



## *Mt Pleasant Art Society Newsletter*

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*Dec Guest Artist,  
Bruce Peil  
Sunday Dec 3, 2017 @  
2:00pm-4pm*

**MPAS Schedule  
Dec 2017  
Jan, Feb 2018  
Meeting Time: 2:00- 4:00 PM**

**Dec 3, 2017**

**Guest: Bruce Peil**

**Medium: Oil**

**Food: Linda Pepper, Nancy Ryan, Marty Graves**

**Jan 7, 2018**

**Guest: Lucille Carter**

**Medium: Pastel**

**Food: Deborah Carr and Diana Williams**

**Feb 4, 2018**

**Guest: Dianna Frossard**

**Medium: Oil**

**Food: Ann Glaess and Dolores Wright**

### **Workshops**

**Phil Starke** is coming in the April 2018. The workshop is full with a short waiting list.. Great teacher!!

If you are interested call Linda Pepper at 903-588-2370 or LaVerne Arnett at 903-537-4018 ASAP

### **Bruce Peil**

Bruce was born and raised in Oklahoma and now resides in Athens, Texas. He is a signature member of the Oil Painters of America, the co-founder of the Outdoor Painters Society. and a member of the Oklahoma Society of Impressionists. His paintings are widely collected and he is primarily known for his landscape paintings. "No matter what the subject matter is, it's that fleeting moment in time and the particular feeling of the light that I strive most to capture in my paintings. I want the viewer to feel as though they are experiencing that moment in time. My goal is to capture the truth about the subject without over embellishment of color or too many unimportant details that can distract the eye from the main idea. The light."

"There are many artists who have influenced me and whose work I admire. Besides the obvious Sargent, Zorn, and Sorolla, there were artists like Wilson Hurley, Robert Loughheed, John Clymer, Clyde Aspevig, James Reynolds, John Encinias, and so many more whose work had a big influence on me at the beginning of my art career. I discovered these great artists' paintings at the Cowboy Hall of Fame in Oklahoma City when I was first beginning to paint. As a young artist, having access to paintings of this quality confirmed the direction I wanted my work to take and gave me a goal that I will always be striving to achieve. But as much as I admire these great painters works, my goal has always been to let my own style evolve naturally and to make my own statement. "

Bruce has had numerous publications, intentional shows and personal shows.

He is a member of Oil Painters of America / Signature Member

Outdoor Painters Society CoFounder / Signature Member

Oklahoma Society of Impressionists



*Back Room Artist: Hellon Catlett*

As long as I have been painting, thirty years, I should be a better artist than I am. Art is a skill gained through practice rather than the length of time you have studied it.

It is good to have a skill to use when your health prevents you from doing physical activities. Somewhere along the way, knowledge has to transfer from the brain to the hands. I consider every picture that I try to paint as a practice. Producing a painting worthy of a frame is a challenge for me. I'm pleased when one turns out better than I thought I could do. I learn by doing...and the room for improvement is rather large.

I have had many classes at Northeast Texas Community College and Texarkana Community College. Classes have been in watercolor, oil, drawing, design, sculpture, and pottery. I have taken practically every workshop MPAS has sponsored and art classes taught by private instructors. I enjoy painting with the Tuesday Art Class. I need group motivation to keep me active and I also appreciate the services MPAS provides, like the building, programs, art shows and community events. Artists are very supportive of everyone who tries to create a work of art. They are my mentors, encouragers and genuine friends. **ART IS MY THERAPY!!!!**



*November Meeting Review*

Big thanks to Bryce Weigand for the great demo of a street scene. Everyone enjoyed seeing him work and looking through his wonderful sketch books. Thank you Bryce!!

**SPECIAL THANKS**

We want to send special thanks Randy Hodge for donating 73 of Donna's art books to MPAS. They include watercolor, oil, drawing and an encyclopedia of art. Be sure to check them out in the back room. Many thanks to Randy, new material is always welcome reading.

**NEWSFLASH**

**The membership show for 2018 will be about 2 weeks earlier in March. That means less time to get ready for it. Start painting!!! Tina Bohlman will be the judge this year.**

**NEW MEMBER**

We would like to welcome our new member, **Valery Guignon** and hope to see you at the monthly meetings.