



◆ NEWSLETTER ◆

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The Wichita Falls Art Association Gallery is Located at 600 8th St. in the historic Holt Hotel



2020 IS HERE!

WISHING ALL A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR!

The WFAA had a great year of growth, community involvement and talent. This year should prove to be just as amazing.

Being an artist can be a wonderful adventure in so many ways. Let's dive in and experience new things in 2020!

Art Matters

/ The Eyes of Texas Fine Art Gallery magazine is now available in the 8th street gallery.

/ Membership dues of \$35 are due in January. These can be paid at the gallery or member meetings. If anyone paid \$35 mid-year you will only owe \$17.50 for 2020.

/ Pre-sales of the 70th anniversary book are \$35 and can be purchased at the gallery or monthly meeting.

/ The next WFAA meeting will be January 15th. We will have member show and tell, so bring any works-in-progress or finished works that you would like to share.

We always appreciate those that bring such good eats to our monthly meetings, but if you cannot, please consider bringing paper and plastic products such as cups, napkins, forks etc.

/ The December Christmas party was a lot of fun! There was a great turnout and great food. The best part of the evening was members sharing memories and stories about those who inspired and encouraged their art. Sierra Archer's son, Rayne, spoke about his experience at Mystery Art Fest where he won Best Youth Still Life for his painting "Truckmobile." Love our budding artists!

ARTIST OPPORTUNITIES

MY MODERN MET – Art opportunities through various contests. [HTTPS://MYMODERNMET.COM/BEST-ART-CONTESTS/](https://mymodernmet.com/best-art-contests/)

WFAAC Artist Opportunities – <http://wichitafallsarts.org/artist-opportunities/>

THE BLUES – call for art - Art in all media that features the color blue.

<http://artgroupsdfw.com/competitions-calls-for-entries/the-blues-call-for-art> Deadline December 20th.

STUDIO ART HOUSE – call for art – “MAKING ORDINARY EXTRAORDINARY”. Open to 2D and 3D art.

<https://.studioarthouse.com/competitions/art-house-gallery-exhibits>

DARLA BOSTICK WORKSHOPS – Ghost Ranch Art Workshop and Retreat in Abiquiu, NM.

May-31 to 6-6-2020. Darla’s Adventure Abroad in Italy – May 2020. Limited space available. Contact is

www.darlabostick.com

COWBOY TRUE – Call for artists. All details and forms at ArtsCouncilWF.org/Cowboy-True

Second round of jurying for this event will be from applications received between December 14 and January 31.

ARTS FOR ALL FESTIVAL - Lawton, Oklahoma -Call for artists. Deadline February 20.

<http://bit.ly/ArtsForAllArtistZapplication>

RED RIVER VALLEY INTERNATIONAL JURIED COMPETITION- call for artists

Deadline January 13th. Sherry Yoakum 940-553-1848

ARTS ALIVE! HOME AND GARDEN FESTIVAL – Contact Nancy at assistant@artscouncilwf.org

This year Texoma With Kids is sponsoring their second annual Youth Recycled Art Contest in partnership with the

Arts Alive Home and Garden Festival. Art submission deadlines for this youth contest is January 15 through

February 20. Contact Lauren McKechnie at 940-851-4043

FEATURED GALLERY ARTIST

RITA DIETERICHS

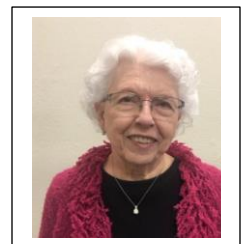
Lorita Dieterichs, or Rita, began life as a Texan, born and educated in Olney. After graduating business college and marrying United States Air Force Staff Sergeant Ed Dieterichs, she quickly found herself to be a world-traveler and budding painter.

The couple moved from base to base, living many places. After moving to Lajes Air Field in the Azores, she took lessons from the popular Maduro Diaz at the Non-Commissioned Officers Club. In Colorado Springs, she took lessons at the YWCA. The couple returned to Olney after Ed’s retirement from the military service, and Rita took lessons for several years with Clair Daily. Eventually their work took them to live in Dallas. At their home in Dallas with her easel by the television, she painted along with Jerry Yarnell on PBS. Rita and Ed relocated to Wichita Falls in 1999.

Memories and photographs of travels around Texas are often subject matter for her paintings. She explains, “I usually paint landscapes. I love the colors of nature and the challenge of painting skies, trees, etc. in just the right light to bring across a feeling of being there, or triggering *your* memory of such a place.” She also drew the chapel at Medicine Park, Oklahoma, where her son married. Wedding guests signed the mat of the drawing instead of the usual guest book.

Dieterichs was featured in the 2004 “What’s Up Downstairs” gallery at the Kemp Center for the Arts. She has received several awards for her work including the “Best Still Life” Award in the Kemp’s “8x10” Mystery Art Show in 2006.

Rita is a member of the Wichita Falls Art Association and can be reached at ritapainter62@hotmail.com or 940-691-3871.



★ ACCOLADES ★

MICHELE GARCIA Michele's work is being displayed in The Los Angeles Center For Digital Art Show from December 4 through January 4.

JERRY SMYERS Jerry has been accepted as an artist for the 2020 Cowboy True Exhibit.

BREA'N THOMPSON Brea'n was featured in The Eastside Mural Project article in the winter edition of Wichita Falls Living magazine.

We love to hear about and share any and all accomplishments. Please contact Sally Struck @ 940-781-2331 or salstruck@aol.com

----- GALLERY NEWS -----

December had 60 guests into our gallery and three pieces of art were sold. Volunteers are needed for January, so please come by the gallery and sign up, or contact Dotti at 940-235-5833 if you can help. It is such a great place to relax for a few hours, view and get to know our artist's work, and chat with visitors and artists as they come by. You may choose a volunteer shift of 10:00 am – 1:30 pm or 1:30 pm - 5:00 pm. An additional bonus for volunteering is that you can earn a certificate for hanging 2 pieces free when you accumulate 100 volunteer hours.

A refresher on hanging fees :

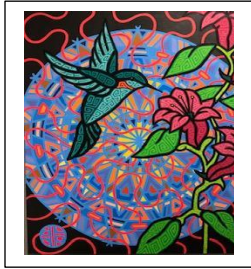
- \$20 – 2 pieces for one month
- \$35 – 2 pieces for two consecutive months
- \$ 5 - for each additional piece

Thanks to all our artist who make the gallery a beautiful and peaceful place!



PHOTO GALLERY

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CATHERINE STRINGFELLOW



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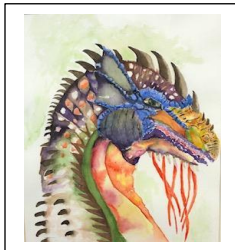
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FRAN WEHNER



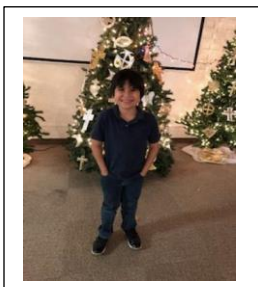
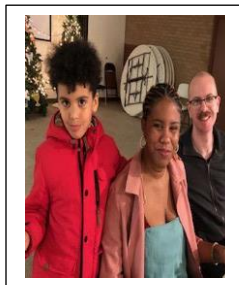
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CHRISTMAS PARTY FUN!



DATES TO NOTE

Now through Jan. 3 Now through Feb. 15	Lynn Connolly at the Galleria at the Forum Matt Wedel: On the Verge Ceramic exhibit @ WF Museum of Fine Art @ MSU
Now through Jan. 12	Virginia Oechsner: A Retrospective of Sculptural Works NorthLight Gallery @ the Kemp
Now through Jan. 11	The Art Express: Miniature Trains from the collection Of Jim Hughes WF Museum of Art at MSU
Now through Jan. 26	Wichita Falls High School Student Art What's Up Downstairs? @ the Kemp
Now through Jan. 3	Larry Hamilton One-Man Show Breckenridge Fine Art Center
Now through Feb. 2	Jules Scales: Altered Reflections West End Studio @ the Kemp
Now through Feb. 15	"On the Verge" Recent works by Matt Wedel WF Museum of Art at MSU
Dec. 12 - Jan. 21 Jan. 6 - Feb.6	MSU Fall Senior Exhibit @ Juanita Harvey Gallery @ MSU Heart Strings Art Exhibit and Silent Auction Wichita Falls Youth Symphony Orchestra Kemp Center for the Arts
Jan. 10 - Feb. 22	"Birds in Art" Exhibit @ WF Museum of Art
Jan. 10 - March 13	Exhibit by Rachel Liles @ Galleria at the Forum
Jan. 15	WFAA meeting with member show and tell.
Jan. 17 - March 22	"Idiosyncratic" digital photography exhibit by Michele Garcia. NorthLight gallery. Opening reception Jan 16 @ 5:30
Jan. 24 - Feb. 1	High School Art Show @ Fain Fine Arts Center
Jan. 31 - March 6	Exhibit by Tres Collective, Mexico City Graphic Design Group in the Juanita Harvey Gallery @ MSU

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"The beginning is the most important part of the work."

Plato