



# Flourish

October 2020

## Upcoming Events on Zoom:

Oct 1, 6:30p Board Zoom Meeting

Oct 15, 6:30p Zoom Meeting & Watercolor Demo!

## Vice President's Notes:

I received this lovely note from Julie Cline and wanted to include it because it's the perfect tone of this newsletter.

"My favorite thing about constructing our online presence for the show and sale is seeing everyone's photos of themselves. The whole thing has been so much more involved than Sarah and I ever imagined- and we imagined a lot- but every time we receive one of those photos and pop it into its place on the artist's page, it's pure joy to see our friend."

Thank you Julie, that's so true, and I know I'm not alone in missing you all. Please know that the EVA website is not only for the show and sale but for the whole club. Everyone can have an Artist's page, plus there's the calendar; with important dates, the old newsletters; in case you forget the challenge theme or other important info, and even our membership form. These are just a few of the wonderful parts of the website. This is our club and we need to support each other. Times are tough. Fires are all around us. Not seeing friends and family, we need to stick together, and stay healthy & positive for each other. If you need anything, call a member or email EVA. We have been around since 1957 and we are not going anywhere. EVA has some needs and I am still hopeful that you can help us, see the "Help needed" section of our newsletter. I also have a new format for the spotlight section that is much more approachable (Clyde, I'm still looking forward to reading your 9+pages) - so please get your new format spotlight ready- I could call on you next. Lastly, if you have any room for our panels & supplies we sure could use some help. I still would love to see your beautiful faces at our monthly Zoom Meetings- they've been really fun and it's not that hard to join. Let us know if you want a test zoom. Missing you all.

Thank you & stay Safe & Sane and reach out to an EVA member just to say 'Hi'.

*Sloane*

## Demonstration: by Behnaz Lashgari - Watercolor Bird Painting

Behnaz was born and raised in Tehran, Iran. Since she was a little girl, she has had a great passion for art. While attending high school, she studied sketching, painting, graphic design, and literature for two years in the private Institute of Art and Literature in Iran. She received her bachelor's degree in Graphic Design at the Art University and worked as a designer for many years. While she was working as a designer, she took several painting courses and workshops with amazing painters. She works with different materials like watercolor, oil, acrylic, and pastel. She believes her emotions define which materials she should use. She also has some experience at textile design, painting on porcelain, pottery, and mixed media painting. After moving to the United States, she studied fine art in college and opened her own business, *Behnazart Studio*. She runs several art classes for kids and adults. She is a member of art societies, and has participated in many art exhibitions, receiving many awards. She has over 16 years of experience teaching and working with children and adults, and has organized many exhibitions for her students.



## Challenges:

The Coronavirus Challenge continues (twice monthly).

Oct 1-15 - FALL    Oct16-31 - Ghosts, Goblins and All Things Halloween

Please submit your art via our facebook group: East Valley Artists and Friends

Or email your photo (including your name and artwork title in the filename) to:

[eastvalleyartists@gmail.com](mailto:eastvalleyartists@gmail.com)    \*\*\* needed 1 or 2 coordinators for the challenges \*\*\*

## Artist spotlight: Shelly Woollvin

Hello friends, I was honored to be nominated for the spotlight! It has been so much fun to read about everyone's different art mediums and how they got into it. So a little bit about me, I make lampwork glass beads and jewelry. I melt rods of glass and try to make pretty beads. I am self taught, I started out with a beginner's kit and a book. I watched a lot of videos and then I turned on the torch and went for it! I started out just making things for myself and for fun, but as my beads started looking like, well, beads, I taught myself how to make jewelry. Now I sell most of what I make both at shows like ours, online and on Facebook. I also make beads for kids with serious illnesses through a program called Beads of Courage. You can see my work on my website at [www.perledivetro.com](http://www.perledivetro.com).

Ten things you might not know about me:

1. I grew up in a small ski town in Colorado called Steamboat Springs.
2. I don't like the snow.
3. I've been married to the love of my life for 20 years. We met at a birthday party in a karaoke bar.
4. I am teaching my very first lampworking class online on October 9th.
5. I am currently working on a cross stitch that is 2 foot X 3 foot.
6. I have arthritis.
7. I love bike riding and rode from San Francisco to LA in 8 days last year. I would have been doing it again right now, but Covid. It was a fundraiser for the Arthritis Foundation.
8. I have two cats one is a grouchy kitty and the other is a labrotabby & plays fetch.
9. I like to quilt.
10. I used to sell semiconductors to hightech companies.



## Member News: CONGRATS!!

1. Jennifer Wool's Daughter Sarah got engaged to her longtime love Noah.
2. AND Jennifer's daughter Quincy is expecting her second baby in Dec.
3. Glenna Rand became a grandma again #4 on Sept 8. Welcome Rylan David.

\*Email your news to Eastvalleyartists@gmail.com

## \*\*\*\*\* STILL NEEDED \*\*\*\*\*

1. Storage space for our beautiful Panels, canopies and misc supplies. I worry that we may have to pay \$50+ monthly if help is not received. (they can be stored in multiple places).
2. We need 2 coordinators for the coronavirus challenges. Email EVA if interested.

## ANNUAL SHOW:

1. All EVA members, please help promote our club & the Show & Sale by sharing our e-mail flyers and liking our Facebook & Instagram posts.
2. Sat-Oct 10 - we are accepting "giveaway items" for the Annual Show & Sale's daily drawings - in the church parking lot between 9-10a. ( these are specifically for the participating artist however donations are welcome- items must be small art pieces to be mailed (like a raffle - but we are saying "daily drawing") 1. Must be your original artwork. 2. Should be no more than 3 years old.
3. The work should be small enough to mail for max postage \$5.00. (examples: a sm unframed piece (max) 8x10, Jewelry, cards or bookmarks.) ( participating artists see Shelly's email for details.)

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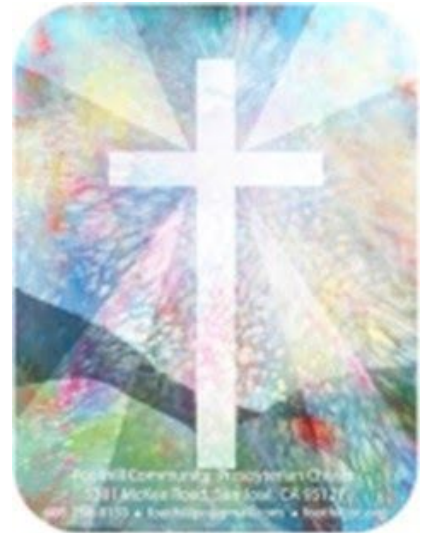


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