



# Paletteers Art Club

## NEWSLETTER

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### Fun at the Holiday Party!



### Art From the Heart Show

**Feb. 1 to March 1, 2026 - College Hill Library**

The 26th Annual Art From the Heart Show is one of our SCFD funded projects for 2026. What does that mean? It means enough funding to put on a really nice show with great award money. The show will be at the College Hill Library. This show is juried and open to any artist in Colorado. PAC members will pay a lower entry fee. We will make every effort to hang all entries as long as they are properly framed and wired for display. Awards are given in medium categories for this show. An email with the show information and registration form has been sent out.

**Registration is due on Jan. 25, 2026.** Entries are to be hand delivered to the College Hill Library on **Sunday, February 1, 1:00 - 2:00 pm**. We will have a reception on site at the library on **Sunday, Feb. 8, 2:00 - 4:00**.

Please think about signing up to help put on this show. There is a lot of work that needs to be done before the actual show is hung. Contact Becky Silver to join the show committee. [beckyesilver@aol.com](mailto:beckyesilver@aol.com)

### January Meeting

January 12th, **6:30 pm**  
**NEW TIME!!**

Northglenn United Methodist Church

*Bring a piece of artwork for the critique*

### Rotating Art Exhibits

#### The MAC

Wed Jan 14, 11:00am  
3295 W. 72nd Ave.  
Westminster  
Contact: Becky Silver  
720-333-4908  
Tax rate is 8.75%

#### Northglenn United Methodist Church

Wed Feb 11,  
11am - 12pm,  
Contact: Sandra Davis  
720-339-7197  
Tax rate is 8.75%

#### Fuse Box Gallery

Sunday, Feb 4th  
(Usually rotates monthly on 1st Wednesday)

Contact: Kim Wright  
[kbwright@mac.com](mailto:kbwright@mac.com)

to be added to wait list  
Must volunteer 6+ hours to hang in this venue. Tax rate is 8.75%

#### Zoe's Coffee

Tue Feb 10, 4-5pm  
Advance registration required

Contact Sarah Geraci  
690- 462-9613  
or Fiona Hart  
303-885-5622

## January Demo: Critique with Traci Zajaczkowski

In 9th grade, Traci Zajaczkowski made the decision to drop band and take an art class, forever changing the course of her life. For it was there that Traci met her High School Art teacher and mentor, Gene Youngmann, who taught her that purple creates a better shadow than black, and who helped foster her lifelong love of art. Traci has been teaching art at the Elementary and Middle levels for 19 years in Grand and Boulder counties. She loves seeing what her students come up with when presented with a new challenge, and thrives on helping them succeed.

Traci's art focuses on colorful and detailed animal portraits. She loves the animals that roam in the beautiful state of Colorado and strives to bring their personalities out with vibrant colors and stylized details. She recently completed a series of murals for Denver zoo as well as a design for an underpass on I 25 in Raton, New Mexico. Traci works in mixed media, with a combination of colored pencils, markers, watercolor, and acrylic paints. In 2007, Traci earned her MA in illustration at Syracuse University.

Traci will be taking a look at our art and letting us know what works and what doesn't, and how we can improve on what we have done.

## Westminster Tax Rate Increase

Please note that the tax rate in Westminster is now 8.75%. We will need to use the new rate on our art tags for both The MAC and The Fuse Box Gallery.

## Miniature Show & Sale

The miniature show & sale will take place during the Art from the Heart Show at the College Hill Library. Tentative dates are February 6-8. Please contact Sarah Bennett if you are interested in participating. [TheUnexpectedArtist@outlook.com](mailto:TheUnexpectedArtist@outlook.com)



## Zoe's Coffee

Zoe's changeout will be February 10th at 4:30. The theme is **Spring**. If you are interested in displaying work at Zoe's, We will be accepting up to 2 pieces of art per person for the first 15 artists.

Please send the following information to Fiona Hart:- artist name, phone#, title, total size including frame, medium, price.  
[fmhart59@comcast.net](mailto:fmhart59@comcast.net)

Please send pictures of you work with a short description for Zoe's Facebook page to Sarah G. [scgeraci@yahoo.com](mailto:scgeraci@yahoo.com) Here is the link to Zoe's Facebook page to view current posts <https://www.facebook.com/Zoes.coffee>

For artists picking up art and not dropping off new items, please come at the same date and time, February 10th at 4:30. Reception at Zoe's will be **Sunday, February 15th 11-1pm**.

If anyone is a musician and is interested in playing at this or a future reception at Zoe's, please contact Sarah G.

Have something to share in the newsletter?  
Contact [cindyvs@comcast.net](mailto:cindyvs@comcast.net)

## Call for Art!

Launch Pad Brewery art show rotation with Corridor Creative Arts League. Three month show with drop off the February 2nd at 5PM. Sarah Bennett can assist with art drop if needed as this location is in Bennett, CO. Visit <https://corridorcreativeartsleague.org/call-call-for-art-launchpad-brewery> to learn more information and a link to apply.

## Art Classes

### January Classes With Sandra

#### Color Pencil Class - Advanced/Intermediate (Marbles/Glass)

Tuesday, January 6, 2026 9:30 a.m. - 12 noon  
Fee: \$40  
WRPC, 9180 W 38th Ave., Wheat Ridge, CO 80033

#### Zoom Color Pencil Class - Arizona Mesas

Thursday, January 8, 2026 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.  
Fee: \$35 Via Zoom

#### Zoom Drawing Hour - Ink Cross-Hatching With Dimension

Monday, January 19, 2026 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.  
Fee: \$15 Via Zoom

#### Color Pencil Class - Advanced/Intermediate (Kachinas)

Tuesday, January 20, 2026 9:30 a.m. - 12 noon  
Fee: \$40  
WRPC, 9180 W 38th Ave., Wheat Ridge, CO 80033

#### Pan Pastel - Beaches

Tuesday, January 27, 2026 9:30 a.m. - 12 noon  
Fee: \$40  
WRPC, 9180 W 38th Ave., Wheat Ridge, CO 80033

#### Zoom Pan Pastel/Color Pencil Class - Wolf Portrait

Thursday, January 29, 2026 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
Fee: \$35 Via Zoom

To register for classes above call or text -  
(720) 339-7197 or email [sdavis@adsnart.com](mailto:sdavis@adsnart.com)

## Art Classes

### Classes at the Aar River Gallery

3707 W. 73rd Ave. Westminster, CO 80030  
Space is limited and you must pre-register and  
make a 50% deposit to hold your seat.  
Call 303-426-4114 or email  
[aarriver3707@gmail.com](mailto:aarriver3707@gmail.com)

#### Wine and Watercolor Classes

Jan. 14, Feb. 11, March 11 - 6 to 9:00 \$35 includes  
wine and all supplies. Call to reserve your seat. All  
levels welcome.

#### Jewelry Making Class

Feb. 7 - 1 to 4:00 \$30 We will make a bracelet or  
necklace and earrings. Bring your own supplies or  
supplies can be purchased in the Bead Store. List  
provided. Call to reserve your seat.

#### Handmade Valentines

Jan. 31 - 1:00 to 3:00 \$25 per class. Instructor:  
Becky Silver Have fun creating some unique  
valentine cards using paint and collage papers.  
Supplies included.

*"The day is an empty  
canvas, the shapes and  
colors are yours to  
choose."*

~Alex Noble

## Welcome New Members

Our club is growing! We now stand at 76 members. Shooting for a goal of 100 in 2026!

Please welcome our new members,  
who will undergo the jurying process  
in January:

McCall Warneke  
Margot Stone



# The Paletteers Art Club is an SCFD Organization

## What is the SCFD (Scientific and Cultural Facilities District)?

The SCFD is a seven-county tax district created within Colorado law, approved by Colorado's General Assembly, and renewed by voters multiple times over more than 30 years. Just one penny on every \$10 in sales and use tax collected goes to SCFD. This money is then given out annually to qualifying organizations in three ways:

- ◆ The metro area's largest cultural organizations – Denver Art Museum, Denver Botanic Gardens, Denver Center for the Performing Arts, Denver Museum of Nature & Science, and Denver Zoo – receive specific amounts determined by a funding formula set out in the SCFD statute.
- ◆ Regional organizations like the Arvada Center, Children's Museum of Denver, and Butterfly Pavilion, qualify by reaching certain budget and attendance thresholds. They receive funding through a second formula laid out in statute.
- ◆ Counties that participate in the SCFD also make decisions about how the tax is spent. Each county receives a share of the tax collected. County Cultural Councils then review applications for funding from eligible organizations (like the Paletteers Art Club) and make recommendations on their county's funding priorities. Those recommendations are then reviewed and approved by the board of county commissioners or city council and the SCFD Board of Directors.

## Who is included in the SCFD?

The seven-county Denver metro area including Adams, Arapahoe, Boulder, Broomfield, Denver, Douglas and Jefferson counties participate, with the exception of Castle Rock and Larkspur in Douglas County. The Paletteers Art Club is an Adams County organization. The Paletteers can apply for funding for 2 projects each year.

## What are County Cultural Councils?

County Cultural Councils are made up of residents of each SCFD county who volunteer to help the county chart its cultural future. The councils are appointed by the board of county commissioners or city council to review applications from organizations funded by the SCFD and recommend funding options for those organizations.

## How does it work?

The Paletteers can apply for funding for 2 projects each year. The SCFD will fund around 50% of the project costs. The grant requests are due in March for the funding for the following year. A Final Report on use of funds granted is due in February of the year after the funded year.



*"I would like to paint the way a bird sings."*  
~Claude Monet

## Financial News

Our checking account stands at \$9258.97  
We added \$2000 to our CD for a new balance of \$9280.14

The Fuse Box continues to go strong, selling a total of 40 pieces last month, including paintings, cards, and prints for a total of \$1255 in sales!