

Change is a Foot!

Serious work starting to change the face of Two Rivers Gallery



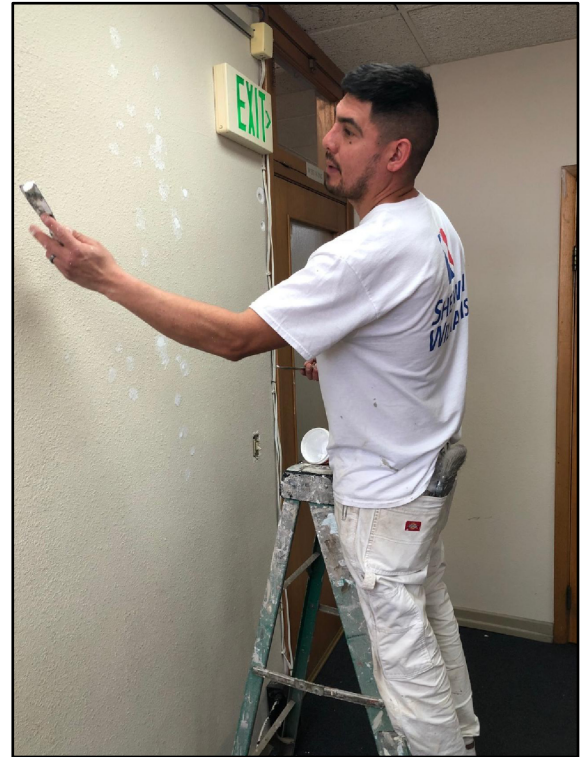
Meet Tony D. Whitney and his truck.



Tony is removing the old carpet and will dispose of it without charge.

We appreciate Tony as he is saving us over \$700 by removing the carpeting. His crew will be doing the heavy lifting and repainting our pedestals.

The board has chosen the carpet from Designer Floors. The new owners of the building have agreed to provide \$6000 to help with the flooring and will offer us a 3 year lease. Our lease automatically goes up 3% annually.



Meet Jose, he is Tony's assistant and is patching holes before the undercoat & two coats of paint are added.



Tony and his helper painted the hall of the West Wing...the lighter walls make the area seem larger and more pleasant.

Gallery Board Sets Changes for our members

- To show cards or prints members must be **up to date** on the monthly \$10 showing fee. There will be a maximum of two dozen cards any member can show. (Keep your cards fresh)

- All featured artists will pay \$25 for the opportunity to show their work for one month. We are taking requests for 2024 featured artists.

Gallery physical changes

- We are no longer selling magazines.

- Print bins will be replaced by Print holders. Artists will be able to show up to six prints at a time. *They should be removed along with cards if the artist decides not to enter their work at any time.* (No double copies)

- We now have only two glass cases for jewelry to accommodate 4 artists. All pottery and craft items will be limited to what you have on the Entry form. Each piece will have a gallery made label.

- We have a new donation box. New membership forms will be in packets.

Other changes and additions

- Debbie Benbow will be assisting our Social Media efforts. We all need to help promote the gallery by sending our events to your contacts and social media chats.

- Ten KOHO radio ads will be added to our First Friday advertising Tuesday through Friday Presently we have ads on Northwest Public Radio on both their News stations as well as classical. Monies from the Woods Family Music & Arts Fund will help

us promote our events.

- The painters are finished and the carpet install begins Tuesday January 17. Blinds have been ordered. Resetting the gallery will begin by January 20. There is much to do and we could use more hands if you have time.

- ENTRY for work will take place once every two months with the exception of February, March, and April. Annual membership is due and \$30 to show for the three months. Please use checks or cash as it costs us each time a charge card is used.

- We are starting out the new year with First Friday February 3rd, featuring artist Sonia (Sonny) Ramsey. Poster attached. Our Grand ReOpening will be March 3 featuring works by Allan Gossett. We will be celebrating our 14th Anniversary as well.

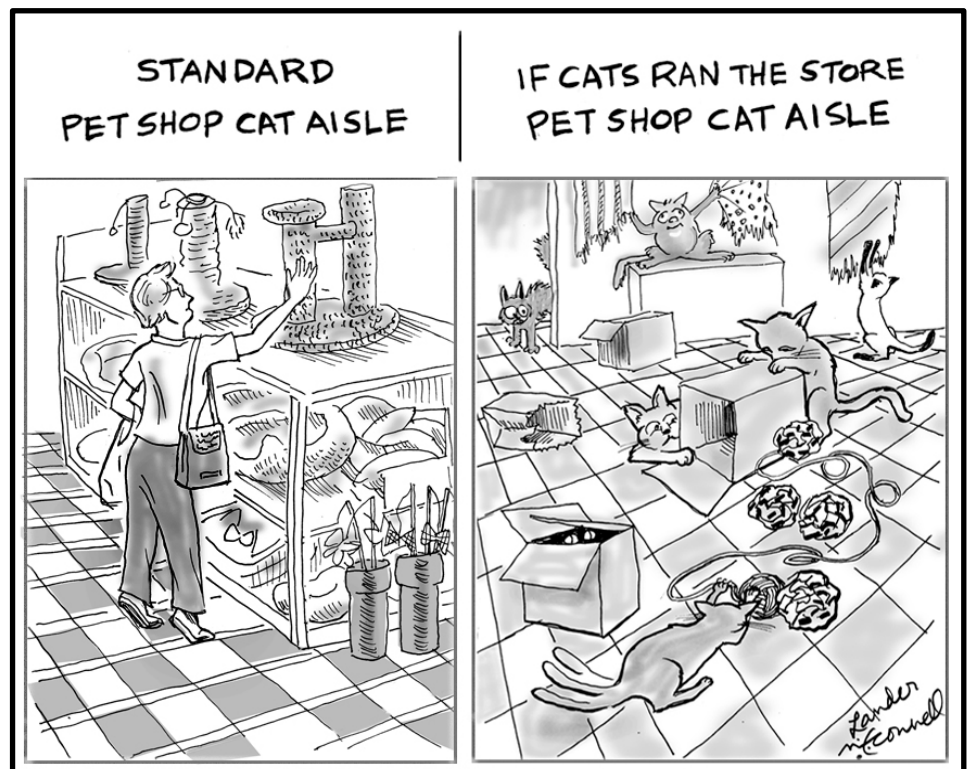
Those Who Care, Share

In December we received donations from 3 sources. We received \$1500 from Terri Meenach's mother Margaret (Peggy) Haberbush. Terri has traveled to Seattle many times over the years to be with her mother as her health began to fail. She has recently passed and we are thankful for the thoughtful gift Terri's family has given to Two Rivers Gallery in her mother's name.

The Community Foundation also reached out to us with two \$1000 checks. One was from the Walker Family Foundation. They have donated to the gallery many times and are very conscious of the importance of art to the valley.

The other check was a legacy gift from Dan McConnell's Mother-in Law, Virginia Pitts. She was an elementary school teacher, librarian, active volunteer in Wenatchee, delivering meals and was awarded a Volunteer Service of the Year award. Dan has made sure that the gallery receives this generous gift each year.

Thank you to our generous members and the many who remain anonymous.



Hope your cat had a nice Christmas

Cartoon compliments by Dan McConnell

Notes of Interest:

- January show at Art Alley: Watercolors of Nicki Isaacson. Her bio can be found at the Go Magazine, Wenatchee World. She has many paintings in homes throughout the valley and can be seen painting at Ridgeline Graphics on Tuesday mornings.
- Harpist Suzanne Grassell was interviewed by Susan Lagsdin in this month's Good Life. Suzanne is a bronze artist and has shown her bronze pieces at the gallery. She also plays her harp twice a year at our First Fridays.
- If you play an instrument and would like to play at one of our events please let us know. All of our musicians provide music non-gratis.
- Thanks to Terri Meenach & Sheri Trepina for washing the interior windows of the gallery.

• Thanks to the Wenatchee Chamber of Commerce for providing the gallery with another no charge annual membership.

- **Docents:** Please review your responsibilities when working at the gallery.
 1. Only turn on & off two light switches.
 2. Always include a telephone number and fold the charge card receipt into the **yellow** receipt before placing into the slot.
 3. Play soft music of your choice.
 4. We have **two** locks on our front door.
 5. Stand and welcome each guest.
 6. Write a bio and place it in the bio book.
 7. Take advantage of promoting yourself, other artist members.

Do You Take Commissions?

Let us know if you accept commissions. Carl Ericson suggests that we keep a list of artists who accept commissions. We have had guests who want their pets painted.

Let us know at ENTRY what you will paint and your contact info.



Good Art, Good Wine Good Company

If you visit a winery or perhaps are a club member it would help us to ask the management if they would like us to promote their wines.

We sell the wines for \$5 a glass and pay the state \$65 for a wine license at each of our First Friday events.

Jen Evenhus is donating the wine at our February opening. She created the labels for Goose Ridge Winery and has a few bottles to share with us.

Award Granted Local Author

Congratulations to Terri Timpe who has received a GAP award from Artist's Trust for her literary work at a Gala in Seattle on December 8. Terri has authored a book "Odolmorea" by T.L. Timpe that is available on Amazon & Kindle Unlimited.



Show Entry Begins January 29

Members Artworks ENTRY will be Sunday, January 29 & Monday the 30th, 10am-2pm. It will be a 3 month exhibit for all members.

Dues are due at Entry or can be sent to Two Rivers Gallery, 102 N. Columbia. Wenatchee. WA 98801. \$50 Individual plus \$30 if entering for the February, March and April Show,

Featuring Sonia (Sonny) Ramsey, Allan Gossett in March and a Trio of artists for April...Sasha Fair, Jen Evenhus & Sheri Trepina.



Don't throw out your old calendars!

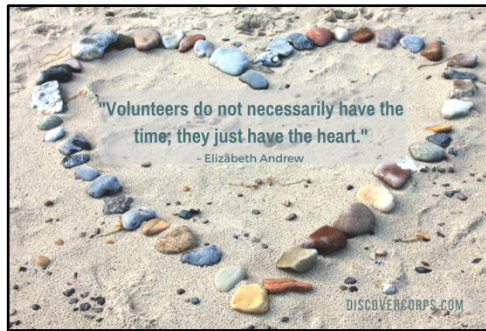
They are reusable. In 2023 you can re-use calendars from these years: 2017, 2006, 1995, 1989, 1978, 1967, 1961, 1950, 1939, and 1933.

"Watercolor Whiplash" by Nicki Isaacson

Many people think watercolor is, well, wishy-washy! I would love to change the false concept that watercolor is low in intensity when it comes to color. Paper, water, and color pigment can yield fascinating results like no other medium. My hope is that my color-filled paintings will give you pause, some eye candy, perhaps. If you find your neck doing a slow swivel for a second look, then you can claim you have experienced a mild "watercolor whiplash"!

Enjoy!

2014, 2017, 2023 (Oct)
Featured Artist at Two Rivers Gallery
2015 Apple Blossom Print Artist
2016 Pybus Poster Artist
Past Board Member, Two Rivers Gallery
Past Co-President, Wenatchee Watercolor Society
and current member



As members, sometimes we forget the sheer amount of hard work that goes on behind the scenes to keep our Gallery running. The Gallery relies 100% on volunteerism, which keeps our membership dues, hanging fees, and commissions very low. Only a handful of our members are currently helping out.

Our mission is to provide a safe and non-juried space for artists to discover and develop their full creative talent, and to maintain a venue where all artists can have an opportunity to have their voices heard and to build their audiences with positivity and encouragement. Our willing volunteers are the backbone of this organization, and we accomplish this mission as a collaborative team. We want YOU on that team. Would you be willing to give a few hours of your time and talents to support your Gallery?

If you have the spirit and the heart to see our members (like you!) grow and succeed, here are some of the immediate ways you can help:

1. We are looking for 2 -3 people to work on a Social Media committee and to share in the effort of making active and engaging postings. We post for our 1st Friday events, but recognize we could have a greater presence with more activity on our Facebook and Instagram accounts. Our ultimate goal is to post something relevant and uplifting daily! We welcome your assistance and ideas on how we can improve our online presence. When our online presence grows, so will attendance at the Gallery!
2. We need a backup person to fill in occasionally (a few times per year) for Sheri by typing and printing our wall labels. It's not hard - we use a template. If you can type and hit the print button we could use you. Sheri is a great trainer J
3. We can always use help with delivering our first Friday flyers. Do you have a bulletin board at your place of business or where you work? Would you be willing to put our 1st Friday flyer up? First Friday showings generate the most sales for the month as a rule. The more attendance we have, the more likely that { *qwt* artwork will sell!
4. We could use someone who can convert our artist intake form and labels into a writable / fillable online PDF form. Our "New Artist Membership" forms need this same conversion. Do you have an administrative background to help with this task?

Many hands make light work – we all have heard that saying, and it is true. Here are a few other inspirational quotes to get you in the mood:

- *"As you grow older, you will discover that you have two hands – one for helping yourself, the other for helping others."* – **Audrey Hepburn**
- *"Volunteerism is the voice of the people put into action. These actions shape and mold the present into a future of which we can all be proud."* – **Helen Dyer**
- *"We make a living by what we get. We make a life by what we give."* – **Winston Churchill**
- *"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."* – **Helen Keller**

Come check out the newly renovated gallery!

Two Rivers

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February 3 - 25, 2023

Sonia "Sonny" Ramsey

First Friday February 3rd 5-8pm

Jeannie McPherson on Piano - Wines by Goose Ridge Winery



Sonny has been painting in oils and acrylics for several years exhibiting in Lynden, Washington.

She is a graduate of the University of Miami with a BA in Commercial Art and attended the Academy of Fine Art in Florence, Italy earning a Master of Fine Art.

Ramsey designed stained glass windows for homes her husband built. She also created 28 windows for the Catholic Church in Leavenworth.



Wednesday - Saturday, 11-4 PM Sunday 1-4 pm

102 N. Columbia (bottom of 1st Street) 2riversgallery.org 509-888-9504 Printed by Office Depot

TWO RIVERS GALLERY ART EXHIBITION PROSPECTUS

January through April 2023

Check our website - www.2riversgallery.com for our latest show

Exhibit Entry Fee (Checks or Cash)

The 3 month show - February, March, April \$30

(All other 2 month shows for 2023 will return to \$20)

- Jan. 29, 30 **Members Artworks Entry** (Sunday, Monday)
This will be a 3 month show - February, March, & April featuring:
- February - Sonia Ramsey-1st Friday Feb.3 (5-8pm)
March - Allan Gossett- 1st Friday March 3 (5-8pm)
April - Sasha Fair, Jen Evenhus, Sheri Trepina
1st Friday April 7 (5-8pm)
- March 25 **Mid-Entry** (Saturday) for new members & members who were unable to exhibit in Feb.
(Call Russ Hepler for an appointment 509-470-5944)
- April 30 - **Members Artworks Entry** (Sunday,Monday)
May 1 for our May-June shows 10:00am-2:00pm