

## September Demo Artist

Marlene Gremillion

Marlene Gremillion is a multi-talented artist and teacher from Hot Springs. We always enjoy her demos, and this time was no exception. Although she usually does one of her famous, large watercolors, this time she introduced us to polymer clay, a plastic clay that is very malleable until baked.

You can tell she loves “playing” with her polymer clay, as she brought a large box just full of canes and a large, thick book full of veneers. A cane (right bottom picture) is a log of polymer clay that's made with a design that runs the entire length of the log. Slices from the cane will reveal a design and all slices from the cane will have identical designs. Each is like a small piece of art. Veneers are thin, flat layers of clay with some type of surface design.

She demonstrated how she creates an abstract piece of art by forming veneers with her pasta machine and intricately cutting the pieces to form each section. We all enjoyed her interesting and fun demonstration.

Marlene recently organized the Ouachita Mountain Polymer Clay Guild in Arkansas, and you can see more of all her work at: <https://www.marlenegremillion.com>.

## October Demo Artist

Jeannie Stone

<https://jeanniestone.com>.



### ALA Links

[www.arkansasleagueofartists.org](http://www.arkansasleagueofartists.org)

### Article submissions:

[arkansasleagueofartists@yahoo.com](mailto:arkansasleagueofartists@yahoo.com)

## Wow! Great Art Sale!

Thanks to everyone for helping us have the best Art Sale ever! We were able to raise \$1,260, thanks to everyone's hard work and generosity. ALA is very fortunate to have such great talent and teamwork in our league.

## Artwork

**SOLD**

- **Debbie Strobel** sold one painting, two artist "mini" paintings, and several notecards at the Thea Foundation during the art walk.
- **Vonda Rainey** sold 2 paintings at the Art Group Gallery's show "Journeys", and also sold 2 paintings through Instagram to a new collector in the United Kingdom.
- **Glenda McCune** sold a watercolor painting, *Full Basket*, at the Arkansas Arts Delta Partnership in Helena, AR.

## Awards, Recognition and Announcements

- **Debbie Strobel's** painting, *Sunset on Snake Hill*, was accepted into the Arkansas Pastel Society National Show, which will open in November at the Butler Center.
- **Vonda Rainey** will be featured in the October issue of *Life in Chenal*, telling her story of becoming an artist.
- **Glenda McCune** won First Place and \$300 at the Arkansas Delta Arts Partnership juried exhibition in Helena, AR, for her painting, *Bitin Too Slow*. She also had a pastel portrait accepted in their 8<sup>th</sup> National exhibition. Winners will be announced in November.
- **Charlotte Rierson** was excited that her painting was accepted into the Arts Council Small Works on Paper, and that she won the Purchase Award. Several years ago, she received a letter from them stating she had won the Purchase Award, only to find out it was a mistake! There was no mistake this time. Congratulations, Charlotte!
- **Karolyn Holloway's** painting was also accepted into the Arts Council Small Works on Paper, 2020.

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**Oct 29** - Bring 2 paintings for monthly contest  
**Nov** - No Meeting  
**Dec 6** Winners' Show & Christmas Party - No meeting

## David Paul Cook Watercolor Classes

Member David Paul Cook has begun his 17th year of teaching watercolor landscape painting for the Arkansas Arts Center, and his 2nd year at the Maumelle Senior Center. He has 16 students in each 10-week and 8-week class.

He is teaching a new class in Maumelle titled "Eight Views of Pinnacle Mountain", in respect for the famous Japanese art book "One Hundred Views of Edo" by artist and wood block printer Utagawa Hiroshige (1797-1858).

Cook continues his almost daily discipline of sketchbook-journaling that began in 2000, and is mid-way through completing book number 34.

## Arkansas Arts Council

### Call for 2020 Nominations

Each year, the Arkansas Arts Council honors a traditional craft artist with its Arkansas Living Treasure Award. You can help them continue this award by nominating a craft artist from Arkansas as their 2020 Arkansas Living Treasure.

<https://www.arkansasarts.org/Programs/Governors-Arts-Award/nominate>.

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