



KWALLIGRAPHY GUILD

*The April
Meeting is
Cancelled*

President's Letter



"We Ink 'em Up!"
Presidential Seal By Janell Wimberly

Hello Kaligrafos members,

What a different world we've had to live in these past few weeks. While most everyone is practicing 'social distancing'working from home, ordering groceries online, staying inside as much as possible, etc., it could be that there are a lot of calligraphers out there that have no problem isolating themselves to their studio. But probably the hardest thing is not knowing when this Corona virus can be reduced to a manageable state. I think all of us have made some good friends through Kaligrafos and it would be a good idea to take a few minutes and just text, email or call to chat with them. It's never a burden to talk to a friend, see if they are doing ok or just let them know you are thinking about them.

If this social distancing continues into April and possibly May, I hope to suggest a few ideas to help your isolation seem less, well isolated. How would you all feel about your board members passing on some fun calligraphic ideas that you can do at home to spark your creativity and keep you active? Eric Doerr has already brought up the idea of a card and envelope exchange. See the separate information on this project. If any of you out there have a suggestion for a fun project, let me know!

Our programs and mini workshops are in a jumble right now due to the enforced 'social distancing' (one of our new phrases of the year). So, until we know how we are going forward with the last couple months of this fiscal guild year, stay tuned for updated information. Speaking of Programs, we are looking for someone to chair this board position next year. If you haven't served on the board previously, this is a good step to learning how the guild works and joining a fun team. Some subjects for programs have already been discussed by the board and can fill at least a few of the months program slots. Please email or call me to get more information.

You will receive updated posts concerning meetings, workshops, and other guild activities as we go along. I urge you to try something new while you are home and probably have more time for calligraphy. Why not pull out notes and worksheets from one of your past workshops or minis and put some ink on the paper. Or what about those triangle brushes you bought for the florals workshop we did a year ago. Some pretty spring flowers might be just what you need to brighten your quiet day.

Another bright note is that Texas Lettering Arts Council is hosting Legacies III Calligraphy Conference in Dallas next summer, July 3-10, 2021! More information will be coming later.

Be safe and keep your pen moving!

Jeri Wright
Kaligrafos President



General Meetings 2nd Saturdays at 10:00am – noon
Come early to socialize 9:30am to 10:00am
Meeting Location
First United Methodist Church
503 N. Central Expressway, Richardson, TX 75080
Second Floor, Room 217A

General Meetings Schedule

- April 11th** • Hand #3 Clothesline Caps
– Jeri Wright **Cancelled**
- May 9th** • Hand #4 Button
– Betty Barna, Tom Burns

*Watch the newsletter
and your email for
notifications about
meetings.*

Workshops

- June 18th & 19th** • The Enchanted Garden
– Heather Held
- June 20th & 21th** • Enchanted Letter
– Heather Held

Mini Workshops

- May 9th** • Contemporary Romans w/ Pencils
– Janell Wimberly

Board Meetings

@ Jeri's Studio
June 6, 2020

Board Members

Executive Board

Jeri Wright, President
Suzanne Levy, Vice President
June Baty, Treasurer
Nettie Richardson, Secretary

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Margaret Mall, Exhibits
Brenda Burns, Fund Raising
Eric Doerr, Membership
Trish Manche, Newsletter
Rick Garlington, Programs
Betty Barna, Workshops

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KALIGRAFOS CARD & ENVELOPE EXCHANGE In Progress – Did you see this email???

I think it's safe to say that, due to the current Corona virus situation, several of us might be isolated at home and besides having our computer and phones to stay connected to others, perhaps it would be nice to receive a beautiful, funny, colorful, thoughtful card in the mail from one of our fellow guild members. Eric Doerr, one of your board members suggested this would be a fun way to keep in touch since we had to cancel March and now April's meeting.

Everyone is encouraged to participate. Just respond to me at wrighthand2@gmail.com that you'd like to be a part of this exchange and I will put your name in the hat. I will draw out two names at a time and pair them in the exchange. So, you will be sending one envelope/card at this time. If you want to participate, please respond to me by April 2nd and I can get your exchange partner to you by the 4th.

Let's have fun with this, perhaps tell in the card what you are doing to pass your time during this isolation!

Jeri Wright

Opportunity to Share For Fundraising

There is an opportunity to share your work. We are accepting high resolution photos of your work for this purpose. All submissions will be accepted and a committee will decide on the pieces to be included in the project. Show us what you've got!

It's that time of year.....



Time to renew your Kaligrafos Membership for 2020-2021

\$25.00 Individual / \$35.00 Family

To renew, see Membership Chairman, Eric Doerr and provide any updates to your information for the new directory to be published this summer. Make checks payable to Kaligrafos.

Summer Birthdays:

Please be sure to pay your dues by the May meeting to be included on the new guild year's membership list. Otherwise, you may not receive one of the gorgeous birthday cards sent by Kaligrafos.

Don't miss the last mini workshop of the season....

*****Watch your email to see if this meeting is cancelled.*****

May 9th, 2020: Janell Wimberly will teach Contemporary Romans with a pencil. Many of us have taken Janell's Romans, but this is slightly different and will guide us through how the pencil makes its humble contribution to our letter forms.



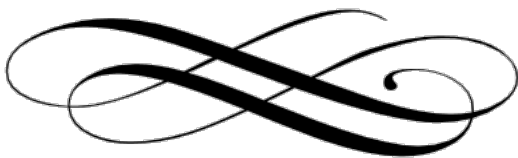
What Were You Doing During Quarantine...

What I was doing during the Apocalypse:

We were on Spring break with my daughter and her family when the majority of this really came to a head. We left Breckenridge on Friday morning driving home. Got home Saturday afternoon and learned from my #2 son that Breckenridge had closed all mountain top restaurants and that the lifts were not allowing "mixed groups". By Sunday they had closed the resorts entirely and later news said they will probably be closed for the season with a couple of possible exceptions at the end of April. This is the beginning of Alan's third week of retirement. We spent most of this week (16th) catching up on mail, bills and sleep. Everything has been canceled in both of our worlds except a couple of private appointments. We go for a walk each morning, then putter in our respective rooms. We have some gardening chores to get finished as soon as it stops raining. Of course with the restaurants closed, I have to cook every day. Time for some art making now. I am supposed to fly to Colorado to help my son finish unpacking on Monday, the 23rd, but that is up in the air. Perhaps I will drive if all is looking good. Sherry Barber



Lovely paintings by Sherry



Hello there. I hope everyone is staying healthy!! Well, after being told for years that my job is not a "work from home" job.....guess what, I'm working from home at least for now until this blows over. But enough about that, you are more interested in artistic endeavors! I've taken up Paper Quilling and am practicing getting the hang of it, hopefully I will (before I run out of paper). I'll bring an sample the next time we meet! Brenda Burns



Paper quilling shapes and sample courtesy of Pinterest.



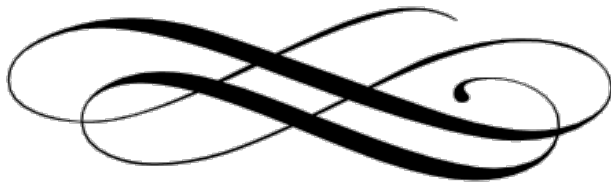
What Were You Doing During Quarantine... Continued...

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Sew anyone? I have been doing what everyone else is doing - watching the depressing news, or movies, or reading. Then today I saw a suggestion on TV to make your own surgical masks at home, so I looked it up and it is easier than pie. I had to find the elastic at JoAnn's (they only have 3/8" instead of 1/4" but that works too) and I have plenty of material to use up in my stash. After the material is cut (7x9" for mine) you sew the two layer together with the elastic, turn it right side out and then over sew all the seams with tucks in the sides - look it up, there is a video to watch. There is likely going to be a shortage for health care workers and these can be washed and used again. Check it out. Betty Barna



Masks sewn by Betty.



I am fortunate to be working from home and do so with little disruption to my daily work routine. The pets love it and I think my husband does too.

So what have I been doing other than working... I have done some reading, surfing the net, and watched a lot of TV. I signed up for the March Pushing the Envelope Exchange. I've made a few Mother's Day Cards and organized some parts of my crafting space. I'm ready to start organizing other parts of the house. Also cooking and meal planning has taken a more active role in my daily life.

Stay safe my friends, and I hope to see you again soon! Trish Manche



My Pushing the Envelope Creations. I sign up for cards as well.



Practice Time

Compiled by Randy Stewart

Be decisive. The road of life is paved with flat squirrels who could not

Go ahead and underestimate me. That will be fun for you.

Anybody that can do at 65 what he was doing at 25 was not doing much at 25.

I can totally keep secrets. It's the people I tell them to that can't.

When God gives you a new beginning don't repeat the same old mistakes.

Day 1 of my diet: Got rid of ALL the bad food in my house. It was delicious :)

If you see me talking to myself just move along. I am self-employed and we are having a staff meeting.

One of the great problems of our time is that many are schooled but few are educated.

Thomas More

Just when the caterpillar thought the world was over it became a butterfly
- Proverb, Chuang Tzu

When I ask for directions, please don't use words like "East."





Membership Sign up/Renewal Form

*Membership Year: _____**

Single Membership (\$25.00) Family Membership (\$35.00)

Make check payable to Kaligrafos Calligraphy Guild

Name: _____ Birthdate: _____/_____/_____
Month Day

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Email Address: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Kaligrafos is a non-profit organization for benefit and ongoing enrichment of the members. The more you get involved, the more you benefit. Volunteer – You'll meet some really neat people! Please check any of the items that you would be willing help

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Exhibits | <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising | <input type="checkbox"/> Historical |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Library | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter | <input type="checkbox"/> Programs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workshops | <input type="checkbox"/> Refreshments | <input type="checkbox"/> Lettering | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |

**Mail to: June Baty
131 Grove Court
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***Membership year is June to May.**