



Desert Quail Painters

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Established 1991

Happy May Day everyone!!!

Hope this newsletter finds you all doing well...and enjoying the beautiful weather. It's beginning to warm up here in Arizona, but the mornings and evenings are beautiful!!

April was a very busy month for Desert Quail Painters...not only did we have our ornament class for those registering before January 31, but we had our "special event" for those that purchased Holiday Raffle tickets and we had a wonderful "Summer's Song" piece from Patricia Garrington and taught by our own Deb Ramo. Membership definitely has it's perks...that's for sure!

May will also be a busy month—we have our next ornament class—"Peppermint Mason Jar"—as well as our program on May 17, 2025—"Gnome of the Brave" with Jamie Mills Price. These both will be such fun and I can hardly wait to do them!!

Also, keep a close eye out for Facebook "lives" from Ursula Peine...she is going to be doing an interview series with all the various Board/Committee members. I'm going to be first so you will hear about my responsibilities and an explanation of my role as President. The plan is to go through all the Board and Committee positions so members get an idea of what is involved with each of them. Rosanne Scholey (look for her introductory article later in this newsletter) is heading up a Nomination Committee for the 2026 Board/Committee members as we are confident there are members out there that want to be involved, but not sure exactly what it takes...hopefully this will give you an idea!

...and have you been enjoying Cecilia's "Education" articles every month—I sure have!! She is definitely doing a wonderful job in sharing some great ideas for new ways to use different medium and tools or money saving ideas as you will read later.

Lastly, thank you to all that entered their pieces in the San Bernardino County Fair—this is a great venue to "show off our stuff"...I'm very proud of all the entries!

Wishing you a wonderful month—keep those brushes moving!! Nancy

2025 Schedule of Events

May 17, 2025	9:00am PT	DQP Program with Jamie Mills Price
June 24, 2025	6:00pm PT	DQP Program
July 19, 2025	TBD	DQP Program
August 12, 2025	6:00pm PT	DQP Board meeting
August	TBD	DQP Program
September 20, 2025	TBD	DQP Program



Charity/Community Service

Janet Mitchell, Rosanne Scholey, & Diana Van Riel

As you know, we currently support the Bundles of Hope, a program run by Today's Woman Foundation. The Bundles of Hope are boxes, many decorated by our members, in support of newly diagnosed Cancer patients.

Today's Woman Foundation is now supporting the Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) which has been organized with St. Mary's Medical Center in Apple Valley. It is unfortunate that a program of this sort is necessary, but we live in an imperfect world. The purpose of this program is as follows:

"At this critical moment, we believe no survivor should walk out of a hospital feeling lost and exposed. That's why we are launching the Hope & Healing Care Bag Program—a simple yet profound way to restore dignity, provide comfort, and offer a sign of hope to survivors of sexual assault.

Each care bag includes new clothing, toiletries, and essential items—small but powerful gestures that remind survivors:

- You are not alone.
- You are cared for.
- Your healing journey starts here."

Rather than ask members to contribute items, we would invite you to visit the Today's Woman Foundation website, <https://todayswomanfoundation.org/> where you can contribute to the cost of items required for their Hope and Healing Bags. Your donation does not need to be large—if you thought about spending \$5 on toiletries, instead donate the \$5, thus eliminating the need to deliver, or worse yet mail, your donation. Today's Women can use your entire donation for items that are most needed.

Please understand this will not eliminate the Bundles of Hope Boxes, which this club has sponsored for several years. The members of this club have enough love in their hearts to support two worthwhile and important causes, both overseen by an organization well known to us. This new program allows those who are unable to paint boxes to participate in the club's charity with a simple and small donation.

I encourage you to go to the website and see for yourself the important work being done by your chosen charity.

Pictured at right, these ladies are recipients of the "Bundle of Hope" boxes painted by DQP members and the ladies of Del Webb.. Such beautiful smiles they have...



Happy Birthday!

May Birthdays

Katy Taylor	2nd
Josie Gonzalez	6th
Reggie Oswald	8th
Andrea House	16th
Cecilia Luk	18th
Regina Taylor	21st
Carol Blackwell	23rd
Janet Mitchell	23rd



Ways & Means

Kim Tamiazzo



Congratulations to Sue Green and Janet Mitchell....both of their names were drawn at our April program and they will be receiving some "HAPPY MAIL"!!! Also, congrats to Carol Whitton—she won the "guess how many jelly beans in the jar" game held on the DQP Members Only Facebook page!!! Keep your eyes open for the next opportunity to win!!!

Programs

Jeannetta Cimo and Diana Van Riel

Thank you Deb Ramo for a wonderful class. We had a great turnout so thank you to everyone who participated and supported our programs!

We have a fun project in May with Jamie Mills Price. There are a few openings left, so invite a friend to paint with you—it will be a great day of fun and being with fellow painters! If you have signed up and want to paint at Terri Mullins' studio, please email her or text her that you will be coming. We are planning to have food for lunch so the details will be coming on that.

Jeannetta and I hope that you are enjoying painting with us and we look forward to seeing you at the next "Ornie" class on May 6th! Jeannetta and Diana



Desert Quail Painters

Zoom Seminar

with

Jamie Mills-Price



MAY 17

Zoom Class starts at 9 a.m. PT

Class time approx 6 hrs.

Class recording will be available for 6 months

Project painted on an 8 1/2 x 11 surface

Surface available from Pine Craft Inc.

Membership

Deb Ramo

DQP MEMBERSHIP

Deb Ramo

Hello DQP Painters! Please welcome new member—Brenda Olsen.

As of date our membership is at **85!**

As we dive into the warmer weather, be reminded we can sit comfortably in our homes with AC and paint on Zoom with our painting friends. There will be in person paint programs as well, so keep an eye on upcoming events.

REMINDER— update your membership roster!

Please welcome our new member—

BRENDA OLSEN
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Glendale, AZ 85307
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DOB: 03/28 SPOUSE: Lance

Welcome,

New Members



Desert Quail Painters

2025 Desert Quail Painters Membership Application



PLEASE PRINT

Applications must be submitted by new and renewing members.

Last Name: _____ First Name _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

___ Check if the above address is also your mailing address. If not, complete the information below.

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email Address _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Date of Birth Month/Day: _____ Spouse (FirstName): _____

How did you hear about Desert Quail Painters? _____

Annual dues of \$10 can be paid via check payable to Desert Quail Painters, PayPal or Credit Card.

Please contact Debbie by email to be invoiced for PayPal or Credit Card payments. Members paying by PayPal or credit card may submit application to Debbie, by either email or by US postal mail. Applications with check payments may be mailed to: Debbie Ramo, 16728 W. Navajo Street, Goodyear, AZ 85338.

Questions – please feel free to contact Debbie at ramowmdeb@verizon.net or 760-668-0766.

Welcome New Members...

We hope you are ready for fun-filled times of friendship and painting!

Date Paid: _____ Check # _____ OR Cash

(2/25)

Education

Cecilia Luk

Saving Money on Painting Supplies: Creative Uses for Old Brushes

With the recent news that Joann is closing its doors, many of us have likely stopped by in search of good deals from their clearance sales. In light of this, I wanted to revisit a favorite topic—saving money on art supplies.

One area where costs can add up quickly is with paintbrushes. Artists often encounter split or worn-out brushes that seem unusable, but before you toss them out, consider repurposing them. Surprisingly, these "damaged" brushes can serve new functions and even mimic specialty brushes quite well.

For instance, if you're looking for a deerfoot stippler to create snow textures in your paintings, there's no need to rush out and buy one. An old, split brush can be transformed into a deerfoot by trimming the bristles at an angle. Because it's already worn and uneven, it creates a similar effect—perfect for that stippled, snowy look.

Another great example is the dry brush technique. Many people believe that you need a specific kind of brush for dry brushing, but through experience, I've learned that it's not about the brush—it's about the amount of paint on it. A worn brush actually works better in this case. By trimming the bristles shorter, the brush holds less paint and naturally creates that desired, scratchy texture. The split bristles also lend themselves well to scripting motions, making them ideal for adding fine detail or texture.

Repurposing old brushes not only saves you money, but also reduces clutter and makes travel easier—especially if you attend art conferences or workshops. Fewer brushes mean less weight and space taken up in your art kit.

I hope you find these tips helpful and feel inspired to look at your old tools in a new light! Until next time...Cecilia



Nomination Committee

Rosanne Scholey

Do You Like what has been going on so far, this year? If you do, please remember to:

- Thank your board members. They have been working hard on making this the best year possible.
- Think about what activities, teachers, events, etc. you would like to see next year.
- Reach out to your Nominating Committee, currently being formed, and volunteer for a position in 2026.

Our current board is doing a fabulous job, but...they are tired, some have had the same position for 4 years. If you are interested in helping me on this committee, just give me a call 626 379 3771. If you are thinking you would like more information on a position or just want to raise your hand to something, please give me a call.

Don't know what each position does, that will not be a problem. You will soon see, on your Facebook page, interviews with each board member and committee chair explaining what they do.

Think you are too far away, Zoom has taken care of that. Most positions can be filled and are currently filled with members who live over 100 miles away.

Please do not let the light of enthusiasm be extinguished. Raise your hand, as our current board did, and has done, and let's put some of your ideas into practice.

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San Bernardino County Fair

Carol Whitton



SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY FAIR

MAY 24-26, 2025 AND MAY 31-JUNE 1, 2025

I had the pleasure of attending the San Bernardino County Fair Monday and Tuesday to receive this year's decorative painting entries, and I must say - **extraordinary!** The talent on display is truly impressive, and the judge will no doubt have a tough time making decisions.

A heartfelt thank you goes out to our dedicated members who participated this year: Annette Lamarre, Cecilia Luk, Paula Maldonado, Terri Mullin, Donna Petrillo, Ursula Peine, Barbara Sunny, Diana Van Riel, and Carol Whitton. Your involvement is vital to keeping the decorative painting division thriving at the fair, and we're grateful for your continued support and creativity. Thanks is extended, too, to Terri Mullin and Diana Van Riel who assisted me with the entry registrations.

Just a friendly reminder: we'll be holding a special drawing on the final day of the fair, **June 1st**, for a **\$50 gift certificate to Pinecraft**. Each exhibitor will receive one entry for every item they submitted. I'll be reaching out to the lucky winner by the end of the day on June 1st.

For those of you who were unable to submit entries this year, we'd still love your support in two meaningful ways:

Volunteer at our Information/Volunteer Table. I am looking for a few more volunteers to help staff our info/demo table. This is a great opportunity to interact with fair visitors, share what our club is all about, and possibly recruit new painters! The commitment is just **3.5 hours**, and volunteers receive a **free entry ticket** (a \$20 car load value). If you're interested in helping out, please contact me to sign up!

Visit the Fair and Show Your Support. Come enjoy the fair and be sure to stop by our exhibit in the **Community Building (#4)**. While you're there, don't forget to cast your vote for the **People's Choice Award** - choose your favorite piece from our display!

Fair Dates:

- May 24-26, 2025
- May 30-June 1, 2025

Hours:

2:00 - 10:00 PM daily

Hope to see you there - whether as a volunteer or a visitor!

Carol Whitton

San Bernardino County Fair Liaison

760-954-6533

May 2025

Holiday Boutique

Jeannetta Cimo

Holiday Boutique 2025

Hi members!

I hope everyone is getting ready for our Holiday Boutique scheduled for

Oct 24 & 25

(set up day is Oct. 23)

Registration
Begins July 1st

This is not a group fundraiser,
this is an event that gives our members an
opportunity to sell their art.

In order to meet the increasing costs to our group
to host this event we are increasing the
table fees this year for all vendors.

New pricing: Members \$35 & Non-Members \$50
per table plus 10% of sales

Reminder- you must be a member by Jan 31, 2025 to receive
member table pricing

Thank you for your understanding

Holiday Raffle

Annette Lamarre

“THANK YOU VOLUNTEER PAINTERS’

Please keep in mind—those of you that volunteered to paint—items are due by July 31, 2025 or sooner! I have received a few back already and they are beautifully painted!! Thank you!!

Feel free to contact me anytime for any reason by phone, text or email. If you need more time, or cannot finish, PLEASE let me know!!!

Thanks again,

Annette Lamarre

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Yummy Recipes

Bonnie's Casserole from Terri Mullins

8 oz package of noodles or macaroni shells

1 lb ground hamburger

1 onion

1 green pepper

1 can creamed corn

2 cans tomato soup

1 8 oz can tomato sauce

1 small jar of green olives

1 tsp chili powder

¼ tsp dry mustard powder

2 tsp salt

1 tsp pepper

1 bag of grated cheese

Cook Pasta.

Brown meat with onion and green pepper.

In a bowl, mix meat with corn, tomato soup, tomato sauce, olives, salt, pepper, chili powder, and mustard powder.

Put into casserole dish and bake 30 minutes at 350 degrees.

Sprinkle grated cheese on top.

Bake another 5 minutes to melt cheese

Notes: If you make it the day before and refrigerate it, you will need about 20 extra minutes in

the oven to get it thoroughly hot. I used 1 ½ of the small jars of olives. I have previously replaced the ground beef with turkey to cut the calories. Still good!

Your Board for 2025!!

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Position:	Name:
Charities/Community Service	Janet Mitchell & Diana Van Riel
Christmas Party	Rosanne Scholey
Education	Cecilia Luk
Fair	Carol Whitton
Holiday Boutique	Jeannetta Cimo
Holiday Raffle	Annette Lamarre
Nomination Committee	Rosanne Scholey
October Paint Month	Sue Clark
Sunshine	Donna Nelson
Website	Carol Whitton

