



Bi-monthly Newsletter of the Aurora Artists Guild Colorado

# Palette Patter

September / October 2023

**AAG Meeting**  
**The 2nd Monday**  
**of each month**  
Garden Plaza,  
14221 E. Evans Ave.,  
Aurora CO

**Time Change to:**  
**1:00**

**Programs**  
**September 11th**  
Lia Nelson-James,  
Scrape Paper

**October 9th**  
Marilyn Kaub,  
Citrasolv Art Papers

**Refreshments**  
**September**  
Wanda Patronella

**October**  
Marilyn Kaub



**Michael Kees** Tractor wood Cut

## A message from the President



*Wanda Patronella*

**Dear AAG Members**

Saint Andrew's show will be here in a wink,  
Doing a bio is making us think  
Fall shows are everywhere,  
Do I sign up for one? Do I dare?  
Sign up??? Sell your art,  
No need to fear, it's a perfect start.  
Joan has us all lined up for Gateway,  
We will help her hang or have to pay  
Clean the brushes and stir the brights  
Getting creative, day and nights.



Colorfull Mountains **By Jill Quillian**

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## July Picnic on the Patio

By Jill Quillian

Our Annual July Picnic and Meeting was at Jill and Brian's home on a perfect Saturday, July 15th. Lots of delicious food appeared with many sides, i.e. lots of chicken, pizza casserole, watermelon, cucumbers, cookies, pies, salads, caramel rolls and more. We chatted and ate, and ate and chatted. We had a quick art sharing time. Then after awhile, Jill showed us Brian's walls full of art, then we climbed the stairs to her studio with lots of samples of calligraphy and silk paintings. Brian's wonderful studio was also on display. All in all, another successful picnic.





## Past Demo in August

By Jill Quillian

### JoAnn Nelson • Mixed Media Artist

Our presenter was JoAnn Nelson who has been an active artist, teacher, and part of AAG for a long time. Her word for the day was Archival. When you make the art, make it to last a long, long time. She refreshed our memories on many basic principle of fine art; line, shape, color, texture, 2D and 3D. She works mainly on wood (masonite and birch) that she puts together in her workshop for each project. She emphasized that odd sizes sell better than 16 by 20's. She puts together her work surfaces with birchboard furring strips, miter clamps and uses Titebond wood glue. Her works are mainly abstract, and she focuses on Texture. She uses Real Elmer's glue for: tissue paper, plastic scraps, fabric scraps, string, aluminum, glass, rocks, kitty litter, and wires, webbing wrap, reflector beads, etc. Anything with weight to it, needs to be applied with E6000 Glue. She also spackles and smooths the ends of her art piece.

Her work has some collage in it, but not entirely. She puts in just enough to get your attention. If she is using canvas, she uses gesso for texture and Benjamin Moore outdoor paint as it is more archival. Most of her medium is acrylic. JoAnn finishes her pieces with Rustoleum Clear Enamel spray many times; spray outside! She has also uses an auto body spray, Clear Coat, that you can buy at a car dealership. It has UV protection. She also wears brown Jersey gloves or welder gloves when working and spraying.

JoAnn enters many, many art shows and is one of our favorites. Many thanks for this valuable lesson.





August Show and Tell





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## Upcoming Demo in Sept.

By Jill Quillian

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### Lia Nelson-James, Scrap Paper

Lia is a native of Colorado and retiree of a 20yr career in student affairs in higher education. She started Little Brown Skin Girls in February, 2014, as an answer to a décor dilemma and to grieve the loss of her father. “The term, “little brown skin girl”, is a phrase used by the women in her family as a term of endearment as well as identification. Lia’s desire has been to make beautiful, unique, positive art that celebrates the varied aspects, hues and diversity in minority groups, specifically African American families.

It captures snapshots of lives, events and experiences with a focus on family, connectivity, fond memories and significant life events. Her hope is that her work would be hung where people of color can see themselves, positively, in the story portrayed. “My goal is to create work, and build a business, that honors my father’s creative spirit. This serves as a lasting tribute to not only him but to the special family times, the strong matriarchs, the dreams held by children, and the strong cultural history of



## Upcoming Demo in October

By Jill Quillian

October 2023

### Marilyn Kaub, Citrasolv Art Papers

I am a mostly self-taught artist who started drawing at a young age and later through informal classes, I began painting in watercolor and acrylics.



I’m fascinated by unusual paths taken, places visited, books and nature, and am trying to grow into an artist who sees in new ways and takes chances on the unknown.

I’m inspired to create art using methods not commonly tried. More recently this has been watercolor on acrylic resist, sanded collages and creating Citrasolv papers from National Geographic.





### August Meeting Notes

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 at the Garden Plaza by Wanda Patronella.

The schedule for Justice Center 2.

Trista—August 25 through October

Cindy—October through November

Ask Reagan when the change out happens for Justice Center 1.

Plans were discussed for the St. Andrew’s art show. We can bring three pieces of art on Sept 7, Thursday, 3 pm. Meet Wanda and Reagan at the retirement center if you want them to bring your artwork to Saint Andrew.

Friday, September 8th is the date we will hang art. 8:30 to 10:30 am is the time to be there if you are bringing your pieces in your own car. The address is 9203 S. University Blvd, Highland Ranch.

The reception is September 10 from 10 am to 12 pm. We can bring 20 pieces of bin art in on September 10 during the reception. The average will be 4 to 6 pieces or more if 2D, minis, photography and some limited 3D and jewelry work will be allowed.

Email Lynn if you are interested in weekly plain air painting, lynnkirch@comcast.net if you are not already on her list.

Joan discussed the upcoming Gateway Show at the Aurora Central Library (November 9 to December 16). The Reception is Friday, Nov. 10, 5 to 7:30. The first take in for bin work is 3:30 to 4:30 prior to the reception. After that it will be 4 or 5 times on Saturdays during the show. More information to come.

We were asked to sign up to volunteer for the Gateway Show while we showed our work. Joan also encouraged people to get donations for the Gateway to the Rocky’s show.



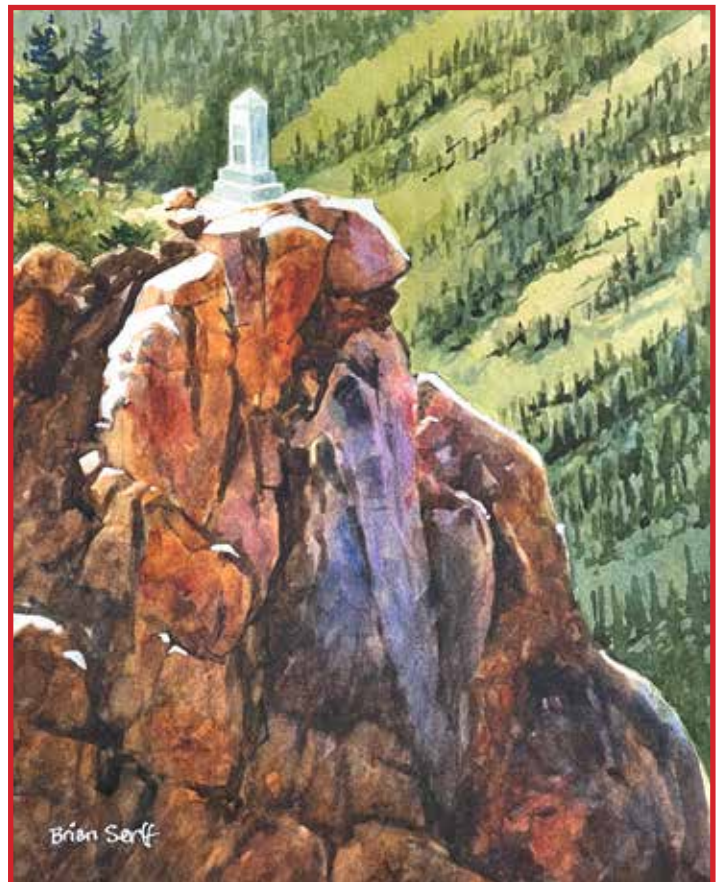
Joan Heinen Unfolding Energy

*Thank You!*

Thank you to Pete Richards who is retiring as our treasurer. Sue Klodnicki will take over for Pete



Kathy Hall Big horn Sheep



Brian Serff Griffin Memorial above Silverplume



## Venues 2023

*Notification will be sent by email to members when we will change the venue out.*

**Arapaho Justice Center** (AJC):

7325 S Potomac St, Centennial, CO,  
No commission

**Contact Reagan White** if you have any questions and to let her know you are coming. reagan-dylan@hotmail.com

We meet at 3pm in the Jury Room on the designated day and Reagan has tags for the paintings.

**Total Art needed:** We have 20 places to hang. Individuals bring an inventory sheet and 3 to 4 pieces; our spot to hang rotates from Jury Room to Hallway; to Cafeteria as we are sharing the space with Littleton and Parker Art Guilds.

All work comes down and new work is put up.

Change outs happen every 2 month at 3pm.

All on 1st Tuesdays of the month:

Feb 4th; April 7th, June 2nd, Aug 4th, Oct 6th, Dec 1st

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**Justice Center II** No commission  
6984 Lima St. Centennial, CO

Rotating Show, every two months, change out time 11 am (somewhat flexible) Tuesday or Thursday. Art needed: 14 pieces. Make sure you have your own inventory sheet and make your own tags. Each artist will now be coordinating the take-in and take outs with the next person who has signed up. So please exchange your contact information.

**Schedule**

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**Aurora Municipal Center** No commission  
Aurora Municipal Center venue to be rescheduled.

## Our P.O. Box

**Aurora Artist Guild**

PO Box 440392, Aurora, CO 80014



**Michael Nicosia**  
Watercolor  
Miniture

## Call for Entries

**Lakewood Arts Gallery**

Calls for art for the remainder of 2023 are:

**Date:** October - Myth and Fantasy.

**Contact:** Phone: +1 303-980-0625

Email: lac@lakewoodarts.org

**AAG** will have an art show at **St. Andrews Church, September 8-October 25.**

The reception will be September 10 from 10 am to 12 pm. Bin work may be brought in on Sept 10 only.

The address is 9203 S. University Blvd, Highland Ranch.



**Joan Heinen** Midle of Nowhere



**Mary Joy Stone** Starlight Sreaking through the Aspen



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**Renew membership now. Dues are \$35 for single and \$50 for dual and can be paid through PayPal or check. Checks can be mailed to Aurora Artist Guild, P.O. Box 440392 Aurora, CO 80044-0457**

## Officers and appointed positions

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## Good News!

**Inspire your Artist friends send in your Good News**

**Brian Serff** and **Jill Quillian** participated in the Western Welcom Week, Depot Art Show at Bega Park, Littleton. Brian posted #1 in sales. Jill did just fine and also demo-ed ailk painting.

**Jill Quillian** will participate in the Heather Gardens Fall Art Show, Friday and Saturday, September 29 and 30.

**Mary Joy Stone** sold 6 of her oil paintings from our wonderful and colorful web page. So the web page is working for us.

From the Denver Post

**First piece of AI-generated art debuts quietly.**

**FYI**, this newsletter is 100% generated by Brian and Jill with many hours of work gathering information and then in computer time using Adobe InDesign and Photoshop work.

**Belive it or not!**

## AAG MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

**Memberships are due in January of each year**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

New Member \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_



**Please indicate your preference for participating in one of the Guild Committees. Your involvement is a great opportunity to receive the most from your membership:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Board Member

\_\_\_\_\_ Show Take-down

\_\_\_\_\_ Coordinate Refreshments for Shows

\_\_\_\_\_ Hanging Shows

\_\_\_\_\_ Show Take-in

\_\_\_\_\_ Show Coordinator

**Annual Membership dues are \$35.**

Please submit form and payment to:

**Aurora Artists Guild**

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