



Newsletter

December 2017

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Special Announcements!

Welcome to our newest members!

- Dave Brenner
- Shelley Brenner
- Shannon Baxley
- Susan and David Kelly
- Ivan Garz
- Marlon Yanes
- Rachel Gancitano



3rd Annual Holiday Chalk Fest Largo, FL

Upcoming Spring Events:

January

- Chalk-Lit Festival – Jan 13th
- Suncoast Arts Fest – Jan 20 - 21
- Rotary Club Chalk Art – Jan 27

February

- Chalk Block – Feb 3 - 4
- Street Painting Festival – Feb 24 - 25

March

- Gasparilla – March 3 -4
- Bloom-N-Chalk Fest – March 17 - 18
- Uptown Art Expo – March 24 - 25

April

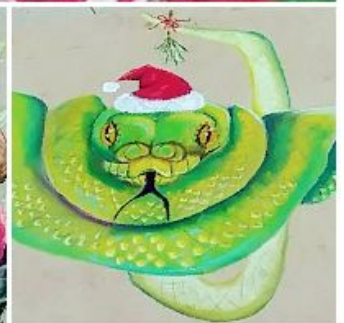
- Spring Fever – April 7
- Palatka Chalk Explosion – April TBA

May

- Saint Johns – May TBA

Shows are always listed on the website, let us know if we missed one.

FCAAEVENTS.COM



Note from the President

Florida Chalk Artists Association has been receiving a lot of compliments on being a well organized association. Towns, Cities and Events are listening to our requests to recognize our members as professional artists deserving of compensation for their time and efforts in making Chalk/Street Painting Festivals a great success.

In this next year, I ask everyone of us to pay close attention to how we are presenting ourselves in public places while participating at a chalk/street painting festival.

TIME TO RENEW!

If you have not yet renewed your FCAA membership for 2018 please do so. You can contact Theresa if you have any questions.

Membership dues are \$10 per year and can be paid by cash or check payable to: FCAA or Florida Chalk Artists Association

Please write the following information on a 3x5 card:

NAME:

ADDRESS:

PHONE NUMBER:

EMAIL ADDRESS:

HOW MANY STREET PAINTING EVENTS YOU HAVE DONE?

Mail this 3x5 card and \$5 to FCAA
Treasurer Theresa Hawkins
FCAA

c/o Theresa Hawkins
4229 Conway Place Circle
Orlando, FL 32812-7992

THANK YOU!

Here are a few pointers:

- Arrive at the designated time and stay until the event is completed. Yes, I said when the event is completed not when your work is completed.
- Dress in a presentable manner. Your clothes should be laundered and not all tattered and torn (I realize that this is fashionable in the jeans department, just make certain that your jeans are clean). Your shirts should never be too low cut or your shorts too short. Please cover your mid drift, no one needs to see plumbers crack or panties. Do not wear a tee shirt from another chalk festival.
- Try to maintain a clean area including yourself.
- Be friendly to the audience. Their questions are not stupid from their point of view.
- Behave in an appropriate manner. No lewd, rude or crude acts or language in any public area near and around the event.

Remember, if you show RESPECT you will receive RESPECT!



Clearwater Beach Chalk Art Festival, 2017

List of Board Members:

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Email - Bobbie@bloomnchalkfest.com

FCAA Meeting Notes , October 2017

On October 21st 2017, FCAA held its annual fall board meeting at Clearwater beach Chalk Festival. The following is the recorded meeting notes.

Theresa Hawkins called to order board members in attendance, Janet Tombros, Theresa Hawkins, Cass Womack, Hector Diaz

Treasurer: Theresa Hawkins will have a professional accountant review and file 2017 FCAA taxes.

Membership: Membership dues were collected at the Clearwater Beach Chalk/FCAA annual meeting/party. We increased by 8 new members.

Website/Newsletter: We have added an assistant Dave Brenner to work on the FCAA website to free up Cass Womack to work on the Newsletter.

Facebook: The Chalk Guys will work harder at keeping up with social media and add to the instagram account.

We have new chalk friends!
Check them out:



CHALK ARTISTS GUILD

<http://www.gachalkartists.org/>



<http://www.internationalstreetpaintingsociety.com/>

Awards: 4 members were recognized and received their Certification.
Semplice - Genesis Allione, Maestro – Shane Mesmer, Maestro – Cass Womack, Maestro – Bridget Lyons

Old Business: Janet Tombros, President will work towards filing FCAA as a 501(c)3 in the year 2018.

2018 Elected FCAA Board Members

President – Janet Tombros,
VP/Marketing – Glen Caristinos
Secretary – Holland King
Treasurer – Theresa Hawkins
Webmaster/Newsletter – Cass Womack
Co Webmaster/Newsletter – Dave Brenner
Social Media/Facebook – Hector Diaz
Entertainment Committee – Bobbie Wheeler and Stacy Roth

Next FCAA Meeting

March 2018 Bloom N Chalk will be host of the next FCAA meeting and social party. Stay tuned to Facebook for more information.

If you would like to see something in the upcoming newsletter please email Janet Tombros jptartist@gmail.com

Call for FCAA Website Blog Articles

New feature! The ability to submit chalk/art related blog articles directly to the FCAA website. This blog is designed with the purpose to give our members a voice with the intent to help educate other artists and the public about chalk art and life as a madonnari.

Have something you'd like to say? Check out the new submission site!

LINK: <http://www.floridachalkartists.org/article-submission.html>

Be sure you and your friends follow all of Florida Chalk Art Association's Social media accounts!

[FCAA FaceBook](#)

[FCAA Instagram](#)

[FCAA Twitter](#)

[FCAA Google+](#)

“501(C)3 Status Update”

The board has discussed the possibility of restructuring Florida Chalk Artist Association into a 501(C)3 non-profit organization. For those of you who missed the post on Facebook, please read on. FCAA has been approached many times from charitable organizations and arts foundations that wish to donate to our purpose/mission/cause.

To promote chalk art through festivals and art shows.

To educate members in the creative use of chalk as an art medium.

To provide information about the history of chalk art (street painting) and contemporary applications and innovations.

#Hashtag Kingdom

Recommended Chalk related #Hashtags Improve your exposure and gain followers!

#fcaa #FloridaArtist #SideWalkArt
#ChalkArt #Chalk #ChalkArtist
#SideWalkChalkFun
#ChalkFestival #StreetArt
#StreetArtist #StreetPainting
#PastelArtist #PastelArt
#ArtEveryWhere #ArtOnEverything

To cooperate with art associations, community groups, service clubs, and cultural organizations to enhance this art form.

At this present time they are unwilling to donate because they will not receive a tax write off (a very important part of making donations). As we chalk our way down the streets, we will need to obtain funding to help FCAA continue to serve it's purpose. The board feels that a new filing with The State of Florida as a 501(c)3, which bears a cost, will help us achieve this goal. FCAA is a members organization and all members have the right to voice their opinions.

At this point, response from my Facebook post on May 5th, has been positive towards the restructuring into a non-profit.

Message questions and/or comments to jptartist@gmail.com .



FCAA wishes everyone a fun and safe Holiday!



See you in 2018!