catch you again in next month's letter.

Ta for now,  
***Naomi B.***

HAA President

# Events, Classes & Workshops

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

## Beginner - Intermediate - Advanced Alcohol Inks

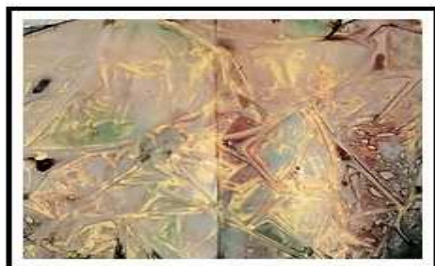
with

Darlene Wilkinson

2nd Saturday of Each Month

10 AM - 12 PM

\$20



## ENCAUSTIC ART PAINTING

with Wilma Richards

**Saturday, May 9th**

**1 - 4 PM \$50**

All materials will be provided for 2 art pieces.  
*Register at the Gallery. Limit of 6 Participants.*

*Encaustic painting is an ancient durable technique involving melted beeswax and pigments applied with heated irons to a rigid substrate, usually wood or canvas. You can scrape, carve, layer and embed mixed media into the wax, creating a luminous, dimensional and highly textured art piece.*

*Please bring a favorite photo or any 'flat' pieces you'd like to embed into your art pieces. Wilma will bring ample items also.*

## ARIZONA SUNSET OIL PAINTING

with Amanda Bethard

**Saturday, May 16th**

**1 - 4 PM \$35**

All materials will be provided.  
*Register at the Gallery.*



*Amanda will teach you how to paint a beautiful Arizona sunset on a 5x7 canvas in oil paint.*



Art By Student Karen Broussard

## 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*



## WATERCOLOR GREETING CARDS

*with Teresa Justice*

**Saturday, May 23rd**

**1 - 4 PM \$50**

All materials will be provided.

*Register at the Gallery.*

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## HEART ACRYLIC PAINTING

*with Wilma Richards*

**Saturday, May 30th**

**1 - 4 PM \$35**

All materials will be provided.

*Register at the Gallery.*



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# 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](mailto: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](mailto: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 and HAA Website Editor, Nicole Shelton & The HAA Email Organizer, Gabrielle LaFargue by the **15th** of the previous month that your information needs to be published in.

*For example:* If you are May's featured artist, please email your portrait, pictures of your art and your bio by April 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](mailto: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

<b>Doug Hocking</b>	<a href="http://www.doughocking.com">www.doughocking.com</a>	<b>Leta Myers</b>	<a href="http://www.letasgallery.com">www.letasgallery.com</a>
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<b>Lorna Zerba</b>	<a href="http://www.lornazerba.com">www.lornazerba.com</a>		

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.

# HAA BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF

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# Gallery, Studio & Gift Shop

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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!**

### **FOR ALARM:**

Call Lois Bravo 425-218-2686 or  
Lisa Tabor 520-559-0599