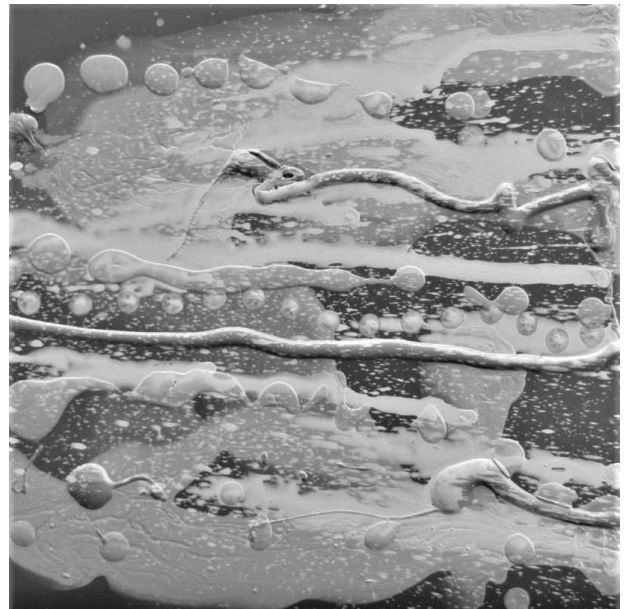


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Castle Voice

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 1991, 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 & Josh Smith, Gayle Swanbeck, the photography studio of Jerold Schnauss, and Studio/Gallery space of Tony Di Angelis 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!

GALLERY ONLY CLOSED IN JANUARY 2020

FEBRUARY 1ST - MARCH 28TH, 2020: MIX IT UP!

Receptions: Saturday, February 1st and Saturday, March 7th, 2020, 7-10pm.

Mixed media, we've all seen it on labels, but what does it really mean? Bring me anything you've made that has more than one form of media on it. Paint and collage, assemblage, found objects. If it mixes at least two forms of art, I want to see it! This is an opportunity to try something new or re-live success! All subject matter considered, must be multimedia. Deadline for submissions: January 25th, 2020.

APRIL 4TH - MAY 30TH, 2020: DRAWING DOWN THE MUSE

Receptions: April 4th and May 2nd, 2020, 7-10pm.

This is our 28th 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 28th, 2020.

JUNE 6- JULY 25, 2020: THE FACE OF ART

Receptions: Saturday, June 6th and Saturday, July 11 (due to Independence Day), 2020 from 7-10pm

We see faces all around us all everyday, some familiar and others not, but as humans we rely on our faces to express things when even words cannot. Let's explore this expressive side to all of us. Portraits, masks, mirrors, sculpture.... let's face it, the possibilities are endless! All mediums accepted, deadline for submissions May 23, 2020.

GALLERY ONLY CLOSED IN AUGUST 2020

SEPTEMBER 5TH- OCTOBER 31ST 2020: ART OF THE DIVINE

Receptions: September 5th and October 3rd, 2020, 7-10pm

Many Artists see Art as a way to connect with something greater than ourselves. Some of the oldest and most famous art we know of is based in spirituality. Let us explore this theme and use art as prayer. Seeking art featuring goddesses, gods, angels, altars, things mystic and legendary, saints, sinners, prayers and visions! All mediums accepted, deadline for submissions Saturday August 29th, 2020

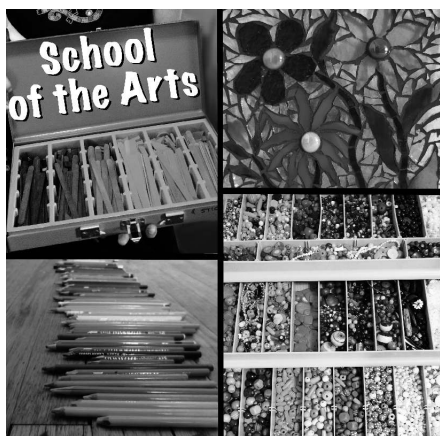
NOVEMBER 7TH- DECEMBER 19TH 2020: THE HOLIDAY BAZAAR

Receptions: November 7th and December 5th, 2020, 7-10pm

Our Annual Holiday Bazaar is upon us! Seeking a diversity of fine arts and crafts to represent the diversity of the season. All work must retail from \$1-\$100. All mediums accepted, all subject matter considered, deadline for submissions October 31st, 2020

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. Low-income scholarships available.

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. FEE: \$60 per 8 weeks. Supplies not included.

JANUARY

DRAWING ROCKS AND MOUNTAINS

In this workshop you will learn many techniques that will help you to create realistic rocks and mountains. These techniques readily translate to all painting mediums as well.

Thursday, January 9, 1:30-4:00pm

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!

Thursday, January 9, 6-9pm

Facilitator: Terri McGuire

Fee: \$20 supplies included with \$10 supply fee payable to the instructor.

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!

Friday, January 10, 1:30 - 3:30pm

Facilitator: Zoe Rhyne

POETRY, PROSE, AND STORYTELLING 2 PARTS

This workshop will meet twice a month and be open to both women and men writers of all levels will work on their skills through writing exercises, sharing, and gentle critiques. The goals will be to develop your own style of writing, to gain personal comfort performing your work, to ultimately be a part of a WomanKraft Press publication, and for those interested, a public performance

Part I: Tuesday, January 14, 1:30-3:30pm

Part II: Tuesday, January 28, 1:30-3:30pm

Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck

Fee: \$10 supplies included

TINY PAINTINGS IN TINY TINS

Using a variety of shaped Altoid tins, we will be painting tiny scenes, abstracts and realistic on the inside of tins! This is two finished pieces in one as your color palette will be inside the tin as well. Make two paintings- one on purpose and one by "accident" with your color choices!

Thursday, January 23, 1:30pm-4:30pm Facilitator: Zoe Rhyne Fee: \$20 supplies included.

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

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, January 24, 10am-Noon

Facilitator: 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, January 24, 1:30-3:30pm

Facilitator: Ingrid Aspromatis

Fee: \$20 each or all four for \$40. Other dates are:

February 28, March 27, and April 17.

NEW CLASS!!

ABSTRACT COLORISM

In this workshop let music and colors lead you on an abstract painting journey of expression. Bring your own canvas or canvas board 10"x 14" all other supplies included.

Saturday, January 25 1:30-4:30pm

Facilitator: Tony DiAngelis

FEBRUARY

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, skin care, aroma therapy and more.

Wednesday, February 5th, 10am-Noon

Facilitator: Jordana Silvestri

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, then the second part of the workshop you will decorate this handmade masterpiece.

Part I: Thursday, February 6th, 1:30-2:30pm

Part II: Thursday, February 13th, 1:30-4:30pm

Facilitator: Zoe Rhyne

Fee: \$20 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: Friday, February 7th, 9:30am-12:30pm

Part II: Friday, February 14th, 10-11:30am

Facilitator: Zoe Rhyne

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, February 7th, 1:30pm-4:30pm

Part II: Friday, February 14th, 1:30-3pm

Facilitator: Linda K.

Fee: \$20 supplies included

HOW TO RESIN FLAT ARTWORKS 2 PARTS

In the first part you'll create a small simple painted assemblage art piece. Feel free to bring "special" assemblage pieces from home and/or use our huge selection. In part two you'll learn how to resin your artwork with valuable money saving tricks and techniques that include optimal climate conditions, methods for mixing, pouring, brushing the resin and more. Learn from one of the best.

Part I: Saturday, February 8th, 1:30-4:30pm

Part II: Saturday, February 15th, 1:30-3:30pm

Facilitator: Tony Di Angelis

Fee: \$20 Supplies included

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Part I: Tuesday, February 11th, 1:30-3:30pm

Part II: Tuesday, February 25th, 1:30-3:30pm

Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck

Fee: \$10 supplies included

IT'S KNOT EMBROIDERY

You'll learn a variety of knots, wraps, and stitches, while creating a small wall hanging. These easy techniques are applicable to many other craft projects.

Wednesday, February 12, 1:30-3:30pm

Facilitator: Ana Yanez

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, February 18th, 6:30-8:30pm

Part II: Tuesday, February 25th, 6:30-8:30pm

Facilitator: Mary Theresa Dietz

Fee: \$20 Supplies included

NOT FIT FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION

This batch of coffee isn't for drinking, it's for painting. Come and learn how much fun it is to paint with the lush warm coffee tones, add it to watercolors, detail with India ink. It's fun and unique!

Wednesday, February 19, 1:30-4:00pm

Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck

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!

Thursday, February 20, 1:30pm -4:30pm

Facilitator: Zoe Rhyne

Fee: \$20.00 supplies included.

BILINGUAL CLASSCLASE BILINGÜE****

PERSONAL JOURNALS //LIBROS PERSONALES

Decorate a provided journal with collage techniques for a finished project that is personal, functional and beautiful.

Friday, February 21st 1:30-3-30pm

Facilitator: Zoe Rhyne

Fee: \$20 supplies included

LETS DRAW CACTI

In this drawing workshop we'll use charcoal and graphite as you learn valuable techniques for drawing our desert's most unique plants.

Wednesday, February 26, 1:30-400pm

Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck

Fee: \$20 Supplies included

PRISMACOLOR PENCILS AND ABSTRACT ART

Here's an opportunity to play with Prismacolor pencils and techniques that will help you understand and create a beautiful piece of abstract art.

Thursday, February 27, 6-9pm

Facilitators: Terri McGuire

Fee: \$20 supplies included

WISE WOMEN'S WRITING WORKSHOP

Learn to tap your infinite wisdom and playfully connect with your inner writer. We'll journal with writing exercises, topics, and creative surprises.

Friday, February 28th, 1:30-3:30pm

Facilitator: Ingrid Aspromatis

Fee: \$20 supplies included

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

MARCH

NEW CLASS!!

DRAWING WILD ANIMALS

Attending students can select their own favorite wild animal and learn some easy, successful techniques for drawing them. Bring your own photo or choose from our wide selection.

Wednesday, March 4, 1:30-4:00pm

Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck

Fee: \$10 Supplies included

HANDMADE PAPER AND SEEDS

Learn to make 100% post-consumer recycled paper, with various wildflower seeds imbedded. Plant in your yard, or someone else's!

100% fun...100% Successful!

Thursday, March 5, 1:30pm-3:30pm

Facilitator: Zoe Rhyne

Fee: \$20 Supplies included.

STAMPING AND EMBOSSING CARDS

In this workshop we will use our excellent collection of stamps, inks and embossing powders to create a variety of beautiful, personalized cards to send to anyone for any occasion!

Friday, March 6th 1:30-3:30pm

Facilitator: Zoe Rhyne

Fee: \$20 Supplies included.

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Part I: Tuesday, March 10th, 1:30-3:30pm

Part II: Tuesday, March 24th, 1:30-3:30pm

Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck

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, facials, about skin care, aroma therapy and more.

Wednesday, March 11, 10am - Noon

Facilitator: Jordana Silvestri

Fee: \$20 supplies included.

NEW CLASS!!

MAKING JEWELRY WITH EMBROIDERY THREAD

Using an array of colored thread and beads you'll learn the techniques to creating fun and beautiful jewelry. You'll be creating a bracelet.

Wednesday, March 11, 1:30-4:00pm

Facilitator: Barbara Schnauss

Fee: \$20 supplies included.

BILINGUAL CLASSCLASE BILINGÜE****

LITTLE BOXES, LITTLE ALTARS //

CAJITAS Y SANTITAS

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!

Thursday, March 12th, 1:30pm-4:30pm

Facilitator: Zoe Rhyne

Fee: \$20 Supplies included

NEW CLASS!!

HOT GLUE GUN ART

Learn exciting techniques creating your own work of art from that old friend, hot glue guns! Using paint and glue we will create a stunning work of art that appears almost 3 dimensional when it's done.

Saturday, March 14th, 1:30pm-4:30pm

Facilitator: Linda K

Fee: \$20 Supplies included

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

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, March 18th, 1:30-3:30pm

Part II: Wednesday, March 25th 1:30-3:30pm

Facilitator: Ana Yanez

Fee: \$20 supplies included

STAINED GLASS MOSAIC VOTIVES 2 Parts

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

Part I: Thursday, March 19, 1:30-4:30pm

Part II: Thursday, March 26, 1:30-3:00pm

Facilitator: Zoe Rhyne

Fee: \$20 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, March 20, 1:30-3:30pm

Facilitator: Linda K

Fee: \$20 supplies included

NEW CLASS!!

ABSTRACT PAINTING 2 PARTS

We'll explore color, texture, and movement in a non-objective format. Release your inner Jackson Pollock! Externalize your subconscious and explore alternate repurposing of your art support, recycled objects as texture, even alternative sources for your paint.

Part I: Saturday, March 21, 1:30-4:30pm

Part II: Saturday, March 28, 1:30-4:30pm

Facilitator: Tony Di Angelis

Fee: \$20 Supplies included

BILINGUAL CLASSCLASE BILINGÜE****

DRY FELTING CUDDLY CACTUS //

CACTUS COMODAS

Come and create your own piece of fiber art, learning basic needle felting (dry felting) techniques. Completed work can be a cactus or a mushroom, both adorable, huggable, spine-free treats.

Friday, March 27 9:30am -12:30pm

Facilitator: Zoe Rhyne

Fee: \$20.00 supplies included

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Fee: \$20 supplies included

NEW CLASS!!

FOLD-OVER PRINTS

In this workshop you'll be making fold-over prints, a type of print making that transfers paint from one place to another. In this case paint is transferred from each side of a folded piece of paper to another. You'll also be shown many ways to modify the results of your work.

Tuesday, March 31, 6:30-8:30pm

Facilitator: Mary Theresa Dietz

Fee: \$20 supplies included

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

APRIL

HOW TO MAKE FLOWER AND GEM ELIXIRS

Learn the basic steps to create essences from the flowers in your garden. We will learn to do this with gems as well.

Wednesday, April 8, 10am-Noon

Facilitator: Jordana Silvestri

Fee: \$20 supplies included

THE ART OF COLLAGE

You'll be learning how to create intricate and creative collages that peek past the ordinary. We'll use magazine images and special papers made from banana, mango, rice and mulberry.

Wednesday, April 8th, 1:30-4:30pm

Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck

Fee: \$20 supplies included.

LAMINATE YOUR PAPER COLLAGE

Collage both sides of a 8 1/2 by 11 piece of paper utilizing color, contrast and composition techniques. we will finish by laminating and sharing our works of art.

Saturday, April 11th, 1:30-4:30pm

Facilitator: Tony DiAngelis

Fee: \$20 supplies included

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Part II: Tuesday, April 28th, 1:30-3:30pm

Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck

Fee: \$10 supplies included

CASCARONES

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

Wednesday, April 15, 1:30-3:30 Pm

Facilitators: Ana Yanez

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: Thursday, April 16, 1:30-4:30pm

Part II: Thursday, April 23 1:30-3:00pm

Facilitators: Zoe Rhyne

Fee: \$20.00 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!

Thursday, April 16, 6-9pm

Facilitator: Terri McGuire

Fee: \$20 supplies included with \$10 supply fee payable to the instructor.

BILINGUAL CLASSCLASE BILINGÜE****

MANDALAS ON VINYL :: DISCOS DE VINOLO PINTADOS

In this workshop we will be creating an "endless" art piece, on an old vinyl record album we will paint, draw, and decorate a personal mandala, which will stay beautiful no matter which direction it is viewed from.

Friday, April 17, 9:30am - 12:30pm

Facilitator: Zoe Rhyne

Fee: \$20 supplies included

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Friday, April 17, 1:30-3:30pm

Facilitator: Ingrid Aspromatis

Fee: \$20 supplies included

LET'S DRAW TREES

In honor of Arbor Day, you'll be learning techniques to draw a number of different trees and how drawing one tree can grow into a forest.

Friday, April 24th, 1:30-4:00pm

Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck

Fee: \$20 Supplies included

MOSAIC RESIN FRAMES 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: Saturday, April 18, 1:30am -4:30pm

Part II: Saturday, April 25, 1:30am -2:30pm

Facilitator: Linda K

Fee: \$20 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, a matchbox, or a fine art piece.

Wednesday, April 29, 1:30-3:30pm

Facilitator: Zoe Rhyne

Fee: \$20 supplies included.

NEW CLASS!!

FOAM PRINT MAKING

In this workshop you'll be making prints using sheets of polystyrene foam. The foam sheets can be easily drawn on and imprinted with any firm object, stamp, coin, etc. You'll also learn what a reduction print is and how to create one.

Tuesday, April 21, 6:30-8:30pm

Facilitator: Mary Theresa Dietz

Fee: \$20 Supplies included.

COLLAGING CHAIRS

Come and help us beautify our new classroom chairs! This workshop will teach the techniques of collaging with magazines and mulberry paper. It's a big space to cover with lots of room for pretty pictures!

Thursday, April 30, 1:30-4:30pm

Facilitator: Zoe Rhyne

Fee: Free!

NEW CLASS!!

LET'S DRAW BIRDS

You'll learn techniques to sketch birds, and we'll play with different dry mediums (charcoal, graphite, inktenses, etc.) In black and white and color. Students likes and needs will determine types of birds and details to focus on.

Wednesday, April 22, 1:30-4:00pm

Facilitator: Gayle Swanbeck

Fee: \$20 Supplies included.



New Front Walk at the Gallery

NEWS & COMMENTS

DIRECTOR THANKS BY ZOE RHYNE

Holy cow it's been four months already?! Wow! So much has happened here at WomanKraft and it's been a blast! Our September- October show, Happiness Is... was blissfully beautiful. The idea behind this show was a bit of an experiment, I wanted to see if we could create a palpable feeling of joy within the gallery by surrounding ourselves with art that made us happy! And you know what? It totally worked! The show was electrifying! Every person who came through the gallery was all smiles and wonderment. There was so much color! It was so amazing to be able to have such an incredibly positive feeling coming from everyone. I feel like our little "experiment" proves that there is still so much good and happiness and laughter in this world, and we need to do everything we can to promote and share that with each other. What we do in our lives, even little things like making a pretty piece of art, it matters! And it affects the people around us. So lets take this lesson from our Happiness show, and share our happiness with each other all the time! Smiles are contagious, and sharing things that make you happy will help others find happiness, what a gift! Thank you so much to all my participating artists, my valiant volunteer hanging crew, Nancy Martin for shopping and Shari Murphy for helping me get the gallery ready for visitors, and of course an extra special thank you to every single person who came to see the show, I hope you spread the joy we shared!

Happiness Is... rolled right over into our annual Holiday Bazaar for the months of November-December. The Bazaar is a WomanKraft tradition that goes waaaaaay back. Art should be for everyone, and this show in particular embodies that idea. With the intent of giving folks a place to do their holiday shopping that supports local non-profits, the arts, women artists and women run businesses, as well as providing gifts that are handmade and one of a kind! And as if that weren't enough, the entire show, that's right, every piece of art, is no more than \$100. All this and a bargain to boot? Sign me up! The Holiday Bazaar is always so full and varied in the kinds of art we see, everything from fine paintings to

assemblage and jewelry and this year even hand printed Goddess T-shirts! Thank you Thank you to all my helpers and shoppers and makers and cleaners and crafters and artists and doers! Couldn't have done it without all of you. Thank you! If you missed this year's bazaar never fear, for we have one every year!

The Gallery is closed in January for some patching and painting and of course, the Winter Rummage Sale! (see page 13 for more info on that!) I am so looking forward to our next show, February-March's Mix It Up! Mixing media is one of my favorite things to do, and it is always inspiring to see how all artists put their own unique spin on things. I cannot wait to see the concoctions we make for this one! If you have some mixed media art you would like to submit, give me a call to schedule a time to take a look at it! (520) 629-9976 ext. 3

Make art not war!

-Zoe Rhyne

THANKS AND UPDATES BY GAYLE SWANBECK

Work continues on our lovely building inside and out. New hand rails have been installed on the other side of our handicap ramp, and the basic rail has been put up on the front porch with the Victorian wing aspects to be finished soon. Josh has also gotten to the third story of the building making repairs and painting. Additional stucco repairs have been done including the parapet above the sanctuary. New vinyl flooring was laid in the supply room for the School of the Arts. Both the back door and the closet door were planed down to allow them to open and close freely, and Zoe re-organized all the supplies for easier access. Studio #103's door screen was replaced and new weather stripping added. Shelving units were re-hung, and the bathroom towel rack, mug rack, soap dish and t.p. dispenser were all replaced with solid anchors. The front entry, the back hallway and the gallery were all patched and repainted, and the floors re-done. Window repairs and glass pane replacements has also occurred.

NEWS & COMMENTS

Last week I witnessed two groups of people snapping photos of our painted lady, talking about the beauty of “these old homes”, our unique murals on the outside studio walls, and that “really cool fence”. It must be working.

We’ve had a lot to be thankful for here at WomanKraft in 2019. There have been so many success stories, additions and improvements. Let me start with the new additions to our WomanKraft core of workers. Kathy Jendrzejewski is docenting the gallery on Thursday afternoons, Lauralee Simons has taken on the job of cleaning the School of the Arts, Nick Curtis has volunteered to do our Facebook and Instagram, as well as collaborating with Zoe for our fundraisers and other events, and Terri McGuire is maintaining our website. So hugs and kisses and warm thanks to you all for your time, energy and creativity. Thanks also go out to Nancy Martin for continuing to shop for all our reception’s food and libations. Thank you to Tony DiAngelis for the great job you’ve been doing keeping the grounds looking beautiful. Thanks to Barbara Achord for your labors and the time you put into maintaining our memberships. Jonathan DuHamel, praises for the wonderful job you do on all of our Castle Voice’s layout and photography. Gratitude is extended to Marcia Grand for an amazingly huge donation of forever stamps. Darlene Kirk for donations of water, t.p. and a flow of rummage sale donations. Lydia Philips, blessings on you for all the rummage donations you continue to send our way.

Other people who continue to donate treasures to WomanKraft, The School of the Arts, and the rummage sale include Ira and Roz Gibel of Payson AZ, our lovely neighbors Tim and Leslie, Debbie Martinez, Laurie McManus, Linda Jordan, and Nancy Martin. Thanks to all the board members for their work and donations, including an anonymous 45th year birthday gift of \$3000 in memory of Linn Lane. We Thank you one and all because through all these people who have donated their time, energy and abundance, WomanKraft continues to grow and make a positive difference in so many lives. Special Thanks go out to all the donors who have requested to remain

anonymous. We honor those requests, but we know who you are and you’re in our hearts, treasured ever so dearly.

In Love and Gratitude,
Gayle Swanbeck

THANKS AND GIVING MEGA RAFFLE!

This November, WomanKraft hosted a new twist on our annual food drive, the Thanks and Giving Mega Raffle! For this event, people were invited to bring nonperishable food items for our local food bank to our evening event, and for every item they brought, they received a raffle ticket! The Raffle items included three big, juicy prize baskets filled with all manner of goodies. We had gift certificates to all sorts of local businesses and lots of fabulous art pieces generously donated to us for the event. It is always so awesome to see how much support we can generate for our community here in Tucson, go team! Not only did we see such support from the individuals who donated to our prize table, but the pile of food we generated was enormous!! It was our most successful food drive in years! And not only in quantity did we excel, the food we received was excellent quality, with lots of organic options! Thank you Thank you to all who participated in this event, we will certainly do this one again next year, so keep it on the radar folks, and next time it could be you winning one of our fabulous prizes! The winners this year were Darlene Kirk, Barbara Achord, and Sue Maisner, congratulations ladies, May your generosity and good luck come back to you ten fold!

THE RUMMAGE SALE IS COMING!!

WomanKraft’s biggest, best fundraiser is almost here again! The winter rummage sale, this **JANUARY, FRIDAY THE 17TH AND SATURDAY THE 18TH FROM 8AM TO 4PM BOTH DAYS!**

This event is not to be missed! If you like a bargain or are in need of finding anything, we probably have it! Heck, we have things you didn’t even know you needed! Kitchen wares, books, movies, tools, knick knacks, art supplies... you name it! So come down

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and shop with us, take home some good deals and help out your favorite local non-profit arts organization! And if you feel like helping even more, we can always use volunteers to help set up on **THURSDAY JANUARY 16TH at 10am** and to help box up the leftovers **SATURDAY THE 18TH at 4pm!** Call Zoe if you have any questions, or to confirm your volunteer status!

Don't miss our next WomanKraft event, **Roaring 20's BINGO! Friday March 13th 7-9pm**

ROARING 20'S BINGO NIGHT!

Come get lucky with us **Friday, March 13th from 7-9 pm**. Speakeasy style!

We've done Bingo here at WomanKraft before, but never like this! We thought we'd Jazz it up a bit (pun definitely intended) and give it a fun theme! So this bingo night will have a fabulous 1920's flare! It's been a hundred years, why not bring it back for a night? There will be music, a roarin' photo booth, snacks and of course, Bingo Prizes!

Entry will be \$5 nonmembers and \$3 for members, entry includes first Bingo card and a free drink! With the walloping price of \$1 for each additional card, this event is a guaranteed good time. Bingo Prizes will include all sorts of goodies, you will just have to wait and see! To top it all off, it's a fun excuse to get dressed up! Costumes are encouraged but not required, and at the end of the night, we will all vote on best costume and the winner will receive an additional costume prize! This evening promises to be a Gatsby Good Time, don't miss it!

BAGS BAGS BAGS!

WomanKraft could use any extra paper grocery bags you have, (like the Trader Joe's or Sprouts ones) For our January Rummage fair! Any clean plastic grocery bags would also be appreciated. Stop by during Gallery hours or call ahead to drop 'em off, Thank you!

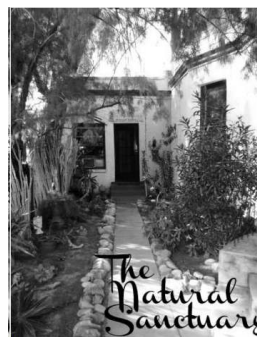
PAY IT FORWARD. EVERY LITTLE BIT COUNTS. BECOME A MEMBER OF WOMANKRAFT!



WomanKraft impacts people from all walks of life, focusing on women and other under-represented groups in a positive way by providing access to arts and culture. We provide a safe space to learn about art, make art in

classes and workshops, learn how to promote your work as an artist, as well as providing opportunities to gain knowledge and resources in creating a sustainable lifestyle through the arts. Whether you have time to actively volunteer or not, becoming a member of WomanKraft is a direct way to help. For only \$30 a year, you can play an important role in providing women and everyone, a safe place to experience, create, and appreciate art. This small yearly contribution is a huge part of what keeps an organization like WomanKraft alive here in Tucson since 1974. Enjoy the benefit of knowing you are making a difference! Please make checks out to WomanKraft or visit the gallery in person to make your contribution and join the register.

THE SANCTUARY, An All Natural Hair and Body Salon



The Sanctuary is an all natural, full service hair and body salon located within WomanKraft, owned and operated by Jordana Silvestri. Using safe and effective vibrational healing remedies, natural & organic flower essences, gem elixirs, and essential oils, The Sanctuary specializes in unique beauty, bath and custom blended personal care formulations.

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At The Natural Sanctuary all essences and elixirs are meticulously made by hand with a spiritual quality and respect for our mission. All creations are designed to enhance the deeper spiritual aspect and meaning of life or being, focusing on: awareness, love, intuition, self-empowerment, grace, creative expression, divine power and inner healing.

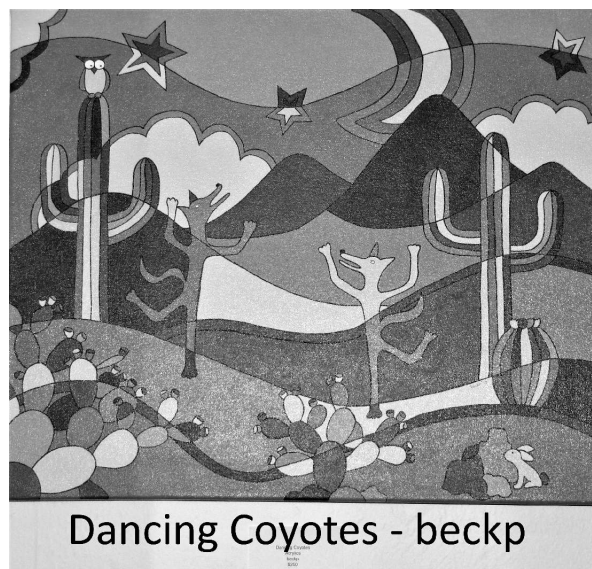
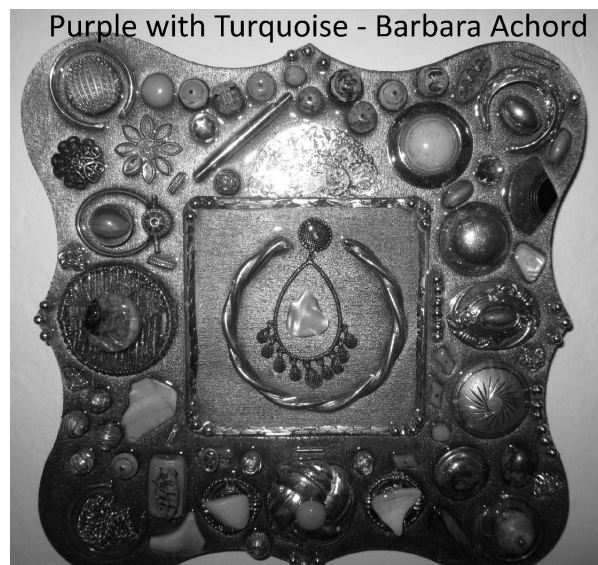
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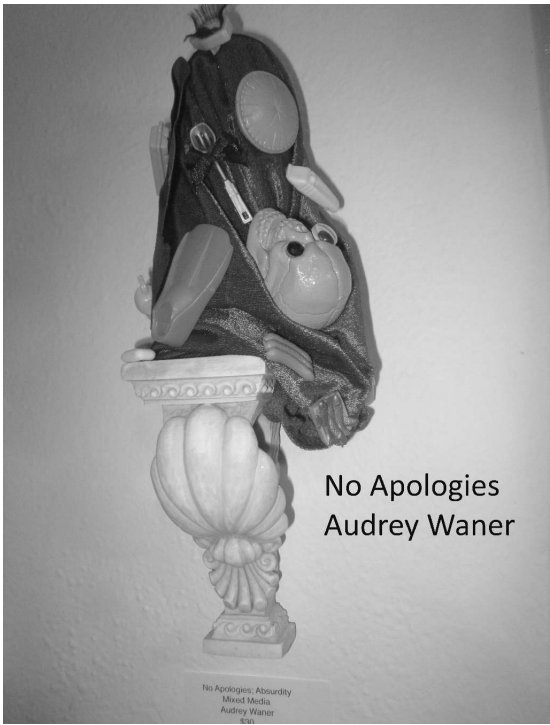
HERE'S WOMANKRAFT'S WISH LIST, good year round!

-Number 1, top priority: your TIME. being 100% volunteer run, that means we need people willing to wash the floors, design the website, and network with other local businesses. If you have ANY time you can spare, we could use the extra hands. Show your support in any way you can. Remember, your generosity creates this bounty.

- 8 1/2 X 11 Copy Paper
- Black Brother Brand Toner Cartridges TN-630 or TN-660
- Brother Brand Replacement DRUM for printer MFC L2700DW
- Treewax Vinyl Floor Cleaner
- Treewax Vinyl Floor Sealer
- Art Supplies - jewelry, tiny broken assemblage, frames with glass
- Double sided tape -Business size envelopes -
- Magic Erasers
- Pumie Pumice Sticks
- Aileen's Tacky Glue
- 2 Part Epoxy Resin
- Water (for drinking)
- Stained Glass
- Coolcoat for rooftops

You can pretend to care, but you can't pretend to show up. Please don't hesitate to call Zoe at 629-9976 Ext 3 to schedule some time to volunteer at WomanKraft.

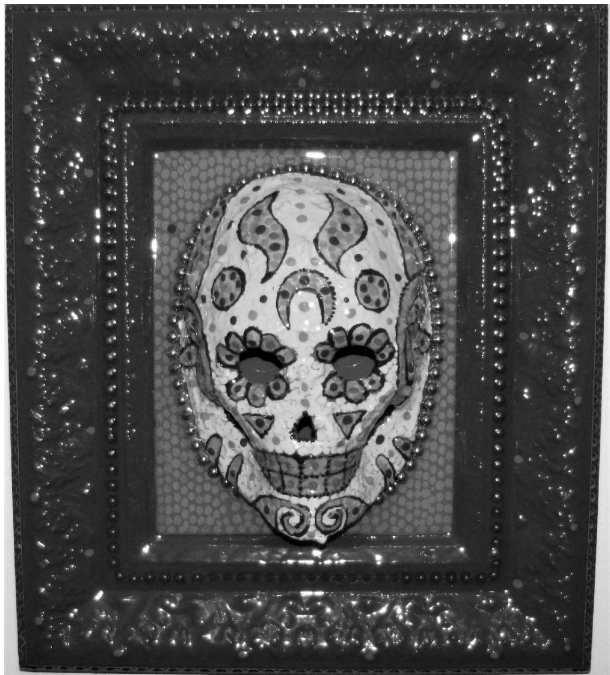




No Apologies
Audrey Waner



Kali Scream by Lauralee Simons



Happy Dia De Los Muertos by Toni DiAngelis



The Yak
Loraine Inglis

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