



## From the Artist Registry Desk

Although it has been some time since our last Apropos publication, Arts4All Florida (formerly VSA Florida) and our artists have been on the move. Catch a glimpse of our artists exhibitions and winners, recent “Shining the Limelight” on Registry artists, and of course new Webinars and Calls for Artists in the visual, performing and literary fields.

To receive announcements of Calls for Artists and other Arts4All Florida opportunities, join the Artist Registry online at [www.arts4allflorida.org](http://www.arts4allflorida.org). Already a member? Please keep your contact information current and let us know of any changes.

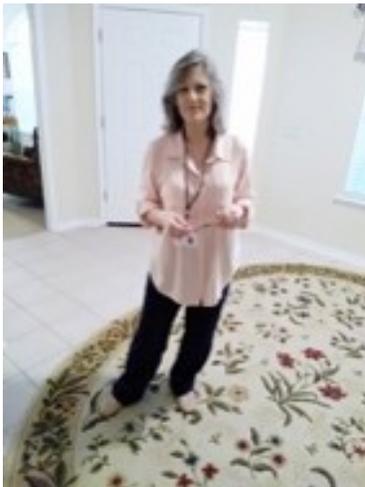
Don't forget to let me know of any recent accomplishments you've had such as receiving an award, having a great performance, speaking on a panel or anything else you feel may be newsworthy. Email me at [srokas@usf.edu](mailto:srokas@usf.edu).

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## Arts4All Florida Artists in the Limelight

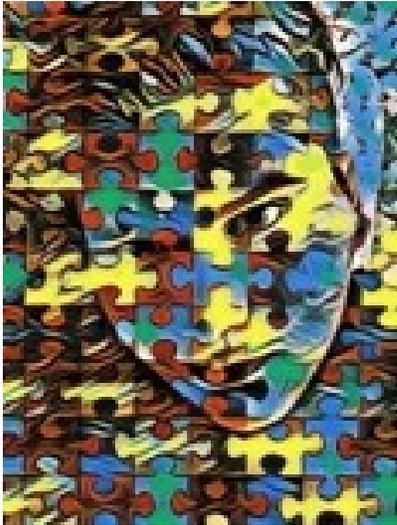


**Sandy Olson-Hill** is an Arts4All Florida Teaching Artist, a fierce and dedicated animal rescue advocate, and a writer. She was awarded an Alliance of Artist's Communities' Creative Access Residency Fellowship for artists with Spinal Cord Injuries. Created and funded by The Craig T. Neilson Foundation, this award offers residency options, and monetary coverage for travel, incidentals, and (if need be) a stipend for a companion. PLAYA in Summerlake, Oregon accepted Sandy for a 4 week residency fellowship. PLAYA's mission statement is “Transforming the world through creative expression”.

Sandy's enthusiasm spills over as she describes the impact of this award. “My project proposal is to spend my time working on a flash fiction/ poetry compilation, and I will also facilitate a visual arts class for either a

local school, or community center. PLAYA's positive and progressive purpose fits so cohesively into my own, that this award feels beyond a gift. It's a blessing actually. I must mention that I am certain I gleaned this information via one of the many gracious Arts4All Florida email opportunities, as I have perused them for years. So, I thank you for taking the time to research, provide, and relay so many amazing opportunities for us artists."

Among Sandy's recent and upcoming publications are, "*Unbroken*", "*Anomaly Literary Journal*", and "*Tuck*" among numerous other fine literary magazines. Awards include the Academy of American Poet Prize and the Open Door Short Fiction Award. Congratulations Sandy!!



**Austin Lubetkin**, an Arts4All Florida visual artist, recently shared his story and accomplishments in the Lime Connect Fellowship Program. You can view his YouTube video by [clicking here](#).

The Lime Connect Fellowship Program For Students with Disabilities is a flagship program in the U.S. designed for highly accomplished rising juniors with disabilities. This highly selective program guides Fellows through a process in deepening leadership skills, building confidence as a person with a disability, and preparing them for success in a summer internship with corporate partners.

Congratulations Austin on all you have achieved!!



**Margaret Zabor**, longtime Arts4All Florida Registry artist and member of the Life Enrichment Center in Tampa, came away with two Florida State Fair awards earlier this year in the Senior Award category. Her drawing "The Basket Maker" received an Honorable Mention while "Ybor City Rooster" a mixed media ink and watercolor won second place. Since her Florida State Fair win, her vibrant "Sax Player at Ybor" painting was selected for the adjudicated ADA Anniversary Exhibition and additional photography work for the "Art & Tea Party" show.

Congratulations Margaret!!

To keep up to date on Artist Calls, Arts4All Florida events, and more, be sure to sign-up online for the Arts4All Florida Artist Registry and submit your information at [www.arts4allflorida.org](http://www.arts4allflorida.org).

## “America Through My Eyes” Exhibition

Fifteen Florida artists had their work selected and exhibited during the 28<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act Celebration. The exhibition, entitled “America Through My Eyes” was adjudicated by Dolores Coe, Curator of Art in Health Programs at the USF Contemporary Art Museum. The artwork exemplified diverse genres and techniques and was submitted from all corners of Florida. The fifteen selected artists were **Jack Beverland, William Coleman, Susana Cremin, Anita Dallar, Richard Davis, Lora Duguay, Robin Fick, Elizabeth Hudgins, Romona Johnson, Cheryl Kinderknecht, Austin Lubetkin, Adorable Monique, Gerilynn Shulman, Tricia Tayler, and Margaret Zabor.**



Thanks to the generous sponsorship of Tampa law firm, Greenberg Traurig, six of these amazing artists received cash awards:

### **\$500 Award of Distinction to:**

**Anita Dallar, “Trails”**

### **\$100 Awards of Recognition to:**

Jack Beverland, “Bumper Crop”

Susana Cremin, “Tony”

Robin Fick, “Hillsborough River State Park Bridge”

Cheryl Kinderknecht, “Disability Nation”

Austin Lubetkin, “Washington”

With two-hundred people in attendance at the day’s event, the celebration and art exhibition caught the attention of the Hillsborough County Board of County Commissioners and continuing now through the end of this calendar year, the artwork is on display in the foyer area to the County Commissioners’ suite of offices. Congratulations to ALL!

## **Arts4All Florida and Regions Bank Team up for the 2019 Calendar**



For the second year, Regions Bank has teamed up with Arts4All Florida in selecting thirteen amazing artists from throughout Florida to be featured in our 2019 Arts4All Florida Calendar. Competition was stiff this year as over thirty-eight submissions to our Call for Art vied for the thirteen spots.

Congratulations to:

Cover - Adorable Monique, “Hope” – Acrylic on canvas

January - Cheryl Kinderknecht, “Transitions” - Mixed media

February - Laurie H., “Florida Blooms” – Acrylic on paper

March - Anita Dallar, “Cure” - Intaglio & Serigraph Monotype Collage

April - Jason Rosenstock, "Reef Jewel" – Acrylic and mixed media  
May – Jasma Thomas, "Tampa Sunset" – Pastel  
June – James Beck, "Summer Beachin'" – Sharpie marker, crayons and colored pencils  
July – Jack Beverland, "Freedom is not Free" – Fabric paint on board  
August – Marshall Fisher, "Crab" -Oil with varnish covering  
September – Margaret Zabor, "White Rose Unfurling" – Gallinule water color  
October – Louisa Pulido, "Let Go" – Oil on stretched canvas  
November – Susan Kubes, "Sarandipity" -Alcohol ink on yupo  
December – Gerilynn Shulman, "Winter Cabins" -Acrylic

Regions Bank, a supporter of Arts4All Florida and Americans with disabilities, has an active outreach program to ensure customers can bank independently and with ease. Their commitment extends to helping make the arts accessible to everyone in the communities Regions serves.

Calendars will be available at various Regions Bank locations throughout Florida and a limited number through Arts4All Florida. If you wish to receive a calendar, please email [srokas@usf.edu](mailto:srokas@usf.edu).

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## Calls for Artists

### **Community Theatre Auditions for Ragtime at Plant City Theatre**

Plant City Entertainment is seeking a large, multi-ethnic cast, ranging in age from 5 to 75 – no experience necessary! All roles are unpaid.

Auditioners need to come prepared to sing in the style of the show with a backing track. There will be reading from the script as well as a dance audition. Please come ready to show off your personality while dancing!

*They also need "choir only" cast members! Please note on audition form if that is your interest.*

**RAGTIME AUDITIONS:** Nov. 13 & 14, 7 pm at Plant City Entertainment, Inc. Theater, 101 N. Thomas Street, Plant City, FL 33564

**PRODUCTION DATES:** February 15, 16, 17, 22, 23, 24.

Rehearsals will be 3-4 days per week. Not every actor will be needed at every rehearsal and we will work to accommodate some absences. Please bring your current availability from now until show dates.

**Note:** Recorded audition submissions will be permitted if an actor is not available on either date. However, we highly recommended that everyone audition in person.

### **PINNACLE National Juried Art Competition and Exhibition**

The Florida A&M University Foster-Tanner Fine Arts Gallery (Tallahassee, Florida) is accepting submissions for "PINNACLE National Juried Art Competition". All media are eligible for submission. \$1,000 will be awarded to the 'Best in Show' winner and cash prizes are awarded to first, second, and third place winners. All accepted entries in the PINNACLE exhibition will be featured in

a full-color catalog.

**DEADLINE:** Friday, November 16, 2018

**MORE INFO:**

<http://www.famu.edu/index.cfm?fineartsprogram&PINNACLENationalJuriedArtCompetitionandExhibition>

### **Westchase Holiday Market**

The 9th Annual Westchase Holiday Market at the Westchase Golf Club benefitting Autism Speaks, will take place on December 9, 2018. They are looking for original artwork such as paintings, photography, ceramics and sculpture, along with handmade craft items such as cork work, jewelry, crochet, glassware and woodworking.

Benefits include Best of Show, 1st and 2nd juried prizes, artist demonstrations, indoor and outdoor spaces, the annual silent auction/raffle to benefit Autism Speaks, music, food, and Santa!!!

**REGISTRATION FEE:** \$50

**DEADLINE:** 11/30/2018

**MORE INFO:** <https://www.westchaseholidaymarket.com/>

### **Artist Call for Offbeat Bijou: Alternative Materials, Processes and Ideas in Jewelry**

Florida CraftArt invites artists who make jewelry using nontraditional methods, materials or concepts to apply for exhibition. They are looking for examples of contemporary, forward-thinking jewelry in a variety of materials and styles. Jewelry may be any wearable form (necklace, brooch, ring, bracelet, earrings, etc.).

#### **TIMELINE:**

November 30, 2018 – Submission deadline

January 25 – March 2, 2019– Show dates

March 3-4, 2019 – Return shipping of artwork

**DEADLINE:** November 30, 2018

**MORE INFO:** [www.floridacraftart.org/artist-opportunities/offbeat-bijou-alternative-materials-processes-and-ideas-in-jewelry/](http://www.floridacraftart.org/artist-opportunities/offbeat-bijou-alternative-materials-processes-and-ideas-in-jewelry/)

### **Florida State Fair Creative Living Competitions**

The Florida State Fair is proud to showcase talented Florida residents from around the state in the 2019 Creative Living Competitions. An opportunity to win ribbons and prize money... it's also a great way to share your talent with a larger community. All Creative Living exhibitors receive a FREE ticket to attend the fair. Competition areas include: Fine Arts, Photography, Fine Crafts, Wood Arts, Furniture, Sewing, Quilting, Fiber Arts and Youth Arts.

**DEADLINE:** Friday, December 14, 2018

**MORE INFO:** <http://www.floridastatefair.com/p/about/435>

## **South Arts Offers State Fellowship, Southern Prize to Florida Artists**

The South Arts State Fellowship is a state-specific prize awarded to the artists whose work reflects the best of the visual arts in the South. A national jury will select one winner per eligible state, with artistic excellence being the sole criterion. A total of nine fellowships will be awarded. The program will be open to individual artists living in the South Arts region. This program is open only to visual artists and will expand to other disciplines in the future.

Each will be awarded a \$5,000 South Arts State Fellowship, and will compete for one of the two South Arts Prizes. State Fellowship recipients will be required to attend the awards ceremony on April 15, 2019 in Columbia, SC.

An exhibition of works by the State Fellowship winners will be open at the historic 701 Whaley in Columbia, South Carolina following the South Arts State Fellowship and Southern Prize awards ceremony on April 15, and will run through May 5, 2019.

*Applications for the 2019 State Fellowships and Southern Prize [are now open](#).*

**DEADLINE:** The application deadline is December 3, 2018.

**FOR QUESTIONS:** First consult the [FAQs](#). If your answer isn't there, please contact [southernprize@southarts.org](mailto:southernprize@southarts.org) or call 404.874.7244 x10.

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## **Hillsborough Arts Council Opens Artist Grants for Career Development**

This grant program provides funding to emerging or established artists living in Hillsborough County for one of two specific purposes:

- Education Experience – Residency, workshop and/or conference
- Equipment – Permanent, non-disposable equipment

The PDA grant program is reimbursement-based, meaning you must be able to pay for your proposal expenses and receive reimbursement after submitting paid receipts.

All application forms are filled out online with certain documents and current work samples uploaded to us through the online system.

### **[2018-19 Professional Development for Artists Grant Program Guidelines & FAQ](#)**

**DEADLINE:** Friday, Jan. 4, 2019

**MORE INFO:** Click here, <https://tampaarts.org/grants/artist-grant-program/>. If after reviewing the grants page and the Program Guidelines you have questions, please contact Program Director Terri Simons at 813.276.8250 or by email at [TSimons@TampaArts.org](mailto:TSimons@TampaArts.org).

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Arts4All Florida provides monthly webinars during the school year so that teaching artists, classroom teachers, cultural arts organizations and adult artists with disabilities can keep up-to-date on the latest information on the arts and disability. These webinars are provided free of charge; however, registration is required.

**November: Becoming a Trained Professional Musician**

This webinar will focus on what to do while you're in college studying music to set yourself up for success after college, and how to start making your living as a professional musician. This will include networking, marketing yourself, booking your own gigs, time management, money management and more. Paul will share personal stories, but more importantly, he will give practical information on how you can make the best possible decisions for your own professional goals! This webinar is appropriate for high school musicians and their parents, college-age musicians, and adult musicians looking to make a career out of their art.

- November 29, 4-5 pm (east coast)

Presenter: Paul Gavin is a professional drummer, teacher, and composer/arranger in the Tampa Bay area. He's been making his entire living as a freelance musician for over three years. Paul is Florida's only winner of the VSA International Young Soloist Competition and he has also won the Downbeat Student Music Award. Paul plays professionally throughout Florida, as well as occasionally out of the state. As an educator, Paul has taught hundreds of students in private and group settings, several of which have gone on to teach professionally, earn scholarships to major in music in college, march drum corps and indoor drumlines, and more.

For more information or to register, [click here](#).

The webinar links and dial-in information will be provided when you register.

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