



QUAIL'S TALES

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President's Message

Dear SCDP Ladies,

Another month has come upon us, and by now, spring should be in full bloom. This should be a wonderful time to create and be inspired! Last month our Club enjoyed an excellent paint-in with Karen Brower who designed the beautiful piece "Leaves, Leaves, & A Butterfly. The class was very well attended and all attendees had a great time. As we welcome the month of April we have plenty to celebrate and look forward to! This month we will be painting a Gnome Garden for our Paint-Along, taught by Christine Taylor Leonard, and designed by Jamie Mills Price. and also a memory box paint-along on April 7th both wonderful opportunities to create and enjoy each other's company

April is also a time for meaningful celebrations. We extend warm wishes to all who observe Easter on March 31st, Passover, April 22-30th, and Earth Day, on April 22nd. Each a reminder of renewal reflection and appreciation for the world around us. On Earth Day, we are reminded that we all share the responsibility of safeguarding our planet. We must step up our efforts to combat climate change, and preserve ecosystems. By working together, we can make a lasting difference for future generations

Meanwhile, behind the scenes, many of our dedicated board members are working hard to make upcoming events special. Anne is preparing for our seminar on May 12 and Christine is organizing our member appreciation free paint along on June 9th. Marion and Diana are organizing the party that will take place before the free paint-along with Tracy Moreau

With so much happening April is sure to be another wonderful month for our club. Take care enjoy your painting and I look forward to seeing you all soon.

Sincerely,

Marion Barnett
President, SCDP



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Board Meeting
April 10, 9:30 am



Upcoming Classes



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.



May & June are Seminar & 50th Anniversary months



July 14
Peace
Designed by Maxine Thomas
Teacher: Christine Taylor-Leonard
Surface available from Pinecraft with 20% discount available. SKU# 1023003 12 X 8, \$10.99 or surface of choice
General Meeting



Come paint & have some fun!!
Painting begins at 9:30 am
*Contact Avis Randall at (714)637-0779 or ardr1@dslextreme.com



April Birthdays

Donna Beightol—4/11
Kathy Wheeler—4/11
Nancy Hornberger—4/13
Rochelle Duprey—4/25
Jerilyn SassoRossi—4/30

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 cookiercookie@yahoo.com



Memory Box Report

Remember to finish the inside!

There were 11 memory boxes turned in for February, 4 turned in for March so far.

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

2025 YTD Total: 24
2025 Goal: 75

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

Memory Boxes—April 2025

Congratulations ladies! We are well on our way to reaching our goal of 75 boxes for 2025. Year to date, we have had 24 boxes turned in. Since the last newsletter, boxes have been turned in by Diana Ray, Heidi Spangler and Fran Wilson. I was able to deliver 18 memory boxes to Long Beach Memorial Hospital on February 25, 2025 and the staff were pleased to receive them.

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.

For those members out of the area who would like to participate in the memory box program, you may paint a design on an 8" x 8" piece of watercolor paper, mail it to me and I can attach it to a memory box. The design should be no larger than 6" x 6" to fit on either our round or hexagon shaped boxes. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Our next Memory Box paint-along will be Monday, April 7, 2025 on Zoom. By the time the you receive the April newsletter, a pattern and the Zoom login will have been emailed to the SCDP membership in case you are in need of a design to paint. Please join us for relaxing couple of hours as we get together to visit and paint memory boxes. Thank you for your continued support of our Memory Box program.

Diana Ray
Memory Box Chair



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



REGISTRATION

SCDP Members: \$40.00
Non-Members \$50.00

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

The surface is decoupage 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 Filberts and a brush to dry brush with.

The seminar will be recorded.

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Email _____

Paid _____ Amount _____ Check # _____

Member _____ Non-Member _____

Please mail completed form with check (Payable to SCDP) to
Avis Randall, 5331 E. Juaneno Avenue Orange, CA 92867

For additional seminar information, 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.

Questions?

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

Enclose your check, made payable to SCDP and completed form in an envelope and mail to:

Avis Randall – 5331 E. Juaneno Ave, Orange, CA 92867- (714) 637-0779 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 # _____

No refunds will be issued.

Members Creative Corner

Send all pictures & descriptions to patriciamnewell@gmail.com by the 20th of every month



"Basket Heart"

Designed by
Shara Reiner

I painted this in a
zoom class with
Heart of Texas
Tolers. Kay Jenne
taught the class.

*Painted by
Diana Ray*



I attended a painting
class with a well
known artist who
teaches Telemark
style.

*Painted by
Marion Barnett*



These are the best items for light
sanding, such as in between coats of paint. Much better
than a brown paper bag.

They are a little "scrubby" made out of textured yarn. The
nice thing is that our own member, Irene Patrias makes and
sells them. They are great for scrubbing dishes too.

Marion Barnett

"Lucky Shamrock"

Designed by
Sandy LeFlore

I painted this at ABC
Adult School, taught by
Fran Wilson.

I gave this to my
cousin, and she incor-
porated it into a front
door wreath.



*Painted by
Diana Ray*



"Happy St. Patty's Day"

Designed by Debbie
Cushing,

I painted this in a zoom
class with Valley of the
Sun Artists in Arizona.
Reggie Oswald taught
the class

*Painted by
Diana Ray*



This is another class I took with the Norway Tele-
mark style teacher.

Painted by Marion Barnett

Celebrate SCDP's 50th Anniversary with a Member Appreciation Day!



Join us for a special **Member Appreciation Day** as we celebrate **SCDP's 50th Anniversary!** All members (who have joined SCDP by March 15, 2025) are invited to a **Free Zoom Class with Tracy Moreau on Monday, June 9, 2025.** You must sign up for the free class with **Avis Randall by Monday, May 12, 2025.**

A sign-up flyer is included in this newsletter.

Before we begin the class, we are kicking things off with a **party!**

EVENT DETAILS

Party: 8:30am-9:30 am
Enjoy food, gifts, games, and lots of fun!

Zoom Class: Begins at 10:00 am



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



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

LAST DAY TO SIGN UP

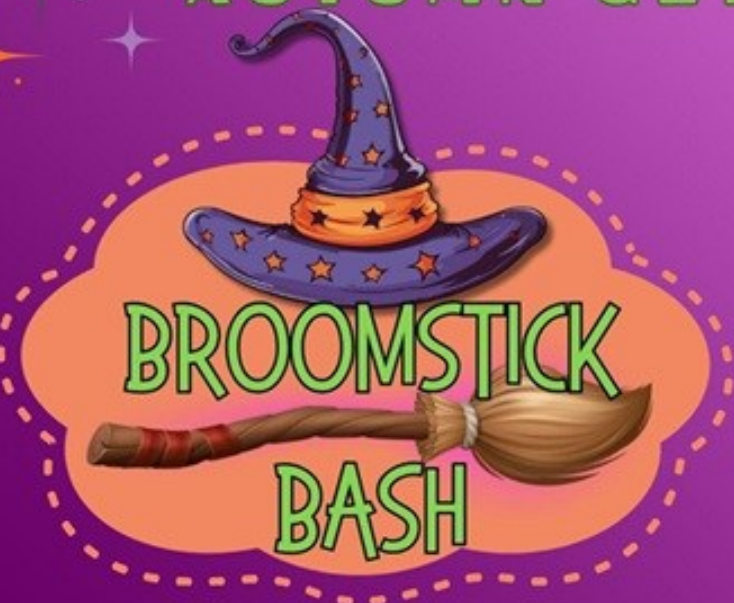
IS APRIL 14th

Come join the fun with SCDP & Sandy LeFlore





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AUTUMN GET AWAY**



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March Paint In Recap...

What a wonderful day we had as we painted along with Karen Brouwer all the way from Australia! With the 16 hour time difference class started a little later in the day for us, but Karen was up before dawn to start class. The panel fits inside Karen's light box. Some of our artists painted on other surfaces and everyone's work was beautiful! We have such an enjoyable day!



March Paint Along

Several of us got together the first Monday in March to visit and Paint Along!

The suggested pattern was the long ago free pattern from The Artist Club by Deb Antonick, Cupcake Kisses.

Some of us were prepping projects or finishing up projects and a few got to work on the Cupcake Kisses.

Irene Patrias finished the project the same day and did wonderful work bringing this sweet project to life!

Croque Monsieur Breakfast Casserole



Ingredients

- 1 large loaf country-style bread, cut into 1" cubes
- 6 large eggs
- 1 cup half-and-half
- 1/4 cup Dijon mustard
- Kosher salt
- Freshly ground black pepper
- 4 Tbsp. unsalted butter, plus more for pan
- 6 oz. shredded Gruyère (about 2 1/2 c.), divided
- 4 oz. ham, torn into 1" pieces, divided
- 1/4 cup (30 g.) all-purpose flour
- 2 1/2 cups whole milk
- Pinch of ground nutmeg

Directions

1. Preheat oven to 300°. On a baking sheet, spread bread in an even layer and bake until dried out and crispy, 10 to 15 minutes. Transfer to a large bowl.
2. In a large glass measuring cup, whisk eggs, half-and-half, and mustard; season with salt and pepper. Pour over toasted bread and toss to coat. Let soak 10 minutes.
3. Increase oven temperature to 350°. Grease a 13"-by-9" baking dish with butter. Add about half of bread to prepared dish. Top with 1 cup Gruyère and half of ham. Top with remaining bread and pour remaining liquid over. Top with 1/2 cup Gruyère and remaining ham.
4. Bake casserole until bread is crispy and golden and cheese is melted, 30 to 40 minutes.
5. Meanwhile, in a medium pot over medium heat, melt butter. Add flour and whisk into butter. Cook, stirring occasionally, until golden and smells nutty, about 2 minutes. While whisking, slowly pour in milk and continue to whisk until smooth. Bring to a simmer and cook, stirring occasionally, until sauce is thickened enough to just coat a spoon, but not as thick as gravy, about 1 minute. Stir in nutmeg; season with salt and pepper.
6. Preheat broiler. Pour sauce over casserole and top with remaining 1 cup Gruyère.
7. Broil, watching closely, until cheese is melted and golden in spots, 2 to 5 minutes.

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.



Patty Newell
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*Be
Inspired*