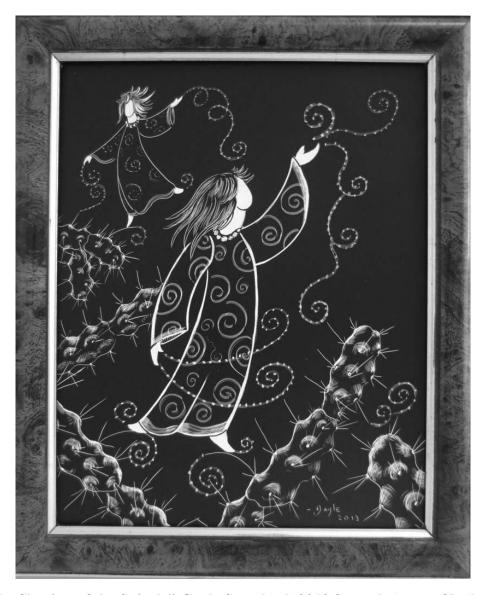
# The Castle Voice

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"The Sharing of the Spirals" Gayle Swanbeck 2013 Scratch Art on Clayboard.

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# **Castle Voice**

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#### Thank You!

WomanKraft thanks the Arizona Commission on the Arts, Tucson Pima Arts Council, The Grand Foundation, our generous members, our gallery docents, theatre supporters and investors, clients, customers, and all our volunteers.







In 1992, WomanKraft purchased the 1918 Queen Anne Victorian that is now the WomanKraft Castle Art Center. It houses our gallery, The School of the Arts, The Sanctuary, an all-natural beauty salon, office and studio of Speak the Speech Theatre, and the Art Studio of Zoe

&Grace Rhyne, Lydia Phillips, and Richard Michaels. WomanKraft is located at 388 S. Stone Ave., Tucson, AZ, 85701.

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# **Gallery Schedule**

Regular hours are 1-5pm, Wednesday through Saturday

### September 7-October 26, 2013: ILLUMINATION

Receptions: September 7 and October 5, 7-10pm

Lighting up the arts by art-ing up the lights! Form and function meet in this show. All art must be a form of illumination, lamps, votives, candle holders, candles, light boxes, imagination is the limit! Deadline for submission: August 24, 2013.

#### November 2 - December 21, 2013: THE HOLIDAY BAZAAR 2013

Receptions: November 2 and December 7, 7–10pm

It's our 27<sup>th</sup> annual Holiday Bazaar, and we're seeking local artists and crafts people who's work reflects the diversity of the Holiday Season. All work must retail from \$1-\$100. All mediums accepted. Deadline for submissions: October 26.

#### **GALLERY ONLY CLOSED IN JANUARY 2014**

#### February 1- March 29, 2014: FIBER, PAPER, METAL, GLASS

Receptions: February 1 and March 1, 7-10pm

This show's emphasis is on functional art but does not exclude fine art pieces, but as usual, we're looking for the well-crafted and unique. Deadline for Submissions: January 25, 2014.

# **April 5-May 31 2014: DRAWING DOWN THE MUSE**

Receptions April 5 and May 3, 7-10pm

This is our 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual women's only exhibit by and for local women artists. All mediums and subject matter accepted. Deadline for submissions: March 22, 2014.

#### June 7-July 26, 2014: CLOSE UP/ FAR AWAY

Receptions: June 7 and July 5, 7-10pm

Each submission must be an artists look at their subject matter both close up and far away. The close ups will be exhibited in one section of the gallery and its companion piece in a separate section. Can the viewers guess what they're looking at in the close up? All mediums accepted. Let's have some fun with this one. Deadline for submission: May 24, 2014.

#### **GALLERY ONLY CLOSED AUGUST 2014**

#### September 6- October 25, 2014: FALLING INTO FALL

Receptions: September 6 and October 4, 7-10pm

Accepting art in all mediums for this exhibit on my personal favorite time of year, Autumn. Autumn is a time of change, reflected in colored foliage, the migration of species, the Autumn Equinox and Hallomas, the Wiccan New Year. Deadline for submission: August 23, 2014.

#### November 1- December 20, 2014: THE HOLIDAY BAZAAR

We're seeking a diversity of fine crafts and art that reflect the diversity of these Holidays. The work needs to retail from \$1-\$100. All mediums accepted. Deadline for submission: October 18, 2014.

**Are you an artist interested in exhibiting with WomanKraft?** Call: 629-9976, ext. 2 for appointments with Director of Exhibits, Gayle Swanbeck. Artists please note: All shows are filled from first to respond. Deadlines indicate the LAST DAY works will be viewed, not the first. Hence, should you be interested in an exhibit, make contact A.S.A.P.







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# WOMANKRAFT School of the Arts

#### **CLASSES AND WORKSHOPS**

#### Welcome to the WomanKraft School of the Arts

All classes and workshops are free to low income people 50 years and older. This is made possible by the generous support of The Grand Foundation. Thank you. All classes and workshops are open to adults of all ages for listed fees. Your class fees help us offer more classes and pay instructors. Please note: Pre-registration is required for all students. Fee students must pre-pay before you will be registered.

YEAR-ROUND CLASSES: STUDIO PAINTING WITH GAYLE SWANBECK, ARTIST AND DIRECTOR OF EXHIBITS AT WOMANKRAFT AND FOUNDER OF THE SCHOOL OF THE ARTS.

Studio classes are ongoing, join anytime, stop when you are ready. Learn oils, acrylic, or watercolors. Select your own subject matter and proceed at your own pace. Individual instruction is available as you need it. Class limit is 6 people. Classes Wednesday, 10am-Noon; Thursday 1-3pm, and 6-8pm. FEE: \$60 per 8 weeks. Supplies not included.

#### **SEPTEMBER**

#### **SPIRIT POUCHES**

You know who you are, we're the ones who can't help ourselves. We pick up little bits of nature that speak to us. Here's a chance to create a special pouch for collecting and storing the dearest. Feel free to bring any special items you might wish to use in decorating your pouch but don't worry, we've got lots of choices for you to pick from. Some sewing required.

Monday, September 9, 6-9pm Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck Fee: \$20 supplies included.

# **BEADSTRINGING JEWELRY**

You can make your own beautiful jewelry in this workshop, while learning how to use special tools and techniques to create long lasting and unique pieces.

Hey, it's fun to boot!

Tuesday, September 10, 6-9pm Facilitator: Terri McGuire

Fee: \$20.00 Plus a supply fee of \$10 payable to the

instructor.

# ONCE JUNK FUNCTIONAL ART PIECE

Using recycled treasures (bring your own or use ours) you'll use assemblage techniques to create a functional piece of art. It's fun and it's green!
Thursday, September 12, 6-9pm

Facilitators: Grace and Zoe Rhyne Fee: \$20.00 supplies included.

#### RESIN SEALED ASSEMBLAGE ART 2 PARTS

Using a 5"X7" picture frame, you'll design and execute your assemblage. In the second half sealing it with a thin coat of resin. It's a way to turn the ordinary into the extraordinary.

Part I: Friday, September 13, 1:30-4:30pm,

Part II: September 20, 1:30-2:30pm

Facilitator: Linda K.

Fee: \$20.00 supplies included.

#### FLAT STAINED GLASS MOSAIC 2 PARTS

Create an 8"x10" mosaic with an abstract or realistic design while learning to use the tools and tricks of the medium. It's great fun and stained glass is always beautiful.

Part I: Monday, September 16, 6-9pm,

Part II: Monday, September 23, 6:30-8:30pm

Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck Fee: \$20.00 supplies included.

#### **PAINTING WITH OILSTICKS 2 PARTS**

You'll learn to create beautiful artworks with this unique oil painting medium. It'll free up your style! Part I: Tuesday, September 17, 6:30-8:30pm

Part II: Tuesday, September 24, 6:30-8:30pm

Facilitator: Mary Theresa Dietz Fee: \$20 Supplies included.

#### **STAINED GLASS VOTIVES 2 Parts**

Learn to use glass cutters, nippers, etc. It's fun, functional and always successful

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Part I: Tuesday, September 17, 1:30-4:30pm Part II: Tuesday, September 24, 1:30-3:30pm

Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck Fee: \$20.00 supplies included.

#### **COLLAGING CHAIRS**

We'll have fun designing and executing collages on the Gallery chairs. The skills are easily translated to all types of furniture. A great way to recycle old pieces into something fresh and reflective of your personal taste.

Thursday, September 19, 6-9pm Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck

Fee: Free

#### **PAPER FLOWERS**

Learn traditional Mexican folk art techniques and create a variety of colorful tissue paper and crepe paper flowers.

Wednesday, September 25, 1:30-3:30pm

Facilitator: Ana Yanez

Fee: \$20.00 supplies included.

# **HANDMADE PAPER**

Learn to make 100% post-consumer recycled paper,

100% fun...100% Successful! Friday, September 27, 10-Noon Facilitators: Grace and Zoe Rhyne

Fee: \$20 Supplies included.

#### WISE WOMEN'S WRITING WORKSHOP

You can attend one or all of these popular workshops. Learn to tap your infinite wisdom and playfully connect with your inner writer. We'll journal with writing exercises, topics, and creative surprises.

Friday, September 27, 1:30-3:30pm Facilitator: Ingrid Aspromatis Fee: \$20 supplies included.

#### MASTERING PERSPECTIVE

This workshop will de-mystify both one and two point perspective. Start with drawing simple boxes and end with a city street, all in perfect perspective.

Monday, September 30, 6-9pm Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck Fee: \$20.00 supplies included.

#### **OCTOBER**

#### ADVANCED TIE DYE

This workshop offers it's students an opportunity to learn and practice more complex ties and to dye much larger items. Bring your own items to be dyed, must be 100% cotton. You can dye sheets, tablecloths, jackets, cotton canvas shoes or a grouping of smaller items, using a wide range of colors. This is an off site workshop at the studio of N. Skreko Martin. Call WomanKraft for your reservations and directions.

Friday, October 4, 10am-12: 30pm Facilitator: N. Skreko Martin Fee: \$20.00 supplies included.

#### **PAINTING CLOUDS**

Take the pain out of painting clouds. Depending upon the participants you can learn how to paint clouds in acrylic, oils, and/or watercolors.

Monday, October 7, 6-9pm Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck Fee: \$20.00 supplies included.

#### DAY OF THE DEAD ON VINYL

Using vintage vinyl records as your canvas you'll paint your own colorful Day of the Dead scene. Let the fiesta begin!

Wednesday, October 9 1:30-4:30pm Facilitators: Grace and Zoe Rhyne Fee: \$20.00 Supplies included

# MOSAIC GARDEN STONES TWO PARTS

Learn the techniques to make your very own garden stones. Add color and whimsy to your yard or garden. Learn to use glass and tile while having creative fun.

Part I: Friday, October 11, 1:30-3:30pm Part II: Friday, October 18, 1:30-3:30pm

Facilitator: Linda K

Fee: \$20 supplies included.

#### **OUTDOOR MOSAIC 3 PARTS**

We're going to be mosaicing the outdoor handicap ramp side panel. We'll be using mirror, broken tile, and stained glass. Learn design, layout, and execution while being a part of enhancing our lovely non-profit art center. Come for one, two workshops, or register for all.

Part I: Saturday October 12, 9:30am-12:30pm Part I: Saturday, October 19, 9:30am-12:30pm Part III: Saturday October 26, 9:30am-12:30pm

Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck

Fee: Free. Come for one or two workshops, or register for all.

#### **PAINTING MOUNTAINS**

Take the mystery out of painting mountains with this workshop. Depending upon the participants you can learn how in acrylic, oils, and/or watercolors.

Monday, October 14, 6-9pm Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck Fee: \$20.00 supplies included.

# **BEADED BOOKMARKS**

Using a wide variety of beads you'll create a beautiful and distinctive bookmark while learning the tools and tricks of jewelry making.

Tuesday, October 15, 6-8pm Facilitator: Terri McGuire Fee: \$20 supplies included.

#### DRAWING CATS

It's National Feral Cat Day, and we can all have fun learning how to draw these feline friends. Medium choices are: charcoal or graphite.

Wednesday, October 16, 1:30-4:30pm

Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck Fee: \$20.00 supplies included.

#### **PAINTING TREES**

Turn the trepidation of painting trees into understanding and fun. Depending upon the participants you can learn how to paint trees in acrylic, oils, and/or watercolors.

Monday, October 21, 6-9pm Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck Fee: \$20.00 supplies included.

# **BEADED STEMWARE**

Using wire wrap techniques and glass, metal or natural beads, you'll learn to wire wrap stemware for a unique and personalized look.

Wednesday, October 23, 1:30-3:30pm

Facilitator: Ana Yanez

Fee: \$20.00 supplies included.

#### MIRROR IMAGES

Come personalize a mirror using paint, paper and the age old art of collage. The resulting piece will be beautiful and functional!

Thursday, October 24, 6-8:30pm Facilitators: Grace and Zoe Rhyne Fee: \$20.00 Supplies included.

#### HANDMADE GLYCERIN SOAP

You'll have an opportunity to make many bars of this natural vegetable based soap. Use specialty molds, natural oils, organic and non-organic products to customize each bar you make.

Friday, October 25, 10am-Noon Facilitators: Grace and Zoe Rhyne Fee: \$20.00 supplies included.

#### PAINTING WATER

Whether your water is a lake, a river, or a wave you can learn how to paint it. Dependign upon the participants you can choose acrylics, oils, and/or watercolors.

Monday, October 28, 6-9pm Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck Fee: \$20.00 supplies included.

#### **NOVEMBER**

# ADDRESS LABELS COLLAGE

Yes there is an artistic answer to all those address labels we keep getting in the mail.....collage! Learn how to transform all those self-sticking labels into images from the abstract to as realistic as you'd like to push it.

Monday, November 4, 6-9pm Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck Fee: \$20.00 supplies included.

#### **OIL STICKS AND MONOPRINTS**

You'll design, using oilsticks on a glass pane painting (8"x10") and pull up to 3 prints. A final application of paint will "clean up" your image, and you'll walk away with a reverse glass painting as well.

Tuesday, November 5, 6:30-8:30pm Facilitator: Mary Theresa Dietz Fee: \$20 supplies included.

#### **CASCARONES**

This Traditional Mexican Folk Art makes any occasion festive. Learn to decorate and fill your eggs with confetti.

Tuesday, November 5, 1:30-4pm

Facilitators: Ana Yanez

Fee: \$20.00 Supplies included.

#### **WINDCHIMES**

Bits and pieces of silverware, metal car emblems, and more will be provided to help you design the perfect home décor. We will explore techniques that allow both indoor and outdoor enjoyment.

Wednesday, November 6, 1:30 to 4:30pm

Facilitators: Grace and Zoe Rhyne Fee: \$20.00 Supplies included.

# **COLLAGING TABLES**

You can register for one or both of these workshops and help us decorate our new cabaret tables with collage images and mulberry paper. It's fun and free! Part I: Thursday, November 7, 9:30am-12:30pm

Part II: Thursday, November 21, 9:30am-12:30pm

Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck

Fee: Free.

#### WET FELTING SOAP

No experience of felting necessary. A brief talk on the properties of wool, an introduction to wet felting and design, and you're felting! Original, colorful and fun.

Bring your own bar of soap or use ours! Friday, November 8, 10am to Noon Facilitators: Grace and Zoe Rhyne

Fee: \$20.00 Supplies included.

#### SCRATCH ART ON CLAYBOARD

Using pre-prepared black clayboard panels, you'll learn the tools and techniques for this intricate drawing form.

Monday, November 11, 6-9pm Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck Fee: \$20 supplies included.

# **ACRYLIC PAINTING AND MULBERRY PAPER 3 Parts**

This is an exciting workshop offered to painters interested in playing with special effects. Bring a canvas or canvas board 11"X14", and we'll supply the rest. The first two workshop will focus on conceptualizing and executing your painting.

Copyright free photos will be provided if you need subject matter. In the third workshop you'll learn how to apply a mulberry paper overlay to create a distinctive and beautiful effect.

Part II: Wednesday, November 13, 1:30-4:30pm Part II: Wednesday, November 20, 1:30-4:30pm Part III: Wednesday, November 27, 1:30-3:30pm

Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck Fee: \$30.00 supplies included.

#### **BEGINNING TIE DYE**

Bring your own white cotton, pre-washed (old or new) 1 shirt or 2 pillow cases or 4 napkins, etc. You'll learn the basics for this fun and practical fiber art.

Friday, November 15, 1:30 -3:30pm

Facilitator: Linda K

Fee: \$20 supplies included.

#### A STITCH IN TIME

This is an embroidery workshop for beginning and intermediate skill levels. Embroidery is a beautiful and creative medium with many applications and techniques. Gain understanding, tricks of the trade, and have a good time while learning. Bring a piece of clothing, napkins, pillowcase, etc, 100 % cotton.

Saturday, November 16, 10am-Noon

Facilitator: Barbara Schnauss Fee: \$20.00 Supplies included.

#### **BEADSTRINGING JEWELRY**

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Tuesday, November 19, 6-9pm Facilitator: Terri McGuire Fee: \$20.00 Supplies included.

# WISE WOMEN'S WRITING WORKSHOP

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Friday, November 22, 1:30-3:30pm Facilitator: Ingrid Aspromatis Fee: \$20 supplies included.

#### **DECEMBER**

#### **EXTENDED WEAR**

It's time to toss those favorite shoes, hat, pants, or top? Maybe not. Here's an artistic answer to extending the life of your apparel. Come and learn ways to cover stains, holes, and scuffs using paints, buttons, and more. Bring along your piece of clothing and I'm sure you'll be pleasantly surprised.

Monday, December 2, 6-9pm Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck Fee: \$20 supplies included.

#### FUNCTIONAL ART AND COLLAGE

Many useful items in our world get thrown out, this workshop shows one of many ways to return beauty to functional pieces through the art of collage. Select from our treasures, and have some fun.

Tuesday, December 3, 1-5pm Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck Fee: \$20 supplies included.

#### SHADOW BOXES

You'll be using a small pre-made shadow box (provided) but please feel free to bring small treasures or use our materials to help bring this artwork to life. Paints and collage will be the background. Where it goes from there is up to you. It's fun and rewarding. Wednesday, December 4, 1:30-4:30pm

Facilitators: Grace and Zoe Rhyne Fee: \$20.00 supplies included.

#### IT'S ALL IN THE LIGHT

You'll learn the very basics to successful drawing and painting: highlights, base value, shadows, and cast shadows allow us to see each tree within the forest and each petal that makes up the flower.

Thursday, December 5, 9:30am-12:30pm

Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck Fee: \$20 supplies included.

#### CHOLLA LIGHT STICKS

This workshop uses the interior wood of dead cholla cacti to create a beautiful organic illuminated cholla stick. Richard will first demonstrate the cleaning and bleaching of the wood. Next, each participant will learn how to install the interior lights and decorate their own unique cholla wood light stick.

Friday, December 6, 1:30-4:30pm Facilitator: Richard Michaels

Fee: \$20 with \$5 supply fee payable to the

instructor.

#### **PARTS R PARTS**

Here is a chance to learn how to draw those troublesome body parts: eyes, lips, ears, noses, feet, and hands.

Monday, December 9, 6-9pm Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck Fee: \$20 supplies included.

#### **TISSUE PAPER COLLAGE 2 Parts**

Come and learn this beautiful free form art style. Create watercolors/acrylic washes, collage, and then detail your work with additional mediums.

Part I: Wednesday, December 11, 1:30-3:30pm Part II: Wednesday, December 18, 1:30-3:30pm

Facilitator: Ana Yanez Fee: \$20 supplies included

#### THINK GREEN

We will be creating a unique plant holder using recycled Styrofoam display heads. The heads will be decorated and a potted plant will fit inside, the plant will stick out of the head, inspiring all who see it to think green! We will provide tiny plants or bring your own plant but it must fit in a 4" round hole.

Friday, December 13, 1:30-4:30pm Facilitators: Zoe and Grace Rhyne Fee: \$20.00 Supplies Included

#### **COPPER EMBOSSING**

In this workshop you'll learn all the techniques needed to create beautiful copper embossed art and choose between making wall adornments, ornaments, matchbox, or a fine art piece.

Monday, December 16, 6-9pm Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck Fee: \$20 supplies included.

#### HANDMADE GLYCERIN SOAP

You'll have an opportunity to make many bars of this natural vegetable based soap. Use specialty molds, naturals oils, organic and non-organic products to customize each bar you make.

Tuesday, December 17, 1:30-3:30pm

Facilitator: Maria Garcia Fee: \$20.00 supplies included.

Please note: Class is off site. We leave the castle at

exactly 1:10pm. Transportation Provided.

#### PRAYER BEADS

It's beadwork with a spiritual end in mind. You can learn to create your own rosary or a variation to suit your spirituality. You'll have a choice from a stunning array of natural, glass, and, metal beads to create a one of a kind work of art.

Tuesday, December 17, 6-8pm Facilitator: Terri McGuire

Fee: \$20.00 with \$10.00 fee payable to the Instructor.

# WISE WOMEN'S WRITING WORKSHOP

You can attend one or all of these popular workshops. Learn to tap your infinite wisdom and playfully connect with your inner writer. We'll journal with writing exercises, topics, and creative surprises.

Friday, December 20, 1:30-3:30pm Facilitator: Ingrid Aspromatis Fee: \$20 supplies included.



#### **NEWS AND COMMENTS**

# Thanks and Updates By Gayle Swanbeck



Thanks go out to our volunteers for the last two exhibit's labors of love; Art searches, viewings, installation, cleaning, labels, making and/or gifting bakery, salsa, dips, etc for our openings, shopping for and

staffing the reception/duration of exhibits. Hugs and more hugs to Zoe and Grace Rhyne, Richard Michaels, Josh Smith, Diane C. Taylor, Glen Wilby, Nancy Martin, Gerrie Young, Paul Brunelle, Laura Leighton, Joanne Pritzen, and Debra Jacobsen.

Thanks to Maureen Bikes for a long overlooked suggestion. Our front cover for The Castle Voice now includes WomanKraft Art Center's Newsletter and provides that much needed information.

Thanks go out to Grace and Zoe Rhyne, Richard Michaels, and Josh Smith for tackling our art storage closet. We pulled everything out, cleaned, sorted, tossed, recycled, and designated items for the Rummage Fair Boutique or our art donation section of the gallery. This was a long overdue venture, and it is wonderful to be actually able to walk into the space and find everything labeled and organized at our fingertips.

Thanks to Richard Michaels for donating one of his beautiful cholla wood light sticks, and his idea for an art raffle with each exhibit. The drawing will be held on the last day of the show. Darlene Kirk of Payson, Arizona, won the cholla light stick. Congratulations! Our next raffle will be for a framed 8"X10" Scratch Art piece by Gayle Swanbeck entitled "The Sharing of the Spiral". It is one of an ongoing series called The Spiral Women. The drawing will be October 26, 2013, for the Sept/Oct raffle. Our Nov/Dec raffle will

be for Zoe Rhyne's "Cave of Wonders." The Drawing will be Dec. 21, 2013. For tickets and information, call or visit us at the gallery Wednesday-Saturday 1:00-5:00pm.

#### **Updates**

**The Variety Show Event** was another fun and satisfying evening. Grace and Zoe Rhyne did an excerpt from the play Starr Mountain, Grace also danced, and Zoe provided song. Gayle Swanbeck did a storytelling of Bette Midler's book *Baby Divine*. Check out our next Variety Show Event the day after Thanksgiving, November 29, 2013, on page 13.

Our first Karaoke Night was a blast. It was anchored by the lovely voices of Terri McGuire, Grace Rhyne, and Zoe Rhyne. Audience brave hearts did join in with their rendition of favorite songs. We're hoping this venue will continue to grow. The next Karaoke Night will be September 28, 2013 7:00-?pm \$3.00 Members \$5.00 Non-Members.

At our last Board meeting, August 10th, 2013, we welcomed Darlene Kirk and Joshua Smith both with unanimous votes onto our board.

#### **Improvements to the Castle:**

Josh Smith replaced the faucets in the School of the Arts bathroom, hot and cold running water at last! Richard Michaels continues to clean and improve our outdoor landscape, removing oleanders. Congratulations to Glen Wilby and Richard Michaels for designing and building a rock and brick garden for vegetables and herbs where once lived an oleander bush famous for cracks in our foundation and roots in our sewer line. The oleander will not be missed, the garden is however much anticipated.

Josh Smith has designed and built 6 cabaret tables for our special events; Karaoke night, poetry readings,

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etc. These beautiful round tables disassemble for easy and compact storage. Look for the free workshop to collage and mulberry paper them on November 7 and 21 from 9:30am-12:30pm on page 9 in our School of the Arts.



Josh Smith also has completed the redwood wall on the back wall of the Castle. This covers all the ugly pipes while creating a deep top shelf for displaying natural treasures and plants. It also sets off the new handicap railing. The space between the ramp and the house is now a garden. Also completed by the WomanKraft Artists Collective are the six stained glass mosaic panels ready to be installed in the railing. They are desert themed; a red rattlesnake, an orange pony, a yellow spiraled sun, a green desert storm replete with cacti and lightening, a blue lizard, and a purple prickly pear cactus. Look for the outdoor mural workshops October 12, 19, and 26 on page 7. They are free, and we'll be mosaicing the side of the handicap ramp with the words "Art is Prayer" and our WomanKraft logo. To complete the whole project the Artists Collective will be creating stained glass mosaic desert landscape on the windowpanes above the ramp. Come by and take a look.

# Pumpkin pARTy Extravaganza!

Come one, come all to WomanKraft's first ever-Pumpkin pARTy Extravaganza! This October 26 from 6:00-10:00pm Join us for a pumpkin carving contest. \$5.00 covers your entry fee; bring your own pumpkin and carving tools. We will provide drinks and treats and a space to create your masterpiece. The pumpkins will be juried by vote that evening, with first prize \$50.00, second prize \$25.00 and third prize a \$20.00 gift certificate to our School of the Arts! The winners will be announced and prizes awarded at the end of the evening. Don't miss this exciting night of pumpkin carving fun!

Speak The Speech Theatre Company cordially invites its WomanKraft family and friends to our first full length play "True West" by Sam Sheppard. The play will be performed at the Arizona Theatre Company's' Cabaret Theatre located at 330 S. Scott Ave. Tucson, AZ 85701 on Oct. 18-20, Oct. 25-27, Nov. 1-3. Friday and Saturday performances will be 7:30pm and Sunday matinee at 2:00pm. Ticket prices are \$20 for adults, \$15 for seniors, military and students and \$10 for groups of 10 or more. For tickets call 520-904-7675.

# the Thanks and Giving pARTy November 29, 2013

Try some shopping at a local venue this Friday after Thanksgiving. Bring two or more items of non-perishable food for our Tucson Community Food Bank and take 10% off your entire purchase-including workshops. Support our local artists, local non-profit arts organization, and our local food back all in one enjoyable visit.

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# The Variety Show Event Friday, November 29th, 2013

6:00-10:00pm

Tickets are \$20.00 each, reservation and pre-payment is required. Only 20 tickets available, reserve your place ASAP. Dinner will include drinks, Thai Spring Rolls, Thai Peanut Soup, and delicious homemade desserts. entertainment will include song, music, dance, performances and poetry.

# An Evening of Improv Theatre Friday, December 13th, 2013, 7-?pm

Tickets are \$7 for Members and \$10 for non-members. This is an evening where the audience can join in or just sit back, relax, and enjoy the laughs! Drinks, snacks, sweets, homemade salsa's, dips and chips will be provided.

# January 2014 Rummage Fair

Join us Friday, January 10, and Saturday, January 11, from 8:00am—4:00pm for our Indoor Rummage Fair Boutique. We're seeking volunteers to help with set up Wednesday, January 8, and Thursday, January 9. We gratefully accept donations of clean, fully working and gently used items all year round; please call Zoe or Grace here at WomanKraft 629-9976 ext. 1 or Lydia Phillips at 777-5207 for deliveries and pickups. Tax letters are available but you must provide an inventory list. In accordance with federal law we cannot place a monetary value on donated items. All revenue raised goes to the continued Castle upgrades that we all enjoy so much. Don't forget to stop in for the sale and spread the word. We've got the best "stuff" at the best prices!

#### **Art Raffles For the Arts**

Each two month Exhibit will now include a raffle of a piece of donated art. Ticket Sales will begin at the first reception, and the drawing will be done at 5:00 PM on the closing day of that exhibit with the winner being notified immediately. Tickets are priced as follows; \$2.00 a ticket, \$3.00 for 2 tickets or \$4.00 for

4 tickets. Artists interested in making donations for these raffles please call the Gallery at (520) 629-9976 Wednesday-Saturday 1:00-5:00pm to speak with a docent.

### September/October 2013

Art Donation will be Gayle Swanbeck's "Sharing of the Spiral" 8"X10" Scratch Art on Clayboard

# November/December 2013

Art Donation will be Zoe Rhyne's "Cave of Wonders" 7"X5"X3" Shadowbox Assemblage

# February/ March 2014

Art Donation will be Grace Rhyne's "Springtime Explosion" 6"X8" Assemblage in Resin

# The amazing resource that is in your hands.

by Zoe Rhyne

If you are reading this then you probably already know how amazing WomanKraft is. Our School of the Arts offers interesting and affordable art classes to everyone, with scholarships available for people over 50. Our Gallery houses artists of all kinds, providing our Tucson community with beautiful local art to enjoy! We have our evening receptions each month, and all kinds of events happening all the time.

Within these pages is the key to all of the wonders WomanKraft has to offer. So read on, and join us. Or better yet, reach out to a friend or co-worker, and spread the word of the wonders of WomanKraft! Encourage your friends to shop local and support local artists and non-profit art organizations, what could make a better gift than a one of a kind art treasure? Tell them about our affordable art classes, where they can make art of their own. Get the whole gang together and come see a "Variety Show Event", or join us for a Karaoke night. An organization depends on its members for support, and we know our members support us, so show your WomanKraft team spirit and spread the word! Hand out our Castle Voice to interested individuals and encourage them to explore the arts with us.



A Mosaic Garden Stepping Stone by School of the Art's Instructor Linda K





Students from left to right: Zoe Rhyne, Laura Leighton, Mary Vermeer, Lucinda Ulrich, Teacher Ana Yanez and Nancy Martin in Ana Yanez's Star Piñata Workshop.

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