



# CLOVIS ART GUILD NEWS

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## GENERAL MEETINGS

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month
- 7:00PM – 9:00PM
- Clovis Veterans Memorial District (808 4<sup>th</sup> St., Clovis, Patriot Room)
- Membership dues \$30/year
- Guest is \$5 per meeting
- **Next meeting August 9, 2023**
- *No meetings November thru January*

## BOARD MEETINGS

- 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month
- 4:30PM – 7:30PM
- Denny's (Shaw & Willow)
- *Next meeting August 2, 2023*

## ART HOP

- 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month (Downtown & Tower District)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month (Metropolitan Fresno Area)
- 5:00PM – 8:00PM

## **Featured Artist**

August: Deanna Bristow  
September: Elizabeth Davitian  
October: Jackie McCoy

## **Art Demonstration**

August: Shannon Grissom  
September: Paul Buxman  
October: Lola Nelson

## New Art Venue in Clovis

The inaugural art exhibit at Clovis' new art venue located at 1030 Gettysburg Ave. #103 was a great success. It was such a success that more events are in the works. Coming soon will be "Sip & Paint" nights. Dates and times will be announced soon.

## **JUST SAYIN'**

*A solo exhibit by Avo Atoian*

Thank you to those who were available to attend the exhibit. I was fortunate to see many of our Guild members in attendance. If you missed it, no worries, I will hold my next solo art exhibit in October at Scarab Gallery located at 729 East Divisadero St., Fresno, 93721.





## August Demonstrator – Shannon Grissom

### Artist Statement

My mission is to give your soul a hug. Whether I paint a traditional portrait or a band of sock monkeys, my work has always contained a spiritual component. It's not enough for me to get a likeness. I won't stop until the subject's spirit leaps off the canvas and positively speaks to you.

### Background

I was a late bloomer. I didn't discover painting until I was 33! However, I was hooked and driven once I realized I wanted to be a professional artist. I'd get up early each day to paint for a few hours before the start of my day job. This demanding schedule was worth the effort. By 1999, I left my day job and began to create art as a full-time business. And thus began the amazing ride...

At 44, I began production of the television series, *Give Your Walls Some Soul*. The inspirational how-to painting show grew from an audience of one station to over 50 stations across the country. It was seen in over 10 million households, winning numerous awards. It is still airing today.

At 46, I published my children's book *Monkey Made of Sockies*. From that book came a line of licensed merchandise, a coloring book, and the popular *Monkey Made of Sockies* golf club headcovers carried on tour by several LPGA pros.

Today I am an award-winning artist, television producer/host, author, and songwriter. My artwork is licensed and sold globally. My latest project, the [Sock Monkey Oracle](#), is a joyful marriage of my painting, writing, and spiritual life.



**Pick of the Month Winners for July**

**Jim Morris**

**Brad Davis**



*Friendly Reminder: Please bring in your artwork for the month of August.*

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The July demonstration provided by Diane Breuer was a great success. It was well attended and focused on the use of pastels.





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## New Member

We extend a warm welcome to new member: Lynn Hork Napoli

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## CAG Board of Directors

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Mail \$30 membership fee to:

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