October 2026 MMFAS Newsletter

Our next meeting
When: Monday October 19th
Time: 7:00 pm
Where: Scenic Regional Library

October club meeting agenda for October

- Committee reports
- Field Trip toMildred Lane Kemper Art Museum Wednesday, Nov 4th, 11:00-1:00, eat after.
- Deadline for the Card Auction
- Review of Upcoming Depot shows and ECC show
- Report on Plein Air at Shaw Nature Reserve and Christmas Party Signup
- Theme voting, tally and scheduling
- Nominations of Board Officers
- Featured Class: Reference Photography for Artists with Anthony Stark 7:30-8:00 pm

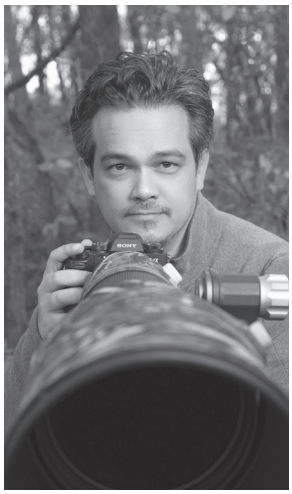
MMFAS Club Meeting Presentation

Intro to Reference Photography for Artists

MMFAS member Anthony Stark will be giving an introduction to using photography more effectively as reference material for drawing, painting, and other artistic endeavors.

Learn what makes photography useful as an artistic reference, why creating your own reference material matters, and practical techniques for capturing better reference photos using a camera or smartphone.





Event URL: https://www.anthonystarkphotography.com/events/2026-10-19-mmfas-reference-photography-for-artists-intro

MID-MISSOURI FINE ARTS MMFA society

Our next meeting is Monday, Oct. 19 Union Scenic Regional

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Club meetings at the Union Scenic Regional Library will be the 3rd Monday of the month at 7:00 pm. No meetings June-August

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Tony will be offering a Full Class in November

Reference Photography for Artists
$39/person - 2 hour class
November, 16 (4:30 - 6:30 pm)
Union Community Center
1329 Union Avenue
Union, Missouri, 63084
MMFAS Members get 10% Off all Aptura Classes with Promo Code MMFAS10

Aptura Class URL: https://www.anthonystarkphotography.com/events/2026-11-16-aptura-reference-photography-for-artists-class

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Art Talk Session to will meet before next meeting

A small gathering of members who show and discuss their artwork.

- **ArtTalk session Monday October 19th; 5:30 - 7:00 pm**
- **Regular meeting immediately following**

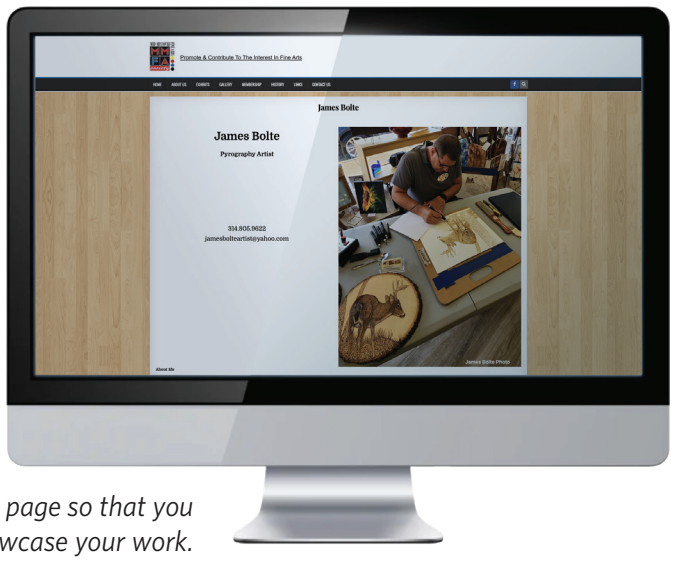
Union Scenic Regional Library

Please RSVP to Miguel de Aguero if you are attending.
mdea1732@gmail.com or 636-692-3433.

Don't forget, as a member of Mid-Missouri Fine Arts Society you can have a gallery page on our mmfas.com website. FREE

Miguel and Fatemeh have continued their work on updating our website. This is a great tool to get updates and also see what other members are doing. Each member is eligible for a gallery page(https://mmfas.com/?page_id=1059). Please send jpegs of your samples of your work that you would like to display on your gallery page.

Please send files to:
Miguel de Aguero (mdea1732@gmail.com)
Please include the following information with each image you send: Title; medium; size; year created; and price if for sale.



Get your own gallery page so that you can showcase your work.

Rivertown Arts Foundation to sponsor Paint-out:

A Fall outdoor painting and drawing day in downtown Washington. Open to all artists. Registration required.

Liberty Hall at 8 W 2nd Street, Washington, MO 63090.
Saturday, October 24th, 9:00 am check-in, 3:00 pm hand-in, 6:00 pm exhibit and awards

Artist Fee: $25.00 in advance, $35.00 the day of.
To register contact Rivertown Arts Foundation:
https://www.rivertownarts.org/general-6-1



This is the perfect opportunity to show everyone your best work, and see what MMFAS is capable of doing. The intake is on Monday, November 2nd from 9:00-noon. For details and registration form, go to: https://mmfas.com/wp-content/uploads/2026/09/ECC_Show_rules_entry_2026C.pdf

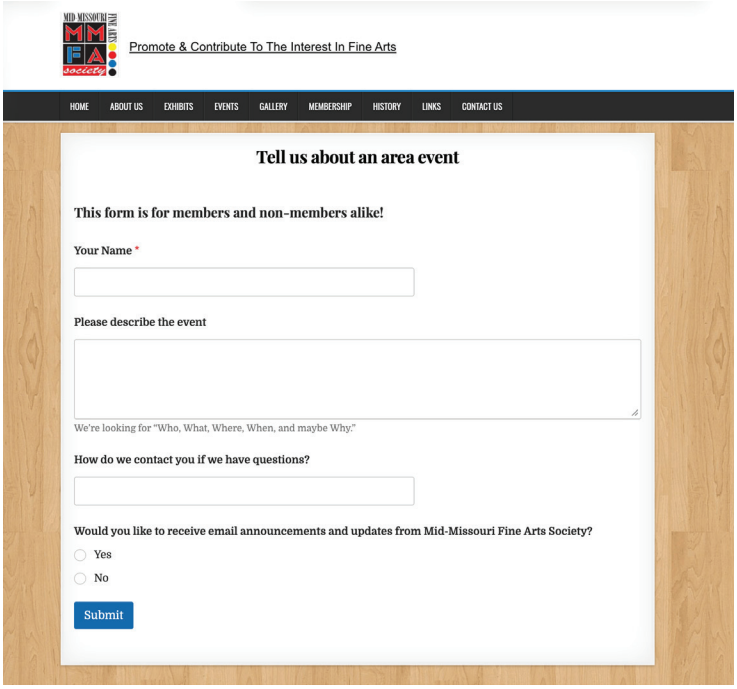
2027 Depot Theme Proposals

We ask all members to take part in the selection of next year's Depot Themes. The online ballot is open, and will close on October 19th, at the club meeting. Go to the link here: https://mmfas.com/?page_id=5463

New feature on the Mid-Missouri Fine Arts Society website.

Just added to the mmfas.com website is an event notification form. This form will allow you to notify us as well as the community at large of your involvement in any upcoming art events.

Take advantage of the free publicity! Just click on the link and it will take you to the online form.
https://mmfas.com/?page_id=5614



Downtown New Haven Inc. launched its first annual Fine Art Show



The show was held in the Wolf & Ferry building Friday evening October 9th. During the two weekends of October 9,10,11 and October 16,17,18.

Several of our MMFAS members are included. The artist reception was Friday October 9th at 6:00 pm. Beverages and snacks were served. If you missed the opening you still have time to see the show October 16,17,18 If you need more information, contact Lu Ann Luecke at 573-680-6904 or ludaveluecke24@gmail.com

Refreshments for the October meeting is courtesy of Bettye Manhart & Kathy Wharton



"Flora, Fauna, Feathers and Faces"

Group IV Show Opens at the Train Depot Gallery Featuring:

Dottie Lownsbury Dolan



For more than 20 years, I have worked as an interior designer, artist, and home stager, developing a lifelong passion for color, pattern, textiles, art, and paint. I previously owned and operated Apostrophe Arts & Design Gallery in Evergreen, Colorado.

Today, I channel that passion into transforming "thrifted" objects into works of art. Using the age-old technique of decoupage, what I call "painting with paper," I layer imagery taken from my photographs or drawings, print them on Japanese rice paper, then enhance them with acrylics, oil pastels or inks.

My newest collection, "Art in the Round," transforms glass vessels and bowls into 3-dimensional mixed-media narratives inspired by the artist Gustav Klimt and by the novels Out of Africa and The Mists of Avalon. I invite the viewer to discover the story within each piece.



Tammi Elbert
Photographer

Tammi Elbert is an award-winning photographer with more than 40 years behind the lens. Beginning her career as a photojournalist for The Missourian in Washington, Missouri, in 1982, she developed a keen eye for storytelling and authentic moments.

Tammi has traveled west to photograph wild mustangs across the American West, capturing their power, grace, and freedom. Her passion for horses and nature is reflected in every image, whether photographing wild mustangs, bald eagles, or life on her family farm.



David Arnold
Watercolor and Colored Pencil

My work includes drawing, watercolor, and mixed media, with an emphasis on detail, atmosphere, and capturing the character of faces, buildings, and still lifes. Guided by intuition rather than a specific artistic style, I enjoy exploring representational art in its many forms. Portraiture and architectural subjects remain particular favorites.



MMFAS Depot Art Shows
2026 SCHEDULE

2026 Themed Show Schedule

Theme Title	Artwork Intake Date &Time	Reception & Awards	Chairperson
Colorful	Saturday; Jan 10, 2026 9:30 AM – 12:00 Noon	Saturday Jan 17, 2026 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Ray Mueller
Collage	Saturday; Mar 14, 2026 9:30 AM – 12:00 Noon	Saturday; Mar 21, 2026 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Jack Hartry
Book Inspired	Saturday; May 9, 2026 9:30 AM – 12:00 Noon	Saturday; May 16, 2026 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Alex Jones
Seascape	Saturday; July 11, 2026 9:30 AM – 12:00 Noon	Saturday; July 18, 2026 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Terri Arnold
Landscape	Saturday; Sep 12, 2026; 9:30 AM – 12:00 Noon	Saturday; Sep 19, 2026 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Janet deAguero
People	**Saturday; Nov 14, 2026 9:30 AM – 12:00 Noon**	**Saturday; Nov 21, 2026 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM**	**Lisbeth Hamlin, Susan Heitman and Ray Mueller**
ECC Show	Monday; Nov 2, 2026 9:00 AM – 12:00 Exhibition Nov 9–Dec 8.	Friday; Nov 13, 2026 Noon 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM Take Home Wed; Dec 9 9:00AM – 12:00 Noon	Miguel deAguero Fatemeh Nichols

2026 Individual/Group Show Schedule

Theme Title	Artwork Intake Date	Reception	Artist/Artists
Small Group I	Saturday; Feb 14, 2026	Saturday; Feb 21, 2026 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Amanda Hulsey, Anne Huellinghoff Jack Hartry
Small Group II	Saturday; Apr 11, 2026	Saturday; Apr 18, 2026 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Sarah Blaskie, Rashida Blevins and Diana Linsley
Small Group III	Saturday; Jun 13, 2026	Saturday; Jun 20, 2026 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Rose Monzyk and Amanda Butenhoff
Small Group IV	Saturday; Aug 8, 2026;	Saturday; Aug 15, 2026 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM	What America Means To You
Small Group V	**Saturday; Oct 10, 2026;**	**Saturday; Oct 17, 2026 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM**	**Tammi Elbert, David A & Dottie Lownsbury Dolan**
Small Group VI	Saturday; Dec 12, 2026;	Saturday; Oct 19, 2026 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Jessica Martinez, Alexander Jones and Abigail Sieve

Please print and keep handy for reference.

Friday class at the Union Community Center

The next Friday class at the Union Community Center will be Celtic Knot Designs. This free class will give students practice in designing and drawing a variety of Celtic Knot styles and applying them to decorative art. This two-part class runs on Friday, October 16th and Friday October 23rd, 12:15-215 pm at the Union Community Center. There are still openings, so go to the UCC facebook page to enroll: https://www.facebook.com/union-mocommunitycenter/

We would also appreciate any help you could give us with the class. If you're interested in volunteering, our website (mmfas.com) and Facebook page will have more details. Or contact me at 636-692-3433 or mdea1732@gmail.com. We've added a booking form to the MMFAS website: https://mmfas.com/?page_id=5578

October Outreach Committee Meeting

The October Outreach Committee Meeting will be held by zoom on Monday, October 12th from 6:00-7:00 pm. All members are welcome to attend to take part in planning upcoming classes, workshops, demonstrations, and joint initiatives with other community organizations. Look for the zoom invitation before the meeting.

Third Thursdays at The Creative at Klondike



Time & Location
Nov 19, 2026, 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM
The Creative at Klondike, 4600 S. Hwy 94 , Augusta, MO 63332, USA
(Klondike Park Meeting Facility)

About
Join us for extremely easy creative play. Step-by-step instructions will lead you to create surprisingly satisfying unique pieces of small art. Absolutely no drawing or watercolor skills are necessary.

Materials: All Materials Provided
Skill Level: No Experience Needed
Class Type: Hands-On
Designed For: Adults
***Kid-Friendly?:** Yes; 14+
Instructor: Chris Schaul

**Kids must be accompanied by an adult. All participants must register for the class.*

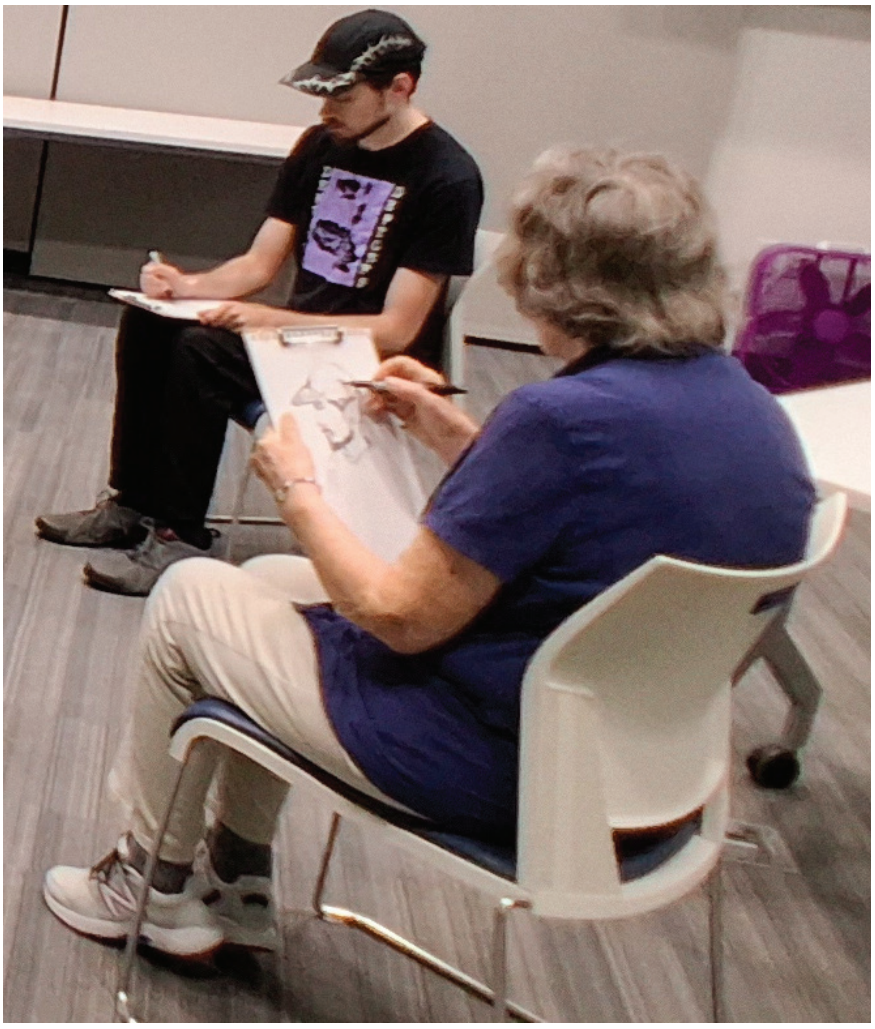
Upcoming MMFAS Open Life Drawing class

Thursday, October 22nd 3:00-4:30 pm
Scenic Regional Library, Union Branch
Meeting room C

Designed to give students an opportunity to meet and work on developing skills, get feedback on their progress, offer help to other students, learn from doing and watching others. There is no teacher, but a coordinator is present to handle scheduling, record attendance, take photos for marketing, make announcements, communicate with students before and after sessions. There is no set assignment or project, but a general theme, genre, medium or subject is defined.

The drawing subject for a particular session may be a clothed seated model, a still life setup, or source photographs.

For More Information contact:
Miguel de Aguero at mdea1732@gmail.com





Coordinator
Miguel de Aguero

Skill Level
Beginner, Intermediate, or Advanced

Cost
Free

Materials
Students are responsible for their own materials, which may be any drawing media they choose to use.

Register here:
https://mmfas.com/?page_id=5647

Field Trip to Mildred Lane Kemper Art Museum



Wednesday, November 4th

11:00-1:00, lunch after

Members will gather at the Kemper Art Museum on the Campus of Washington University, 1 Brookings Drive, (*Near Corner Of Skinker And Lindell Boulevards*) to view a variety of special exhibits and selections from the permanent collection. The plan is to meet in the lobby at 11:00, stay until 1:00 and have lunch before heading home.

For details about the Kemper, go to: https://www.kemperartmuseum.wustl.edu/
To confirm your participation and arrange for ride sharing, contact Miguel de Aguero at mdeaguero@mmfas.com

