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Mysteries of the WomanKraft Castle Center for Art, Education and Culture, Revealed! WomanKraft is a Non-Profit Arts Organization founded in 1974 to claim, validate, and empower women artists and other under-represented groups.

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Thank You!

WomanKraft thanks the Arizona Commission on the Arts, 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, and the Art Studios of Zoe & Grace Rhyne, Gayle Swanbeck, the photography

studio of Jerold Schnauss, and Studio/Gallery space of Tony Di Angeles in Studio 102. WomanKraft is located at 388 S. Stone Ave., Tucson, AZ, 85701.

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Gallery Schedule

Regular Gallery hours: Wednesday – Saturday 1-5pm. Come on down!

September 3 – October 29, 2016 WATER, WATER EVERYWHERE Receptions: September 3 and October 1, 2016, 7-10pm

This show is all about the liquid beauty of water. Fountains, pools, reflections, raindrops, underwater seascapes, aquatic life, oceans, rivers, streams... Let's honor this powerful element, and pour ourselves a tall, thirst quenching glass of art. All mediums accepted. Deadline for submissions: August 27, 2016.

November 5 – December 17, 2016 HOLIDAY BAZAAR Receptions: November 5 and December 3, 7-10pm

In the spirit of the Holidays and seasonal festivities, this exhibit is specifically curated to combine a unique mix of fine art and crafts all created by local artists. This is specific to the idea that gift giving for your holidays should be personal, unique and affordable. The work needs to retail from \$1.00- \$100.00. All mediums accepted. Deadline for Submissions: October 22, 2016

GALLERY ONLY CLOSED IN JANUARY 2017

February 4 – March 25, 2017 FLIGHTS OF FANTASY

Receptions: February 4 and March 4, 7-10pm

Dragons, faeries, unicorns, elves, sprites, spirits, gods and goddesses, stuff of myth and legend. Through art we can bring fantasy to reality. All mediums accepted Deadline for submissions: January 21, 2017

April 1 – May 27, 2017 DRAWING DOWN THE MUSE

Receptions: April 1 and May 6, 7-10pm

This is our 25th annual women's only exhibit by and for local women artists. Come and join us in the celebration of our divine feminine power. All mediums and subject matter accepted. Deadline for submissions: March 25, 2017.

June 3 – July 29, 2017 BLACK AND WHITE AND SHADES OF GREY

Receptions: June 3 and July 1, 7-10pm

As artists, we often find ourselves using color in everything we do. This show is an opportunity to explore the opposite side of the spectrum. We are seeking any and all mediums and subject matter, as long as it's in Black and White! Charcoal, Photography, scratch art, the possibilities are endless. Deadline for submissions: May 27, 2017.

GALLERY ONLY CLOSED IN AUGUST 2017

September 2 - October 28, 2017 SIZE MATTERS

Receptions: September 2 and October 7, 2017

This show is going to focus on, you guessed it, size! Subject and medium are up to the artist, bring me BIG art! or several teeny tiny pieces! Close-ups, perspective, miniatures, life-size, let's take a closer look at the bigger picture. Deadline for submissions: August 26, 2017

November 4 - December 23, 2017 THE HOLIDAY BAZAAR

Receptions: November 4 and December 2, 2017.

We're seeking a diversity of fine crafts and art that reflect the diversity of these holidays. The work needs to retail from \$1.00-\$100.00. All mediums accepted. Deadline for submissions: October 28, 2017.

Are you an artist interested in exhibiting with WomanKraft? Call 629-9976 ext. 3 for appointments with Director of Exhibits, Zoe Rhyne or to speak to her in person call Thursday or Friday 1-5pm. Artists please note: Shows are filled from first to respond. Deadlines indicated the last day works will be viewed, not the first. Hence, make contact A.S.A.P.

WOMANKRAFT School of the Arts

CLASSES AND WORKSHOPS Welcome to the WomanKraft School of the Arts



Please note: Pre-registration is required for all students. 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. Fee students must pre-pay before you will be registered. Please call 629-9976 ext. 2 or 3 to sign up for classes and workshops.

YEAR-ROUND CLASSES: STUDIO PAINTING WITH GAYLE SWANBECK, ARTIST AND CO-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 5 people. Classes Wednesday, 10am-Noon, Thursday from 1-3pm. FEE: \$60 per 8 weeks. Supplies not included.

SEPTEMBER

DRY FELT CACTUS



Come and create your own piece of the desert while learning needle felting (dry felting) techniques. Completed cacti will be an adorable, huggable, spine-free treat.

Tuesday, September 6, 9:30am -12:30pm Facilitators: Zoe and Grace Rhyne Fee: \$20 supplies included

****NEW CLASS!!***

WATERCOLORS AND LANDSCAPE

Here's a chance to learn some basic skills in watercolor and apply these techniques to creating beautiful landscapes.

Tuesday, September 6, 1:30pm -4:30pm

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, September 7, 1:30-3:30pm

Part II: Wednesday, September 14, 1:30-3:30pm

Facilitator: Ana Yanez Fee: \$20 supplies included

LEARNING PERSPECTIVE

Here's a chance to learn one and two point perspective that will have you drawing cubes, buildings, entire city landscapes in perfect 3D perspective.

Thursday, September 8, 9:30am - Noon

Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck Fee: \$20 supplies included

TIE DYE FOR BEGINNERS



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, September 9, 1:30pm - 3:30pm

Facilitator: Linda K.

Fee: \$20 Supplies included.

HANDMADE PAPER

Learn to make 100% post-consumer recycled paper,

100% fun...100% Successful! Tuesday, September 13, 1-3pm Facilitators: Grace and Zoe Rhyne

Fee: \$20 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, September 13, 6:30-8:30pm Facilitator: Mary Theresa Dietz

Fee: \$20 supplies included.

BEAD STRINGING 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!

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Facilitator: Terri McGuire

Fee: \$20 supplies included with \$10 supply fee

payable to the instructor.

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: Friday, September 16, 1:30-4:30pm Part II: Friday, September 23, 1:30-2:30pm

Facilitators: Grace and Zoe Rhyne

Fee: \$20 supplies included

STAINED GLASS MOSAIC VOTIVES 2 PARTS

Learn to use glass cutters, nippers, etc. It's fun,

functional, and always successful.

Part I: Saturday, September 17, 1:30-4:30pm Part II: Saturday, September 24, 1:30-2:30pm

Facilitator: Zoe and Grace Rhyne

Fee: \$20 supplies included.

RESTORE THE **FUNCTIONAL WITH** MULBERRY COLLAGE

Time can leave our functional ware faded or marred, but using a variety of papers (mulberry, tissue, banana, etc) and collaging techniques they can "live" again. Turned into a piece of art you can select from our wooden boxes, shelves, or bring a small piece of your own.

Tuesday, September 20, 1:30-4:30pm

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

TREAT YOURSELF: THE FACIAL

In the all natural hair and body salon housed in "The Castle" the Sanctuary is offering a workshop so you can learn professional techniques and secrets for facials, scalp treatment, skin care, aroma therapy and more.

Wednesday, September 28, 1:30 - 3:30pm

Facilitator: Jordana Silvestri Fee: \$20 supplies included.

WISE WOMEN'S WRITING WORKSHOP

It's still a hit and growing. You can attend one or all four. Learn to tap your infinite wisdom and playfully connect with your inner writer. We'll journal with some writing exercises, topics, and creative surprises.

Friday, September 30, 1:30-3:30pm Facilitator: Ingrid Aspromatis

Fee: \$20 supplies included or all four for \$40. Other

dates are: Oct 21, Nov 25, Dec 16.

OCTOBER

BILINGUAL CLASSCLASE BILINGÜE*** WIND CHIMES AND SUNCATCHERS // BRILLA DE VIENTO Y SOL



In this workshop, we will use a variety of pretty, dangling, shiny, colorful, metallic, recycled materials to create something lovely to hang in your yard.

Tuesday, October 4, 9:30am-12:30pm

Facilitators: Grace and Zoe Rhyne

Fee: \$20 supplies included.

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.

Tuesday, October 4, 1:30-4:30pm Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck Fee: \$20 supplies included

BILINGUAL CLASSCLASE BILINGÜE*** DECORATIVE CONTAINERS // BOTES DECORADAS 2 PARTS

In the first half of this workshop, you will use a simple oatmeal box as your support, natural wood findings will be affixed to the container along with flowers created from newspaper. The second half will have you painting and decorating this unique container for dried flowers, paint brushes, kitchen utensils, or ...

Part I: Wednesday, October 5, 1:30-3:30pm Part II: Wednesday, October 12, 18, 1:30-4pm

Facilitator: Ana Yanez

Fee: \$20.00 supplies included.

WATERCOLOR COLLAGE 2 PARTS

Create unique patterns, while learning many watercolor techniques, then tear, cut, and collage your patterns into works of art.

Part I: Thursday, October 6, 10am - Noon Part II: Thursday, October 13, 10am - Noon

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

MOSAIC GARDEN STEPPING STONE 2 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 7, 1:30-3:30pm Part II: Friday, October 14, 1:30-2:30pm

Facilitator: Linda K. Fee: \$20 supplies included

BILINGUAL CLASSCLASE BILINGÜE*** HANDMADE PAPER MASKS 2 PARTS // MASCARAS HECHO DE PAPEL, PAPEL RECICLADO HECHO DE MANO



This is a two-for-one workshop. First we will learn to make 100% post-recycled paper and then we will use those techniques to create personalized masks. In the second part of the workshop you will decorate this

handmade masterpiece.

Part I: Saturday, October 8, 1:30-2:30pm Part II: Saturday, October 15, 1:30-4:30pm

Facilitators: Grace and Zoe Rhyne

Fee: \$20 supplies included.

BILINGUAL CLASSCLASE BILINGÜE*** COLLAGE MAGNETS// IMANES CON IMAGINES

Come create a mini masterpiece or two with us. In this Workshop, we will use the classic technique of collage with images from magazines as well as pretty papers etc. to decorate flat magnets. For your fridge, for your friends, for your friend's fridge!

Tuesday, October 11, 10:30am-12:30pm Facilitators: Grace and Zoe Rhyne

Fee: \$20 supplies included.

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 stain, holes, and scuffs using paints, buttons and more. Bring along your piece of clothing and I'm sure you'll be pleasantly surprised.

Tuesday, October 11, 1:30-4:30pm

Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck Fee: \$20 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.

Thursday, October 13, 6-8pm Facilitator: Terri McGuire Fee: \$20 supplies included

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Friday, October 21, 1:30-3:30pm Facilitator: Ingrid Aspromatis Fee: \$20 supplies included 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.

PLEASE NOTE: Class is OFF-SITE at the studio of N. Skreko Martin. Call WomanKraft for your reservations and directions.

Tuesday, October 25, 10am -Noon Facilitator: N. Skreko Martin Fee: \$20 supplies included

ALPHABET SOUP

Enjoy a hot steaming bowl of recycled reading! In this workshop we will be taking lines and words from old poetry books and using them to create our own new poems. For those of you who have a hard time coming up with your own words but long for the thrill of writing a good poem, this is the class for you!

Friday, October 28, 1-5pm

Facilitators: Zoe and Grace Rhyne

Fee: \$20 supplies included

NOVEMBER

BILINGUAL CLASSCLASE BILINGÜE****

*****NEW CLASS!*****

DAY OF THE DEAD ON VINYL:: DIA DE LOS MUERTOS PINTADOS EN VINILO



Join us in celebrating this Dia De Los Muertos by decorating a vinyl record with a classic "sugar skull" in honor of this Holiday. Paint, records, decorations and inspiration will be provided!

Tuesday, November 1, 9:30am-12:30pm

Facilitator: Zoe and Grace Rhyne

Fee: \$20 supplies included

ADVANCED TIE DYE

This workshop offers it's students an opportunity to

MOSAIC RESIN FRAMES 2 PARTS

Using a 5"X7" picture frame, you'll design and execute your mosaic. 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, November 11, 1:30 -4:30pm Part II: Friday, November 18, 1:30 -2:30pm

Facilitator: Linda K

Fee: \$20 supplies included.

MOSAIC PLANTERS 2 PARTS



Come and learn how to mosaic a flower pot using glass and ceramic shards. Make a one of a kind unique creation any plant would be proud to grow in!

Part I: Saturday, November 12, 9:30am-12:30pm Part II: Saturday, November 19, 11am-Noon

Facilitator: Gayle Swayback Fee: \$20 Supplies included.

A NEW USE FOR MEXICAN ROOF TILES 2 PARTS

Using those lovely terra cotta colored curved tiles, we'll design and mosaic the top half of each with stained glass, mirror, old coins and more. They'll be used as the retaining wall for a small raised flower bed here at WomanKraft.

Part I: Saturday, November 12, 1:30-4:30pm Part II: Saturday, November 19, 1:30-2:30pm

Facilitators: Zoe and Grace Rhyne

Fee: Free

THINKING 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, inspiring all who see it to think green!

Tuesday, November 15, 9:30am-12:30pm

Facilitators: Zoe and Grace Rhyne

Fee: \$20 supplies included

******NEW CLASS!*****

COPPER EMBOSSING ORNAMENTS

You'll learn the tools and techniques to create beautiful copper embossed ornaments. This art form can also be used to create a wall piece, depending upon your interests.

Tuesday, November 15, 1:30-4:30pm

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

BILINGUAL CLASSCLASE BILINGÜE*** CREATIVE NEEDLE CASES :: LIBRO DE AGUJAS

It's function wedded to creative beauty. You'll make your own unique case from cloth and felt, sew and glue your pieces together, and then embellish with our wide selection of treasures.

Wednesday, November 16, 1:30-3:30pm

Facilitator: Ana Yanez Fee: \$20 supplies included.

TREAT YOURSELF: THE MANI / PEDI

In the all Natural hair and body salon housed in "The Castle" the Sanctuary is offering a workshop so you can learn professional techniques and secrets for manicures, pedicures, nail and skin care, aroma therapy and more.

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Facilitator: Jordana Silvestri Fee: \$20 supplies included

CROTCHETING

Never held a crochet hook? Haven't crocheted in a long time? Want to learn something beyond the chain & single crochet stitches? This class is for YOU! We will supply the hook & yarn, you supply the determination & patience.

Thursday, November 17, 6-9pm

Facilitator: Terri McGuire Fee: \$20 Supplies included.

***NEW CLASS!!**

BILINGUAL CLASSCLASE BILINGÜE*** LITTLE BOXES, LTTLE ALTARS // CAJITAS Y SANTITAS (Fridge Magnets // Imanes por la

Refri)



Using recycled film and altoid cans and canisters, we will be making a tiny personal altar. Come with an idea in mind, or let your imagination run wild, a truly terrific teeny tiny treat in a tin!

Tuesday, November 22, 9:30am-12:30pm

Facilitators: Grace and Zoe Rhyne

Fee: \$20 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, November 22, 6:30-8:30pm Part II: Tuesday, November 29, 6:30-8:30pm

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

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Friday, November 25, 1:30-3:30pm Facilitator: Ingrid Aspromatis Fee: \$20 supplies included

PERSONAL HAT BANDS

Commit yourself to wearing a hat to protect your skin and eyes. Add a decorative layer of protection to your 'crown.' Bring your own charms, beads, coins and amulets, or use ours.

Tuesday, November 29, 10am - Noon

Facilitator: Nancy Martin Fee: \$20 Supplies included.

***NEW CLASS!!**

THANKS AND GIVING BANK

Using recycled metal coffee cans or small boxes (your choice), specialty papers (mulberry and mango, etc) and found objects, you'll create your own Thanks and Giving Bank. A place to save your coins, not for yourself but for your favorite charity. I save \$15 in quarters and gift it to a homeless person. I'm one shy of my 70th gifting. You'd be surprised just how good it feels.

Wednesday, November 30, 1:30-4:30pm

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

DECEMBER

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Fee: \$20 supplies included with \$10 supply fee

payable to the instructor.

BILINGUAL CLASSCLASE BILINGÜE****



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

SHADOW BOXES:: ARTE 3D

goes from there is up to you. It's fun and rewarding.

Friday, December 2, 1-5pm

Facilitators: Grace and Zoe Rhyne

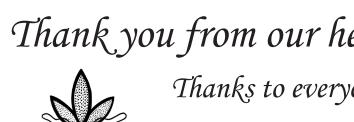
Fee: \$20 supplies included

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 6, 10am-Noon

Facilitator: Maria Garcia Fee: \$20 supplies included



Stop by the gallery today, 388 S. Stone Ave! We are open Wednesday through Saturday, 1-5.







Thanks to Josh Smith's hard work, we have new drywall, paint, and refinished floors!

Welcome to Tony Di An 102, affectionately knows of Sunshir

Come and say hello r you stop by! iearts and the heart of our house.

hard on the WomanKraft property.

Here he has removed a tree trunk

growing too close to the WomanKraft building. Thank you, Tony!

next time



Centerfold design by Hallie Wine

connect with WomanKraft.

FLAT STAINED GLASS MOSAIC 2 PARTS

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Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck Fee: \$20 supplies included

ARTISTIC NAME TAGS



This workshop will provide a variety of materials and lots of inspiration for you to come and create a unique name-tag that truly shows off your

personality. Geared toward exhibiting artists and members, come enjoy finished products at our next Reception!

Thursday, December 8, 10am - Noon Facilitators: Zoe and Grace Rhyne

Fee: \$20 Supplies included

BILINGUAL CLASSCLASE BILINGÜE*** PSYCHEDELIC JELLYFISH / / ARTE POR LA **YARDA**



An interesting and beautiful way to decorate any landscape, come and create your own creature out of antique glass electrical insulators in various shapes, colors and sizes. Friday, December 9, 1:30-4:30pm Facilitators: Grace and Zoe Rhyne

Fee: \$20 supplies included.

INDOOR MURALING THE FINAL GROUT!

You'll learn the techniques of working with stained glass, tile, mirror, and the tools needed. We will be grouting and cleaning to finish off this long time goal! We'll be muraling on spaces inside the School of the Arts and the Gallery.

Saturday, December 10, 1:30-4:30pm

Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck

Fee: Free

****NEW CLASS****

MELTED CRAYON BOTTLES

Create a vase that literally drips with color! We will be melting crayons, (safely, with an iron) and dripping them onto a glass bottle. Creating a unique decoration for any show.

Tuesday, December 13, 10am-Noon Facilitators: Grace and Zoe Rhyne

Fee: \$20 Supplies included.

MULBERRY VOTIVE CANDLES



Using mulberry, banana, and tissue papers you'll collage lovely abstract images on 2 glass votive candles. When lit they glow with fabulous colors. Tuesday, December 13, 1:30-3:30pm Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck

Fee: \$20 supplies included. (Additional candles can be purchased for \$2 each)

***NEW CLASS!!**

SCRATCH ART WITH PAPER

This workshop teaches the techniques used in working on Clayboard with this distinct difference: Scratch art papers require less hand strength and are far lass expensive than Clayboard.

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PERSONAL JOURNALS



Decorate a provided journal with collage techniques for a finished project hat is personal, functional and beautiful. Tuesday, December 20, 9:30am-12:30pm. Facilitators: Grace

and Zoe Rhyne. Fee: \$20 supplies included

THANKS AND UPDATES BY GAYLE SWANBECK

Another four months of renovations and repairs have taken place. In the small closet of the School of the Arts everything was pulled out and Josh Smith built new shelving units. Now all our supplies are easily reached and found. Organization, ho!

Upstairs we finally had to bring in a bee service to destroy two massive hives. One in the upstairs turret room, our main office and worker's lounge, and another in an art studio. The walls in the circular room were torn out, and Zoe and Josh removed over 600 pounds of contaminated honey (10' tall or higher combs!). Insulation was installed and the exterior holes sealed to prevent any new hives from being established. In both rooms, it was decided to "do it right," old plaster was removed, drywall or plaster patches were done, sanding, and painting of the walls and trim, securing of the windows, and finally the floors were repaired and polished. The new color scheme of the tower room is cool tones of green and blue. Everything looks SO good.

The old sink in the office was removed and capped at the basement intake level, and new pipe was installed in the kitchen. Here's to no more water damage or clogged sinks, may they be good to go for the next 50 years, great job, Josh! To accommodate all the dusty clean-up we purchased a new shop-vac and Zoe, Grace, Josh, and Hallie Wine (our recent U of A intern) put it to great use cleaning up after all the work, which did include pumice-ing the toilet bowl, and finishing the trim in the upstairs bathroom. It looks so fine.

Smaller jobs by Josh included repairing the original 1918 door handle and mechanism in the School of the Arts bathroom, as well as installing some shelves across the back window to display art and our solar toy collection. Many of you enjoy our rotating collection on the gallery desk. Silly but so much fun.

A summer storm micro-burst brought down a tree limb on our front porch and due to safety, both for the

fence and for Josh, we brought in a tree trimming service to take it off the roof and trim back 3 other large limbs. Josh staved with the crew and cut the downed pieces into movable sections and did a dump run with the cuttings, all the old planters, wood, pipe and trash from the upstairs renovations. Thanks go out to Paul and Patricia Rhyne for making available to us the use of their trailer and Suburban. You two are a blessing. Zoe, Grace, and Hallie also went after the storage area shared by the School of the Arts and WomanKraft. It is amazing how much dust and clutter can build up in 4 months. Vacuuming, dusting and organization of these three rooms is hard, dirty and constantly reoccurring work. To have it being done on a regular basis is sweet. Thank you women. The 990's were completed in July- please note- the deadline is November 15th!- and the Cultural Data Project was updated. All done by Zoe and Grace while mentoring Hallie on the real nuts and bolts of corporate bookkeeping, paperwork, and government compliance.

The School of the Arts has been growing steadily over the years. Most recently we have found 70% of our workshops filling in the first month after the Castle Voice came out, 85% by week one of the second month and 98% by the second week. What this means is that we'll be adding more workshops to what we already offer to accommodate or communities demands. Thank you one and all for the work in achieving this goal.

The gallery has been seeing huge crowds, 150-200 people at our first reception, and 60-100 at our second, art sales have been stronger and stronger, and new and renewing memberships growing with every exhibit. Thank you Barbara Achord and Zoe Rhyne for your membership work, and to all the people helping to mount these stunning exhibits and keep them open to the public. Again, I thank all of our financial supporters big and small for believing in this wonderful place. You're the best, you know who you are. P.S. I have to say it. Linn Lane would be so proud and happy.

In Love and Gratitude, Gayle

DIRECTOR OF EXHIBITS THANKS BY ZOE RHYNE

This year's Drawing Down the Muse exhibit, was positively sublime! With more than 30 female artists represented, our Castle sparkled with a gorgeous variety of art and talent. Both receptions were well attended, and art sales were good! Drawing Down the Muse has been going on for 24 years, and we are honored to continue this important and beautiful tradition. June/July's Sticks and Stones are Nature's Bones exhibit was hot! Our first reception was very well attended by so many supportive members of our community. WomanKraft is proud to provide a welcoming space where anyone can come in and feel good about being here. Our receptions are a fantastic example of the diversity of our community, with attendees varying anywhere from young kids visiting with parents, people coming to see their first art show, or be in their first art show as an artist, WomanKraft members who have been with us for years and years, even our local police come in and enjoy all that WomanKraft has to offer.



Thank you to everyone who makes this possible, volunteers, artists, visitors, buyers and supporters. None of this would be possible without you. Keep buying art! Keep making art! And supporting

organizations like Womankraft by donating your valuable time. Thanks go out especially and specifically to: Tony Di Angelis, Josh Smith, Gayle Swanbeck, Grace Rhyne, Hallie Wine, Paula Rhyne, Patty Lyons, Paul Brunelle,

for all your hard work, thank you!

STORYTELLING-OOPS- NOT UNDER THE STARS

Our intentions were the best but Nature had other plans, both April's and July's reading under the stars events were moved indoors. Luckily that is no hardship for talent, audience, or workers. Our interior space is also stellar. April found high gusts of wind blowing around massive amounts of dust from the ugly construction across the street. That made the outdoors not so appealing. July came and the mosquito population was especially daunting, so inside we went again. Still, we had great stories, songs, and poems and look forward to many more in our future. Talent is scheduled ahead of time, but open mic is always up there for the people who just want to be inspired and jump right in. See you there!

JEROLD SCHNUASS, STUDIO DISTRESSED

Jerold Schnuass, a local photographer and WomanKraft member, has rented the last available upstairs studio here at WomanKraft. Jerold's photographs are unique to each model and project, and we are all excited to be sharing our lovely building with him. The studios' classic style and natural lighting are an excellent environment for fine art photography. He has christened his space, "Studio Distressed."

Jerold has been involved in photography for forty years. Recently he mostly works digitally. Over the years Jerold has primarily photographed women, striving to show the beauty, personality and even the imperfections of the many models with whom he has worked. It is not always about being pretty or "perfect" but more of capturing the mood, feeling and depth of the moment and the experience... His images often tell a story, that both reflect his unique style,

and the individual qualities of his subjects. He is an artist, and does not actively pursue the commercial side of photography. Each photo shoot is a true collaboration between photographer and model. To find out more, visit these links, which can also be found, along with examples of some of his work, on our WomanKraft website. Welcome Jerold, we are very excited about having you here!

Studio open by appointment only. http://www.modelmayhem.com/1008274 Facebook:

http://facebook.com/jerold.schnauss.photography

COMMUNITY NETWORKING

Speak The Speech Theatre Company opens its Fifth Season with a production of American Buffalo by David Mamet directed by Dan Reichel. This fast paced drama is all aggression and testosterone, with characters wielding words like weapons to intimidate, cajole and manipulate each other. The results are hilarious, powerful and ultimately tragic in a play that's recognized as a modern masterpiece. The plays perform Thursday thru Sunday October 6, 2016 -October 23, 2016. The performances will be held at The Community Playhouse, 1881 N Oracle Rd. Tucson, AZ, Thur., Fri. and Sat. Performances at 7:30pm, Sun. at 2pm. Ticket prices are as follows: \$18 Adult Advance Ticket (reserve tickets before opening night) \$20 Adult, \$15 Sr./Mil./Stu. For reservations or information, please call Paul Brunelle at (520)-904-8054 or visit ststheatre.org.

Speak The Speech Theatre Company is a 501(c) 3 nonprofit organization whose purpose is to enrich, educate, and entertain the Tucson Community. Our Company consists of all ages and it is through the shared experience of live theatre we hope to inspire the willingness to explore new ideas and generate dialogues concerning class, social and economic justice and the courage to explore our own humanity.

EVENTS

KARAOKE

The casual atmosphere at WomanKraft's Karaoke Night let's you enjoy all the fun of karaoke without any fear of embarrassment. Our stage transforms our gallery space into an acoustic dream, and the professional equipment and beautiful vocal stylings of our talented KJ Miss Terri McGuire really makes this event something not to be missed. The next Karaoke Night Friday, November 25 from 7- 10pm. It's the best answer to the question "What did you do this weekend?"



CASTLE BIRTHDAY

In December, we celebrate the "birthday" of our beloved building, The Castle. Our elegant Victorian lady will be turning 99 years old this year, can you believe it? She certainly looks fantastic for her age. Please Join us on SATURDAY DECEMBER 3RD FROM 7-10PM for the second reception of our HOLIDAY BAZAAR and to commemorate this special occasion! WomanKraft is eternally grateful for our building, which provides us the space to do everything that we do. The School of the Arts, the Gallery, the artists studios, the Sanctuary, all of these are made possible because of our organization's

forethought in purchasing this property! Thank you thank thank you, you wonderful visionary women who made this possible! Come on down and see for yourself just why we love this place so much.



THANKS AND GIVING DAY AT WOMANKRAFT

The day after Thanksgiving, Friday, November 25, WomanKraft will be encouraging all to participate in the true spirit of the season by providing discounts for anyone who brings in 2 or more cans of non perishable food items for our community food bank. This is a yearly tradition here at WomanKraft and we would like to start this giving season out strong, so come on down folks! Bring your food items to the gallery all day from 1-5 and receive 10%off your purchases for the day! This can include art purchases, and classes! Just to make sure you have plenty of chances to stop by, we will continue the sale that evening from 7-10pm during our Karaoke night event! Don't miss this chance to both give and receive.

TREES

Fun Fact! Did you know the Tamarisk trees lining the property of WomanKraft were planted shortly after the building was built in 1918? We love our big shade providing trees! Mother Nature threw us a curveball this monsoon season. One branch from our heirloom tamarisk trees cracked with the high winds in the stormy weather. Thankfully, we found Arizona Cactus and Tree Trimming, a standup, woman-owned company that was able to see us the very next day, removing the fallen branch and trimming several others while they were at it. Thanks to the hard work of Cactus and Tree Trimming, our trees are looking great and it's certainly a weight off our shoulders (and the roof!). We are very lucky to have Josh Smith on board, who was there to help out, oversee and manage the fallen branches and everything else required for this huge job. Thank you so much! Look to Page 19 for more information on this business!

BEES

Womankraft's yard is brimming with life. Our tamarisk trees, cactus, and The Sanctuary's succulent garden attract all kinds of lizards, bugs, hummingbirds, hawks, and neighborhood cats. Recently, we noticed that some bees had moved into a Gila woodpecker hole in the second story of our turret. The tamarisk flowers are some of the bee's favorite meals, and our high up, not bothered much, hundred year-old walls were too good of a location to pass up. Unfortunately, as a business that is open to the public, having a hive of africanized bees is a liability for us. The bees had to be removed. A silver lining to this cloud, we discovered a great bee removal company, Bee Bustin' LLC. (Go to Page 19 for more info on this business.) Though our situation didn't allow for live removal, they do provide that service.

They were extremely courteous, on the phone, their services were affordable, prompt and friendly! So if you have any issues of this type, we highly recommend you contact Bee Bustin LLC.

GIVE THE GIFT OF POSSIBILITIES!

WomanKraft is a great place to get gifts for any occasion. You can give someone a unique piece of art at a variety of price range and media. Or better yet,

give the gift of possibilities! WomanKraft gift certificates are available for any amount and can be used in the gallery, or the School of the Arts!

ART RAFFLES AT THE GALLERY...

As a non-profit organization, WomanKraft is dependant on fundraising to help pay for, well, everything. Our recent fundraising endeavor is an art raffle for an art piece that has been donated to WomanKraft by the artist for each two-month exhibit we show in the gallery.

April/May Raffle, a Watercolor by Lauri Giangregorio, was won by.... Jennifer!

June/July's Raffle of Tony Di Angelis' original 'Pachederma Elephante Pussy' was won by.... Carolyn Richie

The September / October's Raffle of art will be by Zoe and Grace Rhyne.

The November /December Raffle will be an original Beat Tin Heart by Shellie Montgomery.

(Come buy some tickets, folks!)

Tickets are:

1 for \$2.00

2 for \$3.00

3 for \$4.00

Stop by and check it out! Gallery Hours: Wednesday – Saturday 1-5pm. This is an excellent opportunity to support WomanKraft, and a chance to win a wonderful prize!

INTIMATE PERFORMANCE SPACE AVAILABLE

Are you a performer, musician, playwright, or artist looking for a place to share your gift? WomanKraft has a beautiful stage in our ground floor turret room that is available for rent for any kind of intimate performance. Our stage has fabulous acoustics built in, and space for around 20 audience members to sit back and enjoy, as well as fully functioning stage lighting for great ambiance. Perfect for poetry

readings, acoustic musical performances, staged readings, story telling, book signings, karaoke, you name it! Please feel free to call us anytime with any questions or for further information. 520-629-9976.

ARE YOU A MEMBER OF WOMANKRAFT?



Anyone who thinks they can give and receive value from being a member is welcome to join for only \$30.00 a year, join WomanKraft and claim, validate, and empower women artists and other under represented groups. By becoming a member you will receive a discount on fabulous events like Karaoke Night, Pumpkin Carving Contest, as an artist, a higher percentage

of art sales. Please consider making this small yearly donation. WomanKraft is a valuable asset to Tucson. We are grateful for surviving and thriving in this tumultuous downtown. Your support is what keeps us going! Please don't hesitate to contact us. To make this donation, you can mail checks made out to WomanKraft, or better yet come visit us in person! 388 s. Stone Ave. Tucson, AZ. Call us at (520)629-9976 with any questions.

WHAT IS THE RUMMAGE FAIR?

WomanKraft holds a Rummage Fair twice a year, in January and August. This fantastic indoor, two-day event is not to be missed! If you need anything, we might have it. And if you have things you'd like to pass on, if it's clean and it works, we'll take it! Anything from clothes, shoes, kitchenware, knick-knacks, books, movies, vintage items, holiday decorations, toys, tools and more can be found at the sale. Proceeds from this fundraiser go towards paying property taxes, utility bills and insurance. As an all-volunteer run non-profit organization, come support this local arts organization, get a great bargain, or send along that box of stuff you've been meaning to donate. The rummage fair is also a great opportunity

to volunteer some time here at WomanKraft. We always need help setting up and tearing down this FUNdraiser!!

OUR NEXT RUMMAGE SALE IS IN JANUARY 20 &21, 2017.

HERE'S WOMANKRAFT'S WISH LIST, good year round!

- ! Scaffolding for 2 and 1 2 stories, turret
- ! 8 1 2 X 11 Copy Paper
- ! Black Brother Brand Toner Cartridges TN-630 or TN-660
- ! Trewax Vinyl Floor Cleaner
- ! Trewax Vinyl Floor Sealer
- ! Art Supplies jewelry, tiny broken assemblage, frames with glass
- ! Double sided tape
- ! Business size envelopes
- ! Paper Towels!
- ! Vacuum Bags Kenmore C, Q & 5055 (50557-50558)
- ! Forever Stamps
- ! 2-Pocket Office Folders
- ! Magic Erasers
- ! Pumie Pumice Sticks
- ! Aileen's Tacky Glue
- ! 2 Part Epoxy Resin
- ! Water (for drinking)
- ! Stained Glass
- ! Coolcoat for rooftops
- ! Solar Panels, Installation and everything ! Rain Water Harvesting Installation and everything



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THE SANCTUARY





The Sanctuary is an all natural, full service hair and body salon located within WomanKraft, with an amazing selection of services and products at competitive prices. Jordana Silvestri, owner, uses flower and gem essences as well as an extensive knowledge of natural herbal techniques, creating an unforgettable experience for anyone involved. For more information and appointments, please call (520) 882-6280. www.thenaturalsanctuary.com

THE ARIZONA COMMISSION ON THE ARTS

This project is supported in part by the Arizona Commission on the Arts which receives support from the State of Arizona and the National Endowment for the Arts.

WomanKraft is more than pleased to announce that we are one of the recipients of The Arizona Commission on the Arts Community Investment Grant, Level II.

WomanKraft are eternally grateful for the opportunity ACA provides through their organizational grants. The future depends on our investment in the arts and our community. As art directed resources become more and more sparse, necessary changes and reductions have been made throughout the art sector. Again, we send the most heartfelt thank you to The Arizona Commission on the Arts for their funding and their leadership. Together we will continue to create cutting edge art for the empowerment and advancement of our cherished community. Please remember, artwork IS work. Learn more at azarts.gov.

GET CRAFTY WITH PERSONALIZED NAME TAGS

Reception nights at WomanKraft are a great place to meet new friends, and meet local artists that are showing work in the gallery. Director of Exhibits Zoe Rhyne has been encouraging artists to create individualized name tags to wear at Receptions. The Artists are getting creative (imagine that!), let's keep up the good work. Artists, keep making name tags, and don't forget them on our reception Saturdays! If you are interested in taking a workshop specifically for making these name tags in a supportive creative environment, check out our class opportunity on page 9

BOARD MEETING

WomanKraft is having our next Board Meeting Saturday, January 6, 2017 from 10am – 12pm. Board members will gather to discuss the goings on at WomanKraft and make important decisions. Minutes from the board meeting will be available upon request. See you there board members!

WomanKraft is artist based, grass roots, service oriented and provides an environment where Women & Men of Consciousness can present art, see exhibits/events, share skills, exchange ideas, and be a part of building community.

INTERESTING ARIZONA FACTS

- 1. Arizona has 3,928 mountain peaks and summits, more than any other mountain state (Colorado, Idaho, Montana, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming) 26 of those peaks are over 10,000 feet in elevation.
- 2. Arizona could hold all of the New England states and Pennsylvania within it's borders.
- 3. Famous labor leader Ceasar Chavez was born in Yuma, Az.
- 4. Mount Lemmon (Tucson) in the Santa Catalina Mountains, is the southernmost ski resort in the U.S. 5. Onaibi, a Hopi village located in Navajo County,

Az dates back before A.D. 1200 and is reputed to be the oldest continuously inhabited community in America.







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