

Brenham

Fine Arts League

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December 2025 Newsletter

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Mon- Sat: 10AM - 5 PM

Sundays: 11 AM - 3 PM

December Birthdays

Tetyana Aleksenko

Sherry Killingsworth

Katherine Reyna

Elizabeth Moore

Marilyn Walker

Sheila Webb



New Members:
Debbie Witt &
Rhonda
Schneider

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LSAG SHOW NEWS

A next zoom meeting is
December 6 at 2pm to discuss
the live LSAG show which will
be June-12-13, 2026. Any one
interested join at this link:
[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89905776269?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89905776269?pwd=hLal4Mvi3a17tGg1DYKgMBbZlZ7Uus.1)
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BFAL/DAG Christmas Party & Mtg

Dec 16 (Tuesday) 11:30 am

Cannery Kitchen

314 Alamo St.- Brenham

\$15 per person paid by Dec 1

Guest Music, wonderful food, friends, short
meeting

**Dress in your seasonal best and prepare for
the costume contest. See who Santa picks
for his award! Donation to food bank
instead of ornament exchange**

These are the stars we will be painting for the
scholarship fund. We will set up a Friday soon to paint
some more after the holidays. These were painted by
Jane's Tuesday class. -- Karen Vernon



Sherry Steele Wowed Us at November BFAL

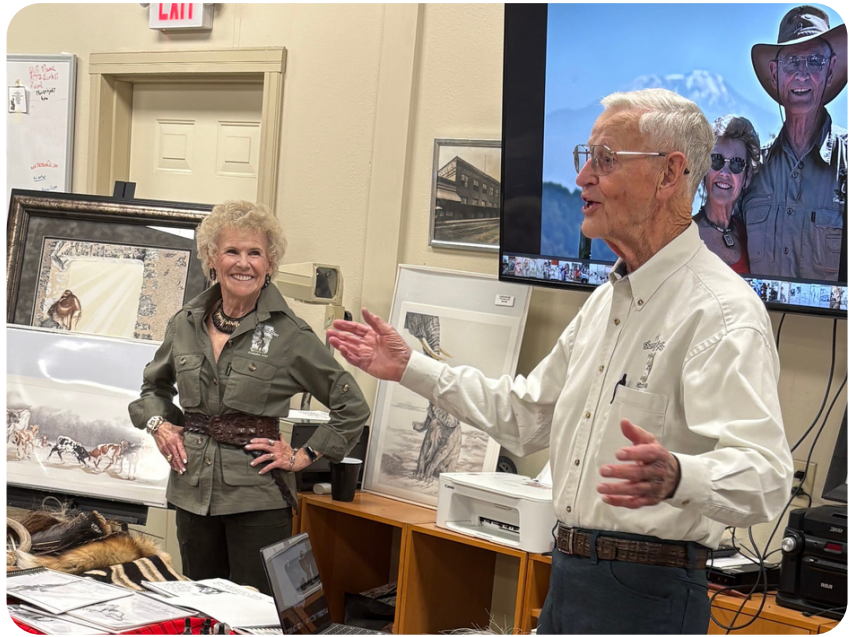
Sherry Steele and her husband came from Austin and delivered a “hit” of a program in November. She said she is taking Pen and Ink to a new level. “I mix my own shades of inks and layer them in a realistic style best described as being almost sculptural. Focusing on Longhorns and Wildlife, each piece is based on sketches made at the time of my encounters with the creatures. Far from seeking to recreate every single hair on the animal, I reveal the incredible textures and personalities shared with me at each contact. Rather than overpowering a room, my work is said to touch the hearts of my collectors.”

Her husband sang a song about her talents. They are already planning the 13th or 14th trip to Africa. In the second photo, she holds her version of a cape buffalo who was charging at her.

She is willing to do a one day workshop to show her technique of doing fur and feathers. If anyone is interested, there will be a sign up sheet on the dry erase board . Limit 12.

www.sherrysteele.net

**No BFAL program
January 19
CHANGE OUT DAY
Lunch at 11:30am**



Kudos to Michael Mallory

Michael writes “My ceramic vessel was selected for the Clay Houston The Four Elements: A Ceramic Dialogue with Earth, Water, Fire, and air. November 8-29, 2025. Also, I was invited by North Face clothing store in Houston Galleria to showcase my photos on Saturday November 22. First photographer to be asked to do this.



Get To Know New BFAL Members

Susan Pape joined BFAL this year. She was born on Cape Cod Massachusetts. After working as a graphic designer in NY/New Jersey she moved to Cypress Texas in 2002. Susan taught art at the middle school level until she retired in 2019. She and her husband then moved to La Grange. She now does some illustrating for local authors as well as concentrating on improving her painting skills. Susan's primary mediums are oils and watercolors. She feels very much at home in Fayette, Colorado and Washington counties.



My name is Rhonda Schneider and I am excited to be a part of Brenham Fine Arts League. I look forward to meeting and learning from you all. I enjoy working with mixed media, including gourd and glass art, acrylic and oil canvas painting and I am embarking on fused glass art. I was born in Houston and grew up in Cypress. I enjoyed being part of the Galveston art community for several years. My husband and I live in Burton with our dogs Izzy, Rosie and Baily.

On-going Art Classes

MONDAY	TUES/WED	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRI
Patsy Supak 979- 277-2170 Oil Class 10:00-2:00	Karen Vernon <u>Tuesday only</u> , 10am 305-389-9748 kvernonart@aol.com (Call to register)	Tina Szajko 281-543-9680 Portrait Class 9:00-12:00 Advanced only 12:30-3:30 General painting: All levels/mediums Drop-ins welcome	Jane McKinley 979-885-9259 Watercolor Class 9:30 - 2:00pm Contact Jane for space availability	Sherry Killingsworth Pastel Classes 2 times/month Paint-in in BFAL studio Studio Time: 10:00 -2 PM BFAL Studio Fee \$3
Contact Patsy for Space availability	Sara Parker (Tu/Wd) 979-830-3443 Drawing Class 4:00-5:00pm			

CONTACT TEACHERS FOR SCHEDULE CHANGES AS THEY OCCUR & ADDITIONAL INFO



Blessings all!

The Downtown Art Gallery officers wish each and every member a warm and wonderful holiday season! The gallery recently participated in the Brenham Ladies Shopping Night keeping the gallery open until 7 P.M. Thank you Patsy, Charles and Katherine. The gallery also donated a bottle of wine to the event gift draw.

It looks like the gallery will receive all 2026 renewals by the deadline of November, 28! Members, thank you for your cooperation. We will be sending out information regarding sign up for 2026 calendar work dates via email.

The gallery will participate in the Wine Swirl on January 17, 2026. We would like to have one or two volunteers to help serve that night from 3-7:00 P.M. The event is being held the weekend prior to the art changeout on January 19. Please review the size/specifics regarding allowable art for hanging. Please refer any questions to a board member.

Regards,
Katherine Reyna
President, Downtown Art Gallery