



## Mt Pleasant Art Society

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*Guest Artist: Clinton Broyles*

### MONTHLY SCHEDULE

Meetings: 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday each month, 2:00PM

#### April 2024

**Artist:** Clinton Broyles

**Media:** Oil

**Refreshments:** Doloris Wright and Michele Green

**Small Gallery:** Carol Durrum

#### May 2024

**Artist:** Mary Jean Davis

**Media:** Pastel

**Refreshments:** Diana Williams and Carol Durrum

**Small Gallery:** Blanca Mills

Clinton Broyles  
Oil Workshop  
April 8, 9, 10 2024  
\$350.00

Kathy Tate  
Oil Workshop  
Nov 4, 5, 6 2024  
\$375.00

Born in McAllen, Texas in 1985, Clinton Broyles grew up in the Dallas area and began drawing at an early age. After discovering his appreciation of art, he was introduced to the work of master painter Dalhart Windberg, who would become his teacher and mentor when Broyles was 15.

Working with Windberg over the years motivated Broyles to pursue a career in Art. He graduated from Texas A&M in 2007, where he obtained training in drawing and painting and earned a bachelor's degree in architecture. His studies there inspired him to incorporate architectural themes into many of his pieces.

Broyles continues to pursue a lifelong interest in history, often painstakingly capturing in his composition's moments of everyday life from bygone eras. His passion for the past, combined with an ingrained sense of optimism, results in paintings that evoke both a hopeful enthusiasm and deeply moving appreciation for days of yore.

He is currently represented by Southwest Gallery in Dallas and NanEtte Richardson Fine Art in San Antonio.

### *Dues are Due or almost Due!!!*

Active/Associate \$35 Family \$45

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MPAS, PO Box 54, Mt Pleasant, TX 75456-0054

### *Condolences*

Thoughts and prayers go out Dolores Wright and her family for the loss of her mother.

### *Show Winners*

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Tiete Lycklamame

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Gina Bragg

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Tammy Glenn

Pilgrim Bank Award: Velda Williams

Cypress Bank Award: Michele Green

First Federal Award: Dolores Wright

American Nat Bank Award: Michele Hobbs

Goodman Ins Inc Award: David Stinson

Vera Bank Award: Ann Glaess

Durrum Wealth Management Award: Linda Pepper

Honorable Mention: Audrey Cagle

People's Choice: Ann Glaess

## *Small Gallery: Carol Durrum*

The Christmas before my 40th birthday my husband, Frank, gave me a beginner's oil painting set. I was trying various new things to find a hobby that would help me deal with a rapidly emptying nest. From the first time I opened a tube of oil paint I was hooked!

After spending a few years learning on my own, and wanting quality instruction, I signed up for painting and drawing classes at our local college. I soon became involved with the Mount Pleasant Art Society (MPAS) which is a Jewel in East Texas with around 50 members from Dallas to Texarkana. Over the years I have participated in workshops taught by renowned artists such as David Leffel, Sherrie McGraw, Xiang Zhang, Matt Smith, Greg Kreutz and so many more. Eventually, I was asked to teach and demonstrate at art societies in our region.

The beauty of everyday life inspires me. I prefer to paint from life and do so whenever the subject matter allows. Still Life is my first love, and the process of setting up the composition is something I embrace. When everything comes together, the painting almost paints itself. I also love to paint Texas landscapes, animals and portraits.

One thing about painting is that you are challenging yourself to make a more beautiful statement on canvas. In addition to membership in MPAS, I am an associate member of the Oil Painters of America (OPA). Although I rarely enter shows anymore, I was blessed to be accepted in the National OPA show several times and won an Award of Excellence. I have also been accepted and won many awards in other national, regional and local shows.

Becoming an Artist is a lifelong journey with many ups and down! I thank God for all the art friends. You are an inspiration in life and in art. To all who have purchased my art, it boosts my drive to be the best Artist I can. Thank you!!

## *Upcoming Workshop*

Kathy Tate—Oil—Landscape Structural)

Nov 4,5,6 2024

\$375.00 (\$100 non-refundable/transferable)

Monthly meeting demo on Nov 3, 2024

## *President's Letter*

Happy Spring Fellow Artists,

March was a very busy month for the Art Society. The annual art show had some outstanding art entered. Every year I'm so amazed by the wonderful talent of the artists. Thanks to each of you for entering. Your participation is so much more than the competition. It helps us be recognized and enjoyed by the community. Thanks to each of our sponsors without them the awards wouldn't be possible. I encourage each member to enter at least one item next year. Dusty and Michelle have been wonderful co-chairmen for this event. They have refined and organized the art show so that it runs very smoothly. Thank you for serving for the past several years you are greatly appreciated. It gives me pleasure to announce Denise for the upcoming chairman for the art show.

Pat and Denise treated us to a beautiful table filled with everything from yummy sandwiches to delicious fudge. Green for Saint Patrick's Day was a fun touch. Thank you for providing a very nice break for us.

The small gallery highlighted the silk scarf painting of Shirley Clay. The beautiful scarves were a departure from the usual and let us see how some artists use their talents to create works of art on other surfaces. Thank you, Shirley for sharing.

Guest artist Arthur Sekula was a breath of fresh air. His watercolor techniques were inventive and the results were so much fun. The rolling of the plastic wrap, scraping and the gesso on watercolor paper opened up lots of possibilities for new ways of painting. He really focused on the clouds and sky with nice results.

I have visited with Blanca and she will be doing the yearbook for '24-'25. She would like for everyone to doublecheck their information in the book and give her any corrections so the information will be as current as it can be.

On another note, during a recent heavy rainstorm the leak in the roof reappeared. I'm suggesting that before we put down the floor in the small gallery or paint, we use the resources we have to put a new roof on the building. We will be looking at several options and getting quotes.

Don't forget the big basket of art supplies that will be raffled off at the April meeting please come prepared to participate. Tickets a dollar each or six for five dollars. Ticket sales will go toward the \$200.00 award for the Founders Award to be given to one entry at the Recognition Celebration August 4. The theme for the art is Patriotic.

Looking forward to seeing all of you at the meeting and don't forget to order your eye protection for the eclipse. Paint something this week that makes you happy.

Marty