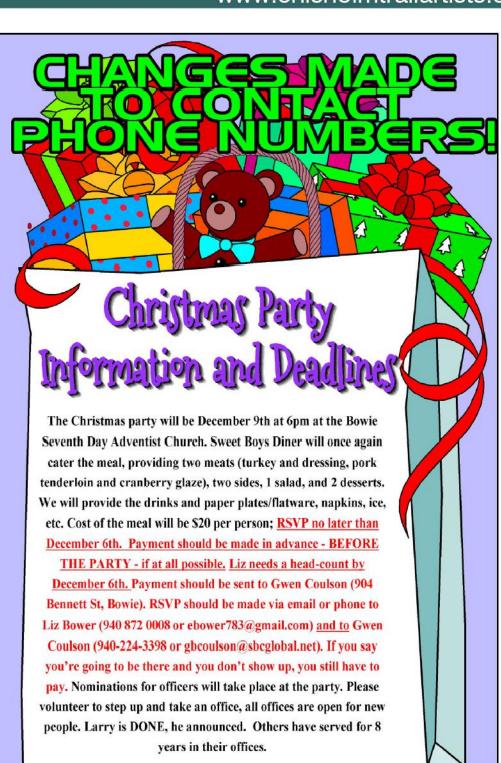
Chisholm Trail Art Association December Newsletter

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First CTAA meeting of 2022! Thursday the 13th at the Wellington State Bank in Bowie.
This is our anual "Show & Tell" meeting. Please bring something you'd like to share with the group.
New officers will be confirmed for the year.



CTAA November Meeting



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Thank you Regina, everyone enjoyed your presentation!























Chisholm Trail Art Association Meeting Minutes

Minutes of CTAA Meeting November 11, 2021

Larry G. Lemons called the meeting to order at 6:00pm at Wellington State Bank Chisholm Trail Room

Attendance was taken via the log-in book. Welcome made to guests were Rick Mahaffey and Blakely Warner. Rick did a gourd program for us several years ago; Blakely is a former art teacher. Karen Kennedy-Chatham and Judy Tischler Lemon renewed their memberships.

Treasurer's Report: As of 10/30/21 the balance was \$2,809.51. Actual balance as of this date is \$2,649.51 with checks clearing.

Discussion was made and vote taken. Liz Bower and Dian Rhoades are in charge of obtaining the meal and decorating. The Christmas party will be December 9th at 6pm at the Bowie Seventh Day Adventist Church. Sweet Boys Diner will once again cater the meal, providing two meats (turkey and dressing, pork tenderloin and cranberry glaze), two sides, 1 salad, and 2 desserts. We will provide the drinks and paper plates/flatware, napkins, ice, etc. Cost of the meal will be \$20 per person;

RSVP no later than December 6th. Payment should be made in advance - BEFORE THE PARTY - if at all possible. Liz needs a headcount by December 6th. Payment should be sent to Gwen Coulson (904 Bennett St, Bowie). RSVP should be made via email or phone to Liz Bower (940-872-7008 or ebower783@gmail.com) and to Gwen Coulson (940-8224-3398 or gbcoulson@sbcglobal.net). If you say you're going to be there and you don't show up, you still have to pay. Nominations for officers will take place at the party. Please volunteer to step up and take an office. Larry is DONE, he announced.

White Elephant gift exchange will also be an event at the party. Maximum cost of gift is \$25. Bring a fully wrapped present if you want to participate.

Local art shows coming up are the Cowboy True in Wichita Falls, and the RRVM Art show in Vernon. Information is on our website: www.chisholmtrailartists.com. There will be no CTAA art show this year, as the Hometown Christmas event in Nocona has the Justin Community Building taken over by the Volunteer Firemen's Fish Fry.

Judy Lemon is teaching beginning watercolor classes at the Carpenter Shop in Nocona. The seniors are having a lot of fun. Karen Kennedy-Chatham announced she made a big art sale at the Adobe Gallery in the Stockyards.

No meeting will take place in December, as the art group Christmas party will replace it. January meeting will be our regular "Show and Tell" meeting.

The presentation was made by Regina Scroggins of her gourd art. Although she has only been working on gourds for a relatively short period of time (her main love is fused glass), Regina shows remarkable skill in working with gourds. She buys her gourds online, mainly from a company in California. Gourds come in all sizes and shapes, and they are graded - so the cost depends on the size, type, and whether or not they've been pre-cleaned. They cost anywhere from \$6 to over \$30. She also grows her own gourds. They are ready to work six to nine months after harvesting, after they have sufficiently dried. Gourds are strictly ornamental; you cannot eat or bake with them. They are also somewhat fragile, and will crack or shatter if dropped accidentally.

Regina said gourds are quite messy to work with. They need to be sanded, and if incised or cut, it creates a lot of dust - often filled with mold spores. Masking is a necessity when working with gourds. There are several types of gourds, all of different sizes and shapes. There are even gourds that are manipulated during the growing process to create unusual shapes. One can even manipulate a gourd to grow a human-like face on it! We all agreed that would be spooky to see a gourd with a face growing in the garden.

Gourds are finished in a limitless amount of techniques - painting, staining, polishing, incising, cutting, burning, inlays, weaves, etc. They can be finished with acrylic paint, alcohol ink, leather dye, wood tint or wood stain, resins, varnish, etc. The gourds can be drilled around the edge and then combined with basketweaving techniques to create even more variety in the art medium.

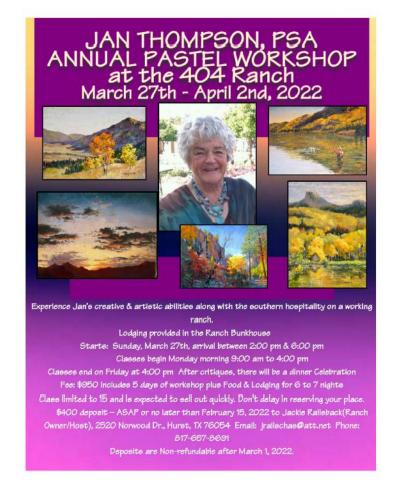
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We all were impressed by the variety of her pieces, and how beautiful they all were.

Artist of the month was Jan Reid for her acrylic/multimedia piece "Sangre de

Workshops and Area Art Opportunities





DEADLINES FOR SUBMISSION are December 15 and January 31, 2021 for the COWBOY TRUE 11th ANNUAL ART EXHIBIT & AUCTION at the JS Bridwell Ag Center in Wichita Falls, April 1-2, 2022. For more information, contact Kristine Thueson at The Forum (940-766-3347 ext 202 or email her at programming@artscouncilwf.org.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION is January 19, 2022 for the 21st ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL JURIED ART EXHIBITION & COMPETITION AT THE RED RIVER VALLEY MUSEUM in Vernon. The show runs from June 3 through July 15, 2022. For more information, go to www.RRVMuseum.org

PASTEL WORKSHOP by Jan Thompson at the 4R Ranch near Morgan Mills, March 27, 2022 through April 1, 2022. For more information, [click here]

ART CLASSES BY DON MacLAUGHLIN, Nocona, TX. For more information, contact Don at 214-616-2449.

OIL PAINTING CLASSES BY JUDY GELFERT, Arlington, TX. For more information: [click here]

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

Area Websites to Visit



The Kemp 1300 Lamar Street Wichita Falls TX 76301

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