

# Chisholm Trail Art Association



CTAA  
March 10th Meeting

Presentation by  
Dave Shafer

6pm in the Chisholm Trail  
Room at the Wellington  
State Bank in Bowie

Our meetings are open to  
anyone who wants to  
attend.

Non-Members are limited  
to 2 free meetings per  
year.

Please arrive on time.



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Presentation  
*Photographer*  
**Dave Shafer**

Dave was born and raised in the hard working steel country of Western Pennsylvania. At an early age his dad introduced Dave to the camera, the magic of the darkroom and the love of baseball.

His presentation will touch on his 25 plus years of a photographic journey of being on location shooting advertising, editorial and documentary projects. It will highlight his recent projects with Texas Highways Magazine and also show some of his Fine Art images.

Some of his past and current clients include:

Eastman Kodak, New Hampshire Tourism, Michelob Brewing, United Healthcare, Fortune and Texas Highways Magazine.

Once on assignment in the Bahamas, a 92 year old Bahamian woman told Dave...

\*the more sunrises and sunsets he sees, the less his bones will ache as he grows old\*. He is still waiting to find out if she was right.

An award winning photographer, Dave is most proud of his 5 Communication Arts Photography Awards of Excellence and was recently named \*Photographer of the Year \* 2020\* from the International Regional Magazine Association.

Dave's roots are planted firmly in Texas as he chases stories and light.



## CTAA Upcoming Meeting Schedule

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December 8: Christmas Party & White Elephant Gift Exchange (location TBA)

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**CTAA Minutes-February, 2022** Gale C. Smith, president, called meeting to order @ 6:10 pm, Feb. 10, '22  
**Treasurer's Report:** \$ 2919.19 **Hospitality Chair:** Dian Rhoades (refreshments)... thank you! **Meeting Schedule for Guest Artists:** • **March 10:** Dave Shafer presents his award-winning photography • **April 14:** Larry G. Lemons does a hands-on demonstration about beginning level drawing using grid system • **May 12:** Joshua Bradley shows his jewelry creations, beautiful turned wood bowls, and oil paintings • **June 9:** TBA • **July 14:** Susan Moody showcases her fiber art • **August 11:** FIELD TRIP!!! The group travels to the Amon G. Carter Museum in Fort Worth to see a number of different exhibits before they end in September. • **September 8:** Anne Ayres presents her bronze sculpture art and her children's books. • **October 13:** Cara Lea Willoughby presents her Indian horse blanket designs • **November 10:** Ron Ice presents a program on finding creativity in all things • **December 8:** Christmas Party & White Elephant Gift Exchange (location TBA) **Art News:** • **PORTRAIT PAINTING WORKSHOP by Tina Garrett** in Fort Worth. February 16,17,18. For more information, go to [www.womenoftheartsftworth.com](http://www.womenoftheartsftworth.com) • **FIGURE DRAWING WORKSHOP by Donna Howell-Sickles** in Saint Jo, February 25, 26 & 27, 2022. For more information, call the Davis & Blevins, Main Street Gallery at 940-995-2786. 2 • **WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP by Lynn McLain** at the **404 Ranch near Morgan Mills**, March 6th thru 12th, 2022. • **WORKSHOP: NATURE JOURNALING WITH WALT DAVIS**, April 9th, 2022 from 10am until 4pm, \$95. For more information, contact Davis & Blevins Gallery in Saint Jo at 940-995-2786. Space is limited! • **ART CLASSES BY DON MacLAUGHLIN, Nocona, TX.** For more information, contact Don at 214-616-2449. • **OIL PAINTING CLASSES BY JUDY GELFERT, Arlington, TX. Note: Soon Warren's watercolor workshop has been postponed due to conflicting schedules. Her workshop will resume in 2023.** **CTAA Meeting:** Gale C. Smith, holds many titles-artist, author, newly elected president of CTAA, vice-president of the Board of Directors for the Tales N' Trails Museum in Nocona, Texas. She has a diverse background in Watercolor, an art form that is unpredictable. In the early years, Ms. Smith enrolled in a technical college in Salt Lake City, Utah where she first encountered the medium of watercolor. In her words, "watercolor is an adventure, not a formula, as it challenges the skill of the artist and holds many surprises." She later moved to Colorado where she achieved a degree in sociology. There were a few changes to locale-Seattle, Washington where she was newly inspired by an amazing change in nature in her watercolors... oceans, mountains, etc. She then took a brief sabbatical from painting due to life circumstances. She began painting again after moving to Texas in 2001. Gale had many beautiful examples of her artwork to display, showing an evolving style in watercolor techniques, including various stencil & lifting techniques to achieve special effects. She uses Fine Art America as her publisher for prints and other art reproductions. 3 Gale learned very early in watercolor to only use professional supplies to achieve good technique. It's essential to use good quality paper (Arches: 150-300 lb), Kolinski sable brushes, and Windsor and Newton watercolor tubes of paint. She has also added to her career the role of author, illustrator, and eventually collaborated with other artists to publish their books, eventually teaming up with Ann Ayers, a sculptor, on the biography of Bonnie McCarroll, famed rodeo cowgirl. She now has a commissioned new project to create. She is collaborating with an author to illustrate his autobiography of the life of a family member who was a Franciscan priest in the early days of California. At present, she has 19 new ideas for the manuscript. A rich program with many hints for the creative artist! Thank you Gale. Meeting was concluded at 7:30 pm.

February Minutes





## Presentation by CTAA President, Gale Cochran-Smith

Our new President, Gale Cochran-Smith, did the presentation for February's meeting on her watercolor art. She talked about her family history with art, noting that her mother, sister and brother are all artists, but that her dad always said he couldn't draw a recognizable stick figure. She was introduced to watercolor while pursuing a commercial art degree from Utah Technical College. She emphasized the importance of good quality art supplies, and said she is still using the red sable kolinsky brushes she purchased in 1973. Her instructor taught using Arches 300-lb paper, and Windsor & Newton watercolors as he felt they were of the finest quality. Gale agrees, and said the worst thing one can do in learning watercolor is to skimp on supplies. Gale showed several of her watercolors, dating from 1973 (her first watercolor painting of a pond) through her award-winning designs for Messina Hoff Winery and her most recent project, started over a year ago at Randy Meador's workshop in Saint Jo. She is currently "stuck" on how to do the buffalo hide to make sure that it had just the right amount of texture, and welcomed suggestions from the audience. Gale answered a number of questions and was very informative about watercolor techniques and challenges.







**SATURDAY, MARCH 5, 2022 AT 2 PM**  
**Donna Howell Sickles 2022 New Works Show**

**Saint Jo, TX**

Please join us for the opening of Donna Howell Sickles 2022 New Works Show, 1pm, Saturday, March 5.

Donna's images have brought her national attention and success.

Her work is rich with symbolism and allusions to classical mythology, but the viewer does not need to be familiar with the references in order to appreciate the female affirmations of each piece.

We look forward to sharing her art and our beautiful gallery with you.

**Area Art News**

**WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP** by Lynn McLain at the 404 Ranch near Morgan Mills, March 6th thru 12th, 2022. For more information, visit the CTAA website. There are still spots available.





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FOR ART SHOW EVENTS ALL OVER THE UNITED STATES, go to [www.callforentry.org](http://www.callforentry.org) for a calendar listing!

**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: [jrailschas@att.net](mailto:jrailschas@att.net) Phone: 817-657-8691

Deposits are Non-refundable after February 23, 2022.

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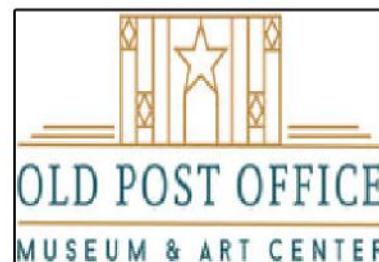


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