CALLIGRAM

NEWSLETTER OF THE CALLIGRAPHY GUILD OF OKLAHOMA OCTOBER 2013

Sharing Table…

Bring something you're working on…you KNOW we want to see!!

Remember, you get a free raffle ticket if you bring your work to share. See Becky or Odilla at the meeting for your freebie.

Visit us online:

www.calligraphytulsa.com

Upcoming Events:

Oct. 24-27: Janet Takahashi Workshop

October 28: CGO Meeting

November 18: CGO Meeting and Scribal Feast

Dec. 16: Christmas Party and Letter Exchange

October Program:

"How Did They Do That?"

October 28, 2013 6:00pm Tulsa Garden Center, 2435 S. Peoria

Join us on the 4th Monday of October as we hear from several members who have created artwork we want to know about…how DID they do that? We'll hear from several members about commissions and other artwork. Learn the secrets!

Thanks in advance for our October Refreshments:

SNACKS: ??? Any Volunteers?

DRINKS: Pat Ridenhour

JOIN IN THE LETTER EXCHANGE!

In previous years we have had a quote exchange where you exchanged names and designed the quote given by the person whose name you had drawn. This year we will have a letter (initial) exchange instead. Those who attended the September meeting already have made that exchange. We will add additional names at our October meeting. Deadline for completion of the project is Dec. 16th (our Christmas celebration) when you will give your letter to the person whose name you drew.

Since we will be putting our calligraphy into an art show in downtown Broken Arrow next May I am suggesting that you create 2 letters (initials), one for exchange and one for the show. The guild has purchased 25 9" X 9" glassed and matted black frames to be offered for sale at the October meeting. They are $3.50 each on a first come basis.

I suggest you create the letter for the show **framed** and the one for exchange framed or unframed -– your choice. Any medium acceptable just so you use the initial and colors your exchange person requested. If you want to participate and cannot make it to the October meeting just call someone on the board and we will make sure you are added…***Marj***

October 2013

CGO Officers

President: Marj Miller
President Elect: Pat Ridenhour
Vice President: Cindy Parrott
Secretary: Connie Van Harn
Treasurer: Odilla Pena
Membership: Lynda Jolly

From your President...

This will be a busy month for those of us who will be taking the Janet Takahasi workshop since our regular meeting falls on the 28th ,but we have a great program planned: "How Did They Do That". Several guild members will walk you through the steps they take in creating an original commissioned calligraphy project, the problems they encountered, and the lessons learned that can help everyone. Be on hand also as Sue Kinsey has agreed to share some things learned at Conference. Bring something for the sharing table this month and get one free raffle ticket.

Don't forget to be a part of our letter exchange as explained in last month's Calligram. The letters will be exchanged at our Christmas party to be held at Carol Francis' home on December 16th. You still have time to sign up this month. Whether you are new to the Guild or a charter member we hope you will participate.

A reminder: Because many of us travel or have family in for Thanksgiving we will have the November meeting on the 18th. Mark your calendars! -- Marj

Secrets of the Artful Journal Sketchbook A-Z with Janet Takahashi October 24-27, 2012

The workshop will be held at the Tulsa Garden Center and there are a few spaces left. If you're interested please contact Kim Tackett or calligraphytulsa@yahoo.com . Go to www.janettakahashi.com to see her work.

TGC will open 8:00, Workshop will begin about 8:30. Day will end around 4:00
Janet will share 100 journal techniques and each letter of the alphabet. Rest up, it will be a packed workshop. We will take Janet to dinner either Friday or Saturday evening. Kim will let us know.

Bring your journaling to life in this workshop as you work your way through the alphabet with twenty-six PLUS creative ideas. Participants will fill their pages with a series of explorations:

- Pen & Ink
- Pencil
- Watercolor
- Learn tricks and techniques that will open up aworld of possibilities for use in the field or in the studio.
- Improve your drawing skills
- Create small compositions and feel the joy of spontaneous color movement on paper.

October 2013

Christmas Card Exchange !

Ten CGO members have begun the process . . . Signing up for the Christmas Card Exchange. They will find inspiration, collect their thoughts, plan and get excited about how to move forward with a Christmas card design for this annual exchange!

There will be more opportunities to add your name to that list of ten as we approach the Christmas season. If you can't attend a CGO meeting, give Becky a call and she'll add your name.

A simple message written in your favorite 'hand ' . . . You can do it!! And just think of the satisfaction, the learning experience and best of all, the beautiful cards you will receive in return!

Becky will be more than happy to answer any questions and even help brainstorm. Give her a call: 918 274 9830.

Denis Brown News:

For those of you not familiar, Denis is a fabulous calligrapher from Ireland…here is his latest project. Be inspired!

My main project this year is in Beijing China, where the biggest commission of my career is in progress. I spent over a month there already from May- July and shall be returning next week for practically the rest of the year. I've been documenting the work as I do it and have just released a preliminary "teaser" video introducing the first of 12 large works in this art commission for a new luxury hotel currently under construction. This is the largest single work I have ever made, and I shall be returning to Beijing to stretch and complete the huge canvas next week.
SEE THE MOVIE HERE:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=226VZZzJbgk&feature=youtu.be

CGO LIBRARY

The CGO library books I have previously reviewed are still available to check out at each meeting! I will have them on a table. I will be reorganizing my system and will start reviewing again in January with additional books. June

Zentangles Group

Our Zentangles Group has created a beautiful display case for the Schusterman-Benson Library, located at 3333 East 32nd Place. The case will be on display for the month of October.

PLEASE VISIT OUR DISPLAY

Our ongoing Zentangles group usually meets at the Schusterman-Benson Library on the second Monday afternoon (1:00 to 3:00), and on the fourth Saturday afternoon (2:00 to 4:00) of each month. When the library is closed for our normal Monday meeting, we have decided to meet on the very next Tuesday afternoon. The November meeting will be on Tuesday, Nov. 12th, 1 to 3 p.m. Our Saturday meetings (4th Saturday of the month) remain unchanged.

2014 is on its way!

Jan. 16th – Mini: "B" Nibs – Hardesty Library
Jan. 24th – 25th – Southwest Calligraphy Conference – President and Workshops chairman attending
Jan. 27th – CGO Meeting– Christmas card exchange
February 6th – Mini: Card making with a Valentine theme-Pat Ridenhour
Feb. 22 – 24 – Harvest Crittenden Workshop (Spencerian)
Feb. 24th – CGO Meeting– Spirals and Circles

Happy BIRTHDAY To YOU!!!

October

Sue Hunsicker Oct. 5

Cindy Parrott Oct. 10

Jan White Oct. 15

Rochelle Hart Oct. 22

November

Leslie Wade Nov. 3

Donna Briggs Nov. 7

Gloria Roling Nov.23

Dues Reward

Becky Allen won the Michael's gift card at the drawing of those who had paid their annual dues on time…

A shopping trip to Michael's - Whoopee! Better yet, a gift card to take on a shopping trip to Michael's - WHOOPEE!!!

Thank you CGO for that great opportunity and for the $25 gift card!--Becky

The Graceful Envelope

The Washington Calligraphers Guild is pleased to announce the 20th annual **Graceful Envelope Contest**, conducted by our Guild and the National Association of Letter Carriers.

The 2014 theme, **The Superlative Letter S**, asks calligraphers to **create a Graceful Envelope by symbolizing some sentiment starting with the letter S** and addressing it in sublime or spirited script.

See the Call for Entries for rules and a downloadable flier. **Please spread the word among your artistic friends and local schools**, because there are three separate categories for children. Deadline is March 24, 2014; there is no entry fee.

The Smithsonian Institution's National Postal Museum created the contest in 1995. It delegated responsibility to the WCG in 2001, which partnered with the National Association of Letter Carriers to exhibit the winners. Winning envelopes are also exhibited online on the Washington Calligraphers Guild website: http://www.calligraphersguild.org

Please support the Guild by entering the Graceful Envelope Contest and spreading the word about the Call for Entries.

FaLaLaLaLa….Save the date!

CGO Christmas Party

December 16, 2013 at the home of Carol Francis

Above and Beyond mini workshops

VICTORIA HOKE LANE

Funcial: entertaining variations on a classic letterform, the uncial. Let's play together with these letters that provide enormous latitude for experimentation.

November 16, 2013
Herman & Kate Kaiser Library
1:00 – 4:00 P.M.
Workshop Fee: $25
Contact Carol Francis to register:
c.g.francis@cox.net

SUPPLIES

Selection of broad-edged pens from small to large nibs (some super large if you have them)

black ink

black micron pens (005-08), or similar markers

practice paper, pads or sheets (some "tooth" is recommended)

pencil and eraser

cleaning rag/cleaning solution/water jar

*your preferred colors (watercolor, gouache, colored ink)

*brushes (if necessary for your preferred colors)

*paper (2 sheets) for a final project

*optional/ final project is optional....some will prefer to continue withpractice and feedback

"B" NIBS

with

June Nessler

Jan. 16, 2014
Hardesty Library
Pecan Room
6:00 - 8:30 P.M.
Workshop Fee: $10

Contact: Carol Francis to register: c.g.francis@cox.net

Valentine Cards

Patty Ridenhour

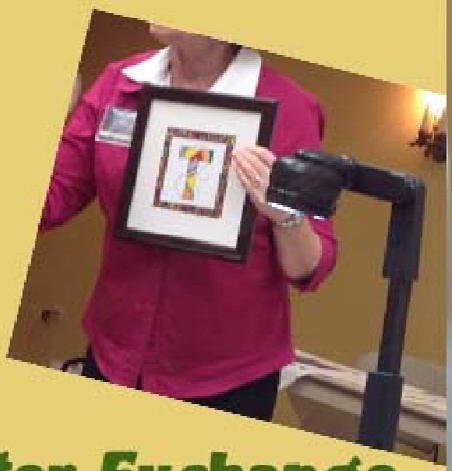
February 6, 2014

Hardesty Library

6:00-8:30pm

Lettering on Fabric

Zentangle Display



Letter Exchange