



CALENDAR/REMINDER

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News from the Prez:

Along with the passing of the holidays comes the excitement of a new year and a new you. I am excited to introduce myself to you as the new president of our chapter of the Society of Decorative Painters. Our chapter officers are looking forward to providing you with painting projects to tickle your creativity and expand your knowledge of the world of decorative painting. No longer does this world just include conventional stroke work but expands this convention into a mix of fresh as well as old forms of painting. Our project for February is just an example of this as chapter member and local teacher, Judy Hopkins leads us into the world of faux finishes. Whether its walls, furniture or home accents, paint will always be a popular and inexpensive way to change our surroundings. Faux finishes, murals and trompe l'oeil aren't just decorative painting trends anymore...they are mainstays.

We hope many members will participate in the projects and seminars offered throughout this year. Hope to see you there!

Bev

February Birthdays

Kate Dowd 2/14
Christine Ferry 02/07
Kay Kozak 2/26
Carrol Mulkey 2/22
Kathy Ownbey 02/09

Sunshine – If you know of someone who needs a card of health or sympathy let Beth Newton know. Beth-Newton@comcast.net We have people that need to be on the “Get Well list” Loretta Tatum and husband had surgery, and Jolene Cooly will have surgery in February.

February Project

Judy Hopkins will be teaching a faux finishing technique after the meeting on February 14. After we have completed the background, we will complete the project with a stenciled design. All supplies will be furnished by the Chapter, so please come and learn a new technique! Bring your regular painting supplies and these few special ones if you have them: Bubble palette, a ¾" or 1" basecoat brush, and stencil brushes. See you there!

Those of you at the January meeting saw the Winter Scene glass block we will be doing at the March meeting. This meeting will begin at 9:00 am so we will have plenty of time to complete our project by 5:00 pm. Hobby Lobby has the glass blocks on sale this week. If you are planning to do this project with Kate Dowd, please purchase your block – 7 ½ x 7 ½ or a 3 ½ x 7 ½ -- and bring it to the meeting in February so we can etch them. The Armour Etch will be available to use. This product is expensive and you only need a little bit, so this will be the most economical way for you to get your block etched. Basecoating instructions will also be available at the February meeting.

You might want to purchase an additional glass block and attend the Pikes Peak Decorative Painter's seminar in April. Kate will be teaching the Halloween design!

Janet Gropp

1st Vice President, Programs

Bring a lunch as this project will take most of the day.

March Project



The Christmas house block light is the March project, taught by Kate Dowd, for our chapter and Kate will teach the Halloween block for the Pike's Peak chapter in April.

You will need to bring a lunch or snack as this will be an all day project.

April Project

This is the faux glass piece that will be done as the April project



FYI

There's still time to renew your memberships to National Society of Decorative Painters and to our High Plains Decorative Artist Chapter. All current members have received their renewal application from the National Society and you may print off the HPDA membership/renewal form from our website and return with payment to our address listed on the front of the newsletter. As a reminder there is a late fee from High Plains of an additional \$5.00 if dues are paid after Dec. 31st.

Thank you, from your Membership Chair Carolyn Culwell

Art around the Area

Brilliant – Cartier in the 20th Century at the Denver Art Museum, here until March 15, 2015. It is a great exhibit.

**Secretary Minutes from General Meeting
High Plains Decorative Artists
January 10, 2015**

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by Ruth Rodriguez at 11:48am; 16 members were in attendance

1st Vice President: Janet Gropp announced the following programs for the year:

February - Judy Hopkins will present a faux finishing for backgrounds project; the Chapter will provide the surfaces.

March - Kate Dowd will be present a winter scene on a glass block program, it will be an all day project; members will supply own paint and glass block

April - Sherry Sonterre will teach a faux stained glass technique on a flat surface

May - No meeting

June - Chris Thornton seminar, co-sponsored with Rocky Mt. Hi Chapter (June 13-14)

July - Show & Tell/Container luncheon

August - Jamie Mills-Price seminar (August 29-30)

September - Judy Hopkins, program TBD

October - Mystery Day

November - No meeting so that members can attend Pike's Peak Chapter Bazaar in Colorado Springs

December - Holiday Party, place TBD

2nd Vice President: Carolyn Culwell reported 51 paid members for 2015 (50 renewals/1 new member)

Secretary: Nothing to report

Treasurer: Chris Hoynes reported \$7,507.08 in the treasury. A proposed 2015 budget was presented by Chris, discussed and revised by the attending members; Julia Duggan made a motion to approve the revised budget; Melinda Barnes seconded the motion and the members unanimously approved the budget.

Seminar: Janet Gropp and Carolyn Culwell noted that the price for the Chris Thornton June seminar would be: Member - \$70/both days or \$40/one day; Non-member - \$90/both days, \$50/one day. Cost does not include surfaces. Carolyn is in the process of procuring a metal Christmas ornament for one of the surfaces and the other will be an 18x20 canvas, which members will provide on their own. Melinda Barnes noted that registration for this seminar was now open.

Newsletter: Ruth Rodriguez noted that the upcoming newsletters will be basic in nature and that the deadline for articles is January 20th.

Hospitality: Julia Duggan had nothing to report.

Old Business: Ruth mentioned that the revised Chapter By-Laws had been sent to SDP Hqs.

New Business: Bev Martinez noted that the Denver Metro area, as well as the Colorado Springs area, has an exceptional amount of art events going on. It was felt that if a member hears of an event that might be of interest to the rest of the membership, they should let either Ruth or Cec know so that it could be sent out to all members.

Announcements: Kate Dowd had grandbaby #2 on the way and Kathy Forsberg just welcomed a grandbaby

Adjourn: Meeting was adjourned at 12:45pm
Submitted by Cec Rae, Secretary

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Proposed 2015 Budget

Income	2014 Budget	Actual 2014	2015 Budget
Advertising	\$15.00	\$0.00	\$15.00
Membership	\$1,000.00	\$875.00	\$1,000.00
Miscellaneous	\$25.00	\$20.00	\$25.00
Seminars	\$5,000.00	\$4,274.65	\$5,000.00
Ways and Means	\$500.00	\$869.00	\$500.00
Workshops	\$500.00	\$794.00	\$500.00
Total Income	\$7,040.00	\$6,832.65	\$7,040.00
Expenses	2014 Budget	Actual 2014	2015 Budget
Advertising	\$15.00	\$0.00	\$15.00
Annual Service Fee	\$45.00	\$0.00	\$90.00
Gifts, Grants, Memorials	\$600.00	\$46.54	\$600.00
Hospitality	\$50.00	\$117.50	\$100.00
Projector System	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$60.00
Miscellaneous	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
National Chapter Insurance	\$100.00	\$93.00	\$100.00
Communications - Newsletter, website	\$25.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
Office-stamps, PO Box rental	\$500.00	\$143.37	\$150.00
Historian/Scrap Book	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$25.00
Seminars	\$4,600.00	\$4,210.42	\$4,600.00
Service Projects	\$100.00	\$88.87	\$400.00
Ways and Means	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
Workshops	\$450.00	\$432.99	\$450.00
Total Expenses	\$6,835.00	\$5,432.69	\$7,090.00

