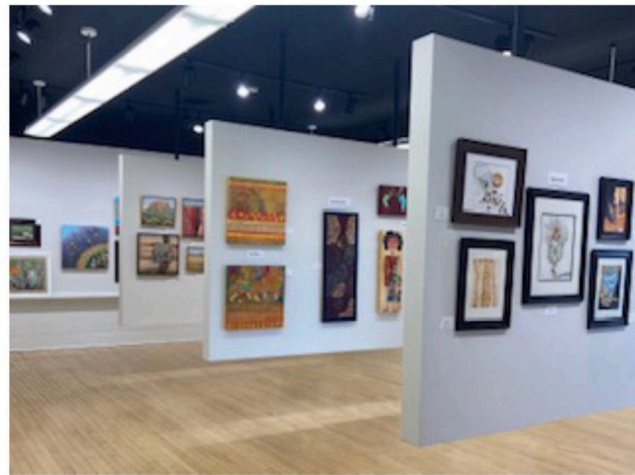


September 2023 Issue

Kathy Q Parks will be our demo Artist in October!!

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Enter the 11th Annual Member Show. Entries due by Oct. 1. Go to gval.org to enter



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- New Feature- Artist Spotlight- Glenda Nieman
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GVAL September meeting



A big thank you to Paul Steele, our September presenter! He did an excellent demonstration in oil painting! He shared many tips about plein air painting, such as starting to paint an hour before the scene has reached the ideal lighting. His wadded paper towel dipped in oil paint to block in his darks was unique and worked great. Paul recommended using a grey paint palette that is about a 5 on the value scale. That helps the artist create correct values when mixing paint on the palette. His style is loose enough that if you only looked at a square inch of a bush, you wouldn't know it was a bush. Seeing the whole painting makes the bush obvious. Go to <https://www.paulsteelefineart.com/> to see his wonderful finished paintings

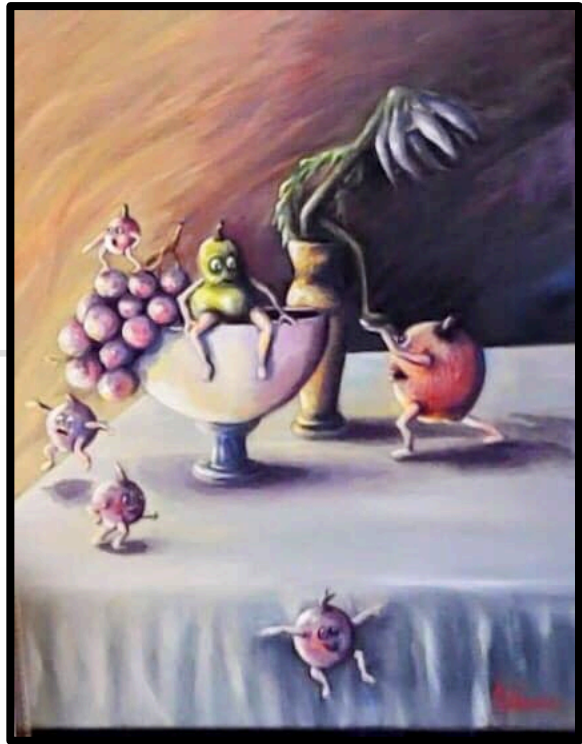
Artist Spotlight – Glenda Nieman

Glenda has always shown creativity through cartoons and line drawing and has explored several mediums such as pen and ink drawings, chalk and oil pastels and acrylic painting. As a young girl her favorite pastime was penciling sketches of funny stories and drawing cartoon caricatures of the people in her life. Her father was also quite talented even though he had no formal training in art. Glenda enjoyed art in college, although her intrigue for studying the depth of human character led her to the profession of education where she contributed 30 years as an educator and counselor. Never giving up her love of examining the dimensions of human qualities and animal behaviors, upon her retirement, Glenda began to explore her artistic talent through several art mediums. Since 2008 she has investigated painting with oils and has developed a unique and creative style.



Glenda Nieman





Congratulations to Olivia Shelton, our September Artist of the Month! Members chose Olivia's whimsical oil painting as the one that best represents the Summer Challenge, "Still Life in Motion".

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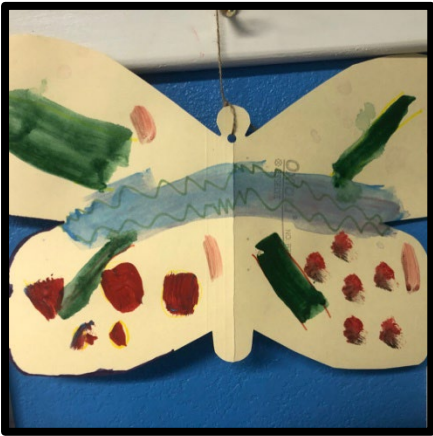
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News from House of Refuge

Butterflies were in the air when Donna Finter of GVAL taught a lesson on symmetry to 10 children at the House of Refuge. The big butterflies were made from file folders. The creative kids designed their insects symmetrically with permanent markers and acrylic paints.



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