MID-DEL ART / GVILD



NEWSFLASH

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Sept/Oct 2025 Newsflash

Meetings:

First Monday each month (except Sept.) From 6:30 to 8:45 pm. In-person.

MIDWEST CITY LIBRARY Auditorium 8143 E. Reno Ave. (East of Midwest Blvd), OKC 73110 (behind the Fire Station)



William Lentz

"What is Urban Sketching?"
The Benefit and Art of Pocket Watercolors
6:30PM October 6, 2025, at Midwest City Library

William Lentz has studied watercolor with such artists as Bill Bissell, Jim Pourtorkin, and Christopher Schink.



He attended the international Urban Sketcher Symposium and workshop in 2017 in Chicago. There he met sketchers and instructors from all over the

globe. He can often be seen sketching on location with the Oklahoma City Urban Sketchers

and is one of the administrators of the local chapter of Urban Sketchers. His Urban



Sketches along Route 66 were recently on display in the Tulsa Urban Sketching

show located at the Tulsa Community College Center for Creativity this past August. He has conducted multiple watercolor workshops for beginners and actively teaches watercolor and sketching classes at Health Living

OKC and the Edmond Fine Arts Institute. He has also conducted demonstrations at the Oklahoma Art Guild, the MAPS Senior Health and Wellness Center, and

others.

William will do a presentation about supplies and equipment for sketching on location, followed by a short demo.



Then he will ask the audience to do a short exercise in their own sketchbooks.

NOTE: Please **bring** a sketchbook **and** a few pencils, or pens, colored pencils, or a pocket

watercolor pallet and water brush.





meeting workshop. That included the stones, wire, handouts, and tools for MDAG members and guests to create at least one "Wire Wrapped Stone Sculpture". These sculptures can be worn as a pendant or hung as part of a mobile.

Kari individually collected the stones along Lake Superior's

shores over the last two decades on her many trips there. She suggested we pick stones with a pointed end to more easily wrap a triangle shape on



Thank You to Keri Boyce

Kari Boyce provided everything free for this general

each

side. Round

to wrap. The

soft colored

wire was

shape and

hand. Tools

like flat nose

and round

pliers and a

toothless

pencil or

easy to

wrap by

and oval stones are the hardest



narrow stylus were used to create the bail which the chain is slipped



through, add decorative flourishes, and to tighten the wires to prevent the stones from falling out or catching on clothing. Simply twisting the loose wrapped wire with a flat nose tool was such a fun experience. It created what

are called

"lightning bolts", zig zags in the previously straight wire to take out the slack. Kari shared how we can avoid paying big bucks for high-quality



stainless-steel wire that is typically thrown away. She said to strip the wire from used windshield wiper blades! Can't wait to see that done. Also can't wait to get to know Kari better. She joined that night, so she is our newest guild member.



MDAG at the Oklahoma State Fair Sept 15





The Oklahoma State Fair again invited artists from Mid-Del Art Guild to



paint in a nice air-conditioned building at the State Fair on the first Monday of the fair, and we had lots

of visitors and enquiries about the Guild. We made a coloring banner for fairgoers to do their own creations, and Marilyn showed quite a crowd of people how to paint a feather of their own.

Thank you to the following artists who spent at least some of their day sharing their love of art



with the public:

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Cindy Van Kley









MDAG at MidAmerica Street Fest in Midwest City Sept 27

Artists from Mid-Del Art Guild spent the afternoon in the park enjoying great music and an exciting atmosphere while

spreading the news about our Guild and giving children and some adults the chance to try their hand at combining



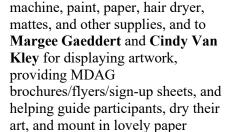




colors in a SPIN
PAINTING. Thirteen
individuals signed up
for our Email list at
the Street Fest. Many
thanks to **Kara Gardner** for
providing the spin art







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(all events shown are in the MWC Library Auditorium, unless noted otherwise)

Oct. 6 — 6:30 PM – Monthly Meeting: Urban Sketcher William Lentz, guest artist; and OFFICERS NOMINATION

Nov. 3 — 6:30 PM — Monthly Meeting: Sarah Russell Morphew, guest artist

Dec. 1 — 6:30 PM — Annual Holiday Party/Dinner at Olive Garden on SE 15th east of Sooner Road

LOCAL ARTIST OPPORTUNITIES

Lost and Found Art project: Make small paintings, put our special label on back, seal in plastic bag and "hide" in public place. Labels will be provided at the meeting. You choose or make some paintings or drawings to "Lose on Purpose" to promote your art as well as to promote the Guild.



Hangin' Around Town (HAT) — Sandra Patterson, chair 405/822-2885

back table. The following months are scheduled:

Hangin' Around Town

1st National Bank Del City: Joan Faught Aug/Sep Marilyn Ragan Oct/Nov

Lyuda Cameron Dec/Jan

Anthony's Appliance:
OPEN Aug/Sept
Candis Fredericksen Oct/Nov

Marks Pharmacy:
Dana Masters Aug/Sep
Cindy Van Kley Oct/Nov

OPEN Dec/Jan

Midwest Dental:

Lyuda Cameron Aug/Sep Suzanne Henthorne Oct/Nov Cindy Van Kley Dec/Jan Pet Vet on SE 15th & Key Blvd.: Candis Fredericksen Aug/Sep OPEN Oct/Nov

Be sure to sign up at the next MDAG meeting to show your work at businesses in the area. *Hangin' Around Town is a great opportunity to show your art (and free up some space in your house for two months at a time).* Signup sheets will be on the

Please Call Sandra Patterson with your tips for new locations! 405/822-2885

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MDAG Officer and Appointed Position Nominees for 2026:

Executive Board:

President - Margee Gaeddert

1st VP Program Chair – __

2st VP Show Chair – Lyuda Cameron

Treasurer – Kara Gardner

Secretary – Sandra Sanchez

Member at Large – Ron Morgan

Newsletter - Cindy Van Kley

Appointed Positions:

Parliamentarian – Joan Faught
Hospitality – Karen Dickerson
Hang Around Town – Sandra Patterson
Greeter/art competition – Dana Masters /Elizabeth Painchaud
Webmaster – Margee Gaeddert
Social Media - Marilyn Ragan

Refreshments Volunteers

All members are requested to sign up to bring some refreshments at least one month per year. If everyone takes one turn per year, 3 or 4 people each month, there will be plenty of refreshments and no one person will have to bring more than one or two items. See below who has volunteered so far for upcoming meetings, and if you see a month that needs more volunteers, please call

Karen Dickerson 405-640-3154 and volunteer.

October 6th – Nan Trosper, Isabella, Jan Royce November 3rd – Candis Fredericksen, Jude Delany

December 1st - (Christmas Party)



Members' Choice Competition

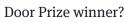
Each month MDAG members have the opportunity to enter their work for voting by the members and by that month's guest artist. Congratulations to our ribbon winners! *Don't forget to bring a piece of art to the next meeting!*

NOTE: Those who won a Member's Choice ribbon in the previous month are not eligible for a Member's Choice ribbon this month, but may enter for a chance at the Judge's Choice ribbon. Instead of a

number, they need to choose one of the "not eligible for member's choice" signs to put by their painting.

August 2025 Winners

Judge's Choice	Katy Hall	"In the Trees"	?
1st Place	Glenda Mullins	"Grapes in a Wine Glass"	?
2 nd Place	Cheryl Hudson	"European City Scape"	?
3 rd Place	Candis Fredericksen	"Pretty in Pink"	?





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Become a MDAG Member

Please introduce yourselves to any new faces you see at the meetings and make them feel like part of the family. If YOU have not yet joined, please take a moment now to fill out the membership form below and send it in with your check, or bring it to the next meeting. The member year runs January 1 through December 31. We want to see you and share our passion for art together. Join or renew your membership. Dues for single memberships paid after January will be prorated at \$3 per month for the remaining months of the member year.

Consider car-pooling to the meetings. ART is more fun TOGETHER. Sign up to share a ride at the next meeting!

Join Mid-Del Art Guild				
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Make check	s payable to: Mid-	Del Art Guild		
Mail to: K	ara Gardner, Treas	s. • PO Box 10	393 • Midwest Cit	y, OK 73140
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Coloring Book Project: Project Chairman Marilyn Ragan hopes you will submit your **black and white line drawings** 8x10 on any Oklahoma Topics very soon so we can get this Mid-Del Art Guild Coloring Book project going.

Suggested topics:

State Symbols:

- Flag: The Oklahoma state flag features an Osage warrior's shield on a blue background, with an olive branch and a calumet (peace pipe) crossed in front. Seven eagle feathers decorate the shield.
- Bird: The scissor-tailed flycatcher is the official state bird.
- Animal: The bison is the official state animal.
- Wildflower: The Indian blanket (Gaillardia pulchella) is the official state wildflower.
- Flower: The Oklahoma rose is the state flower.
- Tree: The redbud is the state tree.

- Rock: Rose rock is the Oklahoma state rock.
- Musical Instrument: The fiddle is the state musical instrument.
- · Grass: Indian grass is Oklahoma's state grass.
- Reptile: The Mountain Boomer or collared lizard is the state reptile.

Other Symbols and Identity Elements:

- State Colors: Blue and Gold are the state colors.
- State Motto: "Labor Omnia Vicit" (Labor conquers all things).
- State Song: "Oklahoma, My Native Land".

- State Cartoon Character: Gusty.
- State Caricature Artist: The Okie Artist.
- State Butterfly: Black Swallowtail Butterfly.
- State Amphibian: Bullfrog.
- State Children's Song: "Oklahoma, My Native Land".
- State Monument: The 76-foot-tall (23 m) Golden Driller.
- State Insect: Honeybee.

Places:

POPs and Round Barn in Arcadia, UCO Clock Tower, OCU Star building, Devon Tower, Scissortail Park and Bridge, Myriad Gardens,

Museum, State Capitol, Quartz Mountain Lodge, Tulsa "Driller", Greenwood District, The Gathering Place park, "World's Largest Peanut" in Durant, cotton fields, Talimena Scenic Byway, Chickasaw National Recreation Area, Washita Battlefield National Historic Site, Oklahoma City National Memorial & Museum, Wichita Mountains Wildlife Refuge, Medicine Park, Guthrie Historic District, Paseo District, Honey Springs Battlefield, Fort Gibson Historic Site, Cherokee National Capitol Bldg, First Americans Museum, OKANA, Turner Falls, Natural Falls State Park, Keystone Dam, Lake Eufaula Lotawata Bridge, Ft. Reno, Price Tower in Bartlesville, Sequoyah's Cabin in Sallisaw, USS Batfish at the Muskogee War Memorial Park, Spiro Mounds, Oklahoma Land Run sculpture in Bricktown, and many, many more!

National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum, OKC Zoo, Science

Cindy Van Kley, Newsletter Editor