



# ◆ NEWSLETTER ◆

**FEBRUARY 2020**

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



*HELLO FEBRUARY!*

**Our winter weather has been a rollercoaster, but February is still a good month for staying indoors and checking out those art supply catalogues, organizing art areas and wracking your brain for new ideas !!**

*LET YOUR HEART BE INSPIRED BY ART!*



**ART MATTERS**

/ **Reminder of the membership dues of \$35 if you have not paid yet. 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 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary book are \$35 and can be purchased at the gallery or monthly meeting. **There is an order form on the last page of this newsletter which can also be used to mail to the 8<sup>th</sup> street gallery.****

/ **The next WFAA meeting will be February 19<sup>th</sup>. We will have Gloria Hood with The Eyes of Texas Fine Art Gallery publication giving a presentation.**

/ **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.**

## ARTIST OPPORTUNITIES

**CaFé -callforentry.org** – Digital call for art entries

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

<http://bit.ly/ArtsForAllArtistZapplication>

**MANOR ART FEST** “Young at Art”- Free art contest for persons 55 and older. Entry forms due April 1, 2020. Art delivery deadline is April 20, 2020. One entry per person. Contact Jerri Thomas at 940-696-8633 for information and entry forms.

**ARTS ALIVE! HOME AND GARDEN FESTIVAL** - Contact Nancy at [assistant@artscouncilwf.org](mailto:assistant@artscouncilwf.org)

**2020 TEXAS & NEIGHBORS REGIONAL ART EXHIBITION** – Deadline March 1, 2020.

<http://texasandneighbors.com/>

**TEXAS BIENNIAL 2020** – Open call for artists living or working in Texas. Online application deadline is February 7. <http://texasbiennial.org/>

**TURTLE CREEK SPRING ARTS & CRAFT FESTIVAL - DALLAS** – Application deadline

is February 20. <http://m.facebook.com/events/568781847289035/>

### *FEATURED GALLERY ARTIST*

#### **JAN STRATTON**

Jan retired from her 34-year broadcasting career in 2014. She was Public Affairs Director, News Director, reporter, producer and anchor at various times while at KSWO-TV. She was inducted into the Oklahoma Association of Broadcasters' Hall of Fame in 2008 and the Oklahoma Journalism Hall of Fame in 2014.

Jan has always loved the arts. She's performed in dozens of theater productions over the years in Virginia, Kansas, Fort Sill and Lawton. Her latest at Lawton Community Theater were roles of Mother Superior in the LCT musical "Nunsense" and Frau Blucher in another LCT musical "Young Frankenstein". She has also performed for and with the Lawton Philharmonic Orchestra in the concert versions of "Oklahoma!", "The Music Man" and "I Do, I Do".

She still emcees events, is on the boards of Arts for All and Lawton's Oklahoma Healthy Aging Initiative.

When Jan retired in 2014, she rediscovered her childhood love of painting and drawing. She began taking watercolor lessons from Medicine Park artist Tom Biggs and she has been at her easel ever since. In fact, she has set up her easel in Oklahoma (plein air in the nearby Wildlife Refuge is one of her favorites), California, Colorado, New Mexico, Texas, in Paris at the Tuileries and in the gardens of Monet's Giverny – an experience she cherishes! While she occasionally digs out her watercolors, her medium of choice these days is oil. She is now a member of the Oil Painters of America. In addition to Biggs, she has studied art or attended workshops with Matthew Hughes, Katherine Liontas-Warren, Christine Lashley, Mary Whyte, Kathleen Dunphy, Peggy Immel, Tina Garrett and Qiang Huang.

She has participated or had art displayed at the Medicine Park Art Walk, St. Paul's Art Show, Arts For All Festival, the Museum of the Western Prairie Holiday Market, Lawton Community Theater, the Lawton-Fort Sill Arts Council, the Pride Gallery, the Leslie Powell Gallery, the Galleria at the Forum, the Chisholm Trail Art Council and recently had a piece juried into the Paseo Art Association's Small Art Show. She currently has several paintings hanging at the WFAA Gallery.

When Jan is not painting, she loves to travel and often tries to combine the two. In fact, she is looking forward to attending her first Plein Air Convention in Denver in May (with her daughter, Chris, with whom she paints any chance she gets!).

She is married to retired Comanche County Judge Bill Stratton. They have a combined family of 6 children and 15 grandchildren.





**SIERRA ARCHER**

**Currently exhibiting in the What's Up Downstairs?  
Gallery at the Kemp Center through March 29<sup>th</sup>.**

**BREA'N THOMPSON**

**"The Light That Moves Us" exhibit at 9<sup>th</sup> Street Studio  
through February 29<sup>th</sup>.**

**SELINA MIZE**

**Contributing artist for The Heart Strings Art  
Exhibit at The Kemp Center.**

**LOU AND JESSE BAGGETT**

**Currently exhibiting at the Chisholm Trail Art  
Council gallery in Duncan, OK. Through February 28.**

**We love to hear about and share any and all accomplishments. Please contact  
Sally Struck @ 940-781-2331 or [salstruck@aol.com](mailto:salstruck@aol.com)**

**-----GALLERY NEWS -----**

**January had 113 guests into our gallery and two pieces of art were sold. Volunteers are needed for February, 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

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!**

VANESA DECKER

MIKI AVERY

SHERRI LANE

HANNAH WELTY

Thank you to all members who renewed their memberships  
for 2020.

# PHOTO GALLERY

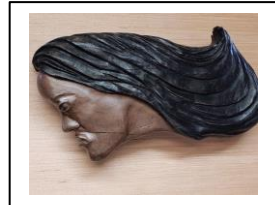
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**Jerry Smyers**



**Selena Mize**



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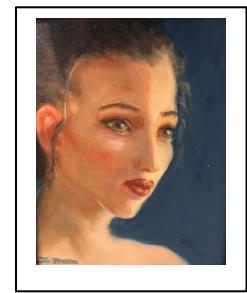
**Sherry Searcy**



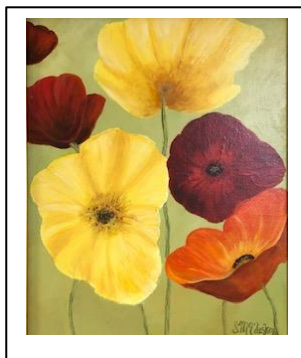
**Sharon Norton**



**Jan Stratton**



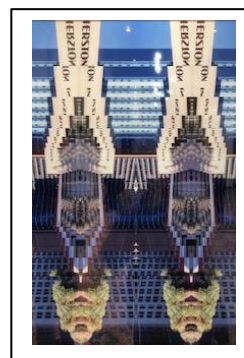
**Sharon McCluskey**



**Bob Barrow**



**Michele Garcia**



**Judy Braddy**



## THANKS TO OUR JANUARY 'SHOW AND TELL' PRESENTERS

**Jerry Smyers**



**Cindy Noles**



**Sandi Gant**



**Jim Edwards**



# DATES TO NOTE

<b>Now through Feb. 2</b>	<b>Jules Scales: Altered Reflections West End Studio @ the Kemp</b>
<b>Now through Feb. 6</b>	<b>Heart Strings Art Exhibit and Silent Auction Wichita Falls Youth Symphony Orchestra @ Kemp Center for the Arts</b>
<b>Now through Feb. 15</b>	<b>Matt Wedel: "On the Verge" Ceramic exhibit @ WF Museum of Fine Art @ MSU</b>
<b>Now through Feb. 22</b>	<b>"Birds in Art" exhibit @ WF Museum of Art @ MSU</b>
<b>Now through Feb. 28</b>	<b>Lou and Jesse Baggett exhibit at the Chisholm Trail Art Council gallery in Duncan, Oklahoma.</b>
<b>Now through Feb. 29</b>	<b>Brea'n Thompson "The Light That Moves Us" at 9<sup>th</sup> Street Studio. Opening reception February 15<sup>th</sup> 6:00 – 9:00 PM.</b>
<b>Now through March 6</b>	<b>Exhibit by Tres Collective, Mexico City Graphic Design Group in the Juanita Harvey Gallery @ MSU.</b>
<b>Now through March 13</b>	<b>Negro Leagues Beisbol presented by the WFAAC Museum of North Texas History.</b>
<b>Now through March 13</b>	<b>Rachel Liles @ Galleria at the Forum.</b>
<b>Now through March 22</b>	<b>"Idiosyncratic" digital photography exhibit by Michele Garcia. Kemp Center NorthLight gallery.</b>
<b>Now through March 29</b>	<b>Sierra Archer exhibit in the What's Up Downstairs? Gallery at the Kemp Center</b>
<b>Feb. 7 through April 19</b>	<b>Exhibit by Ginger Boller. West End Studio at The Kemp.</b>
<b>Feb. 19</b>	<b>WFAA meeting with speaker Gloria Hood.</b>
<b>Feb. 20</b>	<b>CTAC Paint Battle demo with Lou and Jesse Baggett. Tickets available at Eventbrite. 5:30-7:30 PM. Duncan, OK.</b>
<b>February 22&amp; 23</b>	<b>Arts Alive! Home and Garden Festival @ WF MPEC</b>

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*Martin Luther King*

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*Number of books @ \$35 each ----- Payment total -----*

*Make checks payable to WFAA (designate "book" in memo).*

*Additional donation: Check payable to WFAA (designate "anniversary")*

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