



The BRUSHSTROKE

Terrebonne Fine Arts Guild



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Newsletter, February, 2019

General Membership Meeting

Our next meeting is on February 26, 2019. The **luncheon committee** is Karen Kelly (Hostess), Jere, Earl, Sam, Vilma, Cecile, Lydia, Jennifer

We will not be having a Paint-In after this meeting due to the Children's Art Show Registration.

Upcoming Events:

Children's Art Show

Registration is on Feb 26-27 from 12noon-6pm. Reception is at the Terrebonne Parish Main Library on March 17, 2019 from 2-4pm.

Spring Art Show

Our Spring Art Show is just around the corner. Registration is on Wednesday March 20, 2019. Award Reception is on Sunday March 24, 2019.

Fundraiser Workshop

Karen Kelly will be teaching a "Rub Out" or Snowden technique painting workshop on Monday, January 28, 2019 at Downtown Art Gallery 630. This had been rescheduled from December 3, 2018. Only a few supplies are needed with the special boards provided. Anyone interested in attending should contact workshop chairman, Mickey Guillory at 985-449-1199 or Karen Kelly at 985-594-4215.

Plein Air Painting

Plein Air Painting Outings to be on Monday's every other week. The next date is Feb 4th - meet at Gallery for 9 AM and if weather is nice, we will paint somewhere Downtown. Other dates are: Feb 18, March 4 & 18. Everyone is invited. If weather is not suitable for outdoor painting, we will paint at the gallery. Karen Kelly is coordinating this activity. She can be reached at 985-594-4215.

Offsite Exhibits

Jennifer Matherne is at Griffin's for Jan & Feb TFAG Members are on display at the Terrebonne Parish Government Towers.

Happy Birthday



to Active Members for February:
Earl (12)

Member Competition

The next competition is:
"Fruits & Vegetables" – due on Apr 23, 2019

2019 Meeting Dates

March 26 – Offsite due to Spring Art Show
April 22
May 28 – Election of Officers

Bring an artist friend to a meeting. Let's grow our membership and fellowship.



Artist of the Month Karen Kelly

Artist of the month for February is Karen Kelly. Kelly's exhibit will be on display at Downtown Art Gallery 630 beginning February 1st and will remain on exhibit until March 15th at 630 Belanger Street in downtown Houma. Gallery hours are Tuesdays to Fridays from 10 AM to 4PM. Entry into the Gallery is free always.



Kelly began her discovery of art in 1975 when she joined Terrebonne Fine Arts Guild. She studied for years with Helen Lapeyrouse, first in oil painting then watercolor classes. As a member of TFAG, she also took each and every workshop offered from many notable artists of our time. Names such as Tony Van Hasselt, George Cheropov, Chester Snowden, Tom Lynch and numerous others both national and regional artists helped fuel her love of art. At some point Kelly became interested in soft pastels and tends to paint in that medium often but still uses other mediums, depending on the mood of the moment. Just recently she has studied with Qiang Huang in still-life oil painting and Mike Beeman of Wyoming for textured pastel painting.

Her art adventures has taken her to New Mexico and Arizona where she attended the Plein-Air Painting Convention at which she was able to view numerous painting

demonstrations from national artists. The exhibit at Downtown Art Gallery will reflect her interest in painting Plein-Air (painting outside). Kelly states, "It is awesome to stand before nature's grandeur and try to capture the essence of what you are seeing." Kelly has started a Plein-Air painting group with local artists. "If you see us out painting somewhere, please stop and say Hello." If any artist is interested in joining our group, please send your request to info@TFAG.org. We try to meet every other Monday at 9AM. Locations to be determined later.



As a Guild member, Kelly has served in numerous positions, i.e... President, Gallery Director and currently holds the position of Treasurer. She also writes this monthly column for the Courier. Other affiliations include: New Orleans Art Association, Degas Pastel Society where she is on the Board of Directors, Treasurer of Terrebonne Bird Club and St. Matthew's Episcopal Church where she serves in several capacities. She also teaches an art class at her home studio and gives workshops for Terrebonne Fine Arts Guild and other organizations.

Kelly invites family, friends and art lovers to attend an artist reception on February 10th from 2-4 PM at Downtown Art Gallery, 630 Belanger Street, Houma.

