



**ART PATHS DECEMBER 2024**

***A Heartfelt Christmas & New Year  
From our Family to Yours***

Greetings to you during this bright time of year and a joyous 2025!

We had a wonderful and successful Art Paths on Sat. Dec 7. The weather was perfect and we had droves of people visiting from various areas of Yuma County where seventeen artists showcased their unique and beautiful work. And in case you missed being a part of that, there is still time to sign-up for the 7th Annual Joe Reyes Memorial Art Show on Jan. 17 & 18, 2025 to showcase your art.

To sign up contact Kathy Smith: 928-723-5564

**May you have a blessed Christmas and a safe  
New Year celebration.**



**NEWSLETTER**

*December 2024*

**Upcoming Events**

- Jan. 7, 2025 Steering Committee Meeting
- Jan. 13, 2025 Art Guild Member Meeting
- Jan. 17 & 18, 2025 7th Annual Joe Reyes Memorial Art Show



**“Art washes away  
from the soul the dust  
of everyday life.”**

**– Pablo Picasso**





# Member Spotlight

## BOARD MEMBERS

### Supervisors

Kathy Smith: 928-723-5564  
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### Classes/Workshops

Kathy Smith: 928-723-5564

### Art Galleries

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### Art Shows

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### Membership

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### Treasurer

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### Secretary

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Connie Bennett: 970-946-4564

### Cleanup/Setup Committee

Jacki Bowles: 208-317-3915

**NAME:** Connie Mason-Bennett

**WHERE ARE YOU FROM:** Originally from Nebraska and then Durango Colorado.

**WHEN DID YOU FIRST COME TO WELLTON AND WHAT MADE YOU COME HERE:** I lived here in 1956 as a young girl with my family and lived in Colorado with my husband for over 30 years. Then when my husband and I retired in 2019 we decided to move back to Wellton and make this our permanent home.

**HOW DID YOU GET INVOLVED IN THE ART GUILD:** A mutual acquaintance invited me to visit the art guild and I liked it so much I decided to join.

**WHAT IS YOUR ROLE IN THE ART GUILD:** I currently oversee the Wellton Mohawk Art gallery at the Coyote Wash Club house and supervise the Wellton-Mohawk Arts & Crafts Facebook page that promotes all the guild activities.

**BESIDES PAINTING WHAT OTHER HOBBIES DO YOU HAVE OR WOULD LIKE TO LEARN:** I enjoy surface design and have a Spoonflower shop where people can buy fabric, wallpaper, and home décor. These designs are created from my paintings done in watercolor, oil, and acrylic. They can be found at [https://www.spoonflower.com/profiles/connie\\_mason\\_bennett](https://www.spoonflower.com/profiles/connie_mason_bennett) with links on my other web site <https://www.conniemasonbennettart.com>.





## MEMBERSHIP

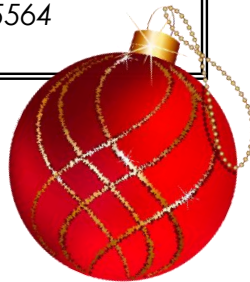
Our seasonal Membership is only \$30 and runs from November – March

**The next membership meeting will be:**  
December 2, 10 am at the Pioneer Museum.

**Benefits of being a member:**

1. No fees to exhibit your art.
2. No commission for sale of your piece.
3. First choice on classes & space availability.

*For more information on becoming a member please contact: Kathy Smith 928-723-5564*



**If you are interested in hosting an art event or teaching a class please contact  
Kathy Smith: 928-723-5564**



# Art Classes

### PAINTING BY RUTH THOMPSON

Painting classes are held at the Pioneer Museum on Thursdays 9am- 12noon. The classes are for oil, acrylic and watercolor painting. The next session of painting classes starts in January.

Contact Ruth at [ruthgoose2@yahoo.com](mailto:ruthgoose2@yahoo.com).

### ALCOHOL INK BY LYNETTE WEISE

For classes please contact Lynette or check our calendar for upcoming classes.

Contact Lynette at [lynetteweise@mac.com](mailto:lynetteweise@mac.com).

### SCRATCH ART BY CHUCK WARNER

Chuck would like to schedule Scratch Art classes at the museum on Wednesday's mornings. The classes are from 4 – 5 hours long and cost \$50, all materials are provided.

Contact Chuck at

[desertartist57@yahoo.com](mailto:desertartist57@yahoo.com)

### COLORED PENCIL BY LYNETTE WEISE

Lynette is looking at the first two weekends in December to schedule a colored pencil class.

Contact Lynette at [lynetteweise@mac.com](mailto:lynetteweise@mac.com).

### ACRYLIC PAINTING BY CONNIE BENNETT

Connie conducts acrylic painting classes and organizes Sip-n-Paint.

Contact Connie at [970-946-4564](tel:970-946-4564).

### ONE-ON-ONE OIL PAINTING BY SALLY GROSSI

Sally is offering one-on-one oil painting instruction in her studio at home.

Contact Sally at [925-518-5306](tel:925-518-5306).

# Art Paths 2024





# SPECIAL AWARD WINNERS

## ART PATHS 2024



Special Award Winner for Desert Theme  
Irene McKinnon  
"After Rain" Desert Verbena



Special Awards Winner for  
Animals  
Chuck Warner  
Peeking Barn Owl



Special Awards Winner for  
Inspirational Theme  
Judith Hillary  
"Remembering Ann  
Boyles"  
Oct. 25, 1942 - June 7, 2023



Special Award Winner for  
Sunrise-Sunset Theme  
Kathy Smith  
"Coasters"



Special Award Winner for  
Movement-Animation Theme  
Steve Smith  
US Niagara 1813