

# Chisholm Trail Art Association

## December Newsletter

www.chisholmtrailartists.com



January 13th, 2022  
Meeting

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

**CHANGES MADE TO CONTACT PHONE NUMBERS!**



### Christmas Party Information and Deadlines

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 head-count 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 0008 or [ebower783@gmail.com](mailto:ebower783@gmail.com)) and to Gwen Coulson (940-224-3398 or [gbcoulson@sbcglobal.net](mailto: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, all offices are open for new people. Larry is DONE, he announced. Others have served for 8 years in their offices.



# CTAA November Meeting

## Regina Scroggins



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relatively short period of time (her main love is fused art), Regina shows remarkable skill in working with gourds.

Regina showed off her work - one gourd as small as a baseball, and another a very large gourd as big as a bushel basket. She said a typical gourd takes sometimes over thirty hours to create, sometimes over the span of several months. There is a national guild of gourd artists, and some of their pieces sell for several thousand dollars. Regina does sell her work, and the money earned goes right back into buying gourds and the various materials to decorate them.

Thank you Regina, everyone enjoyed your presentation!



Congratulations to Jan Reid for November's Artist of the Month for her acrylic/mixed media piece "Sangre de Cristo"



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## 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](http://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.

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

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.



# Workshops and Area Art Opportunities

## Lynn McLain Watercolor Workshop at the 404 Ranch March 6th - 12th, 2022



Lynn McLain traces his artist's passion back to his childhood. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree in Architecture from Texas Tech in 1971, and has been painting and teaching watercolor professionally since 1978. He is a signature member of the American Watercolor Society, the National Watercolor Society, past president and signature member of the Southwestern Watercolor Society, past president and signature member of the New Mexico Watercolor Society, and present member of the Taos National Society of Watercolorists. Lynn founded and remains active in the Wet Brush Critique Group, which consists of 18 dedicated watercolor artists in the Albuquerque, New Mexico area.

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

Lodging provided in the Ranch Bunkhouse

Starts: Sunday, March 6th, 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, there will be a dinner Celebration

Fee: \$950 Includes 5 days of workshop plus Food & Lodging for 6 to 7 nights  
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 10th, 2022 to Jackie Railsback(Ranch Owner/Host), 2520 Norwood Dr., Hurst, TX 76054 Email: jrallschas@att.net Phone: 817-657-8691

Deposits are Non-refundable after February 23, 2022.

## JAN THOMPSON, PSA ANNUAL PASTEL WORKSHOP at the 404 Ranch March 27th - April 2nd, 2022



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

Lodging provided in the Ranch Bunkhouses

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Fee: \$950 Includes 5 days of workshop plus Food & Lodging for 6 to 7 nights  
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\$400 deposit - ASAP or no later than February 15, 2022 to Jackie Railsback(Ranch Owner/Host), 2520 Norwood Dr., Hurst, TX 76054 Email: jrallschas@att.net Phone: 817-657-8691

Deposits are Non-refundable after March 1, 2022.

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](mailto: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](http://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](http://www.callforentry.org) for a calendar listing!

# Area Websites to Visit



<http://www.artscouncilwf.org/>



**Chisholm Trail Heritage Center**

**1000 Chisholm Trail Parkway**

**Duncan, Oklahoma 73533**

<https://onthechisholmtrail.com>



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