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RICH HALL | President

IN-PERSON
DEMO MEETING
DEC. 28 @ 6:30 PM

KAREN NEAL

Anaheim Downtown
Community Center
250 East Center Street

IN-PERSON
**MONTHLY
ART
COMPETITION**

■ PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy Holidays and Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, Happy Kwanza or any other holiday you celebrate! I hope your Thanksgiving was great and have some exciting plans with family and/or friends in the coming weeks. Most of all, please have a safe holiday.

I have enjoyed being your President and working with the rest of your devoted Anaheim Art Association Board of Directors for 2 years. As I explained at the last meeting, I joined AAA when I worked in Anaheim and it was very convenient to attend monthly demo meetings and board meetings. I now live in South Orange County, no longer work in Anaheim, and it can take me over an hour to get to AAA meetings. Therefore, I am giving up my position as President and allowing some "new blood" to lead the Association. You are in very capable hands with the existing Board and a couple of new Board members. I hope to stay involved with AAA Open Competitions and events that I can attend. Thank you for your support during my time as President and I sincerely wish you all the best.

As far as the Association, you have an exciting 2023 season of the Anaheim Art Association to look forward to! Your Board of Directors is already starting to get organized to streamline our efforts and make sure we take advantage of every opportunity to provide educational and display opportunities for our members. Please watch the newsletter for information and events.

Our regular demonstrator meetings will remain on the 4th Wednesday of each month this avoids a conflict with the Tustin Art League, if you would like to join both groups. The meetings will be at 7:00 PM, with socializing and registering your artwork for the monthly competition.

We welcome your continued attendance at our live monthly demonstrations. I think we would all agree that we learn something new at each demonstration. Watch the newsletter for demonstration details each month.

Join Anaheim Art Association Members in a weekly painting session: Paint with other people in a well-lit Visual Arts Room. You do not have to be a member to join in. JOIN US EVERY TUESDAY From 12pm to 3:30pm at 250 E Center St, Anaheim CA 92805. THE LIGHTING IS OUTSTANDING AND THE COMPANY IS ALSO!

Happy painting, drawing, sculpting, or whatever your artistic pursuit is!
Rich Hall
President, Anaheim Art Association

LIVE
DEMO!

KAREN NEAL



■ WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 28 @ 6:30 PM



Hi Everyone,

As a young child in South New Jersey (Keyport) I was always drawing, especially horses. Around age 13 I picked up a brush and started oil painting.

My major studies in college in Connecticut were not in art as my parents directed me away from art as a profession. However, in my adult years (Milford, CT) I continued to paint at home when time allowed with my growing family.

My first painting with my young family was a pallet knife bird painting on a cutting board which still hangs in my kitchen.





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Around 1983 I joined a painting group which was held in a home of an artist in Yorba Linda, CA; and I painted for a couple of years with them. When I became a Realtor in 1985 I jumped feet first into the Real Estate Market and worked all hours yet continued my passion for painting.

Around 2000 I was watching an artist do a mural in Acrylic at a local Pet Resort and said to my owner-friends "I can do that". These friends thought differently and we laugh about it today, especially when they commission me to do a painting.

My next step was to search for instructors. I then tutored under many artists in classes and workshops. I love to attend workshops today... just one new technique is worth the price of the event!

There are many Art Associations here locally in Orange County, CA where I enjoy demonstrating oil paintings. I also have demonstrated at the Orange County Fair, Costa Mesa since 2012. However, the last 2 years they have eliminated the demonstrators in the Visual Arts Building. I do miss the fun of being there painting.

I am proud to say that I have been a Juried-in Member of Oil Painters of America (artists must present paintings to be accepted /declined into OPA).

I love to paint many topics. My very favorite is Animals and Pet Portraits. However, I am venturing out to paint Plein Air too. Please see my Works on my website.

Now, retired after 30 years in Real Estate. I paint vacation scenes with family in Washington State and Idaho which has special meaning for us all. I can paint your vacation scenes too; plus I would love to create a portrait of your family pet/pets.

Thank you again for visiting my website and would love to hear from you!

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