

CHISHOLM TRAIL ART ASSOCIATION



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Newsletter

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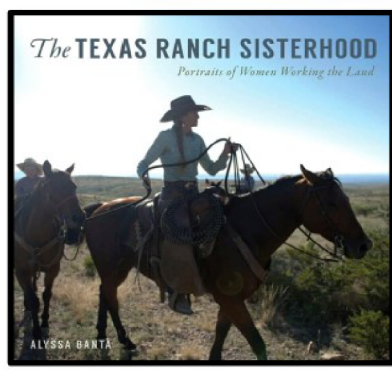
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December 14: Christmas Party & White Elephant Gift Exchange (at the Bowie 7th Day Adventist Church). Potluck Dinner served starting at 6pm, followed by the gift exchange (max \$25 for a wrapped gift to be exchanged).

CTAA APRIL 6th



The CTAA will join the Literary Club at the Tales 'N' Trails Museum in Nocona on April 6th instead of our normal meeting date. Please read the information below and be sure to RSVP by March 27th if you are planning on attending.

Nocona Thursday Literary Club and Tales 'N' Trails Museum are thrilled to host Alyssa Banta as she shares her observations, experiences and the remarkable photography from her book

The Texas Ranch Sisterhood:
 Portraits of Women Working the Land
 • 3:30 PM, Thurs., April 6,
 • TNT Museum, 1522, US Hwy 82, Nocona
 Please RSVP to (214) 460-2980 by March 27.

Fort Worth award-winning photojournalist and author Alyssa Banta spent a year following more than a dozen Texas women ranchers through their daily routines. Her book is available in the Museum's gift shop and [Amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com). It'll also be available on-site April 6.

Banta's work has also been published in the Smithsonian Magazine, Harper's and The New York Times Magazine

CTAA March Artist of the Month Jennifer Hammer

Jennifer's soft pastel "Marmalade" won the award in March.
 From a photo she took herself with an antique Flow Blue china lid and the bowl of oranges.



CTAA March Minutes

Chisholm Trail Art Association

March 9, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Gale Cochran-Smith called the meeting to order at 5:55pm.

Refreshments provided by Dian Rhoades (thank you!)

Gwen Coulson gave the Treasurer's report, with our bank balance at \$2,447.01.

Items discussed:

- Weatherford Art Association needs a judge for their fall art show, which runs from October through November 2023. Contact Cindi Neverdousky at 817-228-7028 or email her at weatherfordart@yahoo.com or cynlyn19@aol.com

- Member Larry G. Lemons shared a photo of his newest commission piece, a portrait of five different dogs in the same frame. He also announced that his Gallery is having an open house on April 15th from 10am to 6pm celebrating his 50 years in visual arts.

- Member Karen Chatham is holding an Oil Painting Workshop at Cool Creek Gallery in Bridgeport on March 17th & 18th from 10am to 4pm, with lunch included on Friday by Chef Debbie Workman of the Gather Restaurant. Cost is \$200. Contact Karen to register via text at 940-399-0567

- Member Jennifer Hammer still has a few openings for her Soft Pastel Workshop at the 404 Ranch north of Stephenville, from March 25th thru the 28th. Let her know if you are interested in attending this workshop, which includes all lodging and food!

- Member Judy Tischler Lemon holds watercolor classes at the Nocona Carpenter Shop every Thursday afternoon. Contact her at 940-825-4709 if interested in attending

- In lieu of our April meeting, we are invited to attend the Nocona Thursday Literary Club's meeting at Tales 'N' Trails Museum on April 6th from 3:30 to 5:00. It will be a book signing/presentation by Bridgeport author/photographer Alyssa Banta for her new book "The Texas Ranch Sisterhood: Portraits of Women Working the Land." CTAA members are urged to contact Gale by March 27th if planing on attending, as the Thursday Club needs a headcount by RSVP by that date.

- Member Marsha Wright-Reeves will present her encaustic art at our May 11th meeting

- Local artist Cara Lea Willoughby will present her saddle blanket designs for the TV show "Yellowstone" at our June meeting

- Guest artist Johnny Bone will conduct a portrait painting demo at our July meeting

- Our August meeting will be a field trip. Suggestions to be explored are the Christian Art Museum in Fort Worth, the Museum of Art in Wichita Falls, or the WFAA gallery in downtown Wichita Falls. Jesse is to talk to the Christian Art Museum to see if they're having a special show during August.

- Our September meeting will feature members Jesse & Gwen

Coulson showing photographs of the Art of Barcelona, Spain - taken during their recent vacation.

- In lieu of our October meeting, we will host the Opening Reception for the Art of the Song Art Show. Larry suggested that The Minds' Eye could provide rock and roll music after the reception, with acoustic music during the reception. He will let us know when Nocona Nights has their next meeting on planning for the music festival and art show.

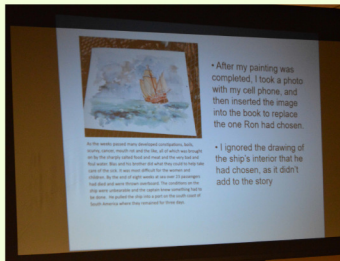
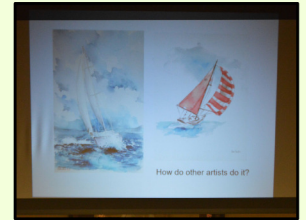
- Gale talked about the abysmal level of participation this year for the Shoebox Float Contest during Nocona's Mardi Gras Celebration - and urged all members to participate next year (there is an adult category as well as kids' categories). To help our participation, she proposed our November meeting to be a "hands on" decorating session, with members urged to obtain a shoebox before then to be decorated during our meeting.

Gale Cochran-Smith then proceeded with a PowerPoint presentation about how she created the illustrations for a book soon to be published for a friend of hers in California. It is the story of his 4X Great Grandfather who was a Franciscan Priest in the early California mission system of the 1800s. She talked about researching the subject matter so that the illustrations could be as historically accurate as possible, copyright restrictions, and the need to "change up" her reference photos so as to result in individually unique illustrations. She chose 5 of the 21 illustrations for the book to use in a demonstration on her methods of creating a final illustration. Gale also talked about self-publishing through Amazon's Kindle Direct Publishing, and other publishers who assist authors for a fee, how "print-on-demand" works, and how both methods differ. Gale mentioned that she had published several books herself, as well as assisted others in doing so.

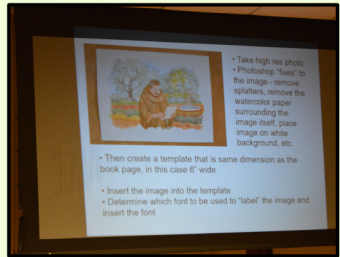
Our "free" projector doesn't have the ability to focus very accurately, so discussion was also made about the CTAA purchasing a different projector to be used for our meeting demonstrations. This would be especially necessary for photographic and other fine art presentations. Larry is to take on the task of researching options available in the \$200-\$400 price range.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:25pm

CTAA March Meeting Gale Cochran-Smith



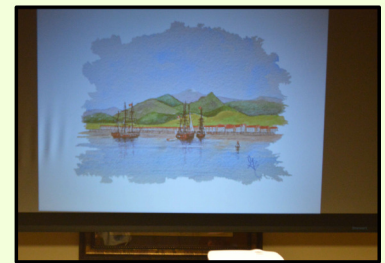
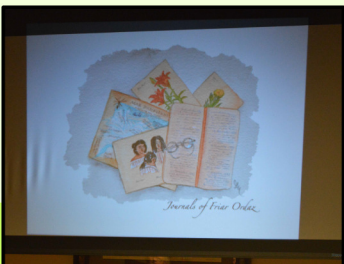
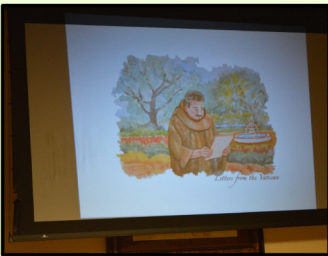
CTAA President Gale Cochran-Smith brought us an in-depth presentation on what she does when she illustrates and publishes books. Gale has been publishing books for herself and other people for years. The book she talked about during her presentation was for a person who has written a book about his 4X Great Grandfather, a Franciscan Priest in early 1800's California.



Gale's watercolor illustrations fill the book and she explained the process of how she creates the illustrations. It's a process that requires hours and hours of research to reflect the period in which the story takes place.

Gale explained the differences in certain ways to publish books. The service she uses if she is doing the publishing is through Amazon's Kindle Direct Publishing. There are other services that are based on fees and print-on-demand types.

This was a very interesting and informative presentation! Thank you Gale!



Soon Warren Watercolor Workshop



Soon Warren Watercolor Workshop

JUNE 7, 8, & 9, 2023 (3 days)

in Nocona, Texas

Registration will open ON 01/01/23

Workshop is limited to 20 people. Reservations will open on January 1st, 2023 and will require a \$50 deposit (check made payable to CTAA and sent to the attention of Gale Cochran-Smith, PO Box 354, Montague TX 76251). Checks for the deposit **MUST BE** received not later than 15 days after registration, or the spot may be made available to another person. Contact Gale Cochran-Smith **NOT EARLIER THAN JANUARY 1st** to register for the workshop at 817-832-6991(cell) or via email at galecsmith@gmail.com. **RESERVATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED BEGINNING JANUARY 1st!** Reservations will be accepted in the order that they are received.

The workshop will be held at the Nocona Housing Authority meeting room at 400 Hobson Street in Nocona. Hours 9:00 to 4:00

Lunch break Wednesday and Thursday from noon to 1:30. Friday potluck lunch provided by CTAA. Total cost is \$250, which includes a \$50 deposit. First come first serve. The remaining \$200 is due by the first day of class, can be paid on site on the first day of class. Deposit is refundable only if we can fill the spot. A supply list and step-by-step instructions for the painting above will be sent to each registered artist no later than May 15th. For additional information, please contact Gale.

Overnight lodging in Nocona can be found at Red River Station Inn (www.redriverstationinn.com) or at the Veranda Inn (www.verandanocona.com) - both are very nice, locally-owned, comfortable hotels.

Workshops & Events



Jennifer Hammer Pastel Workshop at the 404 Ranch

March 25th - 28th 2023

3-day pastel workshop at the 404 Ranch north of Stephenville, TX.
 Date: March 25th - 28th
 Arrival Saturday, March 25th between 2:00 pm & 6:00 pm
 Class begins Sunday morning 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
 Class ends on Tuesday at 4:00 pm
 Fee: \$380.00 Includes 3 days of workshop plus Food & Lodging for 3 to 4 nights
 Class is limited to 13 people.
 \$100 deposit - ASAP no later than February 15, 2023 to Jackie Railsback (Ranch Owner/Host)
 2520 Norwood Dr., Hurst, TX 76054
 Email: jrailschas@att.net Phone: 817-657-8691
 Deposit is non-refundable after March 1, 2023
 Jennifer Hammer email: jh1040285@onemain.com



ART SHOW



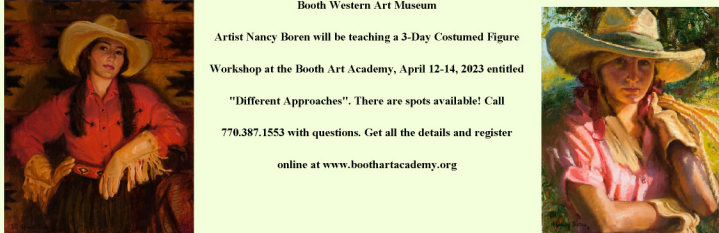
WAA Announces Upcoming Art Shows

The dates for future shows are:

- Peach Festival Art Show:
Drop Off- May 18th & 20th
Show Opens- May 26th
Close-July 22nd
- Member Show:
Drop Off- July 27th & 29th
Show Opens August 5th
Close-September 16th
- Spirit of the West:
Drop off: Sep. 21st & 23rd
Show Opens - October 7th
Close- December 2nd

Booth Western Art Museum

Artist Nancy Boren will be teaching a 3-Day Costumed Figure Workshop at the Booth Art Academy, April 12-14, 2023 entitled "Different Approaches". There are spots available! Call 770.387.1553 with questions. Get all the details and register online at www.boothartacademy.org



Paint HISTORIC WAXAHACHIE

ELLIS COUNTY ART ASSOCIATION
113 W. FRANKLIN, WAXAHACHIE, TX

CALL FOR ARTISTS PLEIN AIR PAINT OUT

MAY 5-17, 2023
REGISTER BY APRIL 15

- BONUS PRE-PAINT: APRIL 1-29 (ELLIS COUNTY) REGISTER BY APRIL 1 AT WWW.ELLISCOUNTYART.NET
- JUDGED COMPETITION/AWARDS/SALE
- QUICK DRAW MAY 19, 10AM-NOON (\$10 IF NOT A PLEIN AIR PARTICIPATE)

ART ON THE SQUARE



Paint Like YOU!

2-day workshop with Kay Wirz

Focusing on Acrylic Painting with Individuality of Expression!

Each day's assignments will be concerned with exploring ideas and finding ways for shifting out of old, predictable and habitual ways of expression through your art and "perking-up" your approach to each new painting.

There will be opportunities for planning and developing fresh ways of dealing with subject matter and composition with planned exercises. The demos, handouts, and exercises are designed to help develop individual and confident art work, and to, hopefully, inspire your present and future work. A supply list will be provided.

April 27-28
9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Cost: \$175 Art Dept. Member
\$200 Non-Art Dept. Member
registration deadline: March 27





Women's Art's Fort Worth

Spaces are limited! To register or for more information go to womenoftheartsftworth.com

Questions? Contact Susie Monzingo womenoftheartsfw@gmail.com
817 360-8711

Workshops & Events



4TH ANNUAL
WOMEN IN WATERCOLOR
INTERNATIONAL
JURIED COMPETITION
SPONSORED BY 

ENTRY: APRIL 1, 2023 - JUNE 8, 2023

ENTRY CATEGORIES
STILL LIFE / FLORAL
ANIMAL / WILDLIFE
PORTRAIT / FIGURE
LANDSCAPE / WATER
ABSTRACT

THIS WILL BE AN ONLINE ONLY COMPETITION.
ENTRANTS WILL BE ABLE TO
ENTER AND WIN ONCE PER CATEGORY.

WWW.WOMENINWATERCOLOR.COM

Darla Bostick's Art Adventure
May 2023

Each year a small group joins Darla Bostick for her Art Adventure Abroad to a new destination. Visit the Umbrian Region of northern Italy and stay at La Romita!

Or, if you prefer to explore your artistic side closer to home, Darla's 18th **Ghost Ranch UN-Traditional Watercolor Workshop/Retreat** features watercolor with a twist! Monday, 30 Oct-Sunday, 5 November we live at the Ranch made famous by Georgia O'Keeffe. This workshop offers two optional field trips: Georgia O'Keeffe's home and studio in Abiquiu, NM as well as the Landscape Tour on the Ranch property to see where she lived and what she painted.

Registration is taking place now!
For details: [www/darlabostick.com](http://www.darlabostick.com)
Questions? Email darlabostickart@gmail.com

2023 NOCONA NIGHTS MUSIC & ART FESTIVAL
"ART OF THE SONG" JUDGED SHOW
OCTOBER 13TH & 14TH, 2023
AT THE JUSTIN BUILDING, 100 CLAY STREET, NOCONA, TEXAS

More information coming soon!

Entry categories and prize money will be announced by spring 2023.
Multiple entries are allowed, but at least one entry must have a music theme.
Show is sponsored by Nocona Nights, the Nocona Chamber of Commerce, and the Chisholm Trail Art Association.



The Art of the Song
Music and Art Festival

October
2023

Landscape, Oil Painting Workshop
with Suzie Baker



June 20-23
9:30 am - 3:30 pm
Cost: \$550 non-member
\$525 member

*The Woman's Club
of Fort Worth*
1316 Pennsylvania Ave.



This workshop is not to be missed!
You will experience a challenging but fun-filled, guided, hands-on learning experience. Students receive instruction on principles of painting ranging from drawing, color, value, composition, color theory, and SO MUCH MORE. Every day, you will apply what is being taught with a mixture of teaching and painting. We will also discuss the pros and cons of photography and how to get the most out of these super computers we are all carrying around in our pockets. You will see demos and receive one-on-one instruction at your easel throughout the workshop. If you choose to paint outside in the afternoon on the Woman's Club grounds, please bring your plein air materials. (This is by no means mandatory).

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Questions? Contact Susie Mazingo
womenoftheartsfw@gmail.com
817 360-8771

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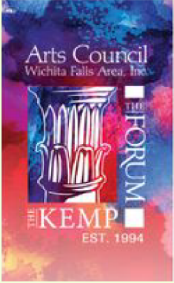
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Area Art Sites to Visit



Who we are...



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



**CHISHOLM
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HERITAGE CENTER

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