

Art Scene

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Rio Bravo Watercolorists — The group's monthly meeting is at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, **Feb. 20**, at International Museum of Art, 1211 Montana. Guest speaker Jean Holzenthaler will talk on 2D and 3D artwork using a variety of media. The public is invited. Information: Linda Parsons, 549-2950.

Rubin Center — UTEP's Stanlee and Gerald Rubin Center for the Visual Arts is off Dawson Drive next to the Sun Bowl. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday (open until 7 p.m. Thursday) and noon to 5 p.m. Saturday. Information: 747-6151, rubincenter.utep.edu or on Facebook at RubinCenter.

Showing **through April 6**:

- 'Sections: New Cities, Future Ruins at the Border,' in the Rubin Gallery. Artists, designers, and thinkers were invited to re-imagine and engage the extreme urbanism of America's Western Sun Belt.

- "Convergence: New Contemporary Painting from Thinkspace" in the L Gallery.

Showing **through April 12**: is "A Piece of Our Mind: Posters By Joe Scorsone and Alice Drueding," in the Project Space. The exhibit showcases 47 posters about hunger, the environment, immigration and human rights, combining visual literacy with irony and humor.

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'For the Love of Art month' — February is "For the Love of Arts Month" in Las Cruces, celebrating the city's various performing and visual arts. The month, sponsored by ArtForms, is highlighted by several special studio tours, exhibits, readings and performances. Information: artformsnm.org.

See various gallery listings for event details.

10-10 Arts Hop — Doña Ana Arts Council hosts "12 Hours of Art in Las Cruces" with events 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. the second Saturday of every month (**Feb. 9**). Participating galleries are Cutter Gallery (10 a.m. to 3 p.m.), DAAC Arts & Cultural Center (4 to 7 p.m.), Rokoko Gallery (4 to 7 p.m.), Four Points Perspective (7 to 10 p.m.) and Art Obscura (7 to 10 p.m.). Information: (575) 523-6403. Schedule: daarts.org.

Art Obscura Gallery — 3206 Harrelson in Las Cruces (Mesilla Park area). Hours are 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday through Saturday and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. Information: (575) 494-7256, Artobscuragallery.com or on Facebook.

Showing **Feb. 9-March 3**: "It's the Little Things," works by Roy van der Aa. Reception is 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 10.

ArtForms Studio Tour — The Las Cruces-based ArtForms Artist Association of New Mexico presents its annual Studio Tours 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday through February in celebration of "For the Love of Art Month." Go to artformsnm.org for list of participating galleries and studios, and which will be open on which weekends.

ArtRageous — Doña Ana Arts Council offers community art classes at DAAC Arts & Cultural Center, in Bulletin Plaza, 1740 Calle de Mercado, Suite D. Classes include materials, light refreshments and a glass of wine. No experience is necessary; all levels welcome. Wear old clothes or smock. Cost \$30 per class (includes materials and light refreshments). Class size limited. Registration: (575) 523-6403 or daarts.org.

- 5:30 p.m. Thursday, **Feb. 14**: After Color

Images with Linda Gendall.

- 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, **Feb. 20**: Painting on Silk with July Licht

- 2 and 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, **Feb. 27**: Painting De Grazia style with Sally Quillin.

Branigan Cultural Center Open Call for Submissions — Branigan Cultural Center in Las Cruces seeks proposals for exhibits to be presented in 2020, with themes of cultural and historical significance relating to the Southwest. Exhibits will run for 6 to 12 weeks. Deadline is 5 p.m. **April 7**. For details: surveymonkey.com/r/LCMS2020. Information: las-cruces.org/museums or (575) 541-2154.

Chaos Collaboration — Las Cruces Parks and Recreation Department's Teen Programs 3rd annual art show for teens by teens, aimed at bringing a fresh perspective to local culture is 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, **Feb. 23**, at Frank O'Brien Papen Community Center, 304 W. Bell. Information: (575) 541-2455. An artist reception with musical performances will be from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Friday, **Feb. 22**.

Doña Ana Arts & Cultural Center — 1740 Calle de Mercado. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Information: (575) 523-6403 or daarts.org. Showing in February are works by ArtForms members. The Members will be on hand to discuss their work 4 to 7 p.m. Saturday, **Feb. 9**.

Downtown Ramble — The City of Las Cruces hosts an evening of music and art 5 to 7 p.m. the first Friday of the month at art venues of in a seven-block stretch of Las Cruces Downtown Mall. Information: (575) 647-0508.

'Earth Matters' — The Ten O'clock artists hosts the "For the Love of Art Month" exhibit at the Southwest Environmental Center, 275 Main, in Las Cruces. Opening is 5 to 7:40 p.m. Friday, **Feb. 1**, with music by Allison Reynolds. Information: (828) 467-9060.

'Feed Your Mind' seminar series — Doña Ana Arts Council brings speakers on a wide range of topics at DAAC Arts & Cultural Center, in Bulletin Plaza, 1740 Avenida de Mercado, Suites B-D. Evenings begin with social hour and light refreshments 5 p.m., with seminars 5:30 to 7 p.m. Information: (575) 523-6403 or daarts.org.

Kathleen Key is presenting a six-week course on "The Impressionists Beyond France" that began Monday, **Jan. 28**. Attendees may drop in for individual classes (\$20 per session).

Key also is offering a seminar series on "The History of Women in Art," 1:30 to 3 p.m. Thursdays, beginning **Jan. 31**. Call for details.

GreenSpace Gallery — 517 N. Mesquite in Las Cruces, N.M. Showing **through Feb. 28** are works by the Talavera Artists including oil, acrylic, and watercolor painting, and photography. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Information: (575) 551-6778 or greenspaceclm.com.

Gypsy Sage artists — Five local artists in various mediums showcase their recent works during the month of February at Amaro Winery, 402 S Melendres in Las Cruces. Opening is 4 to 8 p.m. Friday, **Feb. 1**. Artists will be present at the winery throughout February 4 to 7 p.m. Saturdays and 4 to 6 p.m. Sundays. Information: (575) 650-7543.

Las Cruces Arts Fair — Doña Ana Arts Council's 9th annual regional juried fine arts event is **March 1-3** in the Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E University. See Page 6 for details.

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