



# Paint Strokes

## Murrieta's Gem of the Valley Art Association

May 2026

### May Demonstrator



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A Lifetime Dedicated to Art

Jill Roberts is a professional artist with more than 40 years of hands-on experience creating artwork for animal lovers, homes, businesses, and public spaces. Her career spans decades of evolving artistic styles, techniques, and real-world applications—from early commissioned work to large-scale murals and refined studio paintings.

Her experience is not theoretical—it comes from decades of working directly with clients, solving design challenges, and creating artwork that lives within real environments.

Today, Jill focuses on creating custom, hand-painted artwork that is both meaningful and lasting.

**She will be using Opuntia (Prickly Pear) Cactus images as my reference to create a painting focused on light, color and cast shadows. Acrylic on canvas.**

#### Murals



#### Paintings



#### Pets Portraits

### New Member

Bill Capps

#### Gem of the Valley Art Association

##### General Meeting

Date: May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026

Time: 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Place: Senior Center Main Hall  
41717 Juniper, Murrieta



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**Your 2025-2026 Board Members & Committee Members**

**We currently have 50 paid members for the 2025/2026 season.**

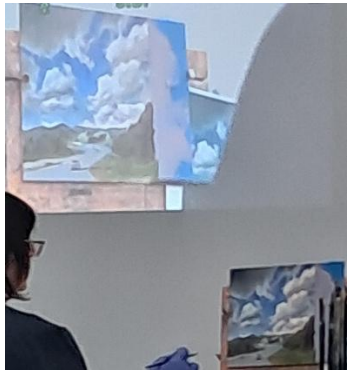
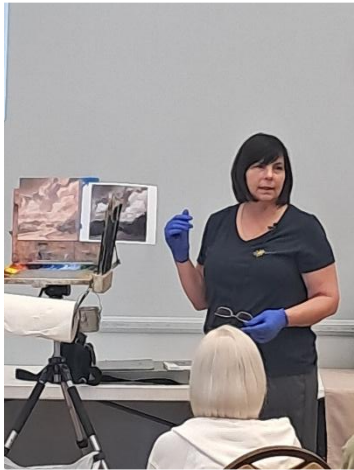
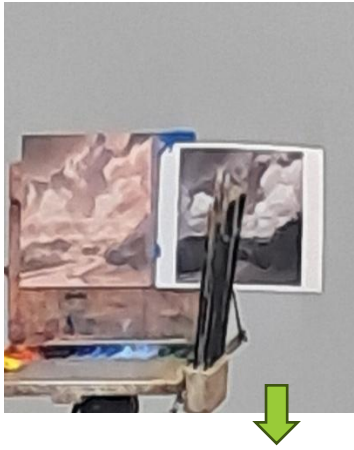
**Treasurer's Corner**

March Beginning Balance	\$ 3,767.58
Monies Out:	\$ 200.00
Monies In:	\$ 119.00
March Ending Balance	\$3,686.58

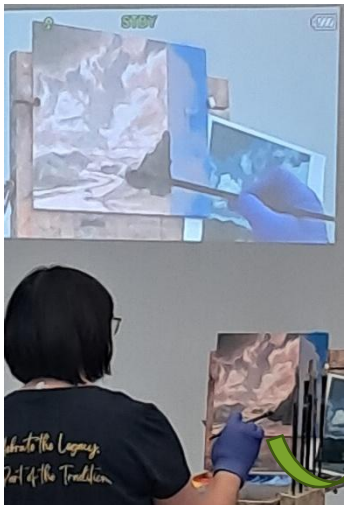
Cathy Keeney  
Treasurer

*April Demonstrator*

*Lisa Mozzini-McDill*



*Finished Painting*



Patsy Kile was the lucky winner of Lisa's donated painting



# April Awards

## Master Category

1<sup>st</sup> Place

Unavailable

2<sup>nd</sup> Place



Taka Ritchie  
"Wisteria"

3<sup>rd</sup> Place



Marti Thurman  
"Nori"

## Advanced Level

1<sup>st</sup> Place



Patsy Kile  
"Grandma's House"

2<sup>nd</sup> Place



Steve Staudenmeir  
"Traveling"

3<sup>rd</sup> Place



Gina Wilson  
"Seaside Charity"

**Intermediate Level**

**1<sup>st</sup> Place**



**Ana Weimer  
"Out of the Storm"**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place**



**Kim Padulo  
"Homage to my Dutch Ancestors"**

**3<sup>rd</sup>Place**



**Julie Byrd  
"West Virginia Camp"**

**Entry Level**

**1<sup>st</sup> Place**



**Rhonda Fose  
"Before the Water Sings"**

**2nd Place**



**Marian Cobb  
"Birdie Condo"**

**3rdPlace**



**Marcci Herrmann-Jones  
"Afternoon Wave"**

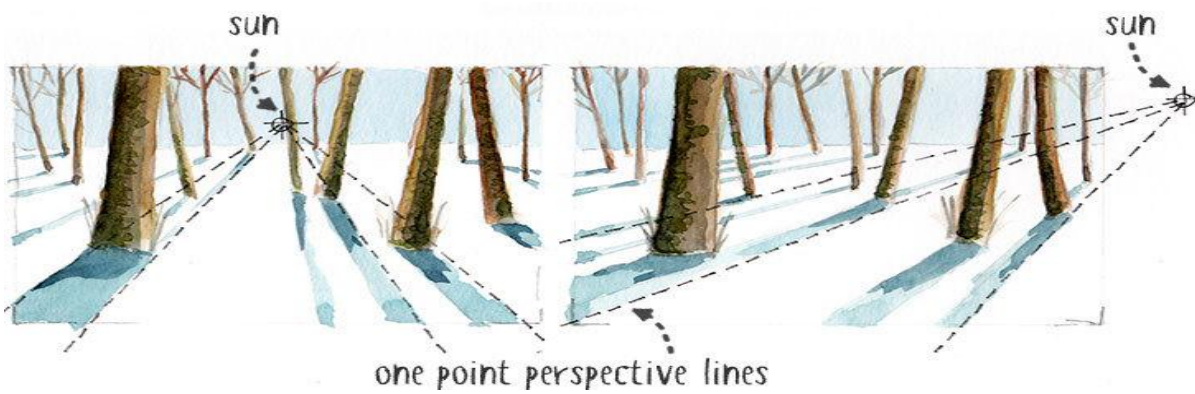
## People's Choice



Cathy Keeney  
"Family Mountain"

## HERE'S A LITTLE "GOOD TO KNOW" INFO

With a soft pencil, place a point somewhere in your scene where you estimate the position of the sun. From this point draw a straight line to the base of your object where it intersects with the ground. Carry this line further beyond the object to represent one edge of the cast shadow. Do the same thing on the other side of the object to project the second shadow edge.



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## Call For Artists

Art @ The Alleyway  
Check website for vendor costs

## **Thursdays All Year**

Join us, and many others, each and every Thursday in Downtown Murrieta. Murrieta Market Nights is held on the 1st & 3rd Thursday year-round. 60+ vendors, music, food & of course ART! Open Mic Nights are held on the 2nd & 3rd Thursday @ The Alleyway. All ages & all talents are welcome!