



QUAIL'S TALES



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President's Message

Happy month of March everyone,

The weather has been beautiful here for those of us living in California. I hope all our members wherever you may live are enjoying great weather. It is amazing what Zoom has done for us. One of the things it has done is that it has allowed us to expand our membership throughout the United States. Our membership now includes ladies who live in Ontario Canada, Florida, Nevada, Oregon, Michigan, Texas, Utah, Kansas, and Arizona. Isn't that amazing!

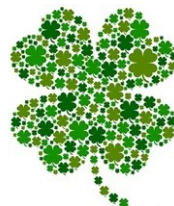
In addition to our painting events, in March we have days this month to be aware of. March 4 is Mardi Gras ("Fat Tuesday). Ash Wednesday follows the next day which is the beginning of Lent. March 8 is International Women's Day, where we celebrate women's achievements and the struggles for equality. March 9 begins Daylight Saving Time which begins at 2:00- AM. Don't forget to "spring" forward and set your clocks one hour ahead. On March 17 we celebrate St. Patrick's Day, and lastly, we celebrate the first day of spring on March 20.

I have seen some cute pieces posted on the Internet related to Spring and Saint Patrick's Day. One Saint Patrick's Day piece I saw was quite similar to a project we had in January with Mice. One was for Valentine's Day and the other for the 4th of July. The class was taught by Heidi Allison and everyone enjoyed being with Heidi that day and painting with her. Heidi always has so many interesting stories to tell and we enjoy listening to them. We look forward to next month's painting with Karen Brower. It is another insert piece called Leaves, Leaves and Butterfly. We have many members signed up hopefully you are one of them.

In addition to our paint- in this month, we have our monthly paint along. It is always held on the first Monday of the month, and Christine provides a pattern. It is not necessary to paint the pattern. You can paint anything you wish: an unfinished piece, a new piece, a memory box whatever you wish. And, if you don't want to paint, you can just stop in to say hello, visit and catch up with each other. I look forward to these Monday mornings, because they are very relaxed without any pressure, paint what you want visit if you like, just enjoy.

Looking forward to painting together soon,

Marion Barnett
President, SCDP



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Board Meeting
March 17, 9:30 am



Upcoming Classes



March 10

Class start time: 11:30PST

Leaves, Leaves & A Butterfly

Designer & Teacher:

Karen Brouwer

Panel available from Pinecraft with

20% discount



April 14

Gnome Garden Co.

Designer: Jamie Mills Price

Teacher: Christine Taylor -Leonard

17 X 6.5 surface, \$19.99 Pinecraft 20% discount
or surface of choice.



**HAPPY
ST. PATRICK'S
DAY**



Come paint & have some fun!!

Painting begins at 9:30 am

***Contact Avis Randall at (714)637-0779 or ardr1@dslextreme.com**



March Birthdays

Susan Klein—3/5
Louise Hasting—3/14

Sunshine & Shadows



We are happy to say that this month there are no new shadows in SCDP. Esther Carrion continues to care for her mom. Marion Barnett continues to wait for Her much needed back surgery. We will continue to keep them in our prayers.

Anyone who hears of any Sunshines or Shadows, please contact Cookie Rouse Perry at cell 909-697-8391 or cookiecookie@yahoo.com

Memory Box Report

Remember to finish the inside!

There were 7 memory boxes turned in for February

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

2025 YTD Total: 16
2025 Goal: 75

Remember our Pledge,
All members of SCDP join
Our Pledge in painting at least ONE
Memory Box Per year.



MEMORY BOXES- MARCH 2025

Congratulations ladies! We are off to a great start for 2025 for our memory box program. Our goal for 2025 is 75 boxes and year to date, we have had 16 boxes turned in. Since the last newsletter, boxes have been turned in by Nancy Hornberger, Irene Patrias and Diana Ray. Please keep in mind that if you are in the Lakewood/Cerritos area and either have completed boxes to turn in or need unpainted boxes, please contact me and arrangements will be made for pick up or delivery.

The topic was brought up at the last General Meeting about members out of the area who want to participate in the Memory Box program. Since mailing boxes is not very cost effective, a solution has been presented. If you would like to paint an appropriate memory box design on a piece of 8" x 8" watercolor paper and snail mail it to me; I can then paint a box and attach the watercolor paper to the box. **The painted area of the paper should be no more than 6" x 6"** in order to fit on either the round or hexagon boxes we use. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

We have scheduled another Zoom Memory Box paint-along on Monday, April 7. I will email a pattern to the membership in Mid-March in case you are in need of a design for a memory box.

Diana Ray
Memory Box Chair

WELCOME
NEW MEMBERS

Sherill Martens from Wichita, Kansas
Jerilyn Sasso Rossi from Rockdale, Texas





Southern California Decorative Painters

present a

1 Day Zoom Seminar

With

SANDY LEFLORE

Red, White and Bloom

Monday, May 12, 2025

9:30 am – 4:00 pm PST



SCDP Members: \$40.00

Non-Members \$50.00

The original design is painted on a 9" x 12" Canvas Board but could be easily adapted to a multitude of surfaces.

The surface is decoupage'd with a subtle print background tissue (which will be provided to attendees by SCDP).

Special brushes used for the class will be a good, small liner, #4 Filbert, #6 Filbert and a brush to dry brush with.

The seminar will be recorded.

To register, please contact Avis Randall at ard1@dslextrreme.com
Registration Forms will be available on the SCDP website, on the Seminars page beginning
January 6, 2025
www.scdp.webador.com

For questions regarding the seminar, please contact
Anne Engle at aengle3@yahoo.com



Southern California Decorative Painters (SCDP)

Cordially invites you to Zoom with us on

Monday, June 9, 2025

10 AM – 5 PM Pacific Time

As we paint

Fall Family Welcome

Design & Instruction by

Tracy Moreau

Zoom Log In will

be emailed a few days before class.

The class recording will be available for 90 Days.

Join SCDP as we celebrate our 50th Anniversary and Member Appreciation Day!

Must be a member of SCDP by March 15, 2025 to enjoy this special free class.

Visit our website at: scdp.webador.com for a Membership Form.

Party Celebration for members 8:30– 9:45 AM

Southern California Decorative Painters Zoom Class Enrollment Form

Please email Avis Randall for more information and to receive payment mailing instructions.

ardr1@dslextreme.com

Please Print

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email Address: _____

Class Information: **Sign-Up Deadline: May 12, 2025**

SCDP Member \$0.00 _____ Non SCDP Member \$40 _____

Total Paid: _____ Check # _____

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No refunds will be issued.



# Members Creative Corner



“Witchy Wizard”

Designed by  
Cynthia  
Erickson

*Painted by  
Anne Engle*



“Mice” - Designed by Debbie Cushing  
Taught by Heidi Allison

*Painted by Esther Carrion*



“What’s the Buzz”

Designed by Sharon Cook  
Painted at the last Paint-along. I put it on a  
memory box

*Painted by Irene Patrias*



“Holiday  
Splendor”

Designed  
By  
Sandy McTier

*Painted by  
Anne Engle*



“Stretchy Christmas Stocking”

Designed by Jo Sonja  
*Painted by Cookie Rouse Perry*

“Mice”

Designed by  
Debbie Cushing

Taught by  
Reggie Oswald

*Painted by  
Esther Carrion*



# IRISH SODA SCONES



## INGREDIENTS

2 cups unbleached all-purpose flour

2 teaspoons baking powder

¼ teaspoon baking soda

¼ cup granulated sugar

½ teaspoon kosher salt

1 stick cold unsalted butter

½ cup dried currants

2 teaspoons caraway seeds (you can leave these out)

1 cup cold buttermilk

1 cup confectioner's sugar

2 tablespoons whole milk

¼ teaspoon grated orange zest

## DIRECTIONS

1. Preheat oven to 425 degrees. Whisk together flour, baking powder, baking soda, granulated sugar, and salt.
2. Cut butter into small pieces; work into flour mixture with your fingers or a pastry cutter until dough resembles coarse meal. Add currants, caraway seeds, and buttermilk; stir until just combined.
3. Scoop 1/3 cup-size mounds of dough onto a parchment-lined baking sheet, spaced 3 inches apart. Bake until bottoms are golden, 15 to 20 minutes. Let cool completely on sheet.
4. Meanwhile, combine confectioners' sugar, milk, and orange zest. Drizzle over scones; serve.



Surface available from Pinecraft

Discount code and SKU# will be forwarded with your prep

Once payment is received.

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As we paint

**Gnome Garden Co.**

Design by Jamie Milla Price

Instruction by

**Christine Taylor-Leonard**

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Questions?

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**Please Print**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Class Information:**

SCDP Member \$20 \_\_\_\_\_ Non SCDP Member \$25 \_\_\_\_\_

Total Paid: \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_

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No refunds will be issued.



## SCDP 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and Member Appreciation Day



We are excited to celebrate 50 years of painting, friendship and fun as SCDP turns 50 years old in June! We so appreciate the members who have joined us through the years, the wonderful teachers we have hosted, the joy we have shared and the friends we have made painting together.



Mark your calendars on Monday, June 9th to Zoom along with us as we get our party started early with a members only get together. As we continue to celebrate our members, we will be

hosting the very talented Tracy Moreau who she guides us through her wonderful design, Fall Family Welcome. The party and class are **FREE** to all 2025 members who have joined by March 15th. Non-members are welcome to join the class with a fee of \$40. The sign up deadline is May 12. See the flier in this newsletter and get your sign up to Avis Randall ASAP! You don't want to miss this wonderful time celebrating our 50 years and taking this beautiful class with Tracy!



### February Paint In Recap...

We had a wonderful day with our own Tami Carmody as we painted her beautiful Dimensional Fall Frame.

Tami is a wonderful teacher and guided us step by step to create this wonderful piece.

Everyone loved this project!

### January Paint In Recap...

We enjoyed our January Paint In with Heidi Allison as we painted the Debbie Cushing designs, Valentine Mouse and 4<sup>th</sup> of July Mouse. They painted up beautifully and we so enjoyed our time together with Heidi! Thank you Heidi for creating these surfaces!

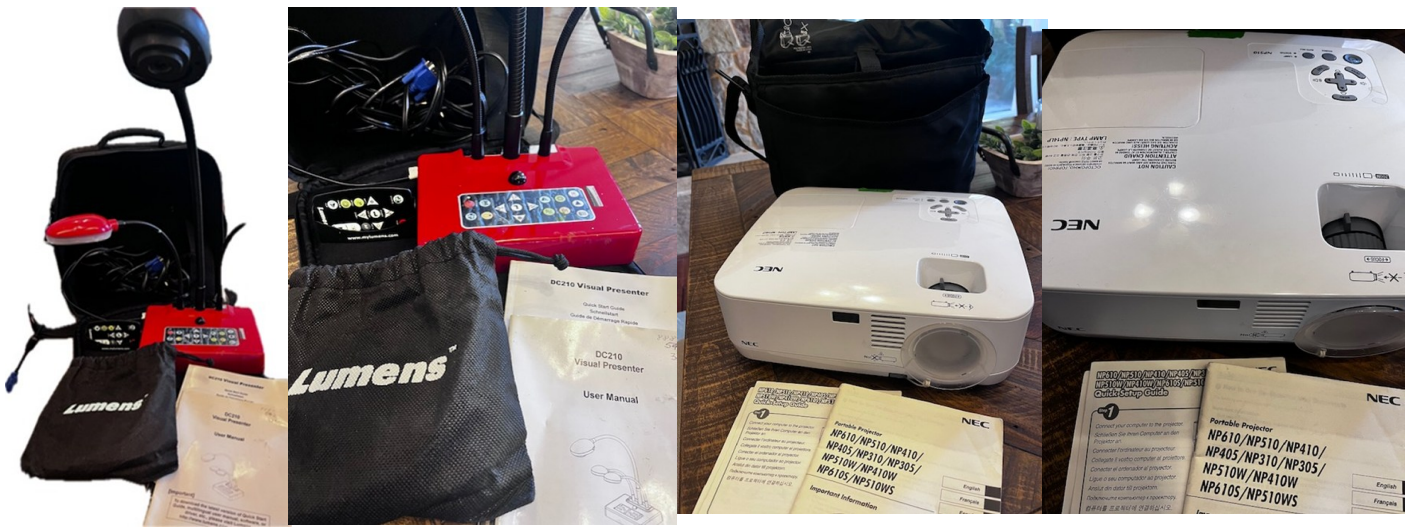


### February Paint Along...

The first Monday of almost every month we get together to visit and paint! Our suggested project for February was the Sharon Cook design, What's The Buzz. What a fun project! Some worked on other designs. Some worked on Memory Boxes and some just stopped by to visit! We all enjoyed catching up with each other and being in touch!

## LADY BUG AND PROJECTOR FOR SALE

SCDP is a zoom only club now and have no use for them. We are asking \$35 each or \$60 for both. If interested, please contact Anne Engle at 714-334-3900 or aengle3@yahoo.com



### JOIN/RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP



If you have not renewed your SCDP membership, this will be the last Newsletter you will receive. This year our Club will be celebrating its 50th anniversary, and we have great plans to celebrate this milestone including a well-known artist who will be teaching a project. This event will be FREE to all SCDP members. **The deadline to join/renew your membership to take advantage of the free 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration is March 15, 2025. Enrollment form on last page.**



SPRING FORWARD  
SET YOUR CLOCKS AHEAD AN HOUR

March 9th

May your day be touched  
with a bit of Irish luck!



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with

**Sandy LeFlore**

**Red, White and Bloom**

**Monday, May 12, 2025**

**9:30 am – 4:00 pm PST**

Come join the fun with SCDP & Sandy Le Flore



**SAN DIEGO BRUSH WHACKERS  
PRESENT THEIR 40TH ANNUAL  
AUTUMN GET AWAY**



**SEPTEMBER**

**17-19, 2025**

**VIEJAS RESORT AND  
CASINO**

**ALPINE, CALIFORNIA**

[www.sdbbrushwhackers.com](http://www.sdbbrushwhackers.com)

Never iron a four leaf clover.  
You don't want to press your luck!



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**ALL MEMBERS please fill out the ENTIRE form & send to Kathy Wheeler**



## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DECORATIVE PAINTERS

### 2025 Membership Form

**Please Print**

Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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.  
(The chapter provides Memory Boxes)

Please contact Membership Chairperson, Kathy Wheeler at: [teachtopaint@aol.com](mailto:teachtopaint@aol.com)  
for information regarding membership and to receive payment instructions.

## Southern California Decorative Painters Zoom Class Enrollment Form

Please complete this form for each class. You may write one check for all classes.

Please email Avis Randall for more information and to receive payment mailing instructions.

Avis Randall, ardr1@dslextreme.com

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address :(non-members) \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Class Title & Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Class Fee: \_\_\_\_\_ Student has received pattern ( ) Surface ( )

Surface Fee: \_\_\_\_\_ Photo or Accessory Fee: \_\_\_\_\_

Paid: \_\_\_\_\_ Check #: \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to SCDP MEMBERS FEE: \$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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*Be  
Inspired*