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President's Message

Dear Painting Friends,

I hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving, enjoying good food and the company of friends and family. At my house, we do a very traditional Thanksgiving with roasted turkey, gravy, stuffing, mashed potatoes, squash, other vegetables, cranberry sauce, and, of course, pumpkin pie. One of my new favorite Thanksgiving decorations, which added to our celebration, is the piece we painted with Janet Mitchell this month, designed by Rosemary West.

Many of us use the long Thanksgiving weekend to decorate for Christmas. My decorations include the many Christmas pieces I have painted over the years. Most of the decorations have memories attached to them: the teacher who taught the piece, the people in the class, or the place where it was taught. I am sure that many of you enjoy this same experience as you are decorating with the pieces you painted. How fortunate we are that we have so many memories to cherish.

We will be painting another Christmas piece at our Christmas Zoom Party on Monday, December 4th. I am so looking forward to this fun get-together. I have planned the Christmas Party these past few years, and this year it is Christine who has prepared the party. I cannot wait to see what fun things she has planned. I hope to see you there.

We look forward to celebrating Christmas with our friends and family. Some of us will celebrate with families or groups, while others observe a "quiet" holiday. No matter how you celebrate, we agree it is the most "wonderful time of the year." Christmas carols are playing on the radio and in stores, and Christmas trees are in lots waiting to be purchased and brought home to decorate. The Christmas season is "all-encompassing." People seem to pick up this spirit and are more giving and cheerful, doing small acts of kindness and being more courteous.

This will be the last newsletter of 2023 and my first year as President. Looking back over the past year as President, I believe things have run smoothly for our Club. We had very fine paint-ins with outstanding teachers. We have a full line-up of teachers to look forward to next year. I hope you have remembered to renew your membership to continue to be part of our excellent organization. I wish you and your family peace, happiness, and prosperity in the coming New Year 2024.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year,
Marion Barnett
President, SCDP

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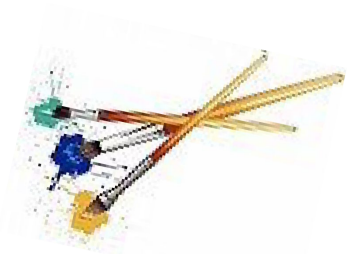
Board Meeting

January 15th

9:30 am



Upcoming Classes



January 8
Dragonfly Garden

Designer & Teacher:
Tami Carmody



Feb 12
Merry Christmas
Globe

Designer & Teacher:
Karen Brouwer

General Meeting

March 11
Pittie Patty Posey

Designer: Erika Joanne
Teacher:
Stephanie Robinson



April 8
The Boo Crew

Designer: Lizbeth Stull
Teacher: Irene Patrias

General Meeting



Come Paint & have some fun! Painting begins at 9:30 am

*Contact Avis Randall at (714)637-0779 or andr1@dslextreme.com



December Birthday

Linda LaRocco

Sunshine & Shadows



Irene Patrius is recovering from Covid and Christine Taylor Leonard is helping her mother recover from surgery.

Avis Randall is also coping with some health issues and Patty Newell will be having cataract surgery.

Please remember these precious Members in your thoughts and prayers.

If anyone hears of any Sunshine or Shadows please contact Cookie Perry at 909-697-8391 or email cookiercookie@yahoo.com

Memory Box Report

Remember to finish the inside!

There were 5 memory boxes turned in for November.

KEEP PAINTING LADIES
Let's keep up the great work!

2023 YTD Total: 72

2023 Goal: 70

2022 YTD Total: 71

Remember our Pledge,

All members of SCDP join our Pledge in painting at least one Memory Box Per year.



Memory Boxes

I hope everyone who signed up for the paint along on November 6 enjoyed the class with Stephanie Robinson as we painted Erika Joanne's Springberry Wreath using JoSonja Acrylics and colored pencils. It was a little different than what we usually paint, but it was a good chance to learn new techniques and expand our skills. Thanks to those who members who signed up and painted with us. We will continue our quarterly memory box paint-ins in 2024 and dates will be announced soon.

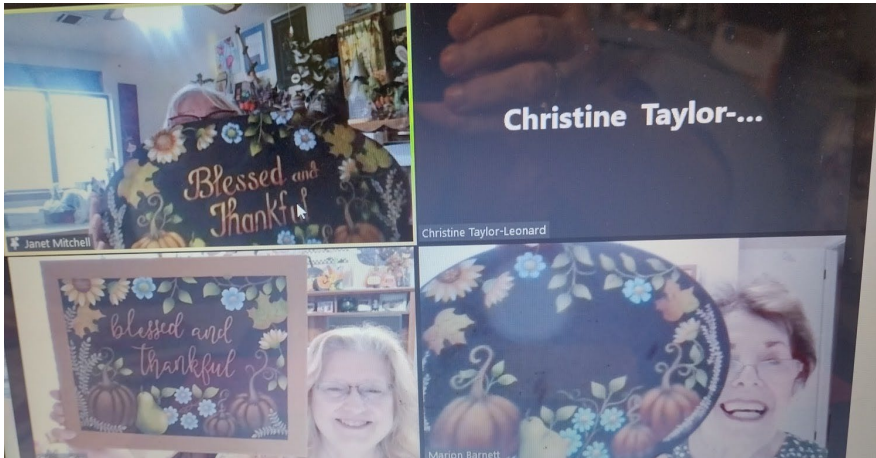
Good news, we reached our goal of 70 boxes for the year, with a year-to-date total as of 72 as this article is written. I was able to deliver 8 boxes to Long Beach Memorial Hospital on Thursday, November 16 and hope to make another delivery on December. If you have any completed boxes or need boxes to paint, please contact me and I will make arrangements to pick them up.

I did a quick calculation and 19 members have painted the 72 boxes we have received this year, so many of our members have painted multiple boxes and we applaud their dedication to our community outreach project. Please remember our pledge as members of SCDP, that we will paint at least one memory box per year. Even though we have met our goal, the need continues to provide boxes to the hospital.

Diana Rav

November Paint In Recap...

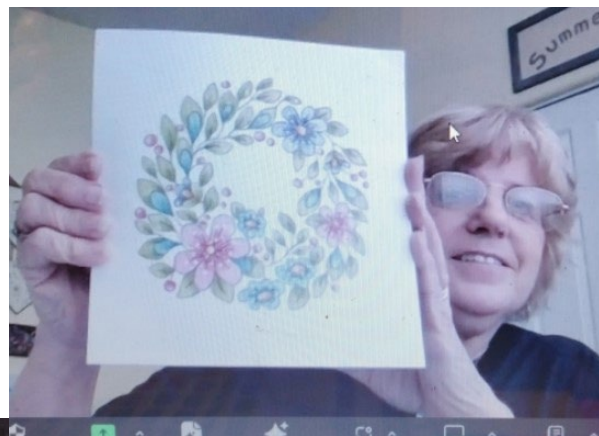
Our last Paint in of 2023 ended on a high note with the wonderful Rosemary West design, Blessed and Thankful. We enjoyed our time with Janet Mitchell as she guided us along this beautiful design. We are already looking forward to our 2024 Paint-in Programs!



November Paint Along with Stephanie Robinson

Thanks to Stephanie Robinson for teaching this class for free and to Erika Joanne for donating the pattens!

We all finished the project and had a fun



WEBSITE/SOCIAL MEDIA-

The membership renewal form and the 2024 paint-in calendar are both on the website and can be downloaded and printed as necessary. Please feel free to post any completed projects on our Facebook Group page. Since we are not meeting in person, it's nice to see what everyone is doing.

CONGRATULATIONS!
On Your Election

Congratulations to our newly appointed officers of the SCDP Board

Vice President

Christine Taylor

Assistant V.P.

Avis Randall

Secretary

Irene Patrias

Membership Chair

Kathy Wheeler

NEWSLETTER

Patty Newell

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Merry
Christmas



~~~~Members Creative Corner~~~~

This piece is also from the Autumn Get Away and taught by Janet Mirchell.

It's painted on a glass block and has lights inside.

Patty Newell



Just a little mouse for Christmas time, got the image off the internet.

Heidi Spangler



This was an enjoyable October paint-in zoom class with Liz Vigliotto. She is also the designer of this pretty piece.

Esther Carrion



This was designed by Lizbeth Stull

Cookie Perry



I painted this at the ABC class. It's a Sandra Malone design and was taught by Fran Wilson.

Diana Ray



I painted this at a zoom class with Karen Brouwer & Linda O'Connell. It fits the holder we painted at our seminar with Karen Brouwer.

Diana Ray



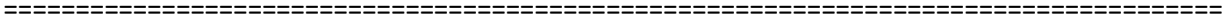
It is that time of year to renew your SCDP membership.

Renewal fees this year are: **\$10.00 Returning Members**
\$20.00 New Members

Simply fill out the Membership Form, and attach either a check or cash made payable to:
Southern California Decorative Painters-SCDP, AND mail to:

Membership Chairperson:
Kathy Wheeler, 11325 Telechron Ave. Whittier, CA 90605

ALL MEMBERS please fill out the entire form.



**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DECORATIVE PAINTERS
2024 MEMBERSHIP FORM**

Please Print

Date _____ Check # _____ Cash _____
New Member _____ Renewal _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ ZIP CODE _____ Birthday Month _____ Day _____

PHONE (Home) _____ PHONE (Cell) _____

EMAIL _____

Are you a teacher? _____ A Shop Owner? _____ Other? _____

Would you like to become involved with the Chapter? YES _____ NO _____

*All members of SCDP join our pledge in painting at least one (1) Memory Box per year.
(Memory Boxes are provided by the chapter.)*

Membership Fee for those who were members in 2023: **\$10.00** **Returning Members**

Membership Fee for **NEW** members for 2024 **\$20.00** **New Members**

Make check payable to **"SCDP"** (or send cash) and mail to Membership Chairperson:

Kathy Wheeler, 11325 Telechron Ave., Whittier, CA 90605



Hello SCDP Zoom Christmas Party people!

Goodie envelopes are in the mail! You may touch and hold the envelope, but by no means may you open until we are all together at our Zoom Christmas party! (Please be a sport and play along!)

I am hoping those of you who are participating in the ornie exchange got yours in the mail yesterday! Same rule applies, do not open until party!

More party info will be coming to you in the next several days.

In the mean while, I would appreciate if EVERYONE would let me know they received their goodie envelope with a simple "Got It" in the subject line of an email to me. We want everyone to be able to participate in the fun!

Sincerely,

Christine



Festive Cranberry Cake

Ingredients:

- ¾ cup butter, softened
- 1 cup sugar
- 2 large eggs, room temperature
- 2-1/4 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 cup buttermilk
- 1 cup fresh or frozen cranberries
- 1 cup chopped dates
- 1 cup chopped pecans

Glaze:

- ½ cup orange juice
- ¼ cup sugar
- Optional: Sugared cranberries and rosemary sprigs

Directions:

Preheat oven to 350°. In a bowl, cream butter and sugar. Add eggs; beat well. Combine dry ingredients; add to creamed mixture alternately with buttermilk. Stir in cranberries, dates and pecans. Spread in a greased and floured 10-in. tube pan. Bake until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean, 60-70 minutes. Cool in pan for 10 minutes. Meanwhile, for glaze, heat orange juice and sugar in a small saucepan until sugar dissolves. Invert cake onto a serving plate. With a toothpick, punch holes in cake. Spoon glaze over cake. Cover and refrigerate for at least 8 hours. If desired, top with sugared cranberries and rosemary.

Buttermilk

To substitute for each cup of buttermilk, use 1 Tbsp. white vinegar or lemon juice plus enough milk to measure 1 cup. Stir, then let stand 5 min. Or use 1 cup plain yogurt or 1-3/4 teaspoon cream of tartar plus 1 cup milk.

Sugared Cranberries

Heat 3 tablespoons light corn syrup in microwave until warm; gently toss with 1 cup fresh or frozen cranberries, allowing excess syrup to drip off. Toss in 1/3 cup sugar to coat. Place on waxed paper; let stand until set, about 1 hour.



Southern California Decorative Painters Class Enrollment Form

Please complete this form for each class. You may write one check for all classes.
Enclose your check and completed forms
in an envelope and mail to: Avis Randall, 5331 E. Juaneno Ave., Orange CA 92867 (714)637-0779

Name _____ Phone _____

Address: (non-members) _____

City: _____ Zip _____

Email: _____

Class Title & Date: _____

Class Fee: _____

Student has received pattern () Surface ()

Surface Fee: _____

Photo or Accessory Fee: _____

Total Paid: _____

Check # _____

Make checks payable to: SCDP MEMBERS COST: \$20.00 NON-MEMBERS: \$25.00

***Refunds are given only when the class is full and there is a waiting list. If the class is NOT Full, there will NOT be a refund if the student is unable to attend.**



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