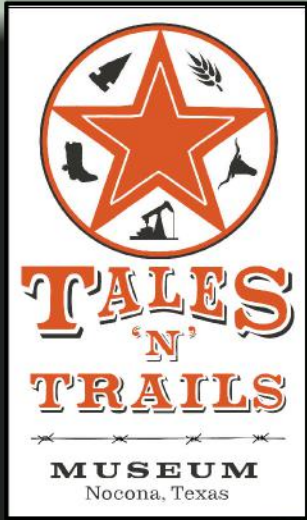


Chisholm Trail Art Association

www.chisholmtrailartists.com

SEPTEMBER 2020 NEWSLETTER



**Come see (and hear)
Miss Enid!**



**Cory and Tornado
think it's a great day
to head on out to
Tales 'N' Trails
Museum and check
out the new
exhibits! There's
even a lady that will
talk to you! Bring
your mask, just use
the hand sanitizer
coming and going!**



**Dr. S. D. Clark here.
Come see me at
Tales 'N' Trails
Museum!**



Field Trip! September 10th

Join us Thursday, September 10th, at the Tales 'N' Trails Museum in Nocona, TX. Our CTAA group and any interested visitors will have a personal tour of the new exhibit wing. The Museum will close at 5 pm on the 10th and then will reopen just for the CTAA. This is a great time to see all the enhanced exhibits that Project Manager/Director and CTAA member Gale Cochran-Smith has gotten accomplished. Let me say that after digging through various antique stores searching for items with Gale and adding a couple of things I had, all I can say this is an exceptional exhibit! Would be a shame to miss this one!

Chisholm Trail August Minutes

CTAA Minutes for August 13, 2020

President Larry Lemons opened the meeting at 6:18 with acknowledgement of visitors Pat Peery and Ernie Lewis, Western artist, who is a guest of Randy Oberbeck. (Owner of Cool Creek Art Gallery). Welcome.

Treasurer's Report: Gwen stated that the balance was \$2873.05 after expenses were incurred from Soon Warren's Watercolor Workshop.

New Business:

- Rusty Cook Annual Scholarship-President Lemons introduced the discussion concerning the continuance of the Rusty Cook Annual Scholarship for the Kids Art Camp (summer program) at the Kemp Art Center in Wichita Falls, Tx.

General discussion was in approval.

- Motion was given by Gail Cochran Smith

- Second was made by Jennifer Hammer

- The Vote for approval was unanimous, the motion carried

- Mystery Art Fest-discussion was given concerning the Mystery Art Fest sponsored by the Wichita Falls Arts Council as a fundraiser for the Kemp Art Center. The Deadline for submission of 2 entries is September 9th. Details for submission can be downloaded from artscouncilwf.org/mystery-art-fest or

Kristine Thueson, programming@artscouncilwf.org 940-766-3347

- CTAA Virtual Online Art Show-Pres. Lemons opened the discussion of an Online Art Show for CTAA. (Silence speaks volumes). No one added any comments. It was later discussed that all local & national online art venues were met with little to no success. Both the Art of the Song & the September Art Show have been tabled until next year due to the influence of the pandemic.

- Members, Jesse & Gwen Coulson, have now opened their new online website.

They distributed business cards to the members.

- September Art Meeting-As the September Art Show was canceled, discussion focused on a new field trip to the Tales N Trails History Museum in Nocona, Tx during the meeting night which would be Sept. 10 at 5:30 p.m. For those interested, members may consider meeting for dinner at 4:30 at the Pizzeria in downtown Nocona. Mention was made of the convenience of Larry Lemon's art gallery on the opposite corner.;)

Artist of the Month: Angela White—"Cynthia's Betsy"

October Guest Artist, Demonstrator: Jim Stevens, Master Photographer

Guest Artist (August): Laura Gillis, Metal Sculptor of "found" objects & "Doodler"

Background: Laura is from a family of creative artists. Her mother was a watercolorist. Laura began in fiber arts, creating sculptured animals (teddy bears), then evolved into a stint at a printing company. In college, her interest peaked with gestural drawing (called "doodling") and welding. At the college, the course offered was \$25 and included 3 student which had no welding experience, Laura being among them. She was the first and only female to take the course. During a lunch break of classes, she went to a hardware store & bought several washers, took them back to welding class, & created a metal sculptured "catfish," using the washers as scales! Thus began Laura's artistic expression of "found" objects.

The Process:

Initially, she worked with farmer's and ranchers, but began to branch out into creating unique sculptures from the leftovers of work projects. Welding sculptures become very

heavy. Laura began to adjust her work to lighten the weight of her sculptures. As a result, she developed smaller objects that appealed to the younger audience. . . . bottle caps with extended legs became spiders & various species of bugs!

- As welding involves the heat process, Laura calls herself a "fair weather" welder. When the temperatures get too hot or too cold, the artist chooses another form of artistic endeavor as a creative outlet. Evening at home, she began to "doodle" while watching tv with family, creating unique gestural drawings in pen and ink (no previous line drawing in pencil).

- Mostly, the drawings were black & white, but on occasion, she began to incorporate colors. Of special note is the color "Pink," which the artist always uses in October to honor her mother who had cancer.

- Her supplies include Winsor & Newton watercolors (tubes) and 2 pens..TWSBI (extra fine nib) and Echo (also extra fine nib). The TWSBI is a fountain pen which is refillable. Her refill ink is called "Noodlers" ink, waterproof. Sometimes she uses a Pilot "falcon"-gold nib, which is softer & produces a thicker line.

- Papers are important as a ground..Arches, 140 lb (hot pressed) was her first choice, however, she found that Fabriano Artistic extra white paper (hot pressed) was more substantial for her type of creative drawing. This paper can be ordered from major art supply stores (Dick Blick, Cheap Joe's, Jerry's Art-ARama).

The artist's themes include nature & bugs. Her largest sculpture to date is a larger-than-life "dragon fly" which is about 6'. Laura's gestural drawings (doodling) are very spontaneous, however, she usually creates a whimsical themed series for Christmas. Among them are: "12 Days of Christmas," "Reindeer Games," "Weiner Dogs," and "Gnomes That Wandered From Home."

At the suggestion of a family member in 2014, she began a blog called www.yellowcatstudio.blogspot.com based on her love for cats, especially her yellow cat which lived to be 17 years old. Laura incorporates her doodling creativity on her blog mostly every day. Of special note, she also is a member of a writer's group & writes children's books, which are discussed on the blog also. Co-Chair for "Cowboy True"-the artist spoke about any interested artists who would like to submit work for the "Cowboy True" Art Exhibition held in Wichita Falls annually. Work is juried into the show. The committee is looking for a diversity of art skills, including leatherwork, bits & spurs, cowboy trappings, artwork, etc. The Show is a fund raiser with a Silent Auction in which artist share a 70/30 % split with Kemp Art Center. For more details, go to the Kemp Art Center website. There is both a juried show and booths at the exhibition.

Conclusion of Meeting:

Pres. Larry Lemons concluded the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Vonnie Kohn, 8-14-20

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August Meeting Highlights



If you missed this one well that's too bad! Iowa Park artist **Laura M. Gillis** gave our program. It was very informative, interesting and funny to hear how she decided to begin in the welding department at MSU among "all the guys who wanted to build a BBQ grill".

Building sculptures from found metal or working on paper in ink and watercolor, Laura is an award winning artist interested in preserving the natural and cultural history of her world.

She is a member of the Arts Council Wichita Falls, Wichita Falls Art Association, Western Trail Historical Society and is a Texas Master Naturalist.

Laura lives near Iowa Park with her husband, James, and an assortment of animals.

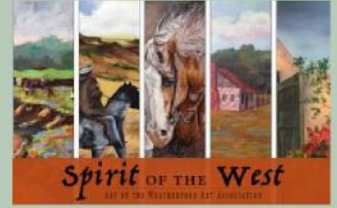
Her daily doodles and various other projects can be seen at yellowcatart.blogspot.com or on the YellowCatArt Facebook page. Thank you very much Laura!

Angela Clark White August Artist of the Month

"Cynthia's Betsy" was the winning entry in the Artist of the Month contest for August! This is a soft pastel done for a friend.



Art Events



Spirit of the West Call for Artists and Prospectus

Doss Heritage & Cultural Center - 1400 Texas Drive, Weatherford

817-599-6168

Show October 3rd to November 13th

Awards Ceremony – To Be Announced

Entries

This show will celebrate the heritage of the American West. Art should capture not only landscapes but the rugged independence and tenacious adventures of the majestic west and the individuals and animals that made it happen!

Juried Show

Artists should submit pictures of their work online to cynlyn19@aol.com. The judge will select the work to be submitted. Artists will be informed of their acceptance *no later than September 10th*. Please send registration and fees by August 28th to

Cindi Neverdousky, 504 Queensway Rd., Willow Park, Tx 76087

Categories

This is an all media show, therefore, there is only one category.

Qualifications of Artists

Show is open to all members and non-members age 18 years or older.

Judge – Jon Frembling

The Gentling Curator, Jon Frembling, has been with the Amon Carter for 17 years. Jon is a wonderful resource of western materials from maps, to rare books, to history and imagery. He is currently the curator and one of the authors on a book/exhibition about Scott and Stuart Gentling, twin brothers from Ft Worth who rose to national prominence. As a historian, he has worked with regional artist archives at the Amon Carter. He loves the genuine American west, especially if it's 'Amon Carter Country' and West Texas.

FINE PRINT: WAA will receive a 20% commission of the selling price. WAA reserves the right of approval for all entries in the show. WAA and the Doss Cultural & Heritage Center reserves the right to photograph artwork and use artist or entry information for publicity purposes only. In addition, the entrant understands that all artwork left over 30 days following the end of the show becomes the property of WAA and will be sold to assist funding additional projects.

Calendar of Important Dates

Online Submission due by Aug. 28th Acceptance to artist by Sept. 10th

Registration of art to Doss Center

Thur. Sept. 24th (4-7PM)

Sat. Sept. 26th (10AM – 2PM)

Delivery of Art to Doss by Sept. 24th.

Show Hanging by the Doss

Judging Week of Oct. 1st

Opening Date October 3rd

Reception & Awards

Oct. 22nd , 6:30 PM @ The Doss

Last Day of Show Nov. 13th

Pick Up of Artwork Nov. 17th & 18th

Artwork Specifications &

Entry Fees

Artwork..... Paintings, 3-D, Photos

Number..... One to three Works

Entry Fees

Members 1st work \$20 2nd & 3rd \$10 each

Non-Members 1st work \$30 2nd & 3rd \$10 each

Age Limit of Art..... 5 years or less.

Size Limit..... 48" Canvas in any one direction.

Display & Sale..... Sale Price or NFS

Awards

Best of Show.... Cash Prize & Ribbon

Six Awards of Excellence Cash Prizes & Ribbon

Instructions & Notes

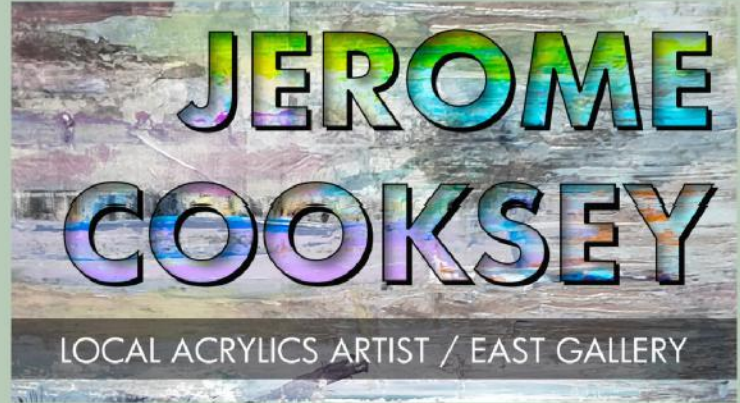
Note: Artworks must not have been entered in any other WAA Western Art Show. All works must be wired for hanging. 3-D pedestals will be provided. Paintings must be dry, and pastels fixed. Artworks must be original. No giclée's.

Art Events

At Breckenridge Fine Arts Center



QUILT SHOW 2020!
August 27 - October 13
with Porcelain Artist Cynthia Pinnell



At The Kemp

Arts Council
Wichita Falls Area, Inc.

The Kemp
1300 Lamar
Wichita Falls, TX 76301

The Forum
2120 Speedway
Wichita Falls, TX 76308



Calling All Artists!
MYSTERY
Art Fest
2020

September 9th

Final Deadline
artwork drop-off

Announcing....
Late Thursdays
at The Kemp

Every Thursday Night
5 pm - 8 pm
starting in September

Kicking off **September 3!**

Some of our FREE things to see and do:

- Nationally Recognized 16th Annual Sculpture Garden exhibit
- Latest addition to our grounds: "Wildcatter and Wichita Oilfield Special"
- Three indoor gallery spaces featuring local artists
- Our famous FREE CORN (courtesy of Cottrill Fire Roasted Corn)

...all available with lots of space for social distancing!

Art Events



Jan Thompson Soft Pastel Workshop March 21 - 27, 2021

At the 404 Ranch

Experience Jan's creative & artistic abilities along with the southern hospitality on a working ranch.

Lodging provided in the Ranch Bunkhouse

Sunday, March 21, arrival between 2:00 pm & 6:00 pm

Classes begin Monday morning 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Classes end on Friday at 4:00 pm. After critiques, Dinner Celebration.

Fee: \$950 Includes 5 days of workshop Food & Lodging for 6 to 7 nights

Meals provided except for one evening out at a nearby location.

Class limited to 15 and is expected to sell out quickly. Don't delay in reserving your place.

\$400 deposit – ASAP or no later than February 15, 2021 to Jackie Railsback(Ranch Owner/Host), 2520 Norwood Dr., Hurst, TX 76054 jrailschas@att.net, 817-657-8691 Deposits are Non- refundable after March 1, 2021.

To see more of Jan's work visit: www.jthompsongallery.com

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SEPTEMBER 4th, 2020: DEADLINE FOR ENTRY for the SPIRIT OF THE WEST JURIED ART SHOW at the Doss Heritage & Cultural Center in Weatherford put on by the Weatherford Art Association. Show runs from October 3rd thru November 13th. See the CTAA Website for more information and a prospectus.

SEPTEMBER 9th, 2020: DEADLINE FOR ENTRY for the MYSTERY ART FEST at the Kemp Center in Wichita Falls. Show runs from Oct 3rd thru Oct 23rd: For more information and registration forms, see the CTAA Website - or contact Kristine Thueson at 940-766-3347 or email her at programming@artscouncilwf.org

PASTEL WORKSHOP CONDUCTED BY JAN THOMPSON AT THE 404 RANCH: March 21 thru 27, 2021. For more information, see the CTAA Website

FOR ART SHOW EVENTS ALL OVER THE UNITED STATES, go to www.callforentry.org for a calendar listing

CTAA October Meeting Presentation

CTAA Member Jim Stevens Photography

