



May 2023 • Celebrating Our 58th Year! • [www.CampbellArtistsGuild.org](http://www.CampbellArtistsGuild.org)



## President's Message

*"You might as well ask an artist to explain his art, or ask a poet to explain his poem. It defeats the purpose.*

*The meaning is only clear through the search."*

– Rick Riordan

Have you ever been asked to explain what your artwork means or have you asked another artist what their art depicts? If you're looking at realistic artwork, it may appear obvious. However, it deserves a second or third look. Perhaps you need to immerse yourself in it for some time. This is particularly true of abstractionism or surrealism. As in poetry, you may want to discover what emotion is brewing inside yourself as you ponder the art. Think Mona Lisa ... that smile. Multiple people will express different feelings about her smile. And Mark Rothko's color field paintings deserve significant time to dive into. One of the items on my Bucket List is to see one of Rothko's large paintings and just meditate in front of it. Being an abstract artist, I often have people tell me they "see" some image in my art. But I really want the viewer to "feel" something like when you hear music that brings out a memory or emotion; like when you're sitting with your eyes closed in nature – the breeze, the sounds, the smells. There is something so undeniably wonderful about art, poetry, literature, music. Sometimes we may experience the same emotion but it's still personal to all of us. The art "maker" has reached into our soul and made us part of their art. Art is not just about the artist but about the viewer/listener/reader, too.

I'm looking forward to watching Pat Jimenez, our May demonstrator, create and experience whatever emotions I feel from his art!

What a fun time we had during our April Guild Anniversary meeting. Many of us came home with new art supplies at very reasonable prices from our Silent Auction. I'm sure we'll do this again next year. Our Membership Chair (Barb) led us in a fun afternoon creating cartoon characters of fellow members.

We are really getting close to our 25th Annual Art Show in August. **Please note** that the deadline to sign up for the show and pay your entry fee is at May's membership meeting. We will also be having our Art Show Flyer Competition so don't forget to bring your prospective artwork. Only those who have signed up for the show may participate in this competition and, if your artwork is selected for the flyer, it must be entered in the Art Show. Our monthly competitions, Artist of the Month and Blue Ribbon Gallery, will continue.

Are you a May baby? Some artists who share your birthday this month:

May 11 – Salvador Dali

May 13 – Georges Braque

May 14 – Thomas Gainsborough

Looking forward to seeing you and your art at our May 27 meeting!

*Diann Klink • President*

# Competitions

An unprecedented event took place at our April 27 Membership Meeting. Multiple First-, Second-, and Third-Place awards were presented. Thank you to all our talented artists for participating in the April competitions for Artist of the Month (AOM) and Blue Ribbon Gallery (BRG). The first place ribbon recipient in Artist of the Month is now eligible to enter into the Blue Ribbon Gallery.



*Award Recipients from Left to Right:*

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| <b>First Place AOM</b>     | Diann Klink, <i>Divine Messengers</i>    |
| <b>Blue Ribbon Gallery</b> | Jude Tolley, <i>Pre-Pandemic Prom #2</i> |
| <b>Third Place AOM</b>     | Dave Eisbach, <i>Roman Forum</i>         |
| <b>First Place AOM</b>     | Pat Smith, <i>Summer River</i>           |
| <b>Third Place AOM</b>     | Cathy Down, <i>India Beauty</i>          |

## Competitions (cont.)



*From Left to Right AOM Competition:*

<b>Second Place</b>	Kay Higdon, <i>Winter Cactus</i>
<b>Second Place</b>	Faranik Sinai, <i>Africa</i>
<b>Third Place</b>	Kris Miller, <i>Van Ghost</i>
<b>Second Place</b>	Lynn Rogers, <i>Expressionist Dean</i>

# 25th Annual Art Show

Juror Paul Kratter



*Blast from the Past – Annual Art Show Exhibitors 2018*

## Important Dates & Deadlines

**May 27**

***Last Day to Register/Pay Exhibit Fee***

Annual Art Show Flyer Competition  
Wine Steward Sign Up  
Food Sign Up  
Door Prize Donations

**Monday, June 12**

**Deadline to submit art information to Show Chair via Email  
Check your email for instructions!**

**June 24**

**Last Day** to Submit Proxy Forms

**Last Day** to Sign Up for Food, Host Gallery, Wine Steward

**Deadline** to submit Door Prizes

**July 29**

Drop Off Art at Gallery • 11:30–noon

**August 5**

Opening Reception & Awards Presentation • 12:30–3:30 p.m.

11:30 a.m. – All exhibitors/proxies arrive to set up

2:00 p.m. – Awards Presentation with Juror Paul Kratter

3:30 p.m. – Reception Tear Down

**Sept. 9**

Pick Up Art • 11:30–noon



# Paul Kratter • Artist

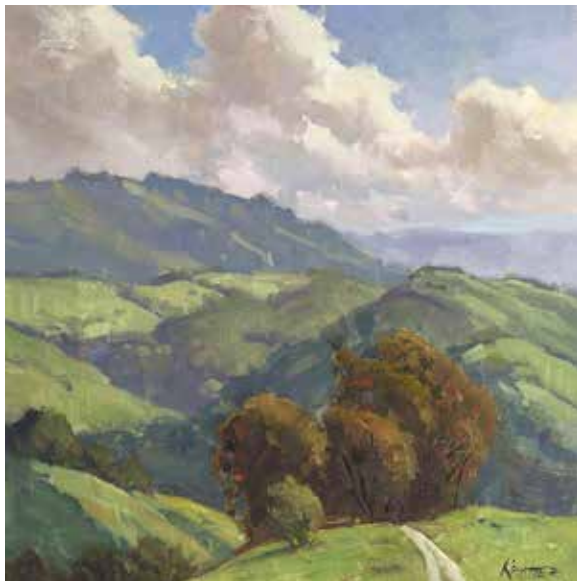
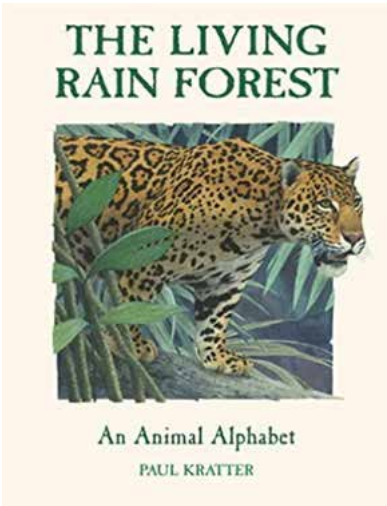
Our juror for our 25th Annual Art Show will be talented local artist Paul Kratter. The Guild is fortunate to have secured Paul and he will be on hand to present the awards and provide his comments on the awarded art on Saturday, August 5 @ 2:00 p.m.

Paul is a Bay Area native who attended the College of San Mateo where he received a degree in Graphic Arts; spent four years at Art Center College of Design in Pasadena; and graduated with a BA in Illustration.

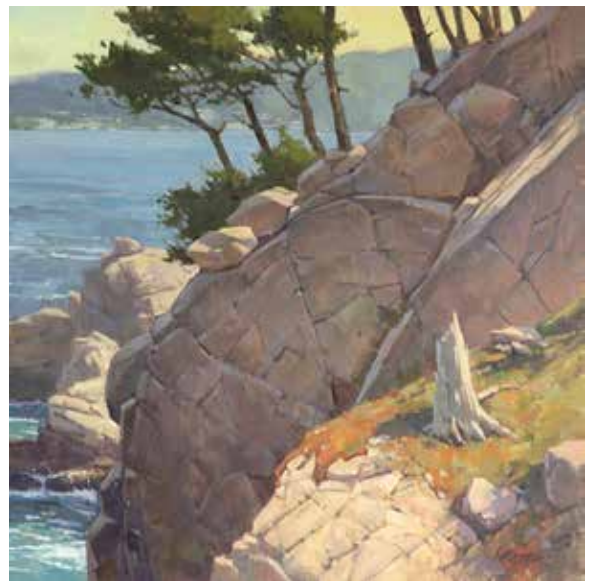
For the next 20 years, he freelanced as an illustrator in the advertising field concentrating on sports and wildlife subjects; worked for the National Football League and various baseball teams, The Nature Company, and for zoos, aquariums and museums.

He has illustrated a number of children's books most notably *The Living Rain Forests*, his ABC book which was awarded by the Communications Arts Annual in 2002 for his illustrations. Around this same time, he became interested in plein air and began creating works of the East Bay Hills near his home. His collection of plein air works began to show in galleries and plein air events.

His style changed almost overnight although his approach remained intact utilizing solid drawing skills and graphic shapes. Plein air painting has become his passion and he continues to participate in a number of annual plein air events throughout California and beyond as each has its own unique topography, light and challenges which force him to keep his work fresh and loose.



*After the Rain*



*Cliffside Dwellers*



# 2023 Calendar of Events

**Meeting facility opens at 12:30 p.m.**

Submit art for competitions from **12:30–12:50 p.m.**

Register your art directly with

Awards Chairs Elton Glover and Dave Eisbach at the speaker’s podium.

## May 27

- Monthly competitions continue
- **Art Show**
  - **Last Chance to Register & Pay Exhibit Fee**
  - Host Sign Up
  - Food Sign Up
  - Submit Proxy Form
  - Wine Steward Sign Up
  - Call for Door Prize Donations
  - Enter Art Show Flyer Competition  
(**proviso:** must be a registered and paid exhibitor to participate)
- **Demonstrator:** Pat Jimenez

## Monday, June 12

**Gallery Art Info Deadline to Art Show Chair via Email**

## June 24

- Monthly competitions continue
- **Art Show Deadline to sign up for:**
  - Host Gallery • Food • Wine Steward
  - Submit Proxy Form
  - Door Prize Donations
- **Demonstrator:**

## July 22

- Monthly competitions continue
- **Demonstrator:** Portrait Artist John Peck • <https://johnpeck.com>



**\$525 ...**

was the final tally raised from our Silent Auction held at our Saturday, April 27 Membership Meeting! Proceeds will directly fund the Guild’s liability insurance for 2024.

Thank you to everyone who participated in this fun benefit and we hope you enjoy your newly acquired art-related items!

## Art Show Flyer Competition

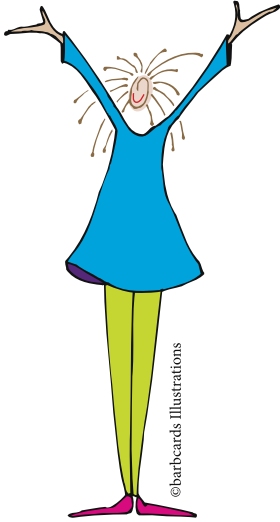
**Saturday • May 27 Membership Meeting**

A competition will be held and members and guests will vote on the art that will grace the flyer that will advertise the Annual Art Show.

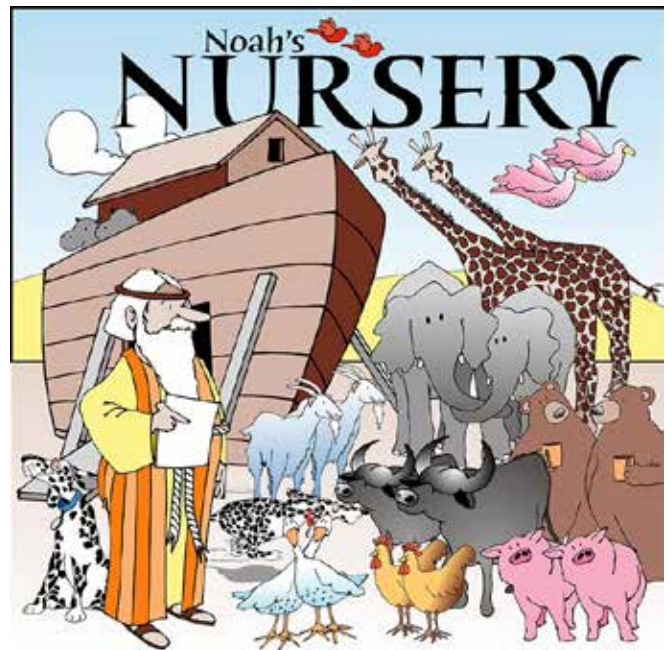
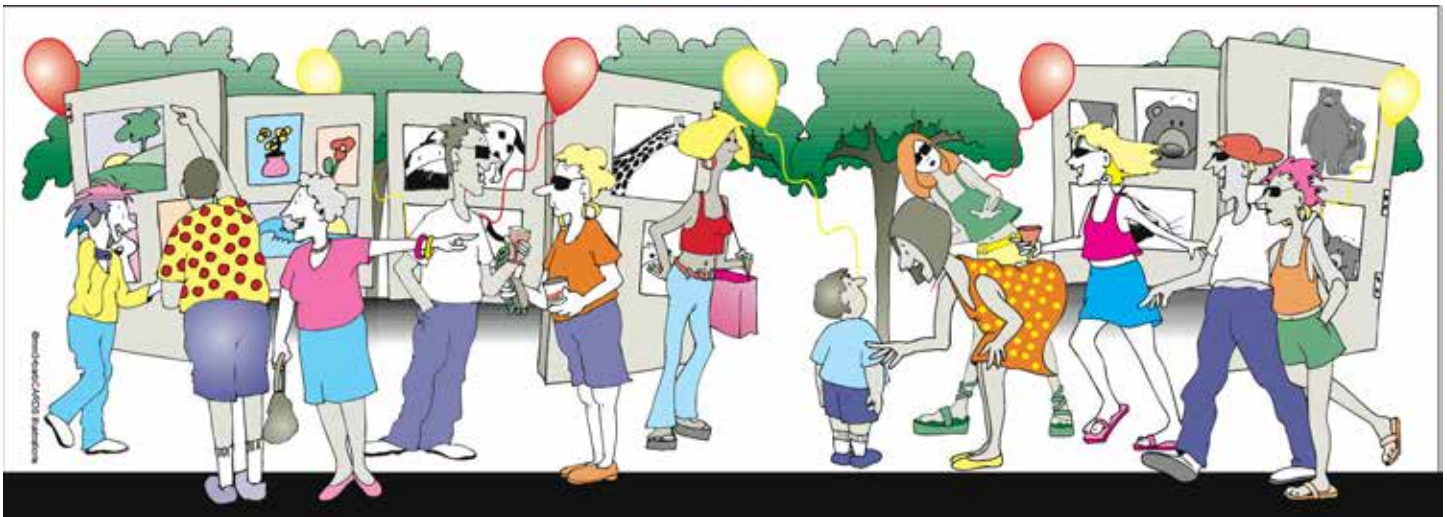
### **Provisos:**

- Artist must be a paid registrant in Show to compete.
- Bring your **best** original art created in the last five years.
- Art will be voted upon by members and guests.
- Winning art **must** be on exhibit for the duration of the Show.

Let's Cartoon!

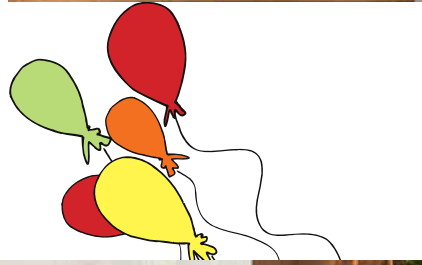


Guild Membership Chair Barb Overholt presented a fun hands-on experience at our April 22 Membership Meeting on how to create simple and fun cartoons. Attendees received a handout containing cartoon basics such as creating a head shape, adding eyes, noses, ears, hair, mouth, sunglasses and jewelry, and facial hair. Attendees were encouraged to create a cartoon of their neighbor sitting next to them; laughter abounded and a fun time was had by all.



# Guild Celebrates Its 58th Anniversary!

Saturday, April 22 marked the Guild's 58th anniversary. We celebrated with an abundance of tasty refreshments, anniversary cake, silent auction, cartoon demonstration, and our monthly competitions. A fun time was had by all who attended.

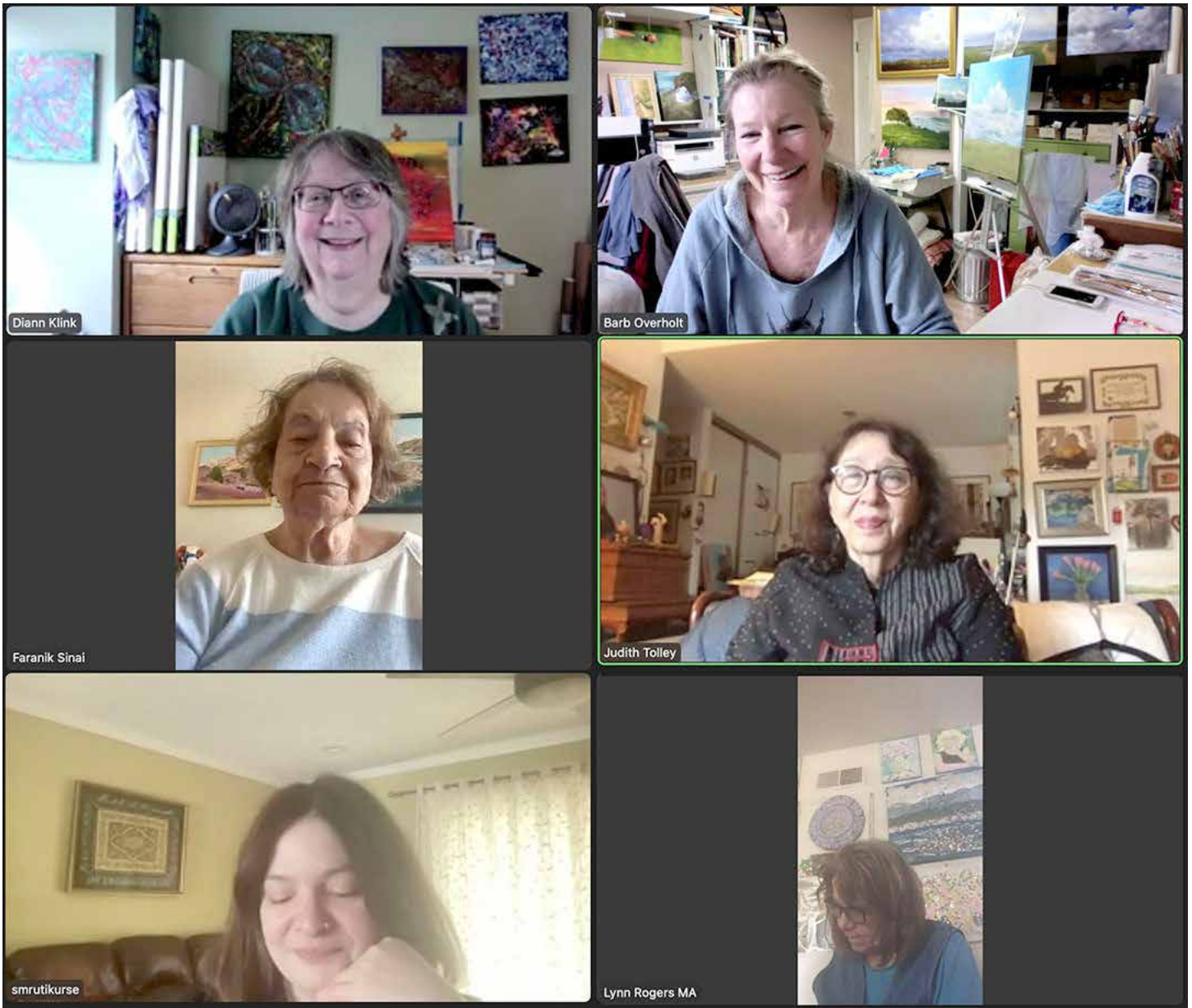




# Ongoing Paint-a-Day Group

The Paint-a-Day Group is a fun group which shares its art that was created Monday through Friday and then gets together on Zoom every Saturday afternoon. Some of us create a sketch every day, some of us have art that is in-progress. It's always a fun one-hour meeting to catch up with one another. Contact **Diann Klink** to be included in her Zoom invitation. We know you'll find that the time was well-spent! We hope you'll join us!

We welcomed Guild member Faranik Sinai to the group on May 6 at which time she shared one of her recent abstract acrylic pours.





# Executive Board Meeting Minutes

## May 12

The meeting was held via Zoom and called to order at 1:10 p.m. In attendance were: President Diann Klink, Vice President Marlene Bird, Treasurer Sharon La Bouff, Secretary Kris Rogers, Programs Chair Jennifer Glover, Membership/Annual Art Show Chair Barb Overholt.

### Membership Meetings

Board unanimously agreed to discontinue requiring Proof of Vaccination (POV) from attendees as Santa Clara County mandates have changed and masks are no longer required even in hospitals and clinics.

### Art Show Deadlines

#### May 27 Membership Meeting

Sharon to submit list of exhibitors to Show Chair

#### May 28-31

- Each member may enter one image in the flyer competition. Winning images must be in the show. Show Chair receives winning artists' high-quality images; designs flyer advertisement; sends to Guild Board for approval; approved flyer is sent to Triton's Vanessa Callanta for final approval. Barb believes that approval is likely required as an accuracy check and problems are not anticipated.
- June 12 New Absolute Deadline for Submitting Art from our Exhibitors, Hosting, Proxy Forms, Food, Wine Steward, Door Prizes, Gallery ID Info. The new deadline will be highlighted in several places in the May Brush and Palette newsletter.

#### June 24 Membership Meeting

Barb receives all sign-in sheets and proxies from Sharon.

**July 22 Membership Meeting** – Sharon has volunteered to stand in for Barb as Membership Chair.

### Programs Report

Upcoming Demonstrators: May • Pat Jimenez;  
June • no demonstrator yet; July • John Peck

### Treasurers Report

The silent auction raised \$525. The Board would like to have a Silent Auction once a year. There was discussion suggesting that estate sales may be a good venue for acquiring discount art supplies for the silent auction.

### Website Updates

- The Newsletters and Demonstrators for 2022 has been added
- Updated Bylaws are now available
- Recommendation to remove Board and Officer positions on the Contact Us • Forms since all inquiries are automatically sent to the Guild's Gmail account and then forwarded to the appropriate individual. The Board agreed.

### Barbs Website To-Do List for Lynna

#### May/June

- Barb to submit a new HOME Page image
- Submit 2023 Newsletters and Demonstrators
- Remove Board and Officer positions on Contact Us • Forms

#### September

- Submit Annual Art Show Awardee Photos
- Invitation and deadline for submitting art images for 2024 to those members not already participating in the Artists Gallery

#### October

- Reminder of invitation with deadline for submitting art images for 2024 to those members not already participating in the Artists Gallery

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Kris Rogers • Secretary*

# Online Instruction • Workshops • Competitions

## Competitions

- [www.LightSpaceTime.art](http://www.LightSpaceTime.art) – monthly online competitions.
- CaFÉ • <https://www.califorentry.org> – Signing up required to enter and participate in a variety of “Call to Artists.”
- <https://www.internationalartist.com> – bi-monthly magazine showcasing artists from around the world in digital or print formats; competitions, workshops, podcasts.

## Workshops • Courses • Instruction • Tutorials

- **YouTube.com** – has a wealth of how-to videos for every medium by experienced artists
- **Scottsdale Artists’ School** – <https://scotsdaleartschool.org>
- **www.OnlineArtLessons.com** – sign up for free art lessons in your email each week, free tutorials
- **The Virtual Instructor** – [www.thevirtualinstructor.com](http://www.thevirtualinstructor.com)
- **The Best Online Courses for 2022** – [www.creativeblog.com](http://www.creativeblog.com)
- **www.JerrysArtarama.com** – Free art instruction for a variety of mediums
- **<https://www.ArtistsNetwork.com>** – Free tutorials and lessons. Become a member and receive access to a variety of content: videos, newsletter, discounts, magazines, ebooks.