

# Fall Paint Around



Watch our 5 talented watercolor artists collaborate and create unique works of art. Each artist will paint on their own design for 15 minutes. Then the canvases will be passed to the artist on their right and they will paint for 10 minutes. The paintings are then passed again until the paintings come back to the original artist who then gets 10 minutes to complete it. We will then mat each piece of artwork.

During this time, attendees are encouraged to interact and ask questions of the artists. By purchasing raffle tickets, attendees have a chance to win a piece of artwork. There will be 5 lucky raffle tickets drawn. (Only 1 piece of artwork per raffle winner.) We will also be have additional raffle baskets filled with goodies and a bake sale.

Most of the proceeds from the raffles and bake sale will be going to Tara Elementary School for their Art Department.

## **Participating Local Artists**

*Diane Simon*  
*Nancy White*  
*Karalee Hammes*  
*Sue Lynn Cotton*  
*Gwen Kodad*

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*Arts*  
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## **Raffle Tickets**

*\$2 per ticket*  
*3 for \$5*  
*7 for \$10*

# Participating Artists

**Diane Simon** - started with ceramics and Tole Painting, but found her passion when introduced to watercolor in 2005. Diane teaches art in many places, as well as judges, and demonstrates. She is also a Signature Member of the Florida Watercolor Society, earned Master status with the Florida Suncoast Watercolor Society, is a Signature Member of Southern Watercolor and belongs to the American Watercolor Society. Diane holds classes in Kings Point, Sun City Center. She was accepted into the Watercolor Splash magazine 2023. Check her Facebook page for more information and see her art work. [www.facebook.com/dgswatercolor](https://www.facebook.com/dgswatercolor)



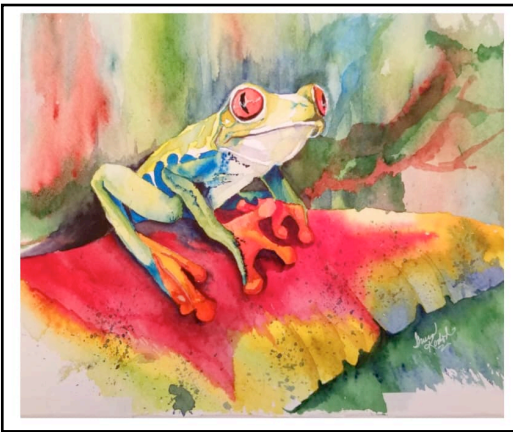
**Nancy White** - who has loved to draw since a teenager. She has tried several mediums and enjoys colored pencil and watercolor the most. She is the President and Event Planner for PAC and is a founding member of the Harrison Ranch Arts Guild. Nancy has had her colored pencil work published. You can see more of her artwork at <https://bluemms.wixsite.com/creativeartsonline>

**Karalee Hammes** - who, as a child, loved to turn a squiggle on paper into a picture. Since then, family members have inspired her as well as a high school teacher. She is self-taught and uses a variety of mediums including watercolor. In 2019, Karalee was selected to participate in Art Battle Sarasota. She is now teaching classes and participating in gallery competitions and art shows. You can see more of her work at <https://www.facebook.com/Graphicalreflections>



## Participating Artists - cont'

**Sue Lynn Cotton** - She has worked as a self-sustaining artist for 45 years. Sue took an illustration class and began drawing shoes and designing ads for shoe companies. Later, she included book design and illustration and then fine art without the help of an art degree. Sue has illustrations in books for 50 authors all over the world. She has become a prolific, award-winning, fine artist. Her paintings have been published in magazines and in collections around the world. Sue offers classes locally. Visit her website for times and locations and view more of her art go to [SueLynnCotton.com](http://SueLynnCotton.com)



**Gwen Kodad** lives in the Bradenton/Sarasota area, where she enjoys painting nature, whether plants, animals or landscapes. She especially enjoys the Gulf coast and its beautiful scenery. Although she grew up in Florida, she spent most of her adult life in the Charlotte, North Carolina area. She and her husband returned to East Manatee County in 2011. She is very happy to be back home and painting in this lovely area. Gwen has won several recent awards with her work featuring Florida's flora and fauna. Her work is displayed at various sites in the Bradenton/Sarasota area. She is a signature member of Florida

Watercolor Society and Florida Suncoast Watercolor Society. At the regional level, she is an active member of the Southern Watercolor Society, and an associate member of the American Watercolor Society.

**Community Project** - this year we are inviting the community to participate in painting. We will have a drawn out still life, that anyone can paint on. We will have all supplies. The community will be doing their own "paint around".

The Parrish Arts Council is a 501(3)c non-profit organization. We welcome all varieties of the arts and meet month to create, learn and share. Check us out at [www.parrishartscouncil.org](http://www.parrishartscouncil.org).



# ***Tara Elementary***

## ***Arts Program - Kevin Olson***

Donations that are raised from this event will help our art program at Tara Elementary get needed technology for digital art implementation in our art program. With increasing use of digital art forms in the world today, our program uses digital art integration at a very young age to help prepare our students for potential career paths in the arts that will require the use of digital media. We see technology as a tool for increasing student creativity and artistic expression while teaching artistic fundamentals in traditional media. Although we strongly believe in using traditional mediums to teach artistic principles, we also see the need to prepare students in the use of digital mediums that are used in careers including graphic design, interior design, and architecture to name a few. We will be using these funds to help acquire iPads and apple pencils that we will provide students an introduction in the use of digital art programs such as Procreate and Adobe Illustrator and Photoshop. Thank you for your donations, they are greatly appreciated by all of the students at Tara that will benefit for years to come.

Thank you,

Kevin Olson - Art Teach @ Tara Elementary School



# **THANK YOU!**

**Thank you to the Harrison Ranch for the generous and amazing space.**

**Thank you to all the artists and volunteers. You have given your time and/or supplies to help us provide this event.**

**The Paint Around program is very dear to us as art departments keep taking a hit with budgets. This program is one way we can help out.**