



PURIFICATION OF THE HEART

An Exhibition Showcasing Artwork Created by
2020 Shemer Honors Honoree Beth Ames Swartz

NOVEMBER 4, 2020 - FEBRUARY 18, 2021



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JANUARY ART HISTORY LECTURE!

**Thursday,
January 21, 2021
5:30 - 7:00 p.m.**



**DUTCH BAROQUE
PAINTING IN THE
GOLDEN AGE OF
DUTCH POWER AND
PROSPERITY:
FRANS HALS AND JAN
VERMEER**

**Presented by
Eleanor Sypher, PhD**

January 2021

Greetings!

HAPPY NEW YEAR! Here's to 2021 and a new year full of energy, excitement and anticipation!

We are so pleased to be kicking off our new art **classes** this week. In fact we are already on Day 2, and by the end of today, we will have already held five in-person adult classes, one VIRTUAL adult class, and one in-person After-School Art class for kids!

We have many new and creative options in the works for everyone at Shemer this year, like a Watercolor Open Studio class, a Printmaking Basics class, more fiber art classes and **workshops**, and hopefully some fused glass and jewelry-making classes! Of course on the weekends we will continue to offer exciting visual art classes and workshops for both adults and children (ages 6-18). We will still have our in-person Wine & Watercolor class one evening each month, AND we are now offering a VIRTUAL Wine & Watercolor class that, ironically, starts at 4 p.m.!

This year we will also continue our Art History **lectures**, presented by Eleanor Sypher, and our **Artist Cafes**, starting with a ceramics panel discussion in March. And this month, as we have done for over 30 years, we will once again feature the top two student artists from over 30 high schools across the Valley in our New Horizons High School Student Art Exhibition! In fact two **exhibitions** will be on display in January, as we continue to share works by Beth Ames Swartz in *Purification of the Heart*, through February 18!

Last, but not least, we are currently planning the unique ways in which we will hold our upcoming **events**, including our New Horizons High School Student Art Exhibition Awards Ceremony in January, our Furry Friends Fine Arts Festival in February, and our Art in the Garden event and Sparkling Tea in April!

So make plans now to come by the Shemer Art Center for an art **class, workshop, lecture** or **artist cafe!** Come to view our **exhibitions** or prepare now for one of our upcoming **events!** Or come by simply to browse our **Gift Shop** or **Sculpture Garden!**

We look forward to seeing you and sharing with you the joy of a new year at the Shemer Art Center!

Fans Hals
(1582/83-1666) of
Haarlem developed his
skills exclusively as a
portraitist, with flowing
and sure brushwork,
capturing momentary
expressions and poses
that reveal the
character of the sitter.
His loose brushwork
predicts that of
Impressionism, and his
posthumous students
include both Courbet
and Manet.

A \$10 contribution is
requested to attend the
presentation and enjoy
the provided beverages
and hors d'oeuvres.

Click [HERE](#) to reserve
your seat!

ARTIST CAFE!



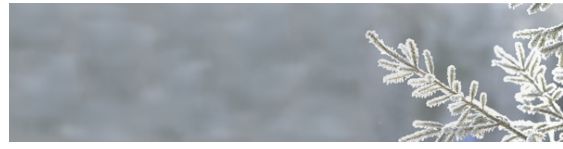
**CLAY TODAY -
ARIZONA ARTIST
PERSPECTIVES**
with Sandy Blain,
Don Ridley &
Esmeralda Delaney

**Thursday, March 11
5:30 - 7:00 pm**

Join us as three notable
Arizona ceramicists
speak about current
trends in ceramics. Each
artist will discuss their
own artwork and
processes, how the
current trends are
influencing their practice
and answer questions in
the Q&A portion.
Attendees will have the
chance to view and
purchase artwork from
the ceramicists as well as
view Clay Today, the
exhibition featured in the
galleries at the time of
the Artist Cafe.

Join us for this fun and
educational event!

**Seating is Limited! To
sign up click [HERE!](#)**



CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

**REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR THESE
VIRTUAL, IN-PERSON AND HYBRID
CLASSES AND WORKSHOPS:**

ADULT CLASSES

Beginning & Intermediate Pottery with Alan Jones, Mondays, February 22 - April 5, 1 - 4 pm

Intermediate & Advanced Pottery with Alan Jones, Mondays, February 22 - April 5, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Mixed Media and Collage with Sue Hunter, Tuesdays, Feb 23 - April 6, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Virtual Class! Drawing Basics w/ Elliott Everson, Tuesdays, Feb 23 - Apr 6, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Virtual Class! Colored Pencil Techniques with Elliott Everson, Tuesdays, Feb. 23 - Apr 6, 1-4 pm

Virtual Class! Building a Body of Work in Ceramics w/ Danielle Wood, Feb 23 - Apr 6, 1-4 pm

HYBRID! Open Studio Painting with Sue Hunter, Wednesdays, Feb 24 - Apr 7, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Printmaking: Silkscreen & Intaglio Printing with Larry Nisula, Wednesdays, Feb 24 - Apr 7, 1-4 pm

HYBRID! Oil/Acrylic Open Studio w/ Sue Hunter, Feb 25 - Apr 8, Thursdays, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS:

Wine and Watercolor with John Erwin, Thursday, January 14 from 6 - 8 pm

Acrylic Pour with Bela Fidel, Thursday, January 14 from 1 - 4 pm

Whimsical Ceramic Vases with Kimberly Harris, Saturday, Jan. 16 & 23 from 10 am - 2 pm

Virtual Class! Wine and Watercolor with John Erwin, Thursday, January 28 from 4 - 6 pm

Marbling & Collage on Rice Paper with Pam Root & Candice Diaz, Saturday, Jan 30 from 10 am - 2 pm

Mixed Media with Bela Fidel, Thursday, February 18 from 10 am - 4 pm

**For more details about any of our
upcoming virtual, in-studio or hybrid classes or
workshops click [HERE!](#)**

**LAST CHANCE THIS THURSDAY
TO VISIT RECLAIMED EXHIBITION**

**THIS THURSDAY, JANUARY 7TH
is the last chance to view
and shop**

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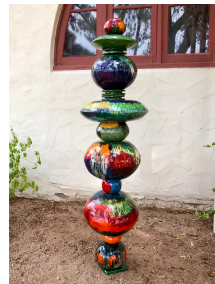
**NEW IN THE
SCULPTURE GARDEN!**



Box Kite
Artist: Peter Deise



Fancy
Artist: Janet Orr



Joy
Artist: Janet Orr

To see more sculptures,
one perfect for your
yard, click [HERE!](#)

**JANUARY
MEMBERSHIPS NOW
DUE!**



**ARE YOU A MEMBER
OF THE
SHEMER ART CENTER?**

If you became a member
of the Shemer Art Center
at anytime before
JANUARY 2021, now is a
great time to renew your
membership and show
your support of the
Shemer!

Click [HERE](#) to choose a
membership level. If you
are not sure of your
current membership



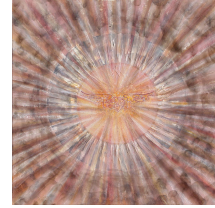
La Familia
Humanadad by
Jimmy Descant

This exhibition, juried by
Phoenix-based artist
Kristine Kollasch, features
40 Arizona artists and over
60 works of art created
from upcycled materials.

**Also
still on display:**

PURIFICATION OF THE HEART

An exhibition featuring the
unique works of art created
by Arizona-based,
mixed-media artist
Beth Ames Swartz,
our 2020 Shemer Honors
honoree!



Tughra #3
by Beth Ames Swartz

Now on Display:

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**COMING SOON:
2021 NEW HORIZONS HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT
ART EXHIBITION**

An exhibition featuring the works of art created by high-school
students from over 30 high schools across the Valley.

**FILL YOUR YEAR
WITH ART!**

VISIT OUR GIFT SHOP!

Tuesday-Saturday
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.



*In the
Gift
Shop*

Artist,
Esmeralda
Delaney

Small
Ceramics

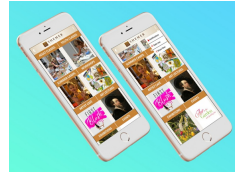
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level, give us a call! We will check for you!

Your membership helps us provide visual art programming and events for the community. Thank You!

SHEMER ART CENTER APP!



REMINDER!

The Shemer Art Center has launched an all-new mobile app designed for our most important audience: YOU!

If you haven't already, be sure to download the new Shemer Art Center app to your cell phone!

The new app offers a unique way to interface and instantly connect to the Shemer, from the palm of your hand!

Download Today!



Artist, Gedion Nyanhongo

Stone Sculpture

\$160 - \$400

Artist, Stephen Bunyard

Porcelain Ceramic

\$120



THANK YOU!

I am so pleased to share with you our January newsletter and start this year with a great team here at the Shemer (Andie, Anne, Kate, Kathy, Amina & Carola) who all helped us make 2020 a success! We would not be starting this year in such a strong position without them, as well as our board members (THANK YOU!), our instructors (who are amazing!), our students (who are the best!), our volunteers (who we could not do without!), our Summer Camp parents (who trusted us!), our artists (here's to you!), our visitors (thank you for visiting and for all of your purchases!), and all of the companies, vendors and organizations we worked with in 2020! **THANK YOU TO EVERYONE** who supported the Shemer Art Center last year! What's next? Bring on 2021!

Sincerely,

Shonna James, President & Executive Director