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Spring Angel

with

Becky Albeke

February 3rd 11:00am PST

*Directly following the
General Meeting*

Free Admittance to Members

Non Member Fee: \$20.00

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Potluck



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class of 2024 with what dish you are
bringing to share!!!

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2024 SPRING Raindrops Retreat

May 31st - June 2nd



\$228.00 per Member

(includes all 5 meals)

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Additional Special Project will be taught by Georgia Magarrell.

We will be painting
Jane Smith's Bee Goards!



If you would like to be a part of the team experience, but don't have the time to contribute. Please consider donating a Finished painted item or Unfinished wood with the pattern to paint it! Donations will be used as prizes and / or Raffle items. All proceeds from those donations will benefit our Retreat! I can pick them up at our General Meetings!

Thank you!

Emma, Camille, Crystal, Georgia



I Can't Wait!! Sign me up for our Retreat!
I am enclosing my payment of

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Payment in full is required by May 1, 2024

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Camille McDaniel 5702 NE Prescott St #24 Portland, OR 97218



The Presidents Message

Happy New Year Raindrop Chapter. As I write this, it's still December, raining and only two weeks from Christmas. I am reflecting on all the smiles of the Christmas Brunch we just had together. The friends, the comradery and Happiness! This is how we are at the meetings and it's so wonderful. As we head into the new year, the Education begins Live with Becky Albeke and a Potluck. We will continue to have zoom, but a real hands on teacher is going to be great! The new board has new ideas so pay attention as there is going to be Learn to Paint, Our paintings at a Concert, and a market place just to name a few fun projects. We want to thank Monica for her past newsletters as she passes this on to Crystal. Likewise with our Treasurer Jane.. Thanks also to Bobbie for her four years on the board. Big shoes to fill. Keep in touch and know we are moving towards some wonderful things this year. Merry Christmas and Happy New year. I wish you all and Creative Blessings. See you soon. - Geo



The Vice-Presidents Message

We have an exciting year planned for the chapter. The meeting in February will include an in person project taught by Becky Albeke. She will be teaching the spring angel. Looking forward to seeing you there.

- Cheryl



2023 Raindrops Christmas



Raindrops Business Meeting 2023

Date: December 2

Call to Order Time: 9:42

OFFICERS

<p>PRESIDENT *Bobbie Redington</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome to the Christmas Brunch at Heidi's • Silent auction bidding and brunch and festivities are in progress • Virtual Ornament Exchange was mailed to 23 participants. Feedback has been positive. Not all have been received (2 that we know of are still in the works).
<p>VICE PRESIDENT *Georgia Magarrell</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Board & Volunteers for 2024 acknowledged (listed below) • Bobbie was presented a \$35 gift certificate for a class of her choice in 2024 and a paint cart for her studio.
<p>SECRETARY *Monica Bayness</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jane made a motion to approve minutes from last meeting. Sandra Phillips seconded and motion passed.
<p>CLERK *Lynn Lilja (absent) *Jane Smith</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bank balances are \$46,334.78. The activity was reviewed with the high points \$1,015 in dues and \$515 in brunch revenue. • Jane introduced Toni Kramer, our bookkeeper, who was her guest at the brunch. <p>Reminder: All member reimbursement requests must be submitted to the Treasurer by 25th of the month. Checks will be paid by the 10th of the next month.</p>

STANDING COMMITTEES

<p>MEMBERSHIP *Camille McDaniel</p>	<p>Number of Members <u>94</u> New Members <u> </u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bobbie encouraged members to look at the old minutes on the Raindrop webpage for fun facts. • Bobbie found that our membership has remained constant over the last 6 years (even with Covid)
<p>NEWSLETTER *Monica Bayness</p>	<p>Nothing reported</p>
<p>EDUCATION *Georgia Magarrell</p>	<p>Paint-Ins</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • February: Becky Albeke, • April: Bobbie Redington <p>Seminars</p>
<p>FINANCIAL AUDIT *Becky Underwood</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not Updated
<p>RAFFLE *Georgia Magarrell</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The silent auction at the brunch benefits the Women's shelter. There were many beautiful donations and all had bids as of the time of the meeting.
<p>SUNSHINE LADY *Vicki Michael</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not Updated

Art is something that makes you breathe a different kind of happiness.

- Anne Albers

<p>MEMORY BOXES *Sandy Phillips</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sandra Phillips said that the hospital prefers larger boxes and that she is working with Judy Zogg to obtain boxes at a wholesale price. She said we are the only group doing them in the Portland area and that we are working with Randall's Children Hospital. She took 10 last time and Laura brought a beautiful box to the brunch. She also shared a picture of the hand print the hospital does for the parents.
<p>Treasure Boxes *Georgia Magarrell</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not Updated
<p>Charitable Donation *Marsha Holte</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Donation Check previously sent to Women's Shelter - Children's Auction Funds to be donated for the kids Christmas presents – Total was \$353 at the end of meeting today Marsha was not able to attend and Georgia collected a trunk full of TP and other donations and will be given to the shelter.
<p>CREATIVE CHALLENGE CONTEST *Monica Bayness</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Winner was determined for the Most Completed. Won by member, Cheryl Smith. Bobbie sent a gift and thank you.
<p>SPRING RETREAT 2024 *Emma Bleich</p>	<p>Emma encouraged all to get their \$100 deposits in ASAP and the fee is for only the room and board, Reminded us that the cost used to include the teacher expenses.....this time the club is paying the teacher and other expenses, so a great deal. In addition to the project, a gourd bumble bee will be the Saturday night fun event.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> May 31 - June 2nd (2 nights) Aldergate Retreat Center Deposit Made Cost per person: includes lodging, meals, classes & activities Big Brush Teacher: Linda O'Connell
<p>OLD BUSINESS</p>	<p>Nothing discussed</p>
<p>NEW BUSINESS</p>	<p>Nothing discussed</p> <p>ADJOURNED at 10:02</p>

RAINDROP DECORATIVE PAINTERS

As Of:
November 2023

Statement of Financial Position



DESCRIPTION	TOTAL
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
Checking - Key Bank #3380	2,451.57
PayPal Not Transferred	120.02
Savings - Key Bank #8102	43,763.19
Total Bank Accounts	\$ 46,334.78
Other Current Assets	\$ 0.00
Total Current Assets	\$ 46,334.78
Total Assets	\$ 46,334.78
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	\$ 46,334.78

**A NEW YEAR IS
UPON US AND A
FINE YEAR IT
WILL BE**

RAINDROP 2024

VOLUNTEER POSITIONS



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Our 2023 Creative Challenge Winner was Cheryl Smith!!! Congratulations!



Catching Snowflakes



Dancy Happy

Painted by Cheryl Smith



Sweet Creation



Lift Up a Friend



Star Swinger

Don't forget to participate in our new **2024 CREATIVE CHALLENGE** on page 11 in this Newsletter!

*** Membership Reminder ***

ATTENTION!!! ALL MEMBERS WHO HAVE **NOT** RENEWED:

Hey, you! Yes, you! We noticed that you have not renewed your membership. We don't want to see you go! We also don't want you to miss out on the fun seminars, paint-ins, and parties this year, having a relaxed, happy time of being a member of our painting group. That's why you need to renew your membership today, so you don't regret it for the rest of your life! *smiles* Trust us, you don't want to be that person who forgot to renew and missed out. It is only \$20 for a one (1) year membership. Most classes out and around town these days are \$35-\$45 each class! So, this is an extraordinary deal! Hurry and renew your membership now! We don't want to miss your beautiful, smiling face!

To Renew, please go to:

www.portlandraindrops.org/join-us

Fill out the membership form and pay with Paypal or fill out a printed copy of the membership page attached to this newsletter with a check.

Hope to see you real soon!

We Would LOVE for You to Sign Up New Members!

- Do you know someone that likes to paint or would want to learn how to paint? We would love them to join our fun and friendly painting group!
- We have a friendly and fun community of painters who are eager to share their skills and tips with them.
- Whether they are a beginner or an expert, our painting group will help them unleash their creativity and express themselves through art.
- Our special Seminar painting classes are affordable and suitable for all skill levels.
- Learn from our experienced and talented teachers who guides everyone step by step.
- Meet new people who share their passion for painting and make new friends in our supportive and welcoming community!
- Plus, they will receive a really cool Newsletter bi-monthly! *smiles*



Raindrop Decorative Painters

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

www.portlandraindrops.org

DATE _____ NEW MEMBER _____ RENEWAL _____

LAST NAME _____ ARTIST DESIGNATION _____

FIRST NAME _____ TDA, CDA, MDA etc

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CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

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TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP:

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Hardcopies of the Membership Directory are available for \$5.00 each.

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If you wish to use either of these options please add to your total.

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If you are unable to view online, please email raindropnews@gmail.com

Membership fees are for the current year if received prior to October 1st. After Oct 1st, dues are processed for the following calendar year. Dues are not prorated.

Make checks payable to Raindrop Decorative Painters

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More News & Thank You's

Surface for Becky Albeke's Class in February

The surface for Becky's class will be from Pinecraft. Cost for the surface will be announced at a later date.

2024 Secret Pal Gift Exchange Program

A survey was conducted in December, asking members if they would participate in a Secret Pal Gift Exchange program this year. Article submissions for this newsletter were due before the survey was closed but at that time we had 29 responses, 21 in favor of participating in an exchange. Half were interested in a one time holiday ornament exchange. Full results of the survey will be announced in January via email to membership. Thank you to everyone who responded!

- Bobbie Redington

Holly Hanley's Class Update

The winner of the Holly Hanley design is BELIEVE.

"Wow, this was a hard decision!

So watch for the flyer coming out soon.

Thanks so much for all your votes on the new Survey Planet."

-Georgia Magarell



A Big Thank You to PineCraft

They sponsored five wonderful gifts to five lucky Members given to the Raindrop Decorative Painters at the Christmas Brunch on December 2nd, at Heidi's in Gresham. A wonderful wood Trunk, A big 94 bottle paint caddy, A fantastic wood Cribbage set, cards and all, A 3-piece wood Canister set with lids, and a complete Roly Poly set with a Mary Jo Tuttle Pattern.

Current Raindrop Members receive a 10% discount on all online orders, or drop-ins. (No phone calls.)

Go to www.portlandraindrops.org

Click Members Only, click on PineCraft Discount link.

Silent Auction Thank You!

Thanks everyone who participated in the bidding at the silent auction at the Christmas Brunch! We made \$353 for the children at the Woman's shelter. Whoo-hoo! Way to go Ladies!

A Christmas Table Setting Thank You!

A big thanks to Crystal Samuels, Laura Ganda, Terry Banton, Camille McDaniel, Bobbie Redington, Sandy Phillips and Georgia Magarell for painting the center pieces. All painted boxes were wonderful and filled with poinsettias.

If there is any member you would like to send a Thank You too, in our next Newsletter, please contact:

**raindropeditor@gmail.com
and I will happily include your note!**

Creative Challenge

Are You Ready for a Raindrop Challenge???

In every Newsletter of 2024 there will be a themed line pattern. This newsletter Challenge is a Valentine theme, called; **"Bee My Heart"**. Use this pattern and paint in whatever medium, colors, surface that you choose! Be creative and add to it if you'd like! The deadline for this piece will be **February 10th**. Send your photo to: raindropeditor@gmail.com

Your Valentine Challenge photo will be showcased on our Facebook & Instagram Page **February 14th** and also in our next Newsletter!

So, let's show everyone that we love to paint!

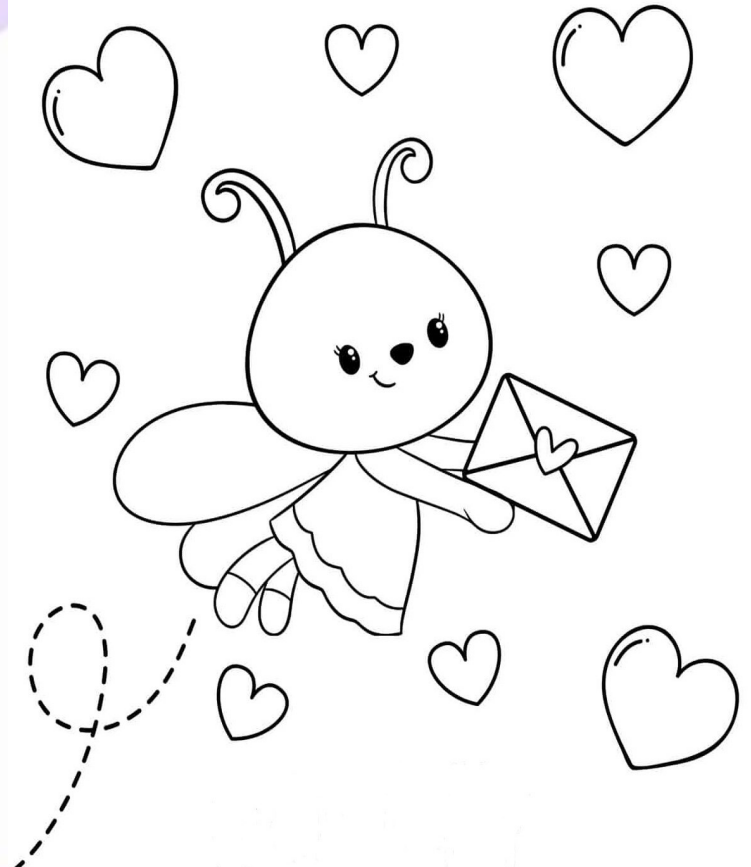
And, at the end of the year there will be a special prize drawing for those who completed all 6 patterns!

Did you miss one or two patterns for the prize drawing? It's ok!

Our final prize drawing deadline will be **November 15th, 2024**.

Go check out the Past Newsletters and Catch Up!

(All line patterns are from free coloring pages online.)



JANUARY

- 2 Karen Lowe
- 2 Beckie Underwood
- 13 Jan Stutchman
- 15 Ruth Kraxberger
- 22 Terry Banton
- 22 Pat Marler
- 27 Mary Kate Erickson
- 30 Jane Smith



FEBRUARY

- 5 Sue Bowers
- 6 Barbara Brady
- 9 Mary Kapp
- 13 Carol Klett
- 17 Judy Pino
- 18 Carol Swanson



No Bake Cherry Dump Cake



An easy, no-bake cherry trifle dessert with layers of angel food cake, sour cream, pudding, cherry pie filling and whipped topping.

Ingredients

- 1 angel food cake prepared (store bought or from box)
- 3.4 ounce package vanilla pudding
- 1 1/2 cups milk
- 1 cup sour cream
- 21 ounce can cherry pie filling
- 8 ounce tub Cool Whip
- 3 tablespoons sliced almonds, for garnish



Instructions

Cut angel food cake into cubes. Spread half of cake in the bottom on a 9×13 baking dish. Spoon 2/3 of cherry pie filling over cake. Spread remaining cake cubes over cherry layer. To create cream layer, beat pudding, milk, and sour cream in a mixing bowl until it thickens. Spread cream over cake layer. Top with Cool Whip (whipped topping). Spoon remaining pie filling over whipped topping. Garnish with sliced almonds.

Did You Know?

Painting is one of the world's oldest art forms, and studying the pictures of our ancestors has helped art historians discover a wealth of knowledge about our past. The history of painting could fill a lengthy book many times over, but for a quick run through of the most prominent periods of Western art, read on...

Pre-History- The oldest known painting is approximately 40,000 years old, and early examples of painting by Neanderthal and prehistoric humans have been found all over the world. Painted using red ochre and black pigment, they usually depict common animals that were hunted, such as horses, rhinos and lions.

Middle Ages- The rise of Christianity dominated the majority of art in the Middle Ages, which placed emphasis on traditional iconography and religious figures. Illuminated manuscripts were one of the most common styles and were often painstakingly hand painted with motifs and calligraphy.

Renaissance- This painting style first emerged in Italy in the 1400s, and the Renaissance covers a vast period up to the mid 17th century. The movement affected not only art, but also sculpture, music and literature, and is characterized by an interest in nature, individualism, beauty and spirituality. Famous Renaissance paintings include Da Vinci's Mona Lisa and Michelangelo's The Creation of Adam.

Rococo- Also known as 'late Baroque', this painting style emerged in France and Italy in the 1730s, and is characterized by a highly decorative and lavish appearance. Common subjects of Rococo paintings include young nobles, pastoral scenes or mythology.

19th Century- The 19th century saw a rapid increase in expression and 'art for arts sake' as painters discovered themes beyond religion or history. Different movements include Romanticism, which saw a focus on landscapes, Impressionism with its distinct, visible small brush strokes and Symbolism, which drew inspiration from dreams and mythology.

20th Century and beyond- Painters including Van Gogh, Gauguin and Matisse were central to the development of modern art as we know it. One of the first emerging movements of the 20th century was Fauvism; a multicolored, expressive style that depicted both landscapes and figures. By contrast, Cubism was far more analytical, with a focus on geometric form. Picasso is arguably the most famous of the Cubist painters, with works including Guernica and The Weeping Woman. The latter half of the 20th century saw emerging styles including Pop Art from artists Andy Warhol and Roy Lichtenstein, abstract art (Kavinsky is one of this movement's most well known artists) and neo-expressionism, which emerged in the late 1970s and depicts familiar objects in a colorful, emotive style.

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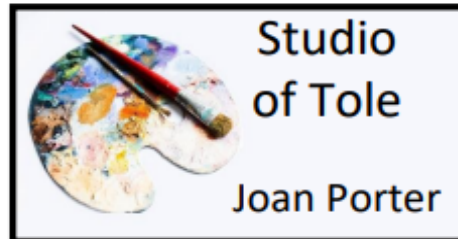
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Raindrops Loves to Give...



Treasure Boxes for Shriners Children's Hospital

Patients and families greatly appreciate your kind donations to help them while they are an in-patient at the hospital. They consistently need new toys, art supplies, books and other items to help their patients and families feel more comfortable and relaxed while they are there. Receiving toys, crafts, books and other activities can bring such joy to patients while they are hospitalized and make the hospital an easier place to be. Shriners always needs help to replenish their stock and are grateful for your donations. All donations must be brand new, unused items. Raindrops helps support Shriners by donating "Treasure Boxes". Put items in a "shoe size" box container that have lids. (e.g.; a plastic container with a lid from the Dollar Store.) If you would like to donate, please bring a box or boxes to one of our meetings. Some suggestions to put in your boxes are:

Toys for children ages 3-5 years

Hot Wheels – cars and trucks, Playdough, Look-and-find books, Dinosaur figures, Coloring books and crayons, Character toys such as: Paw Patrol, Bluey, Disney princesses, Unicorns, Superheroes.

Toys for children ages 6-10 years

Lego sets (such as Minecraft, Star Wars, Jurassic Park), Fidgets, sensory toys, pop-its, Barbies, Coloring books and colored pencils or markers, Action figures (such as Spiderman, Batman), Arts and crafts kits, Puzzles, Young Adult chapter books (such as Captain Underpants, Diary of a Wimpy Kid)

Toys for children ages 11-18 years

Lego sets (7+ boxes), Diamond painting, Jewelry kits, advanced art kits, Anime books, graphic novels, Young Adult chapter books, Journals or sketch book – spiral-free, Coloring books, colored pencils or markers, Fidgets, sensory toys, Advanced puzzles.

Any Questions please contact our Treasure Box coordinator, Georgia Magarrell - georrog@aol.com



Donations for The West Woman's and Children Shelter of Portland

Women's shelters are often the first-stop safe location for women who are seeking refuge from abusive relationships. Shelters are houses where many women and children get their first reprieve from a life filled with fear and pain; where they get their uninterrupted night's sleep in days, months, or even years; and where they can take their first steps in their journey towards healing from their trauma and rebuilding their lives. While shelters do provide a roof over the women and children's heads, they are also chronically underfunded and always overstretched, relying on the surrounding communities and generous donors to provide some of the basic necessities needed to help get survivors back on their feet again. Whether it's providing items to meet a baby's needs or just some necessities like toilet paper. We can all give a little something to support the efforts of shelters to help victims survive and thrive. Some suggestions to donate are: **Laundry Detergent, Shampoo, Toothpaste, Deodorant, Body Wash, Soap, Pads, Tampons, Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, new packs of Diapers, and Baby Wipes.**

Any questions please contact our charitable donations coordinator, Marsha Holte - holteimage0987@yahoo.com



Memory Boxes for Randall Children's Hospital

This project is for the families left behind. The thing the parents most seek after the death of an infant or child is an acknowledgment of the child's life. It may have only been a few moments, or it may have been years. They cling to the precious times they shared with their child. We cannot hope to help these families through the tremendous loss, but we can give them a small gift to hold the things that touched their child; the birth certificate, crib card, bonnet or cap, gown, wrist band, foot and hand casting, etc. This is the purpose of the Memory Box Program. We coordinate with Randall Children's Hospital. Please bring your painted paper mâché box(es) at one of our meetings, which can be in sizes- approx. **12 inch, 10 inch, or 8 ½ inches in diameter and about 3 to 10 inches deep. (Raindrop Supplies these boxes for you to paint.) You can paint bears, bunnies, animals, rosemaling, angels, flowers, scenery, things that are typical of children's decorations - whatever you think would comfort you if you were a recipient of the box. (No holiday, people, or religious paintings).** By participating in this project, you are creating a generational keepsake box for the family. We are so proud to be a part of this very worthy project with the Hospital.

Any questions please contact our memory box coordinator, Sandy Phillips hill70ipsmp@gmail.com.

Our Meetings are held the
1st Saturday of February, April,
June, August, & October with our
 Christmas Brunch in **December.**

Our Meetings and Classes
 are now In Person & on Zoom!

We welcome Members &
 Non-Members to paint with us!



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Milwaukie, OR 97222

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Take off ramp to **Lake Rd./Harmony Rd.**

Turn left at top of ramp onto Lake Rd.

Turn left onto Boss Lane.

Milwaukie Lutheran Church is on left.



Portland Raindrops
 2024 CALENDAR OF
EVENTS

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3rd	BECKY ALBEKE	Zoom & LIVE Class, after meeting.
SATURDAY, APRIL 6th	BOBBIE REDINGTON	Zoom & LIVE Class, after meeting.
APRIL 24th - 27th	PDP EXPO	www.pacificdpexpo.com (This event is not associated with Raindrops.)
SATURDAY, MAY 4th	HOLLY HANLEY	Class Seminar Details Coming Soon!
MAY 31st - JUNE 2nd	2024 RAINDROP RETREAT	Aldersgate in Turner, OR See Flyer in Newsletter More Details Coming Soon!
SATURDAY, AUGUST 3rd	MARY JO TUTTLE	Class Seminar Details Coming Soon!
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7th	BETH WAGNER	Class Seminar Details Coming Soon!
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5th	TBD	Zoom & LIVE Class, after meeting.
SATURDAY, DECEMBER ?	CHRISTMAS BRUNCH	Date to be determined. Details will come later.
MORE EVENTS COMING SOON!		

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SUGGESTIONS to Bring to the February Meeting:

- **Painting supplies for Paint-in with Becky Albeke.**
- **Potluck Dish / Dessert**
- **Item(s) for the Woman's Shelter.**
- **A Memory Box.**
- **A Treasure Box.**
- **A Guest to introduce to Raindrops.**
- **Money for Raffles / Vendors, if we have any.**
- **Positivity with A BIG SMILE!**

Raindrops Technique Tool Box — Each Newsletter will have an “Essential Painting Technique for Artists”

Technique #1 - Underpainting - The term ‘underpainting’ refers to the first layer of paint that is applied to canvas or wood. This layer functions as a base for other layers of paint and can create a sense of contrast and tone in a painting. This is a simple technique that can have a big effect on the overall feel of a painting, allowing an artist to brighten areas that could otherwise appear flat and uniform, such as an area of sky or sea. Artists may choose to play with the tone of an underpainting to bring out certain colors and draw attention to specific elements like light or shadow.

What is the Purpose of Portland Raindrops?

As a member of Raindrop Decorative Painters, our purpose is the promotion of decorative painting. To this end we pledge ourselves to support the goals and purposes of the Raindrop Decorative Painters: To keep the lines of communication open with fellow members, respecting one another and following appropriate lines of communication. To have a positive and open attitude, listening to fellow members’ opinions. To remember the importance of an active membership, contributing our time and talents. To maintain high standards of integrity and honesty. To respect the rights of each member individually, and the right of the majority to govern; therefore supporting the decision of the majority, regardless of how we personally voted. To support and cooperate with leaders who serve, respecting the time and dedicated service of past leaders, and when completing our terms as officers, relinquishing our responsibilities cheerfully to support new leaders. To promote a friendly environment where members motivate and inspire one another, and where differences of opinion are accepted without a need to continue to discuss past differences. To accept and respect the varied reasons members have for membership and the varied skill levels they represent. To remember we are a nonprofit organization and our goal is to promote decorative painting for everyone. To realize the conduct and activities of the members reflect on the entire group. As Raindrop Decorative Painter members, we acknowledge this code of ethics as an expression of our determination to maintain high professional standards. It is only the conscience of the individual who subscribes to this code that can guarantee its effectiveness.

The purpose of being a creative & kind group is the best way to paint the world in a brighter light.

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The Editor's Note: Hi everyone! I'm excited to announce that I'm the new newsletter editor for Raindrops. This is my first time volunteering for this role, so please bear with me as I learn the ropes. I hope to bring you some fun and informative updates bi-monthly, as well as some painting challenges to do on your own. If you have any suggestions, feedback, or complaints, please send them to me at: raindropeditor@gmail.com. I promise I won't take them personally, unless they are about my spelling or punctuation, in which case I will cry... 😊 Just kidding! Thank you for your support and stay tuned for the next edition!

- Crystal Samuels, Raindrop Editor 