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All events and classes held at FCF - Holland Community Center located at
34250 N. 60th St. Building B, Scottsdale, AZ 85266.

All theater performances are held at Cactus Shadows Fine Art Center located at
33606 N. 60th St. Scottsdale, AZ 85266
(unless otherwise noted)

May this Holiday Season smile gently upon you and yours, and
may the New Year bring you Joy and Health. Thank you for being
part of the FCF-Holland Community Center family.



YOUR COMMUNITY CONNECTION

Foothills Community Foundation is pleased to announce that we've been named a finalist in First Western Trust's "**Wealth Is About Grants**" contest - an opportunity for the community to choose a worthy charity for First Western Trust to support through a generous grant. The \$7,000 grant will go a long way at FCF to support Desert Reach - a desert awareness education program for fourth grade children.

As a patron and friend of FCF who appreciates all that we provide to the community, we hope that you'll support our candidacy by voting for Foothills Community Foundation. Each day, between now and December 19th, the public can vote (one vote per person/per day) for the charity of their choice.

To participate, [CLICK HERE](#). After a simple registration, you'll be able to cast your vote, each day until December 19th for Foothills Community Foundation. The nonprofit with the most votes will be named the winner at 2 PM on December 20th.

Thank you for helping to show your continued support for our efforts by voting for Foothills Community Foundation.



YOUR COMMUNITY CONNECTION

You are appreciated and needed! FCF does everything possible to generate income and support our programs, but we are unable to do it alone.

Please consider us in your end of the year giving so that the

programs we offer can truly be a welcoming beacon for those that are encouraged, educated and entertained daily in our community.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration.

Three easy ways to give.

1. [Click here](#)
2. Call 480-488-1090
3. Mail to the: Foothills Community Foundation
Holland Community Center 34250 N 60th St., Bldg B Scottsdale, AZ 85266

Holiday Giving

Be sure to tell us why you love Holland Community Center, Desert Foothills Theater, Desert Awareness Committee, Partners in Education (PIE), Kachina's Place or any other reason in the COMMENT field of this submission. Thank you!

[Donate Now](#)

HOLLAND COMMUNITY CENTER

T.G.I.F.
TASTERS
CLUB



The T.G.I.F. Tasters Club has been a great success. So far this year we've enjoyed coffee cupping, wine tasting, and flavored oils and vinegars. Participants have new appreciation for the quality of products they purchase and how they can enhance their dining experiences.

Join us for our next three events including the History of Tea in January, Beef & Bourbon tasting in February and discovering the Desert's Pantry in March.

The History of Tea



Friday January 20, 2017 The history of tea is long and complex, spreading across multiple cultures over the span of thousands of years. Jo Gemmill, owner of the English Rose Tea Room in Carefree, is as passionate about its history as she is about properly serving and drinking tea.

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Bourbon and Beef



Friday February 10, 2017 For 100 years, the Cartwright Range was one of the largest cattle ranches of the many that sprung up in the desert foothills, and it has been said that it was the oldest Arizona ranch to remain in the same family for over three generations. As the story goes, in a Phoenix diner over a nickel beer and a whisky, ol' Red Cartwright was convinced to come to Cave Creek. Cartwright's Sonoran Ranch House still serves the finest beef in our area. Enjoy this presentation and sampling of grassfed, cornfed and wagyu beef along with three different bourbons.

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T.G.I.F. Tasters Club - Desert Pantry



Friday March 17, 2017 Learn techniques on harvesting, preparing and tasting what the Sonoran Desert has to offer (you may even have it in your backyard). Taste and get recipes for Prickly Pear Lemonade, Cholla Salad, and Mesquite Cookies!

[Buy Tickets Now](#)

VISUAL ARTS EXPLORATION PROGRAM 2017 LECTURE SERIES

Mondays, 4:00—5:00 p.m.
January 16—February 20

What a line up of distinguished presenters we have in store for the 2017 program. Their topics include the renowned **Frank Lloyd Wright, Salvador Dali, and David Hockney** along with lectures on **Scottsdale's Public Art, Travel Sketching, Mural Art, and Original Selfies.**

[Click here](#) for the entire schedule and roster.

For over 20 years the Visual Arts Program of the Foothills Community Foundation has invited qualified speakers to present talks on a variety of subjects of interest to the art world. The 2017 Visual Arts Exploration series continues that tradition with an exciting line-up of seven amazing presenters and topics.

Scottsdale Public Art: North Scottsdale and Beyond



Monday January 9, 2017 Donna Isaac, Director of Scottsdale Public Art, will present an overview of Scottsdale Public Art, which celebrated its 30th anniversary in 2015. She will highlight the permanent public art in the City's collection, placing special emphasis on those projects in North Scottsdale. Donna will also discuss Scottsdale Public Art's focus on temporary public art installations, our expanding events and exhibitions, and how we engage community and build place making throughout the City.

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Murals for Social Change



Monday January 16, 2017 Hugo Media, mural artist and Phoenix College Adjunct Faculty, will touch on the history of mural art, its influences through history, and how it impacts us. The world is becoming a mecca for murals and community projects where non artists and artistic citizens have worked tirelessly to create a destination that tell stories and changes lives. The art scene tells a diverse multi-cultural story of not only present day inhabitants, but also the rich heritage that is a narrative in color. These stories also provide material for a vibrant visual art scene and assist artists in setting trends that are shaping the identity of our great city. His presentation will end with examples of some of my murals.

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A Life of Art & Travel



Monday January 23, 2017 Roberta Kritzia, a classically trained artist and art instructor who works in oil, pastel, watercolor and mixed media, will present a lively discussion on nurturing creativity throughout your life. She will weave her personal life experiences of Sketching on Location in Europe, each Summer, for the past 31 years while visiting the most renown Art Museum around the world and standing in front of the paintings and original sketches of art history's most noted artists from the Renaissance to the last 1800's. Roberta will be doing a live sketching demo utilizing the 'state of the art' materials along with traditional art supplies that she takes with her on her yearly art tours.

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Original Selfies...of the World's Greatest Artists



Monday January 30, 2017 Suzie Wilson, an artist, teacher, tour leader, and former volunteer 8-year director of the Visual Arts Lecture series at FCF, will present the portraits of SELF, as seen through the painter's own eye. A self-portrait, the image of one's self, often reveals interesting, unexpected points of view and personal insights into details and facts otherwise unknown. Some are masterful and beautifully painted. Others are less conventional, curious, or even disturbing. All present will experience a personal, fascinating point of view of SELF.

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David Hockney: The Bigger Picture



Monday February 6, 2017 Maureen Chestnut, art educator and Phoenix Art Museum Docent, will present on David Hockney, the most celebrated British artist of the 20th century. Within the presentation she will follow his career as an extraordinary draftsman, portrait painter, stage set designer, and his embracement of technology throughout his long career.

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The Theater of Salvador Dali



Monday February 13, 2017 Peggy Strubel, a Phoenix Art Museum Docent, will present a look at some of Salvador Dali's famous works. She will discuss who and what influenced his art and where he drew his ideas and inspiration.

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Moving Wright On



Monday February 20, 2017 Aaron Betsky, Dean of the Frank Lloyd Wright School of Architecture at Taliesin and Taliesin West, critic, curator and author of texts about architecture and design, will present Frank Lloyd Wright's work in the context of his legacy in buildings and thought, and in particular of his work at Taliesin and Taliesin West. Frank Lloyd Wright left us with a legacy of some of the most beautiful and experimental buildings in America. His emphasis on breaking boxes, building with the land, organic architecture, framing the rituals of everyday life, and creating spaces for democracy that also allowed for individual shelter continue to shape our world. Living and working at Taliesin and Taliesin West provides all of us in this community with daily reminders on how to make a more beautiful, sustainable, and open architecture.

[Buy Tickets Now](#)

Essential Oils and Preventative Healthcare



**RESCHEDULED for
January 26, 2017
6:30 - 8:30 pm**

This 2-hour class will include the multiple possibilities and uses for essential oils. Come

Watercolor Painting with Donna Anastasi



Three exciting watercolor classes are coming in January.

Instructor Donna Anastasi came to the desert in 2010 and her love for the desert Southwest has grown over these years. Her need to create art has been a driving force throughout her life.

She has studied watercolor painting under Maryland artist, Brenda Kidera and has achieved Signature Artist status with the Baltimore Watercolor Society and Sonoran Arts League in Cave Creek. Her art consists of a

look at healthcare from a preventative perspective. With seasonal allergies, food allergies, skin sensitivities, pet allergens, toxins and chemicals in our immediate environments, alternative care methods are becoming more and more relevant. You will learn about the importance of preventative care, what essential oils are, uses for essential oils, the 'how-to's' for application/dilution, and where to find them.

Class Outline:

- * Introduction of oils
- * Usage breakdown and sampling of common oils
- * A variety of ways oils can be applied
- * Sharing and questions

\$25.00 registration fee (includes some take-home samples)

Instructor: Heather Cambanes is an Essential Oils distributor, educator, and entrepreneur with her own catering business. She has been living and studying preventative healthcare for over ten years.

[Click here to register](#)
or call 480-188-1090.

variety of subjects, including pet portraits, human portraits, still life and florals.

Watercolor Painting for the Fun of It. An Introduction to Watercolors

4 Weeks - Wednesdays
9AM - 12PM
January 3-24, 2017
[Click here for details](#)

Intermediate Watercolors Session 1:

Painting Sunsets
5 Weeks - Wednesdays
1PM - 4PM
January 3 - 31, 2017
[Click here for details](#)

Intermediate Watercolors Session 2:

Creating a Painting of Cut Glass in Watercolor
5 Weeks - Wednesdays
12PM - 3PM
February 14 - March 14, 2017
[Click here for details](#)

[Register now!](#)
Space is limited.

MORE CLASSES COMING SOON!

Oil Painting
Paper Bead Making
Family History Writing Workshops
[Beginning Bridge](#) - *registration open*
[Supervised Play Bridge](#) - *registration open*

HOLLAND GALLERY OF FINE ART

New Holland Gallery of Fine Art Exhibit starting December 16 Featuring Four Well-Known Abstract Artists

Mountain Top Experience art show opens December 16 at the Holland Gallery of Fine Art and runs through December 21, then reopens after the holidays, January 3-27. Gallery hours are 9 A.M.- 4 P.M. **The Artists' Reception is January 14, 2017, 4:30-6:30 P.M., and the public is invited to attend.**

Mountain Top Experience is a four-person exhibition of abstract paintings by Karen Brace Adams, Dennis Kleidon, Elizabeth Moore and Judith Visker. Each artist has shown in galleries and exhibitions in the Phoenix region and throughout the United States.

Creating art is a "mountain top experience" – it entails a journey – one that is unpredictable, dangerous, thrilling, frustrating, exhausting and exhilarating. Just as there may be more than one way to scale the highest peak, there are many ways to create successful art. This exhibition displays the unique visions and abstract thinking of each of the artists. The end result is an exciting exhibition of abstract painting.

Karen Brace Adams. Adams was born and raised in Colorado and lived in Europe and California before landing in Phoenix twenty-five years ago. Self-taught, her main focus is abstract acrylic on canvas. Her artmaking is spontaneous and completely in the present moment. The process takes her back to simpler, childlike times with no worries or cares. Just simply from the heart.

Dennis Kleidon. Chicago-born artist Dennis Kleidon paints robust abstractions that explore the possibilities of paint in action. Through decades of sailboat racing, Kleidon is influenced by the turbulence of water, the violence of the wind and the complexity of nature's details. A professor emeritus, Kleidon served on the art faculty at the University of Illinois and the University of Akron and is CEO of Kleidon & Associates, a marketing communications firm. Kleidon has exhibited his artwork in solo and joint shows in galleries, museums and juried exhibitions and is represented in many permanent collections.

Elizabeth Moore. Ancient and distant cultures have always intrigued me. Consequently, I enjoy creating ethnographic works of art in which text and other cultural symbols are embedded in my visual compositions in an effort to make meaning and allow each piece to speak a language all its own. Moore's work has been shown in numerous exhibitions and has received many awards and recognitions. She has lived in Iowa, California, and on the East Coast, as well as traveling throughout the world.

Judith Visker. "To create an 'original object' that has not existed before that contains an aesthetic derived from my subconscious thoughts, emotions, and memory is the objective for my art. Imagery of structures and patterns reveal themselves as the art materials lead and I follow." Influenced by the work of her cousin Robert Rauschenberg, she works expressively and fearlessly to create a uniqueness to her style that can be recognized as a Visker piece. Visker received her BFA and MA in studio art.

MOUNTAIN TOP EXPERIENCE

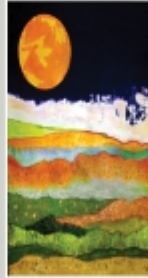
Holland Gallery of Fine Art | December 16-21, January 3 - 27, 9:00 AM - 4:00 AM
34250 N. 60th Street, Building B, Scottsdale, Arizona 85266 | Opening Reception: January 14, 4:30 - 6:30 PM



Dennis Kleidon
Ethereal Essence II



Judith Visser
Among World



Elizabeth Moore
Moon Over the Mountain



Karen Trace Adams
Blue Bayou

IN THE ALLEY GALLERY

Original Artwork by Roberta Kritzia A Classical Artist

Roberta works in oil, pastel, pen & ink and mixed media. This exhibition represents her creative energies inspired by her past 31 summers spent traveling and sketching on-location in Europe. Her use of texture, color glazing and brushwork has established Roberta as a leading contributor in today's resurgence of classical painting. She has the distinction of being the only art instructor, of adults, to have taught a series of art classes at the MIM, Musical Instrument Museum.



Exhibiting December 16 – January 27

You are invited to attend the reception of my
One Woman Exhibition of my art work on
Saturday, January 14, 2017 4:30–6:30 pm.

HOLLAND GALLERY *of* FINE ART

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Art for Sale. Stop into the Holland Community Center and check out our Alley Gallery display cases filled with new art for sale.

DESERT FOOTHILLS THEATER

Holiday Cabaret @ The Holland Center

Sunday December 18, 2016 Our Holiday Cabaret tradition continues this year with the fabulous T.A. Burrows in a brand new holiday show. This year we have a new venue...the FCF-Holland Center. Ticket price includes a glass of wine, appetizers and the show. Doors open at 6:30PM, seating is first-come, first served. The performance starts at 7:30PM. Full dinner will not be available at this event.

[Buy Tickets Now](#)

DFT Presents AbbaFab



Sunday January 29, 2017 This multimedia production is a tribute to some of the greatest music produced in the 1970's and 1980's including monster hits such as Waterloo, Fernando, Honey Honey, Dancing Queen and countless others. From the earliest hits to Mamma Mia, ABBAFAB will take you on an ABBA journey that is unmatched.

There's no doubt that the ABBAFAB vibe is infectious! Their vocals and musicianship are second to none. ABBA fans love it and new ABBA fans are created at every show. ABBAFAB consistently plays to SRO audiences across the USA and abroad and offers a truly unique experience you will not soon forget.

[Buy Tickets Now](#)

DFT Presents One of These Nights



Sunday February 26, 2017 ONE OF THESE NIGHTS promises exactly that....an unforgettable night featuring the music of the Eagles. The show features the band's greatest hits like – all presented in a highly entertaining production with uncanny accuracy.

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Five time Grammy Winner **Vance George Conducts
George Frederick Handel's Messiah**

December 10th at 3pm

Tickets at door \$30

Reserve now - limited seating.

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