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SANDY WESSEL | President

**LIVE
DEMO!**

IN-PERSON DEMO MEETING

JAN 28 @ 6:30 PM

**DENISE
BUSONY**

ARTIST

@

Anaheim Downtown
Community Center
250 East Center Street

■ PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year everyone!

Our first meeting of 2026 is January 28 at 7:00 pm at [The Downtown Anaheim Community Center](#). If entering our member monthly competition please check in from 6:30-7:00 pm. The current board was reelected at our December meeting.

Fletcher Dice has arranged for another wonderful artist for this month's demonstration [Denise Busony](#). Her art practice includes both soft pastel and oil paint; she enjoys exploring both mediums in the studio and en plein air. But she truly relishes the intuitiveness that painting on location in rapidly changing light demands.

The board is also already working on our member show... and, Karen Neal will chair the member show this year. The show will be August 28 - October 12.

I hope to see you at our January meeting!

Sandy Wessel
President. Anaheim Art Association

Memberships for 2026 are due in January.

\$35 gets you access to monthly meetings showcasing amazing artists demonstrating their incredible talents, monthly art competitions, our Annual Open Juried Exhibition at the Muzeo and more!



DENISE BUSONY



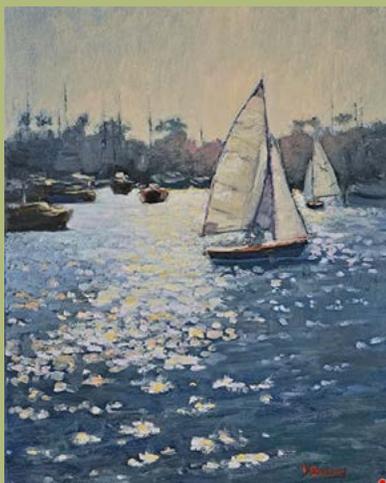
■ WEDNESDAY, JAN 28 @ 6:30 PM

Denise is a former Indiana farm girl who now resides in Surf City, USA (Huntington Beach, California). She began her fine art journey in 2019 when she bought a plein air kit on a Wednesday evening and joined her first plein air paint out in Laguna Beach the next morning. She jumped right into the plein air painting movement and has never looked back.

Her art practice includes both soft pastel and oil paint; she enjoys exploring both mediums in the studio and en plein air. But she truly relishes the intuitiveness that painting on location in rapidly changing light demands.

Denise is an active member of Laguna Plein Air Painters Association (LPAPA), an Artist member of the California Art Club and Southern California Plein Air Painters Association (SOCALPAPA). She is represented by Huse Skelly Gallery in Newport Beach and Studio 7 Gallery in Laguna Beach.





Denise has been juried into many local and national art exhibitions and has won the following awards:

2025 Laguna Plein Air Painters Association “LPAPA Squared” Juried Gallery Exhibition, 2nd Place

2025 National Boldbrush monthly competition for July, Honorable Mention

2025 California Art Club “The Golden State” Juried Gallery Exhibition

2025 Finalist Laguna Plein Air Painters Association “Dusk to Dawn” Juried Gallery Exhibition

2025 Semi-Finalist Laguna Plein Air Painters Association “Dusk to Dawn” Juried Exhibition

2025 Carmel Art Festival plein air competition “Honorable Mention”

2024 Finalist Laguna Plein Air Painters Association “Dusk to Dawn” Juried Gallery Exhibition

2024 Finalist Laguna Plein Air Painters Association “Less is More” Juried Gallery Exhibition

2024 Randy Higbee Gallery Award: Balboa Island Artwalk

2024 Top 100 Finalist, PleinAir Salon Art Competition, Category: Plein Air Soft Pastel

2023 3rd Place, LPAPA “From Dusk to Dawn” Competition

February 2023 Artist Member of the Month, Laguna Plein Air Painters Assoc

2023 - Best in Category – Soft Pastel, “SOCALPAPA 2023 Back Bay Juried Show”, Southern California Plein Air Painters Association

2023 – “Boldbrush Fav 15%” June, Boldbrush Online Competition

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2023 Finalist California Art Club Lazy Days of Summer Exhibition and Sale

2023 Finalist California Art Club Spring Awakening Exhibition and Sale

2023 – Finalist, “HeART of Orange County” All Media Juried Exhibition, Chemer’s Gallery, Tustin CA

2022 Finalist California Art Club Winter Wonderland Exhibition and Sale

2022 2nd Place LPAPA “From Dusk to Dawn” Competition

2022 Randy Higbee Gallery Award, Balboa Island Artwalk

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