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President's Message

The 2022 SFPAC of Texas Convention is over, and what a great time was had by all in attendance. THANK YOU TO ALL OF MY OFFICERS AND CONVENTION COMMITTEES FOR ALL OF THEIR HARD WORK THIS PAST YEAR. It is greatly appreciated by all of us.

I want to recognize the following people for all of their hard work "DURING" the convention to keep it running smooth. "SPECIAL THANKS" to Rick and Vicki Dean, Tony and Donna Castle and Donna's daughter, my assistant Janet Massey who spent four days working hard the week before and all day Wednesday making the centerpieces for the Rock 'n Roll Dinner, Natasha Brown who did the Convention Program Book, Guest Artists Janet Nelson and Mary Seehagen, Carol Wooster and her ladies on the beautiful Exhibit, Judy West and Peggy Riggs for the fantastic Demonstrations, Pam Early for the Silent Auction, Elaine Rice for the SFPAC of Texas Raffle Table, Dianne Snodgrass and Nancy Rollins for taking care of the Door Prizes, the South Plains PAC for the wonderful Goodie Bags and also for their raffle table with two Bird Baths (they so graciously donated the money from one of them to the SFPAC of Texas), and Historian Susan Greathouse for putting together the History Books. There were other committees that helped, but these mentioned worked the convention floor every day all day. Thank you also to those clubs who decorated for the Tablescape and to all clubs and individuals who donated door prizes. I hope I didn't leave anyone out; if so, I am sorry. We had a great group of Vendors who helped make our convention such a great one. THANK YOU!!!

Our condolences go to Beverly Tucker in the loss of her beloved husband. Our thoughts and prayers are with her during this time.

I want to wish a very successful year to Vicki Dean, the new President of the SFPAC of Texas, and her board as they are planning a great celebration for the 65th Anniversary of the SFPAC of Texas organization.

I want to wish everyone a fun, safe, and healthy summer. Hug your kids, grandkids, great grandkids, siblings and parents. Enjoy them while you can. God Bless all of you.

Bertie Stephens
SFPAC of Texas President, 2021-2022

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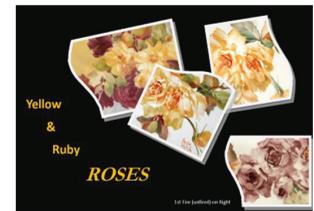
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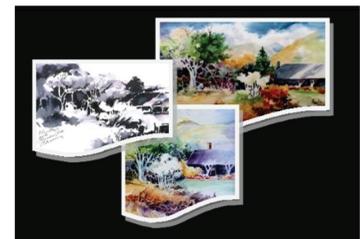


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Someone in your club must log on to <https://www.irs.gov.990n>. Follow a trail to the Non-profit Form 990n, e post card. The form is very easy! The questions are: Has your organization gone out of business? (No) Did you receive less than \$25,000? (Yes) Then they want an address for the following year. A good suggestion is the club President for the upcoming year. You have to give them the name and address twice. This is the person the IRS will contact if they have any questions. Follow the form to the end, save, print, and submit.

You will need your club's tax ID, which is at the top of the page in the yearbook. You can use the same person year after year, or you can give it to a particular position. You need to write it into the list of duties for that particular position.

EACH CLUB NEEDS TO FILL OUT THIS FORM.

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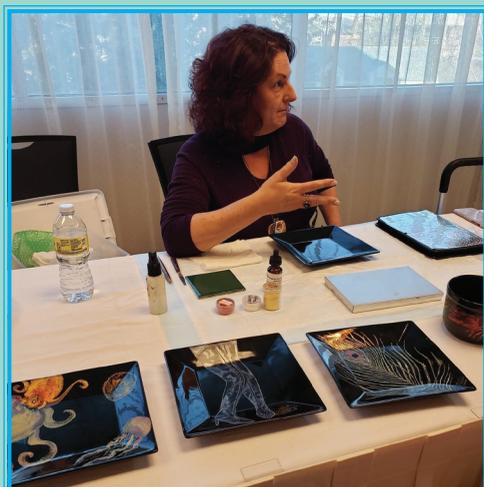
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MARCH 21-24, 2022



Guest Artists
Janet Nelson
Mary Ashcroft Seehagen



Demonstrators
Daphne Stevens
Paula White
Pam Early





Demonstrators

- Linda Adams**
- Peggy Riggs**
- Stella Schilling**
- Bertie Stephens**



**Winning entry for the
State Logo Competition
Susan Thumm**



PAC Editor's Gifts

**Fan Box and Tea Tile
Artist Ann Zitterkopf
2020-2021**

**Hydrangeas
Artist Kathy Lewis
2021-2022**





Vases for Sale

Bromfield
Porcelain Tea Club

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Exhibits

In
Memory

Fr. Exhibit



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Tablescape

**Winners
Ft. Worth PAC
South Plains PAC
Tri County PAC**



**Bird Bath Created and
Donated by
South Plains PAC
Winner – Vicki Dean**





ROCK 'n ROLL Banquet





**PAINTING
ON THE RITZ
GALA**

**President's Gifts for Donna Castle
Artist Sharon Snook
Artist Mary Ashcroft Seehagen**



**Honored Member
Vicki Dean**

**Honored Artist
Leona Julian**



**President's Gift for Bertie Stephens
Perfume Bottle Created by Beatrice of Paris, France.
Artistically painted and wire wrapped by Murlene Stark.
*PAC Magazine***



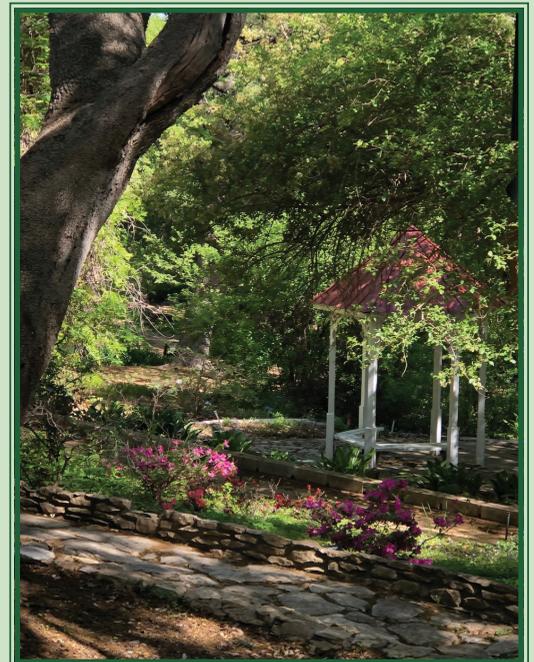
News from Around the State . . .

Alamo PAC The Alamo PAC had a fun time painting with Paula LaVergne of Louisiana. Members painted a variety of animals from birds to many tigers, even an ape. ~ Members are concerned about the coming year while they search for a place to meet each month. ~ New officers have been elected and installed at our May luncheon. They are Maggi Reinaas, President; Sylvia Tadlock, First Vice President; Elizabeth Schwartz, Second Vice President; Alyce Zule, Secretary; and Jolene Terry, Treasurer. We know they will do a great job the next two years. ~ Have a wonderful summer painting and staying cool. ~ *Claudia Nelson*



PAC of Austin The PAC of Austin has finally returned to our beautiful meeting place at Zilder Botanical Gardens. We are fortunate to participate in the Zilker Clubs membership along with 31 other clubs. For a small membership fee we are allowed a monthly meeting as well as one Demo/Fundraiser event per year. This year our event will be a live demonstration event along with our porcelain art display and sale. The event will take place on June 25 from 10 am-1pm. The address is 2220 Barton Springs Road, Austin, TX 78704. There is an entrance fee to the garden.

Call Susan Hilburn for more information. ~ Our club has already enjoyed a stimulating workshop with Paula LaVergne, a wipe-out painting session with Delyce Ruyle, and a porcelain clay construction demo by Pat Sibigroth and Rhonda Haynes. We are so happy to be back in action! ~ *Susan Hilburn*



Brownfield PAC Brownfield club members had a fun spring painting and enjoying meeting together. In January Shirley Nock demonstrated the scratch method in our painting. In February, we were blessed to have Donna Smith show us all about painting daffodils. Roses are always popular and were the theme of our March demonstration with Beverly Ham. Also in March, a few members were able to attend the state convention! A beautiful table was decorated in honor of our club by Shirley Nock. Julie Lawrence painted plates as table favors for those who were lucky enough to sit at the Brownfield table! At our April meeting, the traditional eggs (and a few other small painted pieces) were traded. Freida Meeks taught us how to paint pearls! What a fun lesson that was! We finished up the year in May with a lovely pot luck meal and show-and-tell. Outgoing president Donna Smith led the installation of



Freida Meeks

next year's officers. Donna gifted each new officer with a vial of paint and a verse about the symbolism of the color coordinating with the duties of each office. Outgoing officers also received a sweet token of appreciation from Donna. The club members gifted Donna with a gift card to a local nursery! Her yard is full of beautiful flowers, and we know she will find something lovely to add from Red Riding Hood Nursery. Snow in May? Well, YES! Brownfield PAC hosted Susan Thumm who taught us how to paint a snow scene with bunnies, using metallics. ~ With each year, change occurs, and members come and go. We look forward to some new faces who have joined for next year! Sadly, we say goodbye to long-standing member, Wanda Blackburn Hankins who has decided to put away her painting supplies and tools for now. We will miss her wisdom, fellowship, and good cooking! She is a very talented painter and a friend to all. We will hold out hope she may pick up the art again someday! Painting or not, Wanda always has a place at our table! ~ We wish all of our painting friends a safe and lovely summer, and look forward to being



Outgoing Officers
2021-2022

Right to Left: Donna Smith,
Vicky Wise, Beverly Ham,
Carol Stokes, Freida Meeks,
Wanda Hankins, Terri Nichols,
& Betty Hinson

together again in the fall! ~ *Terri Nichols*

Cedar Creek PAC One of our favorite club members Valerie Cooley is moving out of state to live with her daughter. She moved out of the Cedar Creek area a few years ago to be closer to her son, but as time has passed, she has painted a little less and now her health has been a challenge, causing her to make the decision to move. We all will miss her and wish her well. She gave me this grounding oil mixture tip years ago. I thought it would be a suitable time to share it with you. **Grounding Oil Recipe and Instructions — Mix 3 tsp Damar varnish, 1 tsp fat oil, and eight drops clove oil. Mix well. Paint the oil on the china without china paint. Let it dry until it is tacky. While the oil is drying, grind dry powder china paint on a grinding glass using a pallette knife. To dry dust, pick up the dry paint using a cotton ball. Get a good amount of dry paint onto the cotton ball and tap it onto the china as if you are “salting” the china. Flick the dry paint all over the tacky oil. Make sure to keep a good amount of paint between the tacky oil and the cotton ball. After covering the china well with dry paint, lightly rub the dry paint with the cotton ball to smooth the paint all over the area needed. Remove excess paint not stuck to the tacky oil by gently brushing the cotton ball over the area to pull off the excess dry paint. Excess dry paint can be used in future painting, but mark it so you know this paint has been used for this project. Clean up areas for excess unwanted paint with a mixture of half alcohol and half lavender oil. Wet a paper towel with the alcohol/lavender oil mixture and let it slightly “dry” out so it does not drip and bleed into your grounded area. This should not run into your grounding but should clean up any unwanted excess dry paint quite nicely. Fire at 014 or 1589° F. Enjoy the recipe. ~ *Susan Hearron***

Concho PAC In September Concho PAC did puddle pouring using slip for porcelain. We put our slip in basters, eye droppers etc. – whatever we found that would create the form we were trying to achieve.

We let them cure for two plus days before we fired them to bisque. After firing the pieces, we polished them and allow them to cure further. In 2022-2023, we will paint and fire as needed to achieve what we started out to make – ornaments, jewelry, etc. Once the pieces are complete, I will do another article of the finished products for you to see. ~ Celia Bowden did a program on painting pearls. We love doing this any time.



Daniel Thompson

We learn something new every time. Celia is such a good instructor. Thank you. ~ We had our Christmas Dinner and ornament exchange at an Italian restaurant with Merry Christmas ambiance and Happy New Year. ~ We missed several meetings due to inclement weather and a couple of our members were ill, but are all better now for which we are very thankful. ~ *Lola Squyres*



Angela Thompson & Celia Bowden

Corpus Christi Hi Lights PAC Summer is upon us and we have luckily been experiencing some lovely and much needed spring rains. The convention is behind us now ... and by all accounts it was very successful and enjoyable! Thank you Donna, Bertie, and all who worked so hard behind the scenes to contribute to its success. These conventions are so important to our organization to help inspire, motivate, develop, and share fellowship with other porcelain artists. It's not too soon to be planning for the next one! ~ Susan Greathouse demonstrated porcelain art at the Padre Island Art Gallery. There were a number of people interested in taking lessons ... which shows how important it is to share our art in different venues. Donna Labrie displayed and sold



two works at the Art Center of Corpus Christi this month, one of them being a road runner painted on porcelain. Congratulations Donna! Long time and well loved member Gerda Richter celebrated her 102nd birthday on May 21st. I am sure she is getting younger every year! We are trying to find out her secret. Finally on a sad note, Clemencia Denton and Gayle Hollan both lost their husbands over the last couple months. They are in our thoughts and prayers. ~ *Susan Greathouse*



Ellis County PAC Ellis County PAC is meeting regularly now and enjoying our art and fellow artists. Janet Nelson gave a wonderful installation with hand-painted animal icons for the officers. Each were sweet and fitting of the office. We have great admiration for her and her artist skills and are grateful for her creative energies in the installation. We meet in the Women's building downtown in Waxahachie which is a wonderful building. Used in the early 1900s, families would travel to Waxahachie to trade and buy supplies. Women would meet at the building while the men went to the taverns. This started a long tradition of women meeting, exchanging wares, recipes, and information. The building is still used for these things today. It is a historic building within the city and is used by 16 women's clubs today to share ideas and gather. We invite you and others to come share the day with us and see the largest mural of the Alamo in the state of Texas. We relish the time we paint and share. ~ **Singer Sewing machine oil lovers you can use sewing machine oil to mix your paint; additionally, mix some of the oil with a little balsam of copaiba oil to make a compatible painting medium. Always shake your mediums that have copaiba in it before your paint with it. This gives the oils an opportunity to remix with the copaiba which tends to settle to the bottom of the bottle as it remains a mixture and not a solution. Put just a little bit out in your oil well to paint with. It is easy to forget — Reshake the oils with copaiba in it every time you put a little out to paint with. The copaiba is the ingredient that sticks longer to your china holding the color in place as the glaze softens. Because of its high temperature tolerance, it stays longer than other oils as they burn off at lower temperatures. It works nicely with our paints and china.** ~ *Susan Hearron*

PAG of Dallas The club year has come to close, and PAG of Dallas members had an amazing club year. Even though we had to cancel a couple of monthly programs due to weather and caution with the new Covid strain, we ended the club year strong. We are so grateful to have very talented members who stepped in and gave fantastic and very informative club programs. ~ In January, Joyce Block demonstrated Decals & Dots. She is a very creative master of these techniques. ~ Our February meeting was canceled due to snow and ice again this year! ~ A couple of years ago, Stella Schilling relocated from the Houston area to Arlington, and we get the joy of learning from her often.

In March, she demonstrated how to design and paint beautiful morning glories.

~ Peggy Riggs demonstrated "Bugs!" for us in April. She is quite the creative one, and a bit sneaky. You should see her Texas mug, complete with coffee stains and a bug at the bottom when you finish. Oh my!!! ~ We ended the club year with a catered May luncheon



provided by a favorite Mexican Restaurant at our monthly meeting place. The Installation of Officers was conducted by Susan Hearn. Susan's theme for the installation was a clever take on "Royalty." Officers were dubbed with titles of royalty: Princess, Duchess, Countess, etc., and ultimately...QUEEN. Janet Nelson will be PAG of Dallas President (Queen) for the 2022-2023 club year. Janet is a long-time member who has been such a valued member serving in many positions plus conducting incredible monthly programs through the years. The highlight at the May Luncheon is the announcement and presentation of the Brandi Stark Award to the club's Most Outstanding Member of the Year. The award is made in memory of Brandi Stark, daughter of Murlene Stark, who until her death in 1999 was a faithful and loyal member. This year

the honor was presented to Joyce Block, our Recording Secretary. Joyce has been our faithful and loyal Recording Secretary for so many years. She is the keeper of the club's minutes which she records with such phenomenal accuracy that at any given time if there is a question on any club proceedings, she can provide a detailed account of that particular meeting. Thank you, Joyce, for your attention to detail in recording the club's proceedings for all these many years. ~ We wish all of our Texas painting friends a wonderful summer with family and friends! Stay safe and stay healthy, and especially keep painting. ~

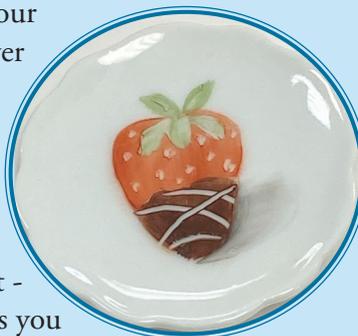
Vicki V. Dean



Ft. Worth PAC (Please accept my apologies for inadvertently omitting the Ft. Worth Fall Club News. The brain just slips a cog every once in a while. ~ Editor) In October, Daphne Stephens gave the Ft. Worth PAC a seminar on painting food. The members who were present



enjoyed painting cookies, cheesecakes, chocolate covered strawberries, candy, donuts, and even pretzels. We also experienced using a banding wheel, which was a new experience for several members. ~ In November, Susan HERRON taught us the art of painting an incredible iris. What seemed intimidating at first soon became clear. She also demonstrated a technique on using sugar water as a base in our painting and adding MX54 drying oil base over it to get two fires in one. ~ We ended 2021 with our annual Christmas party. Lunch was wonderful at the Hofbrau House. We had a mug exchange, and then our president Elaine Rice read a funny story of left and right, and we passed our ornaments according to the left - right instructions. The Ft. Worth PAC wishes you a healthy and prosperous New Year!

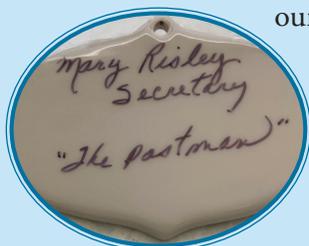


The Ft. Worth PAC has been very busy this Spring. We began the year with guest artist Stella Shilling teaching how to stripe plates using striping tape and paint. Once the tape was applied and the plate was painted, the tape was pulled off and the plate was fired. The process was then repeated the next day working in the opposite direction. ~ In February, our President Elaine Rice taught us to paint wildflowers, such as bluebonnets, wine cups, Indian Paint brushes, and Indian blankets. ~ March was time for Con-

vention. So much to see. So much to learn. So much to BUY! Everyone had a great time. Many thanks to all those who worked so hard to make it a success. ~ Kathryn Godfrey visited Ft. Worth PAC in April and exhibited her air brush technique on many pieces. She inspired us all to be more creative in our air brushing. ~ In May, we had our officer



installation. Following a pot luck luncheon, new officers were installed in the Ft. Worth PAC. Janet Nelson installed the new officers, using a butterfly theme. She brought ornaments with hand-painted butterflies. She gave a brief background as to the meaning of each butterfly's name. ~ This Summer, we will continue our educational fundraisers. They are \$10 each, and the money goes to our treasury. We start at 10 a.m., take a short break for lunch, and continue painting into the afternoon. ~ Mary Risely



Golden Triangle PAC The year ended with a wonderful seminar on “Blueberries” with Susan Hearron. There were nine members in attendance. Friday, after our business meeting, Susan did a demo for us on a “Victorian Garden” with purple and pink. Again, she gave us so much instruction and a world of theory. Thank you, Susan and Jane. ~ The year 2021-2022 has been a busy year for our group, from attending Seminars, Workshops, Paint-Ins and Demos after business meetings. Also we have the opportunity to paint as a group at Shirley Bertrand’s Studio each week. We paint on a subject of choice, share information, and critique one another’s work. ~ During the past year we welcomed new member, Melisa Meyers, and for the coming year we have had two new members join, Karen Dumesnil and Terri Cunnyngham and the possibility of another joining us. ~ Linda Surratt performed the installation of the new officers for the forthcoming year. They are President-Paula Quick, Vice-President-Kay Bennett, Treasurer-Irene Hegwood, Recording Secretary-Ann Kondos, and Auditor-Shirley Bertrand. We are appreciative of these ladies being willing to serve. ~ Martha Simpson, Program Chair, has a full year planned for us. There will be the opportunity to learn different subjects or techniques. Thank you Martha for making this possible. We look forward to a Paint-In this Summer and to the coming year. Happy Painting to All. ~ *Ann Kondos*



Heart of Texas PAC Heart of Texas PAC started the new year off kind of slow due to some weather and illness complications, but we are making up for it now. We have been blessed to have so many members share their knowledge and teach seminars to our group. ~ March was a busy month. We made up for lost time. Our members did a great job finishing pieces for our Easter basket raffle and had the drawing. Gracie Cooper was our winner. Jamie Strauss did a seminar on the leather look technique. We enjoyed learning this, and it wasn’t as difficult as I was expecting. We also completed our decorations for the convention Tablescape just in time. We finished out March with a bang at Convention. It was wonderful to see so many friends and meet some new ones. It was such a fabulous time. It was one of the best conventions we have ever had. I hope everyone had as much fun as we did. A big thank you to all of the Artists and Vendors who participated. Let’s not forget to mention our



appreciation for Donna Castle and Bertie Stephens for all their hard work that made it such a success. ~ We were delighted to have had the wonderful and talented Janet Nelson come in April to teach a seminar on rabbits. She’s always such a pleasure to learn from. ~ Summer is approaching quickly. We are looking forward to our future plans. Enjoy the images from our two seminars and convention. Keep up the painting and be safe. God Bless!!! ~ *Holly Johnson*



PAC of Houston The year began with Ann Zitterkopf, our club President, falling which caused multiple breaks in her leg. She was unable to attend our monthly meetings, and Marjy Fulton stepped up to conduct them for her. Noel Holmberg and Vicki Dean both showed up damaged in January – one with an ankle boot and the other in a leg brace. Ladies! Please watch your step! ~ After Marjy Fulton chaired the January board meeting and then the general meeting, her voice was worn out. Noel Holmberg came up to the podium and gave her a present ... it was a cough drop! We enjoyed refreshments and marveled at the chocolate French crepes Myriam Zeller found at Costco. Our exhibit by members included a 4-sided planter that Martha Van Winkle had painted in a seminar with Mary Seehagen. It had many birds flying around and visiting nests on flowering tree branches. Kay Campbell displayed a shoe with gold roses and heel. Our demonstrator, Linda Marshall, had many pieces on display to illustrate her program of scratch off techniques and luster. She gave us a detailed handout with methods used by other porcelain artists and then showed us a multitude of looks we could achieve with black or colored backgrounds, luster highlights, and pen work. Wow! Thanks, Linda! ~ In February, Paula LaVergne from Lake Charles, LA, gave a seminar on painting animal portraits. The display table had gorillas, wild cats, dogs, sheep, horses, and pandas done by our members. At the general meeting Paula LaVergne finished painting a lion portrait and gifted it to Ann Sirota. ~ March was a different type of meeting. There was a short demonstration of Picasso mugs by Brenda Bell. Member displays were of small boxes and perfume bottles painted by Joan Traylor, an unusual vase with Mardi Gras masks and dichroic glass by Kathryn Godfrey, and Kay Campbell painted roses and grapes. We also had six tables full of porcelain blanks, painted pieces, and supplies for sale by club members who conceded they could never paint all they had collected. ~ At the April club workshop on raised paste, it was like Christmas. There were tall cellophane wrapped gifts lining the table. Inside were a fully drawn and fired floral design on an oval porcelain box along with six individual glass jars filled with Hancock paste powder, paste medium, gold thinner, alcohol, turpentine, and



an empty jar for prepared paste and a glass tile inside a plastic case. There was also a large tile on skid proof discs for us to use when mixing the paste to string. Getting the right consistency was very time consuming, and over and over I had to ask Martha Van Winkle to check my balls. All the married ladies giggled when I did that! ~ We went to Fratelli's Italian Restaurant for the May Installation Luncheon. In a private area we were able to load up tables with silent



auction pieces and items for sale. Homemade goodies were baked by Mary Lou Jardine, sets of fancy plates and bowls were donated by Lenora Land, and several painted pieces were auctioned off. Our dining tables were decorated with hand-painted tea pots, two by Joan Traylor and two by Ann Zitterkopf. Four lucky winners took them home. We know that just because Ann broke her leg, she was not laying around vegging ... she had her Cricut machine busy making decorative paper cupcake holders and square boxes with 3-D roses decorated with rhinestones. She also had painted individual cup-



cake holders for her board members! What a great gift. They were customized with our favorite colors, from the papers crafted into sex-tagonal boxes to the floral paintings on the china! It was a great end to a great club year. ~ Brenda Bell





Painted by Linda Marshall
PAC of Houston
Northwest Harris County PAG

Midland PAC Midland PAC has had quite an eventful year. We started the year with Alice Havens demonstrating flower shoes. In November, we did a one-fire poppy on 12" x 12" floor tiles with Sandy Casimir. Everyone thought a second fire would be appropriate to deepen the colors because the tiles were a little dark. Members were pleased with the results. In the spring, we did wet grounding with Neta Tiner. We each prepared several small pieces which we would paint a subject on later. Our last paint along was with Celia Bowden who demonstrated painting pearls. We each did an instruction tile and practiced on another tile. The year did not go quite as planned due to family and member illnesses. Three meetings were canceled as well as the Christmas Party. Sadly, one of our members passed away in February. Elizabeth Barrera had several health conditions that were being monitored, but her death was unexpected. We will miss her. - *Sandy Casimir*



Painted by Kathryn Godfrey
PAC of Houston
Northwest Harris County PAC



PAG of North Texas We had 100% participation at the State Convention Exhibit! Our scrapbook won 1st place. Many thanks to Ruth Ann Lubbert for putting it together. In April, we were happy to have Charleen Bramlette demo wild roses and scrolls. Each member went home with a study plate painted by Charleen. It was so much fun! Deb Owen recently took a seminar in California on raised paste and gold with Sylvia Beythoun from England. She will be demonstrating for us in January. Deb has been teaching porcelain painting to three girls who are home schooled. The art class gives them the credit they need in home school. The girls are ages 10 - 13. Two of the girls were entered in this year's

Junior Exhibit at the 2022 Texas SFPAC. They each won a purple ribbon as special awards and were given handwritten letters of encouragement by Stella Schilling. Hopefully these young ladies will grow up to love painting on porcelain. We finished up the season with a planning luncheon at the Chocolate Angel. We are looking forward to our "Fox on a Box" seminar in June by Gayle Harry. Have a fun summer! - *Debbie Buyers*



Northest Texas PAC With an emphasis on promoting porcelain art in our community, our programs this year have been varied and enriching. In February, we had a paint along with Susan Hearon who showed us her technique for free style geraniums. With Susan's help and enthusiasm, each person was encouraged to create, not copy. This was challenging, but we all had so much fun and amazed ourselves! In March, Gayle Harry demonstrated painting a fox in the snow. She emphasized placement, size, and color to achieve perspective and distance. For April, Doreen Barbee demonstrated painting a bird in nature using the Grisaille method. This is a very different technique



for painting on porcelain, and it really trains the artist to pay attention to value and detail. With programs as varied and educational as these, NETPAC members continue to learn and grow, and we invite anyone who is interested in learning more about the wonderful world of porcelain art to join us at the main library in Garland on the third Saturday of each month. ~



One of the highlights each year is the presentation of the Frances Crow Art Award. Frances Crow was one of the founding members of NETPAC. She painted a lovely tile with roses in a frame large enough for engraved brass plates each year with the name of a member chosen by the membership. At our end of the year luncheon, it gave all of us great pleasure to present this award to Ruth Ann Lubbert. Congratulations, Ruth Ann! At the meeting in May, we recognized the dedication and hard work of the outgoing board. Thank you so

much, ladies, for a job well done! Debbie Mayfield entertained us with a little humor as she led the installment of the new board, after which Joanna Burch gave a peek into next year's programs. We look forward to another great year beginning in September. We also learned that Joanna was named in the Jan/Feb issue of *Southwest Art Magazine* as one of "Five Texas Artists To Be Recognized." Well deserved, Joanna, and congratulations to you. You can see some of Joanna's art on FB at Joanna Burch, Artist. ~ *Gayle Harry*

Northwest Harris County PAG In April, we had a seminar with Paula LaVergne painting animals of choice. It was fun seeing which animal members chose. All turned out beautifully. Paula is a fun and talented artist. ~ Our next get-together will be May 19th with lunch at a restaurant. It'll be good seeing everyone together again. ~ Our summers in Texas are usually pretty brutal and a good time to stay in out of the heat. What better way to "beat the heat" than to stay in under the air conditioning and paint. Just think about the MASTER PIECES we can turn out. ~Happy painting to all. Have a great summer! ~*Diana Ward*

Palo Pinto PAC In February, Judy West began a workshop study of grapes. It's been quite a while since any of us had painted just basic grapes! Later that month, Juane Reed and Linda Schmidt met Teresa Matney and Cynthia Pinnell at the Old Post Office Museum in Graham to tour the multimedia art exhibit on display there. What a treat to see porcelain pieces done by Cynthia together with paintings by Joanna Burch and Judy Simon! ~ In March and April we painted together in Mineral Wells. In March, we treated ourselves to lunch at the Happy Days Diner. Of course, March was THE CONVENTION and WHAT a convention it was! Thank you to everyone who had a part in putting it all together. ~ In May we had several special blessings. Judy West continued to encourage us as we painted on our grape studies some more. Barbara Henderson returned to her secretary duties! After falling and having broken hips and rehab, it was wonderful to see her back again! Judy McMullen (a long-time member who was rarely able to come to meetings because she was working)...RETIRED and so was able to be there. Maria Barker came by with her little 2-year-old granddaughter. It was such a delight to see a little one there. Maria has become her "daytime mom" and watches her while her mother is working, so Maria is sadly not able to come to our meetings this year. We hope to see her back again someday. We miss you! AND WE HAVE A NEW MEMBER who was at the meeting!!! Ann Logan! Welcome! ~ I spoke with both Pauline Hunter and Allene Coupland recently. They both wish they could have been at the convention and say "hello" to all who remember them. ~ Our "end of the year luncheon" will be at the Magpie Bed and Breakfast in Mineral Wells on June 7th. We are all looking forward to that. ~ See you in September!! ~ *Linda Schmidt*



March Luncheon
 Juane Reed, Linda Behrens, Linda Schmidt,
 Cynthia Pinnell, Teresa Matney,
 Jodie McMillen

Palo Pinto PAC Members



Judy West, Juane Reed, Cynthia Pinnell, Linda Schmidt, and
 Linda Behrens

River Valley PAC River Valley PAC has had a rewarding Spring. Our February meeting was a refresher lesson on painting mushrooms by Leona Julian. Many of us had not painted mushrooms in a very long time, so it was great revisiting this subject. In March, Paula LaVergne came to do a seminar painting the animals of our choice from photographs. Our members mainly painted birds, dogs, horses, and various other mammals. All of the results were beautiful. It was easy for each member to feel proud of their beautiful work. Convention came along two days later. Glenna Grimsley, Carol Wooster, Maggi Reinaas, Leona and Terry Julian attended. It was so good to get together with friends from around the state whom we had not seen in so very long. River Valley PAC is so excited to have Leona receive the Honored Artist Award. Leona was long overdue to receive this award. She has been an outstanding painter and teacher. Also, she has always supported porcelain painting and our organization. At our May meeting and luncheon we made plans for the coming club year, had the installation of officers, ate too well (lol!), and said goodbye for the summer. ~ Maggi Reinaas

Tri County PAC We are so excited this month to feature our very own Linda Adams! She is an excellent china painter and is always trying something new! She never ceases to amaze us with her innovations and skill. Recently she has been working with slip and clay. In March she brought ALL the supplies and taught our club how to use clay to make ornaments. We felt like kids again rolling our clay and cutting it with a cookie cutter. She brought all kinds of cookie cutters and we had a blast! She is so fun and encouraging. She helps us to think out of the box. She also taught us how to pour slip on a real leaf, glaze it, and fire it. She made some beautiful leaves in the fall and used them to decorate her Thanksgiving table. At the convention she demonstrated her techniques twice, and her classes were very well attended. We are so proud of her accomplishments and love her so much! Here are some pictures of her creations and our clay cookies!



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Victoria Crossroads PAC Our club continues to meet the fourth Tuesday of each month. We are a small sharing group and enjoy our friendship that has blossomed more every year. We are invested in each others' lives and have been dedicated to painting 'on your own' or working on a themed project at each meeting. We met May 24th for our luncheon meeting at a local restaurant. Throughout the rest of this year and next, we will each be the 'instructor and demonstrator' for the group on a project or art form of our choice. - We have a club that has been a part of porcelain art for years and often remember 'tricks of the trade' and teachings from years back. I asked several members the number of years they have been a member and their favorite things to paint. - **Wilma Piwetz**, club president, says, "I have been a member for at least 30 years. I enjoy painting leaves (...and she is excellent at it!). I love a variety of colors and enjoy painting most flowers. Painting is FUN! Our friendship group has been around



Wilma Piwetz

a long time." - **Beverly Neal**, club treasurer, wrote: "I don't know how many years exactly but at least 18 to 20 years with this club. I like painting and being with the club. I really like painting anything - flowers, birds, fruit. The most constant thing has been Easter eggs and Christmas ornaments every year for my grandkids. I like all colors, depending more on subject than favorite color." A little family history from Beverly was that her Mother and Grandmother were both accomplished porcelain art painters for years. Her walls at her home display much of their treasured work! - **Twinkie Harter**, recording secretary, wrote, "The first piece I painted was with Rusty Dworak at the Methodist Church in Edna. It's dated



Beverly Neal



Lauren Jackson

2008. I belonged to a club in Port Lavaca then. My favorite color to paint is red. I love to paint red flowers and Christmas things. I paint because I enjoy it!" - **Pat Dyson**, telephone, wrote: "I don't know how many years exactly, but I started out with Peggy Hogan, a member of our club and instructor many years ago. She helped me a lot. I love painting coffee mugs and giving them away. I enjoy the companionship of my friends. I am still learning!" - **Lauren Jackson**, corresponding secretary and publicity, said, "I love nearly all forms of art, but the first time I tried my hand at porcelain art was probably 12 years ago. Rusty Dworak was my inspiration at that



Pat Dyson



Twinkie Harter

time also. I don't think anyone paints roses better than she could! Anyway, I paint 'along mostly' and always think I'll have more time...sometime in this life! I love all colors and love this group of fine ladies!" - I will continue with other members in next issue. Blessings for a fun-filled summer! - **Lauren Jackson**

PAG of Waco We had a blast at convention! From the décor to the venue it was absolutely fabulous - thank you to all those that worked so hard to get it done. Thank you to the demonstrators and vendors who really inspired us to get that paint brush moving again. We learned so much from all of you, and we can't wait to put it all into action. - I loved the memorial section that they offered this year as we wanted to honor a very special member we lost - Emmy Montgomery. She was truly was one of the most gracious and graceful women I've ever known. She always knew just what to say to uplift



and motivate you in the most positive way. Her keen insight and wisdom into the daily events of life were always on point and helpful. She was my go to advisor on many subjects, and she was always smiling. Our thoughts and prayers go out to her husband, Bill and their family. We miss her everyday but understand that Heaven needed such a special lady. - **Laurie Brown**





West Texas PAC
 Paintings by
 Suzanne
 Nazworth



Wichita Falls PAC In January our club held their yearly show and tell event at Jason's Deli. Cynthia showed us a large round box with a broken lid she had cleverly mended. Karen Robertson showed a tissue box and a Santa plate. Seda Waldrip had a vase pipe holder. Barbara Crossland had a monochrome plate, Christmas plate, and a silk tote bag. Pat McClure had a stuffed doll. Rachel Brown had a framed tile she had painted of an Indian Maiden. Darlene Lackey showed a tile counter saver she had painted with a colorful rooster. ~ Barbara Crossland hosted the February PAC meeting. She demonstrated her technique for monochrome painting. She showed an impressive painting of a black and white horse, a rose plate, and a vase on which she had painted an array of black and white flowers. Each member then chose a favorite piece of her own design and china to paint using this method of painting. ~ Rachel Brown hosted the March PAC meeting. She presented a dual method of painting carnations. Most members used the preferred "wipe out" method. She shared some of her personal studies as a means of educating other members. The attendees noted they had never before painted carnations but enjoyed the challenges of learning a new method of artistry. ~ Cynthia Pinnell presided over the April meeting. She gave an informative demonstration teaching us how to salvage broken china. She brought mended pieces of her own to demonstrate how well this technique worked. She accomplished these tasks by covering the crack/broken areas with china leaves and flowers she had made from porcelain clay. She then showed a lovely platter painted by Paula White that had been badly damaged and repaired using this method of repair. ~ The May meeting and luncheon was held at the Red Lobster restaurant. Barbara Crossland hosted and tested our knowledge pertaining to porcelain art. The member who scored the highest received a prize of a piece of unpainted china. ~ In the April meeting Barbara Crossland requested we each submit something interesting about ourself that we assumed no other member knew about. Barbara planned to use our answers as a fun game for the May meeting. The fun was when the secret was read and we tried to match it with whomever we felt the secret was most suitable. It was the most enjoyable time spent together. ~ Our PAC meetings have been suspended for the summer months. We plan to resume September 12, 2022. ~ Rachel Brown



Painted by Barbara Crossland



Painted by Rachel Brown



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