



Spring into Summer for Painters

April means rising temperatures and the end of another busy season for the painting club. While we say farewell to many seasonal residents this month, there's still plenty to do for year 'round residents. Look for an update to the catalog later in April. Lots of summer fun in the studio will be coming your way. The full club schedule is always available at <https://qcfapc.wordpress.com/calendar/>

Hot Topics and FAQ.

Q: How do I schedule time to use the new mat cutter?

A. If you would like to use the newly purchased mat cutter, please contact Debbie O'Rourke at QCFAPCpresident@gmail.com. Once we have several requests a time will be scheduled. The club is currently working on having a special table built for the mat cutter so it will be easier to set up each time. If you have not been trained how to use the mat cutter and would like to learn, please contact Debbie.

Q: Survey Results: What prevents members from showing and selling art?

A. Recently we asked for feedback regarding why members choose not to show or sell their artwork. The club plans to create a presentation that will address the following concerns identified in the survey: How to evaluate whether your art is ready to sell, how to frame inexpensively, how to price art, and how to get over the big hump of displaying/selling for the first time.

Q: How can I share or donate my art magazines with other club members?

A. The art club has a library area in the studio where members can check out materials to take home. If you would like to **DONATE** magazines or books to the club, just place your donations on the shelves. If you want to **SHARE** materials but want to retain ownership and get them back, give these to the monitor on duty. The monitor will place these in a locked cabinet that members can use, but only while in the studio.

Monitors Matter

Did you know there is no routine cleaning service in the CATC Building? When the studio is used, whether its for a class, a meeting, or Open Studio, we all have a responsibility. Everyone must keep the entire studio clean. The monitors are volunteer ambassadors, not janitors. Monitors are being left with taking out trash, cleaning the sink, sweeping, wiping down tables and pushing in the chairs. The monitors are volunteers without whom we cannot run the studio. They get no special rewards.

Be Kind to Monitors



Spring Festival Show: A beautiful display by painting club member, Camille.

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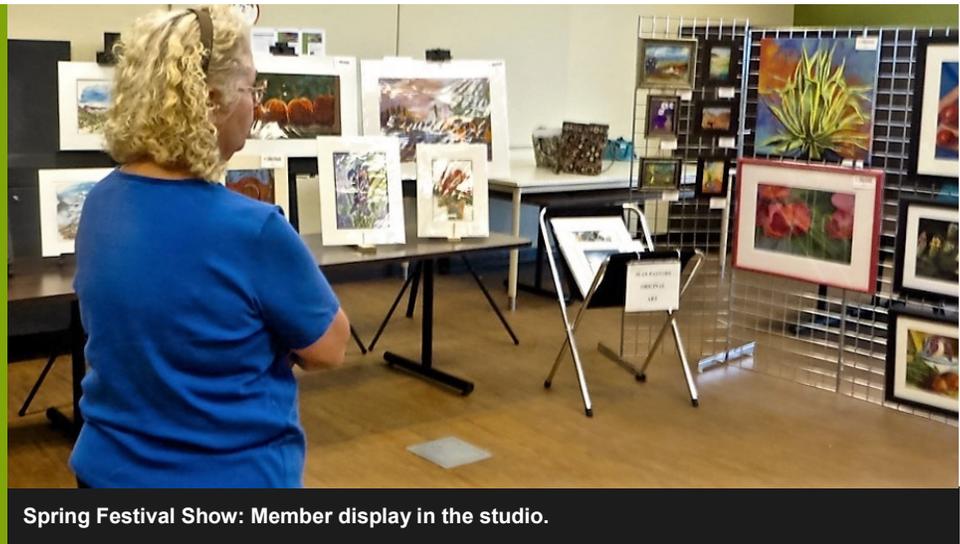
Website Updates

The club website at [QCFAPC.wordpress.com](https://qcfapc.wordpress.com) is the place to go first for information. Thanks to the efforts of web guru Jim Hall, a new benefit will soon be available to all members.

A member gallery page is under construction. You will be able to display one piece of your artwork along with a link to your personal web site or an email address. Info on how to submit a listing will be coming soon.

Another new feature will be a page where photos of club happenings will be displayed. If you have photos to submit please send them, along with captions, to Jim Hall at QCFAPCwebsite@gmail.com.

Need help with your Art Club Calendar? You can link the club calendar with your personal calendar or phone calendar. Be on the lookout for instructions on how to make this happen. Here is a link to the club calendar: <https://qcfapc.wordpress.com/calendar/>



Spring Festival Show: Member display in the studio.

New Study Group:

Interested in drawing? Join member/facilitator Ginny Hutchinson on the first and third Monday of the month from 3:00PM until 5:00PM in the studio for "Drop In Freestyle Drawing." Bring a project and the preferred drawing medium of your choice. Share what you know, learn from fellow artists. This is not a class. Free to members. For more information contact Ginny at vhutcheson@msn.com.

Art Class Day:

Instead of a member meeting in April, come to the studio on Thursday, April 14th at 9:00AM and enjoy an Art Class Day celebration.

Students: Please bring your favorite painting from class and tell us about it.

Teachers: Come and talk about your classes.

Coffee, Tea and some yummy donuts available for everyone to enjoy.

Don't Forget:

Just a heads up for a few important things coming up in the next few weeks:

Thursday April 14: Art Class Day 9:00AM. Bring a painting you did in a class.

Friday April 15: Scratchboard Workshop 9:00AM-12:00PM (a few slots are still available)

Sunday April 17: Silk Scarves Workshop 9:00AM-3:00PM

Saturday April 30: Deadline to submit ideas for a new club logo.

Friday May 6: Bring your "Paint Quail Creek" work to the member meeting for a fun Show and Tell session.

Plein Air Group: April Event

The next plein air session will be held April 12th at 9:00AM. Meet at the Madera Clubhouse parking lot and drive to the Fred L. Whipple Observatory Visitor Center at the base of Mt. Hopkins. Paint the many views and vistas. Bring water and a picnic lunch.

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Portrait Study Group

Final meeting this season: Monday, April 11th from 6:00PM-8:00PM. A model will be present. \$5 fee. Open to all skill levels. Bring a drop cloth.

Figure Study Group

Final meeting this season: Monday, April 25th from 6:00PM-8:00PM. A model will be present. \$5 fee. Come and practice sketching, drawing, or painting.

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Spring Festival Show: Lots of sales for painting club members Lee and Jim.

April Artist of the Month

The month of April will feature the paintings of member artist, Sue Bowerman.

Artist's Statement:

" I love to paint! Art and painting have moved me my whole life, having been influenced early in life by my mother and grandmother who were both artists. Since retiring from a career in school and clinical social work, I have been able to immerse myself in painting, mostly oils, but some watercolor, acrylic, and pastels as well. Many workshops in Michigan and Arizona have helped me grow. Plein air painting, especially with other artists, is my art passion because I am awed by the colors in nature, and the interplay of light and movement. The ever-changing mountains, vistas, and water are fascinating to me."

Please come see Sue's work in our gallery windows and if you are interested in becoming the Artist of the Month, contact Debbie O'Rourke at QCFAPCpresident@gmail.com for more details.



Artist of the Month, Sue Bowerman

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