



PRESS RELEASE

Dry Canyon Arts Association
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These **DRY CANYON ARTS ASSOCIATION** artists will be participating in Redmond's First Friday on **February 7th** from **4 to 7 PM**. The following downtown businesses are hosting an impressive collection of local artists who will be showing a wide variety of works. Large orange feather flags mark the venues hosting artists and their works so just **Follow the Flags** to find your sweethearts special Valentine gift!

AROME

432 SW Sixth St.

541-527-4727 ~ aromekitchen.com

Jay Lowndes creates unique, one-of-a-kind crafted, hardwood pieces that not only accent any room in your home but are also practical for everyday use. He has the knack and experience for creating durable, wooden-wares such as charcuterie & cutting boards, coasters, Lazy Susans, small furniture pieces, quilt hangers, photo-boxes, and picture frames. He welcomes custom orders and can personalize a piece just for you! "Less slivers; more glitter!"

Beth Hanson creates mixed media paintings currently focusing on collage and acrylic. She is inspired by personal relationships and life's little pleasures. Her joy is in the process of making art which, she believes, is much like life itself with its many lessons in patience, persistence and lifelong learning. www.bethhansonart.com

CARES & WHOAS

436 SW Sixth St.

916-354-2119 ~ caresandwhoas.com

As a long time amateur photographer, **Jennifer Ramerman** now uses her photos as inspiration for watercolor and fused glass paintings. She enjoys experimenting with many different art mediums such as pastel, colored pencil, charcoal and she recently purchased a pottery kiln.

CASCADE HASSON SOTHEBY'S INTERNATIONAL REALTY

535 SW Sixth St

541-383-7600 ~ cascadehassonsir.com

Dry Canyon Arts Association will hold a reception for the February Artist of the Month **Wendy Wheeler-Jacobs** at Cascade Hasson Sotheby's. Catered by Justy's!

Wendy Wheeler-Jacobs creates what can best be described as “portraits” of birds, animals, trees, plants, mountains, rocks and other natural elements in saturated color. While watercolor is her preferred tool, she also enjoys acrylic and colored pencil. See more of her work at thepaintgeek.com.

Also at Cascade Hasson Sotheby's will be **Dina Rhoden**, January's Artist of the Month. Dina's collages are a testament to her desire to create beauty and joy. Using acrylic paint, gold leaf, and found objects such as placemats and jeans, she layers textures and colors to produce pieces that are both visually stunning and emotionally uplifting. "My whole goal is for it to be joyful and surprising. Wherever you look, it'll be something you didn't expect," she says.

The public is invited to join in on the celebration and view selections of Wendy and Dina's artworks.

Cascade Hasson Sotheby's will also be hosting artists **Drew Collins**, **Josie Powell**, **Erin Skeer**, and **Jim Hensley**.

James H. Hensley II, a resident of Redmond Oregon and native Oregonian, is a self-proclaimed Realist Sketch Artist, highlighting the landscapes of Central Oregon. His work includes historic and abandoned buildings and scenic views of the area's natural features. **Josie Powell** states "My handmade silver and copper jewelry is the perfect compliment to the Central Oregon lifestyle and a great Valentines Day gift. See you at the February First Friday!!"

Erin Skeer takes her love for the outdoor and turns nature into art.

Drew Collins N.D. says "65 years of living artistically, challenging myself to make art, to move my emotions and disregard the outcome."

PRAIRIE BOUTIQUE

404 SW Sixth St., Ste 100

541-527-1887 ~ desertprairie.com

Julie Wilson works with fun and colorful art of many media and crayons. See more of Julie's work at <http://www.jactrastudios.com/>

HARCOURTS THE GARNER GROUP REAL ESTATE

444 SW Sixth St

541-383-4360 ~ thegarnergroupp.com

Mel Archer works in colored glass, fusing custom colors into artistic pieces. He is fascinated by the seemingly magical properties of glass. His work can be seen around Redmond and on www.melarcher.com

Bill Lind creates utility bowls and decorative hollow vessels made from locally salvaged hardwood.

Bill Hunt repurposes vintage golf clubs using carved duck heads and live edge slabs. They are the perfect gift for the golfers in your family!!

SCP REDMOND HOTEL

521 SW Sixth Street
541-508-7600 ~ scphotel.com/redmond

John Goodman states “I am inspired by my personal experiences and memories. My intent and challenge is to distill and simplify what I see in order to convey the mood I intend using color, lines and shapes.”

Joan Hester’s jewelry designs are fueled by the desire to strike a balance between the rough and refined to create effortlessly elegant pieces that are comfortable and easy to wear. She merges craftsmanship and attention-to-detail to produce durable designs that let anyone rock their sparkle. Contrasting textured, oxidized finishes in a completed polished piece is a nod to her interest in dualities, finding inspiration in the harmonic opposites in the materials themselves.

Olive Johnson, one of our youngest Dry Canyon Arts Association members, is starting her art career with style. She will be taking time out from her scholastic duties to display her watercolor paintings of wild and domestic flowers.

Kristina Ziegler is a landscape photographer who loves to capture both majestic and small scenes to guide people close to the natural world that brings her peace and joy. Her recent work focuses on combining the landscape with the night sky, including the Milky Way, star trails, and the Aurora Borealis.