

Gallery Happenings

September at Gallery Moab

Gallery Moab, an artist-owned cooperative gallery, showcases a wide variety of original fine art, hand-made artisan crafts, and unique gift items. During September we are featuring an exciting exhibition of new works by two well-known local artists.



Deadman Point by Jonathan Frank

We are thrilled to welcome Johnathan Frank back into the Moab art scene as our September Guest Artist! Frank is known for his stunning ink and watercolor paintings, which he describes as “projections of a perfect, pristine landscape without roads, people, or beer cans, where nature prevails.” As a landscape painter his primary objective is to depict nature as if it has never been touched by humankind, and to emphasize a feeling of solitude.



Deadhorse Point by Jonathan Frank

On his artistic outings Frank seeks the highest vantage point, the grandest view, imagining that he is discovering

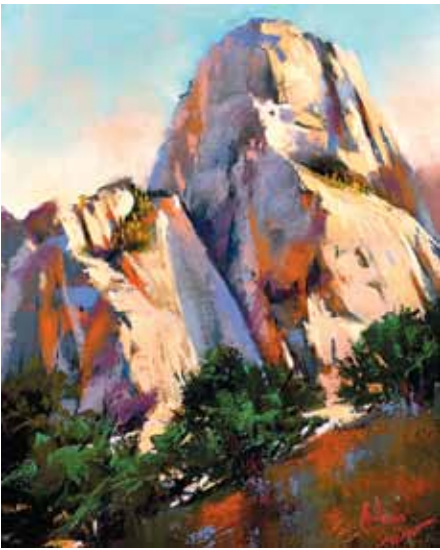
a place for the first time. His reward is “having his mind blown when place and moment come together.” Using his camera as a sketchbook, he captures a scene from as many angles as possible. His challenge lies back in the studio where he must translate these images into his own visual language. He builds his paintings with the abstract shapes of each element, and then outlines each of these hundreds of shapes with India ink, finally balancing and unifying the whole picture with watercolor. He reduces the landscape to its bare essence, offering the viewer an opportunity experience it in their own personal way.



7 Mile Canyon by Antonio Savarese

Antonio Savarese, our featured gallery artist for September, achieved local fame as the 2019 Community Artist in the Parks painting *en plein air* in Arches and Canyonlands National Parks for seven months, sharing his artistic vision and process with visitors from around the world. Savarese grew up in the Four Corners area, living in the foothills of the Colorado Rocky Mountains, in Monument Valley on the Navajo reservation, along the San Juan River in Bluff, and finally in Moab. Exposure to the geological diversity that can only be found on the Colorado Plateau has nurtured his deep understanding and love of the landscape in which he paints.

Savarese works in both oil and pastel. He is influenced by the art of the Californian Impressionists circa 1910s-1930s, such as William Wendt and Edgar Payne, who he feels distilled the very best qualities of the scenes in which they were painting. He finds living artists such as Clyde Aspevig and Josh Elliot to be continual sources of inspiration as well.



The Great White Throne by Antonio Savarese

Be sure to stop by to enjoy the colorful, inspiring ambience of Gallery Moab and visit with our artists, who staff the gallery. They will be happy to answer questions and help you find the perfect memento of your visit.

Gallery Moab’s hours are: Tuesday - Wednesday 12-4 pm; Thursday - Saturday 12-8 pm. Closed Sunday and Monday. Call 435-220-0891 and we will open by appointment.

Gallery Moab follows COVID safety protocols by sanitizing, social distancing, and requiring masks indoors. We offer a colorful selection of 100% cotton masks in different styles hand made by our gallery artists. Sale of these masks helps us pay our rent!

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It’s Sew Moab LLC 2020 International Quilt Show

by Deborah Slechta

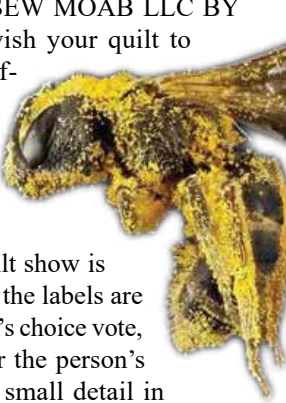
The potential extinction of bees is the inspiration for the 2020 year’s challenge. What important, bee-inspired thoughts do you have? How do bees affect our lives? Please feel free to use your own quilting technique(s). Creativity and imagination are what I am seeking with this challenge.

QUILTS ARE DUE AT IT’S SEW MOAB LLC BY SEPTEMBER 18, 2020. If you wish your quilt to be returned, please include a self-addressed envelope when you submit your quilt. Due to USPS troubles, there will be no penalties for late entries.

This is not a judged and juried show. What is unique about this quilt show is the fact that it is anonymous. All of the labels are covered over so that through a viewer’s choice vote, one does not automatically vote for the person’s quilt whom they may know. This small detail in voting leads to a more dynamic voter’s response. It was surprising to hear that more people wished to participate for this new Bee-themed show since it was anonymous.

Through the month of October, quilts will be on display at Gallery Moab (59 S. Main St.) on Tuesday/Wednesday from Noon-4pm and Thursday-Sunday Noon-8pm as well as a slideshow presentation on the website. On-line voting will be available through the website, itssewmoab.com

Please mail your quilts to:
It’s Sew Moab LLC
2760 Calle Puentes Drive
Moab, Utah 84532



Challenge 2020 is the BEE

Quilt must be 8 inches by 10 inches and include a label and hanging sleeve. Quilt must have some or all of the below Bee Challenge Fabric somewhere on the front of the quilt. Fabric cost is: \$1



Winners will receive

- First Prize: \$100
- Second Prize: \$75
- Third Prize: \$50

Art in the time of COVID 2020

September 5
September 6
September 12

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is happening in a new way this year.
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Thanks to the **Moab Music Festival**
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