



Friends of Taka Sumi-e

June 2021 Newsletter

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Hello my wonderful painting friends!

Wow! What a wonderful workshop we had with Louise! Thank you, Louise, for all of the information, demonstration and inspiration. I love watching you paint. And everyone presented such beautiful works of art.

Our Spring classes are coming to a close and we have a break before summer session starts. Consider joining Gaye and friends at the Tuesday Painters. They paint plein air in the morning wherever they are and then meet on Zoom (at 12:30 pm) to share. It is a wonderful experience.

Next month, June 5th, Stephen Smith will share his knowledge and practice of roses. It promises to be an exciting workshop. Meet us at 9am on Zoom!

On June 10th there is a SDBGF meeting to discuss guidelines for future activities in the Park. We will bring back information to share at our July Workshop.

Meanwhile, keep painting, and stay healthy.
Your president,
Alice

FRIENDS OF TAKA SUMI-E 18TH ANNUAL EXHIBITION

The Friends of TakaSumi-e Exhibition is still running if you haven't seen it yet. Go to the website – www.takasumi-e.com – and take a look, it's wonderful. Share it with friends, family and colleagues.

MAY WORKSHOP with LOUISE

So many thanks go out to Louise for a fun and relaxing garden birds and flowers workshop. Her demonstration and gentle guidance were inspiring to everyone in attendance (20+). Not only did Louise demonstrate, she shared information on birds and flowers she sees in her garden and allowed us to also share our garden experiences. We had plenty of time to paint and socialize, too.

ZOOM MEETINGS, IN GENERAL

As Rooms 101 and 104 are still closed due to CDC/State and City guidelines, we will continue meet via ZOOM. If you wish to join in the camaraderie and are having challenges with ZOOM or have concerns with the media, please contact me (ralsgal@gmail.com) and I will put you in touch with one of us on “the team” with lots of experience or with someone who would love to host you in their studio on a workshop Saturday.

JUNE WORKSHOP WITH STEPHEN – ROSES

Stephen Smith will guide us through a Chinese-style approach to painting roses. There is a matrix for your use attached to this Newsletter. He will present a live demonstration as well as a description of his style of painting. Stephen is a dedicated artist who has spent many years researching and practicing a variety of media. We look forward to an interesting workshop presented by a fellow member of Friends of TakaSumi-e.

WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

The workshop schedule is filling up! YIPPEE!!!! If you haven't already done so, please reach out to me (rainy4275@yahoo.com) and get your name on the list. If you need guidance, Cliff (cliffbrownart@gmail.com) is at the ready to guide you through any questions/concerns you may have. It's lots of fun and very rewarding. Your audience is patient and attentive. AND you have a year to practice!

When the time is close to your workshop, please get your handouts, if any, to Gaye (ralsgal@gmail.com) so we can give them to the members before your workshop.

Sincerely,
Tina Matchett, Workshop Coordinator (rainy4275@yahoo.com)

Tentative schedule

DATE	NAME	SUBJECT	COST/FEE
2021		YEAR OF THE OX	
March	Cliff Brown	Petunias	SUPER FUN!
April 3	Henry Li	Orchids, misty mountains; streams & trees	FABULOUS!
May 1	Louise Rendich	Birds and Flowers	WHOOPEE!
June 5	Stephen Smith	Roses	
July 3	Fawn Leone	Landscape mountains; stream & trees	
August 7	Naoko Ozaki		
September 4	Stella Ting Gaye Lingley	Po Mo – Experience a New Technique & Spontaneous Ideas	
October 2	Deborah Pennell	Autumn Leaves & Colors	
November 6	Kathy Romero		
December 4	Gaye Lingley	Nordic Elves in Sumi-e	
2022		YEAR OF THE TIGER	
January 1	Christina Matchett		
February 5	Deborah Pennell		
March 5			

April 2			
May 7			
June 4			
July 2			
August 6			
September 3			
October 1			
November 5			
December 3			
2023		YEAR OF THE RABBIT	
January 7			
February 4			
March 4			

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AITOH PAPER SUPPLIER

Peggy advises that two of the AITOH paper tablets that many of us use can be ordered from Jerrys Artarama. Here is the link: <https://www.jerrysartarama.com/aitoh-sumi-e-sketch-pads>
 Thanks, Peggy!

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SISTER MARY DENNIS



Sister Mary Dennis, a dedicated student of Sensei Takashi in sumi-e following her retirement from teaching and prior to her transfer to the Motherhouse in Kentucky a few years ago, has passed away at age 103. She was an inspirational member of the Friday class who always had meaningful remarks to share with everyone. She participated yearly in our student exhibition, to the joy of her sister nuns.

A remembrance from Sarah Barnes: “Sister Mary and I developed a little friendship in Takashi’s class over several years. She was quite an inspiration to me because of her fearless use of saturated colors, even after she had her cataracts removed. It was during that time that she lost her beloved sister, and she braved that devastation with an admirable grace. When the sisters came to take her to Kentucky, as her health had been failing following a fall, she came to class to say good-bye. I was really saddened to have to see her on her way, but she came over to me and kissed my hand. Tears came to my eyes...I knew I would never see her again. How wonderful that she was able to be with her order all of that time. I still miss her!”

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