



WOMEN IN THE VISUAL ARTS

# NEWSLETTER

JULY/AUGUST 2018

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members,

The Florida summertime is upon us, and I am a big fan of the season. Everyone remembers different memories of summer. It may be unique smells, a different bird call, a different kind of morning light, yummy tastes of summer food, or long travels with the family. Use these as motivations and embark on summer art projects that encapsulate your memories of summer.

As WITVA heads into summer, we are in the planning mode for next year's programs. We will be having a BIG anniversary and are planning many member events to mark the special milestone of 30 years of art. Look for special exhibit venues, "create" meetings, and a cruise opportunity. We will also be rolling out the "30 for 30" fundraising campaign to members where we will be asking for donations to be used towards the scholarships. Watch for more information on this.

Soak up the summer and stay in touch with WITVA.

Susan Clemmons  
*Co-President, WITVA*

## WITVA's "THIRTY YEARS OF GIVING"

Dear Members,

We fundraisers devote the summer months, a slower time of year, to gathering goodies for prize winning baskets to be raffled off at our winter fundraising luncheon. We choose a theme such as pets, restaurants, glamor, etc and fill baskets with our own donations or ones we get from local businesses.

Please volunteer to fill one of our baskets this year by texting Susan Lewine at 203-536-8744.

\*All items are considered a tax contribution and all proceeds will go to our prizes and scholarships for WITVA's student winners."

This is a way that you can help to raise money at your convenience.

Thank you in advance for this giving,

*Susan Lewine and Sandy Ryter*



## CALENDAR

The 2nd and 4th Friday of each month - Open studio at the Boca Community Center, 300 Crawford Ave (off Palmetto Park Rd.)  
10AM - 3PM. At least 3 or 4 people are there each time.

Now Showing Until November 7th - West Boca Imaging Center, 7070 West Palmetto Park Road, Boca Raton

May 31st - October 2nd - Art for Art's Sake V, Nathan D. Rosen Museum Gallery, Levis JCC

August 10th - Deadline for sending information to maxine@schreiberstudio.com for the September newsletter.

September 4 - October 31st - Lighthouse ArtCenter, "Art of Association," Tequesta

October 3 - Pickup Nathan Rosen Gallery. 10 AM - Noon.

## AWARDS: ART FOR ART'S SAKE V

Nathan Rosen Gallery JCC  
MAY 29-OCTOBER 1, 2018

### 2-DIMENTIONAL

- First Place:** Marilyn Liedman  
*"Gardens of Budapest"*  
Watercolor
- Second Place:** Anita Seltzer  
*"Artemis Fountain"*  
Intaglio Etching
- Third Place:** Edrian Thomidis  
*"Deer Mystic"*  
Ceramics
- Judges Recognition:** Lorrie B. Turner  
*"Conversation on the Beach"*  
Pastel
- Judges Recognition:** Laurie Forman  
*"Gold Burst"*  
Oil & Foil
- Honorable Mention:** Sami Davidson  
*"Tropical Fantasy"*  
Acrylic
- Honorable Mention:** Patricia Maguire  
*"Windswept"*  
Oil
- Honorable Mention:** Adeline Wiener  
*"The Four Seasons"*  
Mixed Media

### PHOTOGRAPHY

- First Place:** Debbie Rubin  
*"Upon the Lake"*
- Judge's Recognition:** Shelley Benjamin  
*"Pathway"*
- Honorable Mention:** Myrna Rodkin  
*"Big Cypress Reflection I"*

### JEWELRY

- First Place:** Sandy Ryter  
*"Purple Haze"*
- Honorable Mention:** Marta Cruz  
*"Shell-La-Vie"*

Thank you to those members that helped make the exhibit a success: Laurie Forman and Elaine Litvak for help in take-in, Abbe Kalman, Eileen Worst, Debbie Rubin and Don Schwartz for the difficult job of hanging these works of art, Manon Sander for her expertise in judging the exhibit and also many thanks to Jeanette Childress, our treasurer, for taking care of the checks.

**Ann Schwartz**  
Venue Curator



### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Jean Yao Marta Cruz

The next Jury date to become an Exhibiting Member of WITVA will be November 14, 2018 at 10:30 a.m. It will take place in the Maple Room at Sugar Sand Park Community Center. For more information, please contact Agata Ren at jurywitva@gmail.com.

### OUR CONDOLENCES

Dodi Sikeviz was a long-time member of WITVA with an extraordinary artistic talent. She was always helpful in designing our exhibition programs, and she has won many awards for her exquisite watercolors. We extend our sincere condolences to her on the loss of her wonderful husband, Marty. She can be reached now at: 13005 Community Campus Dr., Apt. 204, Tampa, FL, 33625 or 561-329-8508

## HOSPITALART NEWS

Our Vice President at Large and Chairperson of HOSPITALART, Shirley Gelfand, received a note from the Farmworker Coordinating Council, that said, "Thank you for your kindness and thoughtfulness in forwarding a copy of your newsletter, highlighting Farmworker Coordinating Council in such a positive way."

## CONGRATULATIONS, MEMBERS



"The Pen Is Mightier", one of Grace Fishenfeld's collages.

Grace Fishenfeld received a Distinguished Artist Award for her collage "Anagram" from the Nathan D. Rosen Gallery Director, Sue Harrington, and the staff. They stated, "Grace has had a distinguished career as an artist exploring human nature from both a global and personal perspective. Her collages draw together a variety of mediums to challenge the eye and mind of the viewer. "Anagram" is thought-provoking and elegant, fusing new elements with classic design and arrangement. The Nathan D. Rosen Gallery applauds her accomplishments by honoring her with the WITVA Distinguished Artist Award."

Karen H. Salup is in the National Association of Women Artists, Inc.'s Online Gallery exhibition "Abstract: The Space Between," which is now viewable on line at [www.nawaonlinegallery.org](http://www.nawaonlinegallery.org), June 1 - August 3, 2018. Karen will also be exhibiting for an extended time at Wayne Akers Ford Dealership in Lake Worth as part of a group exhibit for Fordistas Gallery, Wynwood, North Miami.

Debbie Rubin, in addition to her award in the Nathan Rosen Gallery in the Boca JCC, won a Merit Award for her portfolio for two pages in Black & White Magazine.

Sandy Ryter, another Nathan Rosen Gallery exhibition winner, also recently won awards for her jewelry at the Artists Guild Gallery of the Boca Raton Art Museum.

## CALLING ALL WITVA CRAFTERS

If you do jewelry, scarves, pottery, etc. please contact Sandy Ryter 561-391-9109 for our "Celebration Boutique" at our annual fund raiser in Feb. 2019.

## COME CRUISE TO CUBA! ON THE "OCEANA INSIGNIA" with Sandy Ryter and the Women In The Visual Arts!



NOVEMBER 16th thru the  
23rd of 2019

Our cruising adventure, starting at \$2,199.00 per person based on double occupancy for a deluxe outside cabin, includes \$200.00 shipboard credit and pre-paid gratuities.

(other cabin locations and prices will be subject to availability).

We have arranged for an optional private "art lovers" two day tour of Havana Art for an extra \$275.00 per person. For more information, call Sandy (561-391-9109) and book with Dee at Boca Raton Travel (561-395-1414).



*Note: \$100.00 tax deductible amount from each cabin charge is donated to WITVA's 30 Years of Giving Campaign to help deserving and talented art students in South Florida.*

**YUM!**  
**COME JOIN US**  
for an afternoon of  
Bites, Sweets, Tea  
and Camaraderie



at Marlee's Bistro & Cupcakery  
8177 Glades Road, Bay 12, Boca Raton, FL

Tuesday, July 10th at one o'clock

RSVP: Please contact Sandy Ryter  
by June 10th  
[Sandyryter@comcast.net](mailto:Sandyryter@comcast.net)

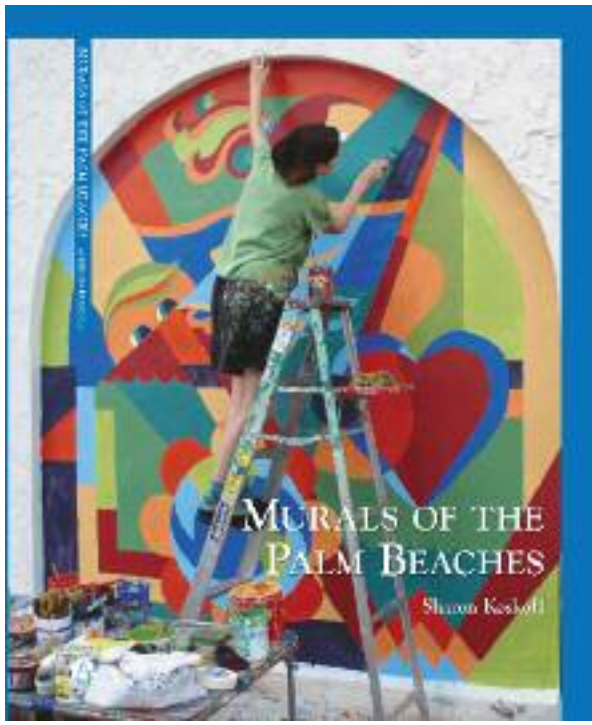
\$18.00 per person



## MURALS OF THE PALM BEACHES

Public Mural Artist, Author, and Lifetime Witva Member Sharon Koskoff announces the upcoming release of her second book *Murals of the Palm Beaches* for Arcadia Publishing/History Press on August 13, 2018.

"Palm Beach County is known for its affluence and profusion of art and culture. Artists have produced fine-art murals from the Depression Era to the present. The Society of Four Arts, the Norton Museum of Art, the Flagler Museum and the Boca Raton Museum of Art, all display mural installations. Art can be temporary, as revealed on canvases at the Cornell Art Museum at Old School Square, or permanent, as the ceramic-tiled wall of the Boca Express Train Museum. *Murals of the Palm Beaches* exposes Art in the Alley, a hidden community project, and remembers the masterpieces painted at the Palm Beach International Airport terminals, now demolished. Despite facing physical and political obstacles, the pioneers of public art in the Palm Beaches have paved the way for our graffiti-styled street artists of today."



The Cultural Council awarded Sharon with the Ellen Liman Arts Educator Muse Award of Excellence in 2014. She is the founding president of the Art Deco Society of the Palm Beaches. She wrote her first book, *Art Deco of the Palm Beaches*, for Arcadia Publications in 2007.

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