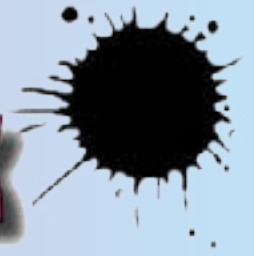


Sooner Scribes Drops of Ink



March 2015

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.

Sooner Scribes
Attention: Dues
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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.



Example of brush script taken from *The Speedball Textbook*, 23rd Edition, pages 52 and 53.

Winter weather forced the cancellation of the February meeting, and we are pleased to move that program to this month.

March Program

Date: March 23, 2015

Time: 6:30-7pm social time
7pm Program

Place: Will Rogers Garden Center
3400 NW 36th St., OKC

Pointed Brush: Alphabet & Applications

Pat Lynn Moses will present info on this fun way to express yourself, using handouts from studies with Barbara Close and Eliza Schulte Holliday in workshops they presented in the past for our Sooner Scribes. PLM does not present herself as an expert, but confesses to using this technique to dazzle friends who receive an envelope decorated with their name

in this 'fancy script' and think that she really knows how to do calligraphy!

The pointed brush is a wonderfully expressive tool - for handwriting, for lettering, and even for illustration/painting. It is also one that is familiar to most of us, and very easily obtainable as a felt tip pointed brush pen. Our hands-on program will give everyone an opportunity to work on finding pressure control with a flexible tip brush pen, working toward a writing that comes from the combination of personal rhythm and the confidence of working with an easy tool. Come along and join in the fun!

Please bring the following if you have them, or come prepared to beg from your neighbor who has some!

1. Pointed Brush Marker in black, and just a few colors - there are many brands of brush marker pens that mimic a paintbrush in marker form ... Marvy LePlumme, Zig Brushables, Faber-Castel Pitt Pens, Micron Pigma Brush Pens ... available from local stores (arts & crafts or office supply) in sets or individually. They have nylon or polyester tips and carry their own ink supply - just be sure to bring those with a 'bullet' shape, rather than the broad edged 'calligraphy' pen. The Pentel Color Brush is an actual brush, with its own ink supply, and you can bring along any of those you might have, too.
2. Lined Practice Paper - bring several sheets; copy paper is fine; you can draw a few lines if you bring a ruler, and a pencil.
3. A Few Envelopes - any color, any size
4. Black fine-line marker - or a black ball point pen ... this is just for some decorative touches.
5. Optional - a few colors of colored markers, gel pens, sparkly pens - again, just for some decorative touches - and plm will have a few to try out.

If you want to look at a book, here a few:

- Brush Lettering: An Instructional Manual in Western Brush Calligraphy*, by Marilyn Reaves & Eliza Schulte
- The Art of Whimsical Lettering*, by Joanne Sharpe
- The Speedball Textbook: A Comprehensive Guide To Pen And Brush Lettering*, edited by Joanne Fink & Judy Kastin

There are also tutorials on the web, and most books on calligraphy will have a chapter on using a brush pen for lettering, along with some alphabets for the same.

Membership Dues

Members are encouraged to mail annual membership dues for \$30 this month. Make checks payable to Sooner Scribes and send to: Sooner Scribes, P.O. Box 188, OKC, OK 73101.

Sooner Scribes Spring Workshop

Barbara Close Workshop — “Italic and Graphite Enhancements” will be offered April 11 & 12, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. at the Boy Scout Hut, NW 33rd & Meridian in Oklahoma City {St. David’s Episcopal Church}.

Cost: \$90-180 based on number of participants. Workshop is limited to 20 people. Responses to a separate email have tentatively filled 17 spots, so act fast if you are interested. Even at the highest price, that’s only \$15/hour for a nationally known and loved calligraphic artist. Check out Barbara’s website at www.bcdezeigns.com. If you have not yet signed up, email sooner-scribes@gmail.com, then mail a \$50 deposit (payable to Sooner Scribes) to Sooner Scribes, P.O. Box 188, OKC, OK 73101 by March 10th.

Don’t have email? Call Carol Manning at 202-5001. A second email with the final balance will be sent out later. All checks will be held until April 1st and deposited then. Remember, workshop refunds are only given if someone can be found to take your spot.



Other Workshop Offerings

Oklahoma Calligraphy Guild [Tulsa] is offering a workshop given by Kathy Milici on April 11-12. For more information on this workshop, contact:

Carol Francis

E-mail: c.g.francis@cox.net

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Fort Worth Calligraphy Guild is sponsoring classes with Reggie Ezell. This is a year-long commitment and offers beginners as well as more advanced scribes a chance to learn and grow in their practice and use of lettering arts. For further information on these classes visit their website and read the PDF pamphlet at:

<http://www.orgsites.com/tx/fortworthcalligraphersguild/ReggieFlyerFINAL.pdf>

May Potluck meeting

The May meeting is a social get together at someone's house. Everyone brings something to eat, and we all have a chance to get to know each other better. Email President Carol Manning at carol.manning.okc@gmail.com if you are interested in hosting this event.

Other News and Reminders

Please let Sharon McKay know about your interest to join us at the Oklahoma State Fair on September 17th. Sharon will be presenting our April program and will be delighted to sign you up for a really fun day at the Fair!

Have a Happy St. Patty's Day and come to share and explore the wonders and delights of Brush Script with Pat Lynn on March 23rd. Hope to see all your smiling faces!



Sooner Scribes Events Calendar

Date	Event Description	Location
Mar. 23	Pointed Brush: Alphabet & Applications by Pat Lynn Moses	Will Rogers Garden Center
Apr. 27	Mediums for Lettering Artists Sharon McKay	Will Rogers Garden Center
May 18*	Spring Fling Potluck Party	TBA
Jun. 22	Summer Break - no meeting	Summer Vacation
Jul. 27	Summer Break - no meeting	Summer Vacation
Aug. 24	TBA	Will Rogers Garden Center
Sep. 17	Sooner Scribes at OK State Fair - 10a.m. - 4p.m. Sharon McKay	OK State Fairgrounds NW 10th & May Ave.
Sep. 28	TBA	Will Rogers Garden Center
Oct. 26	TBA	Will Rogers Garden Center
Nov. 23	TBA	Will Rogers Garden Center
Dec. 28	Christmas Break - no meeting	Happy Holidays

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



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