

Newsletter Brief

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Note from Janet, 2018 HPDA President

Dear Members,

The holidays are over and I am always sad to put away my Christmas trees and decorations. My home is filled with memories of seminars, painting classes and gift exchanges from the 40 years I have been painting. Wonderful memories!

So welcome to 2018 and the new memories we are about to make! At our well attended Holiday party in December, the members chose some wonderful projects for us to paint this year. In addition, we will be hosting three "Big Brush" seminars. Plenty of opportunities to learn something new and paint with your fellow chapter members.

Our first program of the year will be taught by Wendy Goldberg. She is in training to become a certified Erika Joanne teacher and will teach Erika's Innovative Pencil - Hoot and Annie Owls project. The January 13 meeting will begin at 9 AM for set up, 9:30 to start so we can get our project prepped. We will then have a short meeting, installation of the 2018 Board, lunch (provided), drawing for door prizes, and finish up our projects.

Please bring items for the door prize drawings. Also if you have any wood items, books or pattern packets you would like to pass on to others, please bring those also. These items will be available for members to take for a donation to the chapter. Every \$ counts so we don't have to do an organized fundraiser! Remember an unwanted item in one person's stash can turn into someone else's masterpiece! Jan Wells will be sending a separate email to all members explaining the new Door Prize system. Don't miss it as it will be coming within a few days of this newsletter.

I am looking forward to a great year of creating memories with all of you! Come and join in the fun.

Janet



HAPPY NEW YEAR

Monthly Programs 2018

Future Programs – All on second Saturday of the month and begin at 10 am unless noted with *
(Seminars also listed in italics)

2018

*January	9 am	Owl – Wendy Goldberg
Feb		Snowman Face candleholder – Carolyn Culwell
March 10 & 11		Mark Polomchak - watercolors Seminar
April 14 & 15		Laurie Speltz Seminar
May		No Meeting
June		Picnic at Chris Hoynes' home
July		No Meeting - Poppy - Wendy Goldberg
August		Witchie Poo - Ruth Rodriguez
September		Fish - Janet Gropp
Oct 13 & 14		Janelle Johnson Seminar
November		Stained glass bottles - Catherine Roche
December		Holiday Lunch

Programs – Cec Rae

Hi Ladies,

Thank you, thank you, thank you--to all of you ladies at the Holiday Party who not only offered to teach programs, but all of you who voted for your favorite projects. We have a full slate of programs for 2018--whoohoo! After the holiday rush I will get with Melinda and get pictures of all upcoming programs on our website. In the meantime, we start off with a bang in January with Wendy Goldberg teaching the cutest owl I've ever seen, so I hope you have RSVP'd to her that you will attend--we are going to have so much fun.

January Program - Wendy Goldberg



HOOT & ANNIE OWL CLASS - a combination of painting and colored pencils!
Many of you have already signed up and paid...thank you!
For \$30 (payable to Wendy Goldberg)
There is no class fee!!!
You get 2 artist panels, Erika Joanne pattern packet, a wonderful step-by-step with photos, JoSonja paints to use, 7 colored pencils to keep.
If you want to bring your own pencils, its \$20. The pencils needed are Prismacolor Pencils- 905 Aquamarine, 935 Black, 1082 Chocolate, 932 Violet,

1090Kelp Green, 921Pale Vermillion, 1002 Yellowed Orange.

I will also have the mini black easels 2 for \$3, they are optional.

The JoSonja colors (in case you want to bring your own) are: Aqua, Brilliant Violet, Carbon Black, Fawn, Raw Sienna, Titanium White, Wild Rose, Yellow Deep, Yellow Green. (cont)

Other Supplies

Regular painting supplies, I used mostly a 3/4" flat, #3 round, #8 Filbert, #1liner. Bring a good assortment of brushes, as we all have our favorites.

Pencil Sharpener, duster brush (could use a clean mop), grey graphite paper, stylus, eraser, paper towels, toothbrush or spatter tool.

February Program – Carolyn Culwell



Then, in February, Carolyn Culwell will be teaching the cute snowman candle holder (pattern by Cheryl King). We will start the sign-up at the January meeting (or before) because Carolyn will need to know if you want to purchase a candle holder surface for \$10, so that she can order them in time for the program. The cutoff for ordering the surface is January 15th, so please let either myself or Carolyn know if you want her to order you a surface (paints will be provided by the Chapter). Carolyn assures me that you can adapt the pattern to any surface of your choosing if you do not want a candle holder (a barrel stave is an awesome surface for this pattern). The class will last about three hours and there will be a class fee of \$10.

March Seminar – Mark Polomchak

Our Mark Polomchak www.polomchak.com Seminar being held March 10 and 11, 2018, is now open to our High Plains members. Rocky Mt. Hi Chapter is co-sponsoring this seminar so this is open to their members as well. The fee for the class, surfaces, paints, lunches will be \$200 for the two days. We can only accept a one day registration if you have someone else who is able to take the second day of the seminar. We began our sign ups at the Holiday Party December 11th and still have few slots available.

We will open to non-members January 15, 2018 with a fee of \$225 for the two days.

If you wish to sign up before it's too late, contact Janet Gropp, tjgropp3071@msn.com, home # 303-795-3071, or Carolyn Culwell, cvculwell@bresnan.net, home #719-275-4059. You don't want to miss this opportunity to paint with Mark so contact us as soon as possible.

April Seminar – Laurie Speltz

We are also working on our seminar with Laurie Speltz www.lauriespeltz.com. We are anticipating her new designs for our seminar will be sent to us in January. This will be a class filled with Laurie's techniques and the use of new stamps from Stampendous. We will have the class fees ready for this seminar at our January meeting.

October Seminar – Janelle Johnson

Our last seminar for the year will be a colored pencil class with Janelle Johnson www.janellejohnson.com

Sunshine – Beth Newton

Get Well cards were sent to Bev Martinez and June Rutherford. A sympathy card was sent to Kay Kovak, who recently lost her daughter.



Beth

January Birthdays

*Beth Newton
Wanda Clasen
Cec Rae
Nancy Gepford*



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Membership

As of the Holiday Party in December, we have 23 members who have paid for membership for 2018. You may renew by mail by going to the HPDA website, printing out a membership form, add a check for \$20.00 and mail to the PO. Box listed on the form. We need all your checks in by February 1st. Or, you may bring your check and completed form to the January meeting.

Bring a friend to join in our fun monthly projects. They are welcome to come to one meeting before joining. Our updated member list is kept on our website. Login as member to see or print.

Do you need the password for the members' only section of the HPDA site? Please contact anyone on the board. We do not want to put it in the newsletter since it is posted on the web.

HPDA Community Outreach – Ways and Mean – Jan Wells

Community Outreach



Memory Boxes

For 2018 we will continue the MB project just as we did in 2017. Members are encouraged to decorate and donate as many boxes as possible during the year. We will have “show and tell” at each meeting (time permitting) and there will be a prize awarded at the end of the year to the person donating the most boxes.

Great news for all members: Verlene Siska asked if there was a way she could help with the project until her painting skills are a little more refined. She was asked if she would like to basecoat boxes in order to help speed up the painting process for the seasoned painters. Verlene enthusiastically agreed she would be happy to help in that way. If anyone else would like to help move things along by base coating boxes, please let me (Jan Wells) know.

Ways and Means



Door Prizes

Because our enhanced door prize money-making efforts for the chapter were so successful in 2017 we've decided to bump it up again for 2018! Be watching for an email from me after January 1st which will give all members information on changes to our “DOOR PRIZES” project.

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