



Friends of Taka Sumi-e

December 2020 Newsletter

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Hello Friends of Takasumi-e,

Here we go into the last month of 2020! Lots of good things ahead. If you have not seen the Washu Kai Show yet, it is available at <https://youtu.be/PGYhNCiL5Mk> It is a very beautiful collection of paintings by very accomplished artists. I was very impressed and delighted.

We are looking ahead to our own show so start looking at your paintings and see what you would like to enter. Also, if you have some suggestions as to how to make our show special, jot them down and bring them to our next meeting.

We will meet on ZOOM on December 5 at 9am. It will be a wonderful Cardmaking workshop led by Tricia and Cliff. Have some blank cards and painting materials at the ready.

See you on the 5th,
Your President, Alice

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TREASURER'S REPORT

Stella reports that the Society account contains \$6,010.90. She and Teri advise that the Society currently has 41 active members.

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MEMBERSHIP

A reminder goes out to everyone who has NOT sent in their membership renewal. A Membership renewal form is attached to this newsletter's email for your use (or you can go to the website – www.takasumi-e.com) and download the form. → **If you have not renewed your membership, this will be the final Newsletter you will receive via email. It will be available on the website.** ←

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A NOTE FROM SAUNDRA (WENNHOLD):

Dear Friends,

Wow, what a journey this has been so far! After months of preparation, my home in La Mesa sold very quickly. I believe it served me well and over the years and provided a venue for family and

friends to gather and share memorable times together. The couple who bought it, absolutely love the house and are ready to add their own energy to all that we had established.

I had planned to downsize and purchase a condo/townhome in San Diego as I placed my house on the market. However, it sold in two days with a 30-day escrow. Being in a house for 38+ years, there was much to sort, pack and donate and looking for another home was more than I had time or energy to do. Buying another place has been put on hold for now. As you know, over the last few years, I have been spending part of the year in Michigan with Arland and he has been spending part of the year with me in La Mesa. We decided to consolidate under one roof, so, I put furniture in storage in SD and shipped some belongings to MI. Right now, I am in recuperation mode and getting settled in our lake condo in Holland, MI, which he bought last fall. He sold his Ann Arbor house last month. We are both adjusting to living in a new community and only knowing the people we bought the condo from. We've met our neighbors, so we are expanding our social contacts. Holland is such a beautiful town; we are exploring neighboring towns, restaurants, stores, etc. The view from our balcony overlooks Lake Macatawa which opens into Lake Michigan. I plan to continue doing Reiki and my Sumi-e Art, and perhaps some other projects that have been on hold for a while. I will also continue to write a monthly newsletter for Arland's sister's store.

It is my hope to stay in touch with you, perhaps even more than I have been recently! Thank goodness for ZOOM, Facetime, and texting!

Love you, Sandra

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Hope to hear from you soon!

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WE REPEAT -- IMPORTANT: OPEN BOARD POSITION

The position of Vice President is still open to that fabulous, interested individual who will be stepping forward soon to support the Society. A description of the position is repeated below:

"Vice President. In the absence or disability of the president, the Vice President shall perform all the duties of the President, and when so acting shall have all the powers of, and be subject to all the restrictions upon, the president. The Vice President shall be the Chairman of the Society Exhibition."

This sounds like a daunting task, but if you talk to Stephanie, Julie or Gaye, you will discover that Chairman of the Society Exhibition is really not so difficult and only happens once a year! Society folks are experienced in planning, preparing, setting up, hosting, attending, cleaning up and all aspects of the annual exhibition and the Chairperson really is the individual who just keeps tabs on those folks in the weeks leading up to the exhibition and during the weekend. There is even a book to guide you!

We may have to go virtual in 2021 – and we are equipped to do so – so there is that element, too. Put on your creative thinking hat the PLEASE step forward. Please do not leave this responsibility to the same folks.

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WASHU KAI ANNUAL EXHIBITION

Our sister society – Washu Kai – holds its 45th Annual Exhibition in November – this year virtually on YouTube. The Exhibition is currently open and available to all on YouTube. Please take a look, it is fabulous!

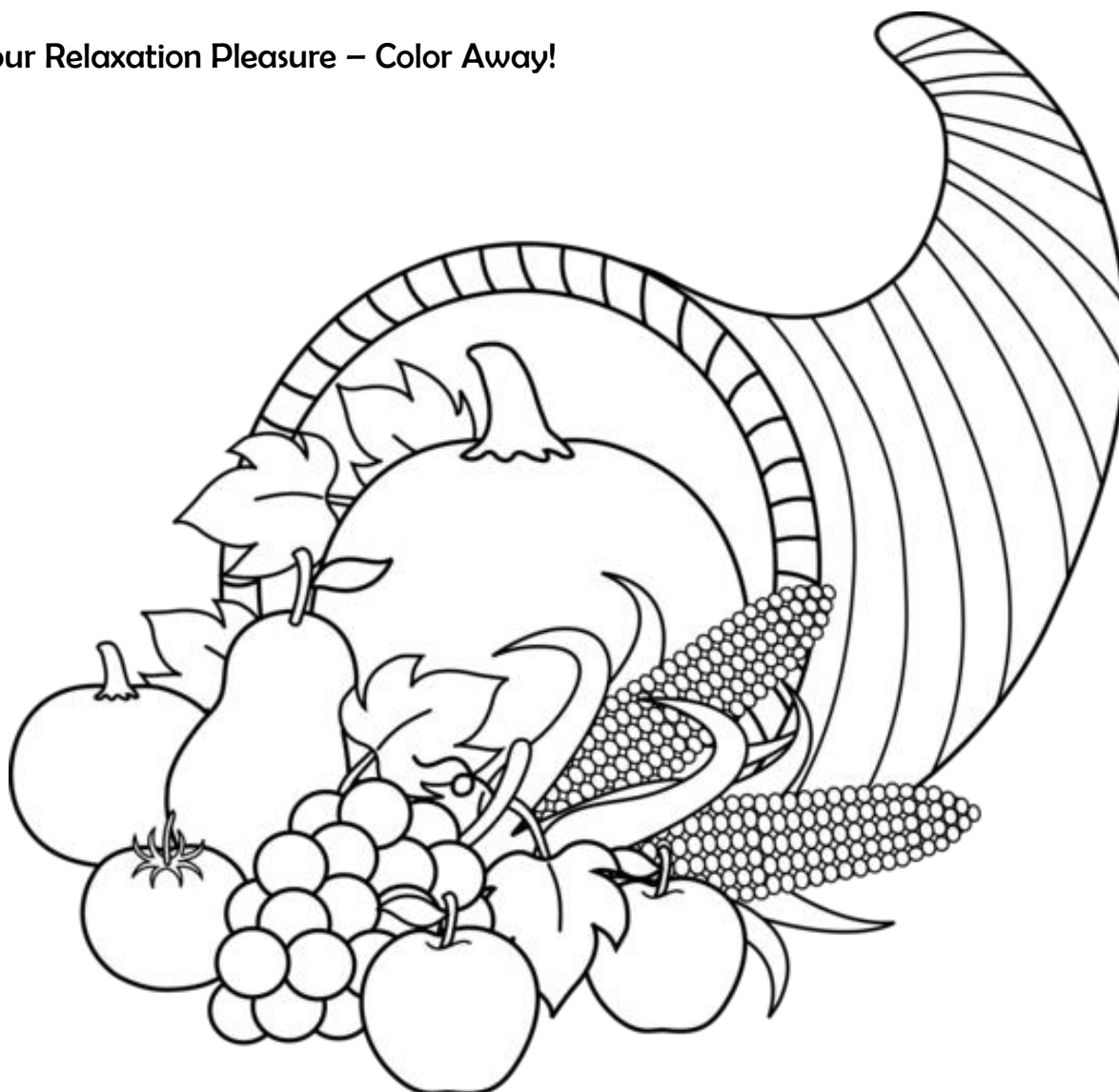
Here is the link: <https://youtu.be/PGYhNCjL5Mk>

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DECEMBER WORKSHOP

This month's workshop takes place on Saturday, December 5, 2020 from 9AM to noon on ZOOM. An email notice will come to you earlier that week. Just click on the link and you will be directed to the workshop! Again, the workshop will be led by Tricia and Cliff for a morning of holiday card making and socializing! Bring your cardstock, construction paper, old paintings, doodads, sparkles, scissors, glue, creativity, favorite holiday snack and beverage and be ready for a morning of creativity and fun!

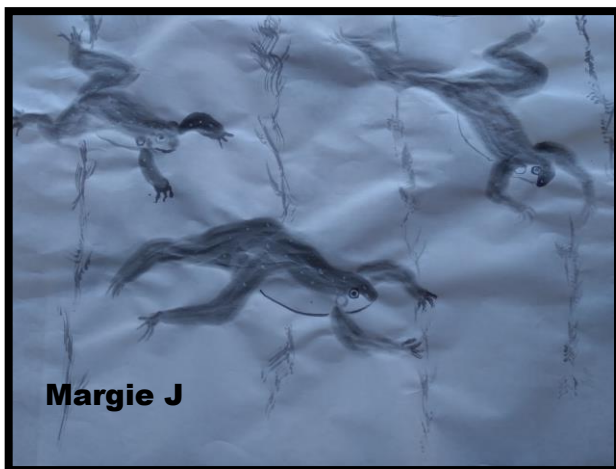
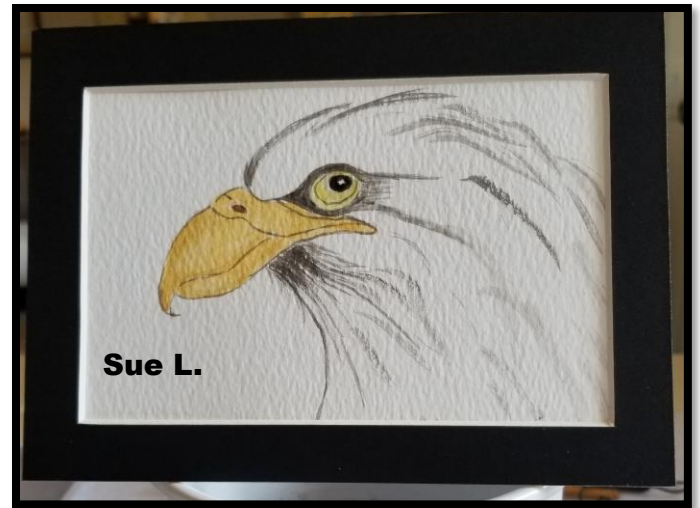
For Your Relaxation Pleasure – Color Away!



FROG & CRAB WORKSHOP ARTWORK RESULTS

(What a fabulous response!)

Cliff must have done a terrific job because we had a great reply to our request for artwork this month. Check it out!!!!



Ileane



Stella



Cliff

Lynn



Louise



Kathy R





AN INTERSTING PAINTING OPPORTUNITY FROM CYNTHIA STRIBLING

Cynthia was replacing some windows in her home and needed temporary coverings. She located these cool paper ones which she no longer needs. She thought someone may want to try a little sumi-e painting on them. Get in touch with her if you are interested. sribwebb@cox.net

