



West Michigan Decorative Artists

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Kathy Blough

If you would like a membership application, please contact Louise Hastings.

Holiday greetings to all,

I hope that everyone is staying safe and healthy during this difficult time. Christmas without family will be very hard for all of us. I hope you all have a blessed, and happy Christmas season in spite of all the restrictions.

Lynne has chosen some great projects for this upcoming year. Because of the restrictions, we will be offering our first three classes online via ZOOM for free to our WMDA membership.

Also, Village Painters is going virtual for the whole year offering 12 free ZOOM classes to their members. I will be sending more information about the classes they are offering soon. I know they are including the four projects shown on the inside cover of the Winter 2020 issue of the Decorative Painter magazine.

Please stay safe, and I hope to "see" you all online in March.

Your editor,
Louise Hastings



Because we had no meeting in November with no membership election voting, at our recent ZOOM Board meeting, the Board members all agreed to continue in our current positions through 2021. Anyone objecting will automatically be assigned a Board position with much rejoicing.



"May your troubles be less, your blessings be more, and nothing but happiness come through your door."

An Irish Blessing

January Birthdays



12th Judy Diephouse
19th Nancy Blaauw
25th Joan Schneider

February Birthdays



8th Nadine Miller
14th Jane Brinkman

Be sure to check out our Facebook pages:

WMDA: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/496185720421022/>
Feel free to post anything painting (project photos, classes) related there.

"Michigan Mixer, What Is Happening In Decorative Painting!"

See what is going on around the state:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/813088055449935/>

PayPal Option available

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www.hastingscountry.com/PayPal.html

New Member Incentive - First time visitors will not have to pay a class fee. They just need to get us a registration, so we can be sure to have packets and a head count for the paint-ins. They will still need to have brushes, surface and supplies, just like normal, but we want to get more folks to join us.

Belated & Upcoming Birthdays

November Birthdays



2nd Laura Madison
30th Jeanne Collick

My sincere apologies that you were neglected by a lack of Nov/Dec newsletter publication.

December Birthdays

The holidays are here.



16th Kathy Blough
17th Marcia Lengkeek
29th Jeanine Reimer

EDUCATION NEWS

Because of the Covid restrictions, the Board decided to hold our first three 2021 paint-ins on ZOOM. Grateful thanks to Kathy Blough for her expertise in setting these up. Also thanks to our teachers who are donating their time for this effort. These three classes will be offered for **FREE** to our WMDA membership. You will be responsible for your own surfaces, and project details will be emailed to you. **PLEASE REGISTER** so we know who is signing in, and you will be emailed the sign-in instructions.

2021 Schedule

Please save these dates on your calendar

January/February	No meetings
March 27 (ZOOM)	Judy Diephouse – Rosemaling – wooden plate - acrylics
April 17 (ZOOM)	Lynne Deptula – “Christmas in April” Pillow (new design) – fabric paints
May 15 (ZOOM)	Louise Hastings – “Blue Jay and Bittersweet” – colored pencil on drafting film* (Tina Sue Norris design - from Fall 2020 Decorative Painter)
June	No meeting
July 17	Kathy Blough – Amaryllis – Reverse Glass technique with oils – tentatively to be held at Springhill Suites on 28 th Street
August	No meeting
September 18	Nancy Blaauw – “Fall Pumpkin & Floral” on glass using enamel paints
October 16	Bonnie Phebus – “Bold and Beautiful” Graphite pencil design by Kathi Hanson
November 20	Lora Haberstroh – “Boo & Shoe” Quik Wood & Acrylics
December 4	Christmas Party

*optional

If you have any questions, please contact Lynne Deptula.

Please call, email, or text Louise Hastings to register for our three **FREE ZOOM** classes (see below)
jhastings1634@gmail.com (989)261-4337 (mobile number for calls or text)

Instructions on how to sign on to the classes and project details will be emailed after you register

Register for:

March 27	Judy Diephouse	Rosemaling Plate
April 17	Lynne Deptula	Christmas in April pillow
May 15	Louise Hastings	Blue Jay and Bittersweet colored pencil

Saturday, March 27, 10 am
Rosemaling Plate by Judy Diephouse



This is our first ZOOM class. You will be responsible for your own supplies and surface.

Surface: This wooden plate is 15 ½ available from Bear With Us #2497

<https://bearwithusinc.com/> (407) 347-5939

It retails for \$13. The center design could go on a 6" box with the rim design on the sides of the box.

Surface Prep:

Basecoat the surface with Natural Buff.

Supplies: Regular acrylic supplies,

Brushes: 18/0 Liner, #1 liner, #4 round, #4, #8, #1/2 inch flats

Paint list will be provided at a later date.

Saturday, April 17, 10 am
Christmas in April Pillow with Lynne Deptula – ZOOM class
Lynne will provide photo and details at a later date

Saturday, May 15, 10 am
“Blue Jay and Bittersweet” Colored pencil with Louise Hastings
This project is a Tina Norris design
featured in the Decorative Painter, Fall – 2020 – ZOOM class

This project is done on drafting film. I will also try to convert it to a light grey Mi-Teintes paper – available at Hobby Lobby & Blick’s. The drafting film required is 8 ½ x 11; (1) matte & gloss and (1) matte both sides.

Prismacolor pencils:

Black, Blue Slate, Burnt Ochre, Indanthrone Blue, Light Umber, True Blue, Warm Grey 30%, Yellow Ochre

In addition, Prismacolor Verithin pencils:

Black, Cool Grey 70%, Dark Brown, Light Cerulean Blue, Orange, Pumpkin Orange, Spanish Orange, Tuscan Red, Ultramarine Blue, Warm Grey 20%, White

Verithin pencils are much harder and hold a sharper point. Regular Prismacolor may be used, but you would need to keep them very, very sharp at all times. If using the drafting film, a Tombow Mono Zero Eraser (and waxed paper) are recommended. These supplies are available at Dick Blick <https://www.dickblick.com/>



Sneak Peek

2021 Upcoming Schedule:



July 17
Kathy Blough
Amaryllis using oils
Reverse glass technique
A Sherry Nelson design

September 18
Nancy Blaauw
“Fall Pumpkin and Floral” on glass
Using Enamel paints
A Tami Carmody design



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