



# The SPACeR

January- February-  
March 2022

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## Thank You!

**Renewing and new members!!** Your membership dues enable SPACe to stay open. When you receive an email letting you know it's time to renew, please print out the renewal form at the end of the newsletter to mail with your payment.

New members Oct., Nov., & Dec.–

**Lisa Nader Baca**

Renewing members–

**Judith Fuentes**

**Caryl Emerson**

**Robert Buckner**

**Becky & Dean Myers**

**Rose & Roy True**

**Valerie Smith**

**Judy Sims-Barlow**

**Carrie Fox & Hugh**

**Keating**

**Karen & Tim O'Brien**

**Roberta Lutgens**

**Coni Grant**

**Marnie Camp**

**Debra & Joe Malone**

**Janeen Marie**

**Larry & Sue Morgan**

**Tracey Ashcraft &**

**George Orlowski**

2022 Patrons (\$250)

**Caryl Emerson**

2022 Business

Members

**Huerfano County Branch**

1<sup>st</sup> National Bank in

Trinidad

Edited by Kathy Hill

## What's New in '22

SPACe now has a mobile phone, so you can leave text messages or call on the new number 719 890-0573. Our landline phone is still connected but we aren't happy with the ability to understand messages due to poor quality, and hope to make improvements to the phone.

We are also hoping to improve several other technical devices and equipment with grant money (see below) we already received. On our wish list are new computers, a receipt printer for credit card sales, and a new printer. We continue to look for a slightly larger desk and other improvements to the Gift Shop.

With the bakery closed indefinitely, we will be open Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays 11 - 2 beginning Feb. 3. We will be accepting artwork for the Members' Show when we reopen. SPACe is open only on Saturdays, 10 - 2 in January.

Volunteers needed to assist with hanging shows and planning receptions. The Gallery & Exhibit Committee meets on the first Thursday of each month at SPACe at 9:30 am, planning shows for the year. Join the committee and curate one of our shows! If you aren't able to attend meetings but can offer to help, please let me know what you are able to do to help. The best way to contact me is by email, attn Kathy [spanishpeaksarts@gmail.com](mailto:spanishpeaksarts@gmail.com).

We also are looking for one or two people to help serve as desk staff substitutes. During the winter, Comer Crawford is our only staff person and we need someone to help her out when she needs a day off.

## Arts Relief Fund Grant Awarded to SPACe

SPACe has been awarded a grant of \$10,000 by the Colorado Arts Relief Fund. The fund was created by the Colorado legislature in 2021 to provide assistance to arts organizations and individuals who have been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. With the loss of our dear Rena Kaplowitz in October, we have been scrambling to find people to fill her shoes. The grant will enable SPACe to provide training to staff where needed. We are excited to allocate the funds to various areas of our organization that have suffered the past two years, due to the pandemic and ease problems that may arise.

## Town of La Veta Grant

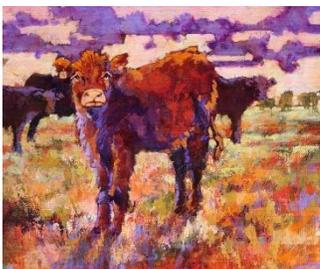
The Town of La Veta has generously provided \$500 to SPACe which will be used to defray expenses for Art in the Park and other expenses related to upkeep of the park grounds used by SPACe. **Thank you, Town Board for your generous gift!**



### Thank you!

To all the donors who gave to SPACe during the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Holiday Giving Celebration, an annual event by the **Spanish Peaks Business Alliance (SPBA)** We received \$1090 from your generous donations. The event was virtual, with a donation period from Dec. 6 -Dec. 10.

Arica Andreatta  
Kate Kramer  
Stephanie Thomsen  
Michelle Shrout  
James Shoff  
Jonathan James  
Marilyn Russell  
Sarah Jardis  
Johnnye Dee Mullen  
Bonita Sellstrom  
Nancy Carroll



## Youth Art Workshop

SPACe is seeking an individual to organize and manage youth art programs. We are considering changing the annual Youth Art Workshop, possibly coordinating with other youth programs during the summer, with once-a-week workshops during the summer. We are looking for a person with experience teaching art classes to children and young adults, with good organizational skills, and who can approach prospective teachers to lead a variety of half day workshops.

## 2022 Show Schedule

Annual Members' Show - Feb. 10 - Mar. 5 - RECEPTION Feb. 12

Outside the Box - Mar. 10 - Apr. 9 - RECEPTION March 12

La Veta Schools Student Art Show - April 11 - 23 - RECEPTION April 13

Spring Show - April 28 - May 21 - RECEPTION April 30

Artists' Choice - May 24 - June 18 - RECEPTION May 28

Western Rendezvous Art Show - June 21-July 23 - RECEPTION June 25

Annual Photography Show - July 26 - Aug. 27 - RECEPTION July 30

Fall Show - Aug. 30 - Sept. 24 - RECEPTION Sept. 3

Clay, Glass, & Fiber Show - Sept. 27 - Nov. 5 - RECEPTION Oct. 1

Annual Gift of Art Show - Nov. 8 - Jan. 7 - RECEPTION Nov. 12

## Annual Members' Show

The Annual Members' Show will be on display Feb. 8 until March 5, with an opening reception Feb.12, 5 - 7 pm. Face masks will be encouraged. SPACe members can show up to 4 artworks. (Artwork exceeding 30" width, including frame is considered 2 entries.) Artwork in this show may also be shown in one other show during 2022. Artwork may be brought for the show Feb. 3, 4 & 5<sup>th</sup> between 11 am - 2 pm. Participating artists will have to pay membership dues when entering, if they are past due. A printable entry form is available on the [SPACe website](#).

## Outside the Box

Tired of always following the rules? Need a break from the conventional? Here's your chance to show artwork that challenges and/or delights the viewer with the unexpected. Anything goes! "Outside the Box" will be on display March 10 - April 9 with an opening reception March 12, 5 - 7 pm. Artists may bring artwork Mar. 3, 4, & 5, 11am - 2 pm. A printable entry form is available on the [SPACe website](#).

## Looking Ahead

Artists! Plan now for the *Western Rendezvous* and *Photography Shows* this summer. Cash awards in these two judged shows. Deadline information available soon on the SPACe website.



## 2022

### Art in the Park

We are excited to get back to “normal,” holding Art in the Park July 2 & 3. Last year we didn’t know until late March whether we could hold an event, due to the Covid pandemic. We hope to have more vendors this year, while keeping booths safely distanced. More information will be available shortly. Interested vendors should contact us by email, to reserve their preferred locations.



### Adult Art Workshops

SPACe is seeking a coordinator for a series of adult art workshops. The right person will be contacting artists who may be interested in teaching adult art classes, setting up a schedule, getting information about the classes, publicizing the classes, keeping track of participants and payments, and making sure the classroom is properly cleaned and ready for classes before and after each class. If interested, please email SPACe.



### Fuller Gallery Shows

Last year SPACe was excited to have many artists showing their art in the Fuller Gallery. Al Clymer and Ted Shafer shared the gallery during the Fall Show. The Inner Idea Artists filled the gallery during the Clay, Glass & Fiber Show. Trifecta artists, Nicole Copel, Beth & Jonathan Evans, and Val Smith rounded out the year during the Gift of Art Show.

In 2022 the Inner Idea Artists will be back, again during the Clay, Glass & Fiber show in October. Al Clymer and John Manos will be showing in the Fuller Gallery during the Fall Show. The Fuller Gallery is available for the Artists’ Choice, Spring, and Outside the Box show, as well as the Gift of Art show.

Fees for exhibits in the Fuller Gallery are \$200 for the whole gallery or \$50/\$75 per wall, depending on the wall size. Look for the page on the [SPACe](#) website that gives measurements for the walls.

### Congratulations !

to Kenny Schneider for being invited to Miami April 6 to participate in a screening / lecture of the film ECCE HOMO he made with the artist Maryan (1975).

MOCA, The Museum of Contemporary Art in N. Miami is exhibiting Maryan works in a posthumous solo show, *My Name is Maryan*—a monographic presentation of four decades of paintings, sculptures, drawings and film by the iconoclastic, ground-breaking Polish-born artist Maryan.

Visit the [MOCA website](#)

<https://mocanomi.org/2021/08/my-name-is-maryan/> for more information.



## Artists' Corner by Contributing Columnist Becky Myers



**Kathy Hill** is a disciplined landscape painter whose home and studio is located in La Veta, Colorado. She is inspired by the nature all around her, "Color and light are always significant in my paintings. I am fortunate to live in one of the most beautiful, best kept secrets in Colorado. No matter whether my painting is of the magnificent Spanish Peaks, or of a lowly rock in the snow, my hope is to connect with others who share my love of the natural world".

She paints scenes with an acute eye towards naturalism that is enhanced by her subtle use of color. She paints in several media including watercolor, acrylic and oil and offers workshops in all three in her home studio. You can see her work in the [Artisans on Main](#) and the SPACe Gallery in La Veta, Colorado. For more information, please call 719 742-5756 or see her website <https://kathywhill.com/>

### **Congratulations! La Veta Creative District**

on successfully meeting the goal of receiving this designation for La Veta, and also thank you for organizing the Holiday Culinary Feast fundraiser this year, and for everyone who bought tickets. It was a huge success.



### **2022 Spanish Peaks Arts Council (SPACe) Membership Application**

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate Address (seasonal) \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Alt. Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail (for sending newsletters and notices of events)  
\_\_\_\_\_

Interests in the Arts: artist? (media) other \_\_\_\_\_

Volunteer? When? How? \_\_\_\_\_

#### **MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES** (circle one)

Individual \$30 ▪ Family/Couple \$40 ▪ Business \$75 Sponsor \$100

Patron \$250 ▪ Angel \$500

#### **OTHER DONATIONS**

Youth/Teen Art Workshops \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Exhibit Award Fund \$ (for awards) \_\_\_\_\_

Other (Specify) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please send separate checks for memberships and donations.

Send your checks with this form to: SPACe, PO Box 803, La Veta, CO 81055

Or pay by credit card on the SPACe website. **However, we still need a copy of this completed form for our records.**

**Congratulations to Gary Weston** on his hugely successful show at the Tri-Lakes Center for the Arts in Palmer Lake.

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## Thursday, October 21, a sad day

A message from Rena's cousin Sharon

With great sadness, I must tell you that Rena passed this morning, in her sleep. She surely did so, knowing that she was surrounded with love and admiration for all that she was, and is. From reading all your posts, from our conversations, and from the kindness that you all have shown, it is clear that Rena had found a special community to call home and a special group to call friends.

I had already mentioned to a few of you that, when members of our family pass, they often wait till the time is right, when nobody is around, and go peacefully. All of you who know Rena's sense of pride and independence would imagine that was in her plan.

Rick (Sharon's husband) spent some time with her to again tell her how much everyone loves her and to give her a hug. Thank you for being there, Rick. He said she looked at peace, and Tammy, the nurse (who also was in tears), commented how especially peaceful she looked and it is something to be thankful for. Rick will manage the immediate arrangements, and will be going down to La Veta. ....A lot to deal with today, but we have always known that Rena would want the good work and causes she valued to continue as her legacy. There will be lots of "process" to manage now, but we look forward to figuring this all out so that she can continue to support the community and causes she loves.



May her memory be a blessing.