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# Arty Facts

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**GALLERY HOURS ~ Tuesday-Saturday 11 AM - 5 PM**

*This Month's Featured Artists*

## Kathy Riebock & Laur Rose

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

#### UPCOMING

- **Sat, Sept 5th:** Featured Artist Reception, SUPPORT YOUR FELLOW ARTISTS!, 3-5 PM
- **Sat, Sept 12th:** All Levels Alcohol Inks w/Darlene Wilkinson, 10 AM-12 PM
- **Mon, Sept 14th:** Board Meeting, 10 AM
- **Sat, Sept 26th:** Acrylic Donkey Painting Class w/Callie Ryan, 1-4 PM
- **Sat & Sun, Oct 3rd & 4th:** Art in the Park, 9 AM-5 PM on Sat, 9 AM-4 PM on Sun
- **Sat, Nov 7th:** Student Art Show Reception, 3-5 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, **Kathy Riebock**



Kathy was born in Glenview, Illinois to James and Janice Pardi. We moved to Columbus, Ohio where my father started his dentistry practice and as the eldest of 4 children I learned to share, teach and dream. After graduation from Ohio Dominican College while working at The Columbus Dispatch newspaper, I met my husband, Tom, and started a family. In 2003 we moved across the United States with two children, Christine and Tim, and three cats. I immediately fell in love with the sunshine, the mountains, and the wide open spaces. In 2020 Tim married the love of his life, Jordynn Akins, and we are thrilled to have her in our family. Tom is now retired and in between jewelry shows we travel to Ohio, Illinois, and North Carolina to visit family.

My passion for beading was ignited the first time I encountered the Tucson Gem Show in 2007. Friends, Pauline Fredericks and Sandra Parker invited me and I've never looked back. The types of beads, the sizes, colors, and history of them spoke to me, enabling me to produce jewelry with aesthetic appeal. Best of all, others enjoyed these creations.

Through the Huachuca Art Association at Art in the Park I have fostered my dream of jewelry design as a business. This event broadened my horizons as a business woman and as an artist. I have many different lines in my business; charms, watches, lanyards for I.D's, as well as the Princess Collection for the youngest members of the family. Over the years I have evolved to working with the finest materials that are accented with sterling, copper, or vermeil and do my best to give my clients optimal customer service and a piece of jewelry that has a distinctive flair. For thousands of years people have adorned themselves with jewelry to express personal style as well as celebrating important milestones. I am grateful that my clients have chosen me to create such jewelry for them.



# All About Our Featured Artist, **Laur Rose**



Some of my earliest memories are of sun-drenched Guanajuato, Mexico. I have travelled extensively and often through Mexico, and its color and surprises are a part of the deepest recesses of my imagination.

As an artist I seek to find that single line and that shape and that color and that form that will order the chaotic world of my art. The mystery is in the ability to capture a truth of my time on earth.

I enjoy discovering the humor and intelligence in the animal world. I hope that wild animals will survive changes to our environment.

I currently show at:

Xanadu Gallery Scottsdale, AZ

Global Arts Gallery, Patagonia, AZ

Cactus Wren Gallery, Tubac, AZ

55 Main Gallery, Bisbee AZ



IN HONOR OF KATHY AND LAUR

*Please Join Us For a Reception at the Gallery!*

**Saturday, September 5th 3-5 PM**

*Through the month of September, our Featured Artists will have a special display of their artwork at the gallery.  
Please stop by the gallery to view their stunning pieces in person.*

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

Greetings Artyfolk!

It has been quite a month, with rain aplenty, whistling winds and backyards that have veritably transformed from simple landscaping to the best approximation of a lush, green jungle that our little piece of the Arizona desert is likely capable of! Considering this, it only makes sense for one to take cover somewhere with a nice sturdy roof to weather any inclement weather! But now, it is September. And while the possibility of the sky opening up above us persists, if you listen very, very closely, you might be able to hear the faintest whisper of cooler, more autumnal temperatures on the far horizon; or smell the smallest hint of a crisp fall breeze, carrying the phantom scent-memory of apple cider and pie spices; or perhaps that is just my particular brand of wishful thinking.

Speaking of wishful thinking; I hope that many of you will brave the possibility of the elements to visit the gallery on Saturday, September 5th for this month's Featured Artist Reception! This month, Kathy Riebock will be adorning the featured artists' table with a display of her beautiful jewelry, while Laur Rose will be hanging a wider array of her work as our wall artist, so please drop by, anywhere between 3 and 5 PM, to help celebrate your fellow artisans.

In other news; keep an eye on the gallery calendar for classes and workshops that interest you, as many people are working diligently behind the scenes to organize and offer up their knowledge and skill in order to be able to have a varied and appealing schedule of events.

Another reminder for all of our Artists; please check the HAA website at your convenience to determine whether or not the information about you in the "Artists" section is correct, present and up to date. If it is not, or if you would like anything added or amended to more accurately reflect your work to the public, please contact our Webmin, Nicole Shelton, whose contact information can be found in the Staff list at the back of the newsletter.

Finally, for those of us who, like myself, find time often escaping them unnoticed until they look up and suddenly there are deadlines looming everywhere you look...next month is October. Which ALSO means that next month is Art in the Park. Do with that information what you will. I, personally, am going to enter a state of mildly panicked frenzy.

And that, for now, is all the words I have for this missive. Stay safe, hydrated and take care of yourselves everyone, and I will "see" you in next months letter,

**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



## ACRYLIC DONKEY PAINTING CLASS

with Callie Ryan

**Saturday, September 26th**

**1 - 4 PM \$25**

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



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*

# 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.

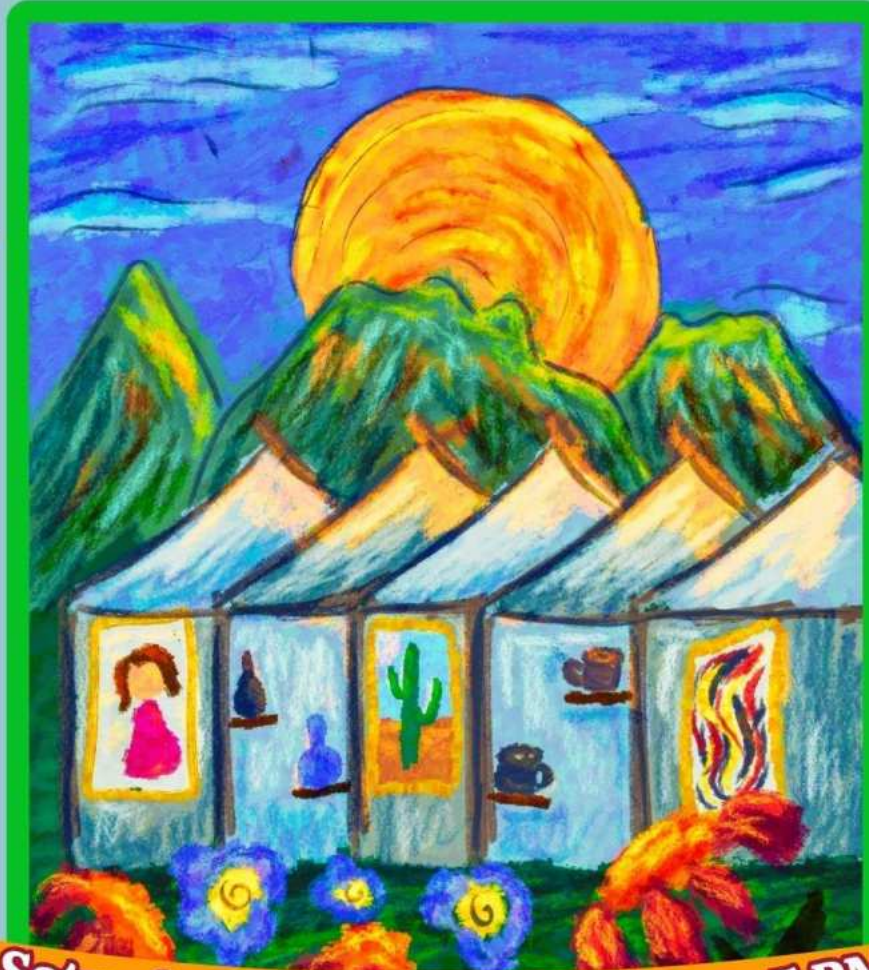
*Students will be taught various elements of art and receive one on one coaching to help guide them to make their visions a reality.*

Email [zoret.nathan@gmail.com](mailto:zoret.nathan@gmail.com) with any questions.

**THE HUACHUCA ART ASSOCIATION**  
**PRESENTS THE 54<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL**  
**ART IN THE PARK**

**VETERANS  
MEMORIAL  
PARK,  
SIERRA VISTA**

PHOTOGRAPHY  
PAINTINGS  
JEWELRY  
CANDLES  
CERAMICS  
BASKETS  
GLASS  
WOOD  
METALWORK  
FIBER ARTS  
YARD ART  
LOTIONS  
APPAREL  
& MORE



**Saturday, October 3rd 9 AM - 5 PM**  
**Sunday, October 4th 9 AM - 4 PM**

**FREE ADMISSION ~ FREE PARKING ~ FOOD & BEVERAGE COURT**

**NO DOGS OR PETS ALLOWED IN THE EVENT AREA, EXCEPT FOR SERVICE DOGS**  
As per Sierra Vista Title 9, General Regulations Ordinance #90.06-G

# . 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.

## • WOULD YOU LIKE TO TEACH A CLASS???

• If so, please contact Darlene Wilkinson at 540-308-0993  
• or artsydarlene@gmail.com.

## 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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Dear fellow artists,

I, Sue Thatcher, would like to invite you to join me in a good cause and a great opportunity to showcase your artwork. Every year in October, the Education Foundation of Sierra Vista, Inc. hosts a Spooktacular Bash fundraiser which goes towards providing support for teachers, student organizations and scholarships in our area. The Education Foundation of Sierra Vista, Inc. is looking for individuals to consider providing a silent auction donation. This is where your artistic talents can be showcased! Please consider donating one or more of your art pieces for their silent auction, by doing so you can get your name out there as an artist and help out our community.

The Spooktacular Bash takes place on October 24, 2026 at Stan Greer's Old Door Shop. Please reach out to Sue Thatcher at 520-266-4508 for more information or to the Education Foundation of Sierra Vista, Inc. directly at 520-266-0079 or EFofSV@gmail.com.

Thank you for your time, and I hope you'll join me in supporting this cause,

*Sue Thatcher*

## MEMBER WEBSITES

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| <b>Doug Hocking</b> | www.doughocking.com    | <b>Leta Myers</b>       | www.letasgallery.com    |
| <b>Cindi Mapes</b>  | www.designsbycindi.com | <b>Roderick Stevens</b> | www.yesitsapainting.com |
| <b>Lorna Zerba</b>  | 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.

# 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