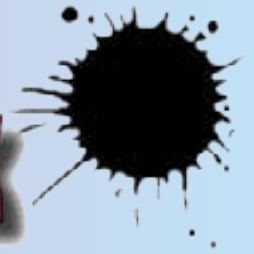


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Sooner Scribes Calligraphy Guild of Oklahoma City, OK

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Sooner Scribes is a lettering arts guild founded in 1980 whose purpose is to promote the study and critical practice of calligraphy as an art form. We seek to encourage individual excellence and to help foster a wider appreciation and deeper understanding of calligraphy. We are committed to teaching the history and application of calligraphy by interchanging ideas through workshops, monthly newsletters and monthly meetings.

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Annual dues: \$30

Monthly meeting dates are listed in the newsletter Events Calendar. Meetings are held on the fourth Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Will Rogers Garden Center, 3400 NW 36th Street, Oklahoma City, OK, unless otherwise specified.



January Program

Card Exchange & Potluck Dinner

Date: Monday, Jan. 26, 2015

Time: 6:30 - 9 p.m.

Place: Carol Manning's home

2405 NW 55th Place (off Villa between May & Penn), Oklahoma City

Hope you had time to make Christmas or holiday cards this year -- and that you made 15-20 extras to exchange at our January meeting. If that didn't happen, create a card for next year and bring those to the meeting! I have to admit, that's what I'm going to do. And if you don't have time to make cards, come to the meeting and just bring food.

Card Exchange Guidelines

- 1) Cards should contain some of your hand lettering
- 2) Sign your card so people will remember who made it
- 3) You'll be asked to describe how you created your card.
- 4) No envelope required.

Bring the following:

- 1) Food -- bring anything you'd like to share.
- 2) 15-20 Handmade cards to exchange

If you didn't make cards, please bring a dish to share and join us for our potluck meal at 6:30 pm. All are welcome to join in the fun of the card exchange and the business meeting! At the meeting we will be voting on new officers for 2015. Below is the slate of officers.

Nominations for 2015 Officers:

- President: Carol Manning
President-Elect: Robin Mead
Treasurer: Wendy Fox
Workshop Chair: (need a volunteer)
Secretary: (need a volunteer)

News

The November meeting was fun and well attended. Wendy showed us the how-to's of assembling simple stitched books and gave us wonderful kits to use in making our own.

Need Workshop Chair & Secretary

Might you be willing to serve in one of these offices? The Workshop Chair arranges for a guest artist to come to Oklahoma City to teach a weekend workshop. Ideas on instructors come from other members and suggestions by other guilds. Contact Wendy Fox at 596-8195 or via email at nibwit@gmail.com if you want to take on this responsibility or want more information about what's involved.

The Secretary takes notes and keeps minutes during business and board meetings and sends an electronic or hardcopy on to the President who then shares them with the general membership to let everyone know what's happening in our Guild. If you are willing to take on the tasks of this office, please contact Carol Manning or let a member of the board know before or at the January meeting. Nominations will be accepted from the floor before we vote.

Membership Dues Time!

Make Time This Year for Sooner Scribes

Happy New Year! It's time to renew your annual dues of \$30. If you are a former member, hope you'll consider coming back. We miss you. Membership forms (with addressed return envelopes) will be snail mailed very soon.

If you enjoy Sooner Scribes, please invite other friends to attend who might be interested in joining. We need and want new members.

Guild Representatives to Attend SW Calligraphy Conference

President Carol Manning and 2014 Workshop Chair Wendy Fox will travel to New Orleans Jan. 23 & 24 for the Southwest Calligraphy Conference, a gathering of the nine guilds from Texas, Louisiana and Oklahoma. It's an opportunity to share ideas and suggestions for programs and workshops, to meet new friends or greet old ones and have a *thoroughly* great time!

Workshops and Retreats

Pat Lynn Moses will be holding several workshops in January and February. Below is a short description of the programs.

1. **DECORATING PAPERS: PAINT & PASTE** - Friday, January 23rd, 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. and/or Saturday, January 24th, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Workshop Fee: for 4 hours is \$30; full 8 hours for \$55
Supply Fee: \$8 per full sheet of Arches TextWove or 2 full sheets of watercolor paper. A full-sheet of Arches TextWove paper is approximately 25" x 40", and can be torn down to sizes appropriate for making



books and/or other art forms that will be demonstrated. The watercolor paper we will use is approximately 22" x 30" or larger, acid-free, and at least 140"#. The other supplies (paste, colors, sponges, tools, instructions - even an apron!) are included in your workshop fee.

- a. **Friday - Painted Backgrounds** - Decorating papers with color, design, texture, and patterns. We will be using water-based paints, inks, stamps, powders, and other tools to create interesting textures and designs on watercolor or text wove papers.
- b. **Saturday - Paste Paper** - a lot like finger painting. We will use heavy body acrylic paints coloring a paste made using a methycellulose powder, which is then moved around on the paper using your fingers and other tools to create designs, textures, patterns.

2. **CREATING YOUR OWN BOOK(S)** - Saturday, February 7th, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Workshop Fee: \$40 for 5 hours

You may use papers you've created and/or use some that I will have available, to create a cover, fold pages, and bind a small book. Three different styles of binding will be demonstrated and explored so that you may choose those appropriate for your own use. 1) the Simple Pamphlett is quick, easy and requires few pages, so could be a card; 2) French Link and 3) Coptic Stitch may be used to create a book of multiple signatures that lies flat when opened and is suitable for use as a journal, accepting writing and other media.

Supply Fee: Cover papers, various sizes for \$5, a few cover boards for nominal costs (according to size). Again, you may purchase extra sheets of Arches TextWove paper for \$8 per full sheet to create a book with blank pages. We will either complete your book or get it close enough for you to finish at home! Other supplies for your use (needles, threads, ribbons, etc.) will be included in your workshop fee.

3. **YOUR CREATIVE JOURNALING** - Saturday, February 21st - 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Workshop Fee: \$30 for 4 hours

During this workshop, participants will probe different ways to record what we see, what we feel, what we hear ... and how we prefer to do that. Participants will explore different approaches to making this book fit your own specific uses - preparing pages by painting, stamping, making insertions, adding pockets, and creating themes. By looking at some of the varied approaches to journaling that others utilize, we can create a book that fits our own needs.

The above workshops will be held in my home studio space, and are limited to 8 participants as I just don't have space for more people! To reserve your place, please mail deposit of half your fee to Pat Lynn Moses at 4332 NW 61st Terrace, Oklahoma City, OK, 73112.

4. **Art Experiential Workshop/Restorative Retreat** - Symbolizing Spirit: The Wind Horse' - Friday, February 28th thru Sunday, March 1st, 2015, at St. Francis of the Woods, Ecumenical Spiritual Retreat Center, Coyle, OK. Workshop Fee: \$125.

I am very excited to be working with Brad Wilson, O.C., director at St. Francis of the Woods, Ecumenical Spiritual Retreat Center near Coyle, OK to offer a weekend retreat/workshop in the spirit of the old

days when we had such wonderful art experiential retreats there. The workshop: ‘Symbolizing Spirit: The Wind Horse’ will be held Friday, February 28 through Sunday, March 1, 2015, and will include the process of making Prayer Flags (also called Wind Horses) for the St. Francis setting. Brad will be explaining the upcoming workshop, and I will be passing along all that information as soon as he has it all assembled for their spring newsletter. Mark your calendars now, though - I understand that we will cap attendance at 15!

5. **Cursive: an art of line and Space**; May 17-23, 2015; Madrid Spain with Monica Dengo. See the PDF, *Monica-Dengo-Madrid-WS* on our website’s workshops page for a full description.

Christmas Cards from the past!

Below are a few of the cards I received in years past. I used them as inspiration for the card I created for 2014 Exchange.

Penni Pennington



Janis Blevins



Lydia Zimmerman



Pat Lynn Moses



Rita Busch



Sharon McKay

Sooner Scribes Events Calendar

Date	Event Description	Location
Jan. 26	Christmas Card Exchange & Potluck dinner	Carol Manning's home
Feb. 23	Pointed Brush: Alphabet & Applications by Pat Lynn Moses	Will Rogers Garden Center
Mar. 23	TBA	Will Rogers Garden Center
Apr. 27	TBA	Will Rogers Garden Center
May 18*	Spring Fling Potluck Party	TBA

*May meeting is on the **THIRD Monday** to avoid coinciding with Memorial Day holiday



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