



# SHEMER art center

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**ARCHITECTURAL SPACES**  
An exhibition juried by Mary Lucking, featuring artwork showcasing the architecture around us, inspired by the built and designed world.  
**AUGUST 30 - OCTOBER 26, 2023**



## September | October 2023

### QUICK GLANCE What's Coming Up at Shemer?



**Sept. 21 | 5:30 - 7 pm**  
**Art History Lecture**  
Gustav Klimt

**Oct. 5 | 5:30 - 7 pm**  
**Artist Cafe**  
*Crusade to Heal America*  
*- The Remarkable Life of*  
*Mary Lasker*  
by Judith L. Pearson

Welcome to September! They say when "Fall is in the air" and the temperatures begin to cool in the desert that is when the activities begin to rise. Well at the Shemer Art Center things are definitely on the rise and we could not be busier!

Just two months away from our annual Shemer Arizona Arts Festival and Shemer Honors events, we just opened two new exhibitions that will be on display through the end of October (more details below), and we are preparing to host several large groups for hospitality events and venue rentals at our property. We will also hold, for the first time, an all-day Public Art Forum on October 20th, in partnership with the City of Phoenix Office of Arts & Culture and the Parks & Recreation Department.

Last week we kicked off 15 new classes, and we now have a new Family Fun Night offering, two art lecture series underway, plus an Artist Cafe coming soon! We also have added five new sculptures to our grounds and are currently reviewing artist submissions for our gift shop.

Our goal is to continue to support and showcase our Arizona artists, and we would like to thank the 150 artists, family and friends who attended our Artist Reception last week. We have kicked off *Saturdays at Shemer* with sweet treats from local partners like Little O's, which we featured last week, and we are preparing for the first of two Autumn volunteer orientations to

**Oct. 19 | 5:30 - 7 pm**  
**Art History Lecture**  
**Italian Renaissance**

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**Oct. 20 | 8:30 am - 5 pm**  
**Public Art Forum**

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**Nov. 4 & 5 | 10 am - 4 pm**  
**Shemer Arizona**  
**Arts Festival**

be held this Saturday.

If you have not been by the Shemer Art Center for a while, we invite you to stop by, see what's new, check out our remodeled gift shop, and ask about the status of our Expansion & Legacy Campaign! Every day we are identifying new opportunities to introduce the Shemer to first-time visitors and nearby businesses who can assist us in our quest to grow and further serve the community.

We also invite you to become a member. Your support allows us to continue offering high-quality art education taught by professional artists, and provide opportunities for all emerging, mid-career and established artists to share their talents and journeys. We are dedicated to continuing the legacy of Martha Shemer and her desire that we serve as a gathering place for the community. Stop by and see how our comfortable and inspiring setting can add new purpose, skills and art to your life!

## **NEW EXHIBITIONS!**



### ***Architectural Spaces***

An exhibition of 29 Arizona artists, juried by Mary Lucking, featuring artwork showcasing the architecture around us, inspired by the built and designed world.

#### **Featured Artists:**

Betsy Aguirre, Gilat Ben-Dor, Michael Bischof, Barbara Clements, Diana Creighton, Penny Ann Dolin, Marion Droge, John Erwin, Stella & Olivia Frasca, Peter Fredlake, Denis Gillingwater, Debra Goley, Ray Goodrow, Melanie Harman, Sue Hunter, Bill Keffler, Barbara Kemp Cowlin, John Kitts, Karl Lairtus, Amy Newton-McConnel, Barry Oleksak, Ronald Peters, Joanna Proffitt, Judith Rothenstein-Putzer, Shelley Rothgeb, Alice L Slack, Agustin Vargas, Annie Waters, Cassie Wiegmann

**AND**



***The Complexities of  
Contemporary Phoenix***  
by Fred Ullrich

A solo exhibition of artwork created by Fred Ullrich featuring black and white photography highlighting unique architecture in Phoenix.

**On Display**  
**August 30 - October 26, 2023**

**Call to Artists!**

Coming Up Next:

**Big Ideas! Small Works**



*“Mirage #10”* by Sandra Luehrsen

**Exhibition Entries**  
**due October 6 by 5 pm!**

*Artwork that is no larger than 12” in any direction  
created in any medium.*

To be juried by Sandra Luehrsen

**On Display**  
**November 1 – January 4, 2023**

**Click here to  
apply!**

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**



**Friday, October 20, 2023**

A public art education forum to be held at the Shemer Art Center in partnership with the City of Phoenix Office of Arts and Culture and the Parks and Recreation Department.

This forum will provide an educational and networking opportunity for all Arizona artists engaged in public art, and for those who want to be! A strong line-up of speakers, including Arizona public artists, fabricators and arts administrators from across the state, will make this an exciting and informational day you won't want to miss!

**Register Today!**



**Saturday and Sunday, November 4 & 5, 2023**  
**10 am – 4 pm**

**ARTIST ENTRIES DUE**

**SEPTEMBER 22, by 5 p.m.!**

Each year this two-day event kicks-off holiday shopping with more than 40 artists specially selected from all across Arizona showcasing one-of-a-kind works, plus artist demonstrations! There will be an interactive \$5 Art Zone, live music, food & beverage vendors, and a silent auction!

Sign up today to be one of the featured, selling artists at this annual event!

[Click here to apply!](#)

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## SHEMER HONORS *Ed Mell*



**Friday, November 17, 2023 | 6 – 10 p.m.**

Each year the Shemer Art Center recognizes ONE Arizona artist who has achieved great success in his or her career and made an impact within the state. This year the Shemer Art Center is pleased to honor the career of Arizona artist Ed Mell.

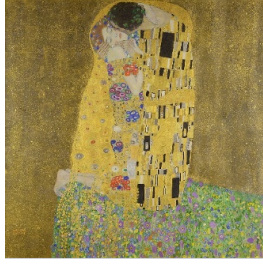
An exhibition of his work, including some never-seen-before works of art, will be on display November 1, 2023 through January 4, 2024. A dinner gala with Honorary Chair Bob Boze Bell will be held at the Shemer Art Center Friday, November 17, from 6 – 10 p.m.

[For Tickets and Event Sponsorships Click Here!](#)

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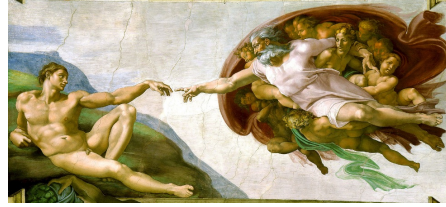
## UPCOMING LECTURES

**Art History Lectures with Eleanor Sypher**



**Gustav Klimt  
1862 - 1918**

Thursday, September 21, 2023  
5:30 - 7:30



**Italian Renaissance  
1862 - 1918**

Thursday, October 19, 2023  
5:30 - 7:30

[Learn More!](#)

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**Frank Lloyd Wright Lecture Series  
with Tony Lickteig**



**Part One  
The Life and Career  
of Frank Lloyd  
Wright**  
Wednesday, October 4  
5:30 - 7:00



**Part Two  
Taliesin West**  
Thursday, October 18  
5:30 - 6:30



**Part Three  
The Legacy of Frank  
Lloyd Wright**  
Thursday, September 21,  
2023  
5:30 - 7:30

[Register Today!](#)

**UPCOMING  
WORKSHOPS!**



**Silk Painting:**

**REGISTRATION NOW OPEN  
FOR THESE UPCOMING CLASSES!**



**The Serti Technique**  
with Cheri Reckers  
Saturday, September 23  
10 am - 2 pm



**Papermaking**  
with Larry Nisula  
Saturday, September 30  
10 am - 1 pm



**Miniature Ikebana**  
with Ping Wei  
Saturday, September 30  
10 am - 12 pm



**Acrylic Pour**  
with Bela Fidel  
Thursday, October 19  
10 am - 1 pm



**Zentangle Moths &  
Butterflies**  
with Suzanne O'Malley

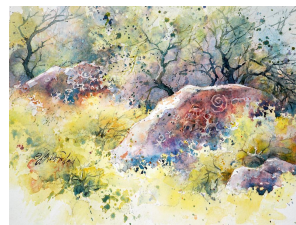
**Pottery Techniques**  
with Anne Rasmussen  
Mondays, September 11 - October 23 | 1 - 4 pm



**Abstract Painting**  
with Bela Fidel  
Fridays, September 22 - October 27 | 1 - 4 pm



**Handbuilding Studio**  
with Elizabeth Behnke  
Fridays, September 22 - October 27 | 1 - 4 pm



**VIRTUAL**  
**Watercolor Unleashed: Focus on Foliage,  
Branches and Twigs**  
with Julie Gilbert Pollard  
Tuesdays, October 10 - November 7 | 1 - 4 pm

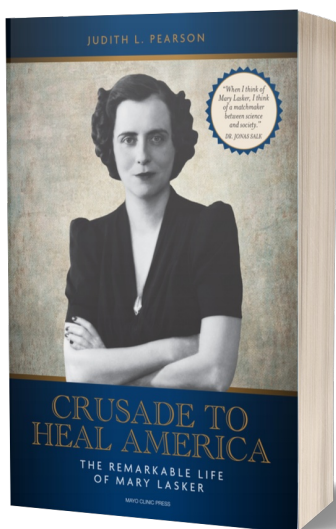


Saturday, October 21  
10 am - 1 pm

To Register Click  
HERE!

Intermediate & Advanced Wheel Throwing  
with Stephen Bunyard  
Tuesdays, October 10 - November 7 | 6 - 9 pm

To Register Click  
HERE!



## *Crusade to Heal America* *The Remarkable Life of Mary Lasker*

By **Judith L. Pearson**

Published September 19, 2023 by Mayo  
Clinic Press

Have you survived a life-threatening illness?  
**Thank Mary Lasker.**

Have you enjoyed the beautiful tulips in the  
middle of Park Avenue, or the daffodils and  
cherry blossoms in Washington, D.C?  
**Thank Mary Lasker.**

Have you had the chance to view the works of  
Monet, Renoir, Chagall, and others at various  
art museums across the country?  
**Thank Mary Lasker.**

It's nearly impossible to believe that one  
woman could have been so remarkable, and  
so incredibly influential in so many ways. But  
she was! Join us for this October Artist Café  
and learn more about philanthropist and art  
collector Mary Lasker from author Judith L.  
Pearson.

**Thursday, October 5, 2023**

**5:30 – 7 p.m.**

**\$20 per person**

**Click Here to Learn More!**





## AUTUMN VOLUNTEER ORIENTATIONS!

### CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!

If you are interested in volunteering at the Shemer Art Center this Fall this notice is for you! The Shemer Art Center will be holding two volunteer orientation meetings to review our upcoming volunteer opportunities, including our Shemer Arizona Arts Festival, November 4 & 5:

- **Saturday, September 16 | 10-11 a.m.**
- **Wednesday, September 20 | 5:30 - 6:30 pm**

You only need to attend one meeting! At these meetings we will introduce you to new staff members, new streamlined processes, and all the rewards and benefits that come with joining the Shemer Volunteer Family!

To register, please use the Sign-Up Genius link below and remember to select just one meeting date to attend.

**There are limited seats available, so act soon to secure your spot!**

[Click Here to Register!](#)

## FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

We are excited to share these new workshop offerings for families. Come learn together and create artwork you will treasure for years to come!



**Family Fun Night  
Block Printed Setting  
with Cassie Wiegmann**

**Thursday, October 12**



**Family Fun Night  
Gelli Printing Holiday Cards  
with Cassie Wiegmann**

**Thursday, November 2  
6 - 8 pm**

**Learn More & Register Today!**

## **ADD ART TO YOUR YEAR!**

Do you know someone who this Fall might be interested in receiving information about our upcoming classes, workshops, lectures, artist cafés, exhibitions and events?

Take one minute and forward this newsletter to them!

Then invite them to click below, to add their name to our mailing list. This will ensure they are receiving the latest information about activities coming up soon at the Shemer Art Center!

**Join Our Mailing List**

## **SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER MEMBERSHIPS NOW DUE!**

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

If you became a member of the Shemer Art Center before September 2022, now is a great time to renew! If you became a member in October, then now is also a great time to plan to renew next month!

Click [HERE](#) to choose a membership level. If you are not sure of your current membership status, give us a call and we will check for you.

**THANK YOU FOR  
YOUR SUPPORT!**

