

# News from Justine

Spring 2018

## Springing into Summer!

Spring is a wonderful visual treat in the Arizona desert. Instead of having snowflakes fall to the ground, we delight in the bright yellow-green flowers as they fall like brilliant snowflakes from our Palo Verde trees. Spring is also a time of renewal and this has become especially poignant for Bill and Justine. Bill survived a ruptured aorta and thanks to the Arizona Heart Institute they saved his life and he now sports a new sleeve over his aneurism, giving him a new lease on life. He is recuperating at home and was able to celebrate 19 years of life and marriage with Justine. Bill is a tremendous help with Justine's entire art career. The engineer—Bill—sets up her display boards, sets the lights, does fabulous mats and frames. Additionally Bill is Justine's best cheer leader and art supporter.

### 2018 Tour d' Artistes — Spring Art Event in Fountain Hills

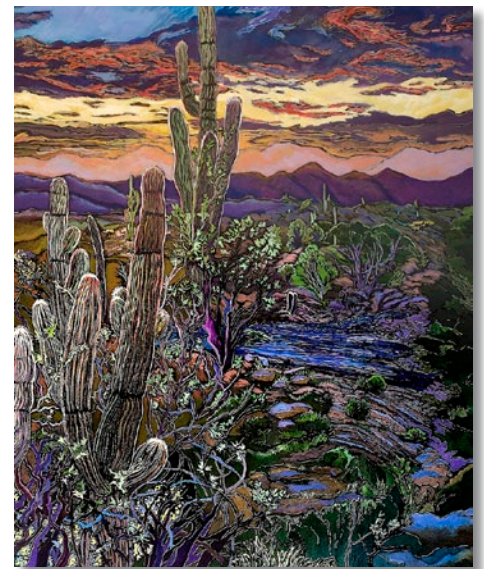
We had the best "Tour d' Artistes" event this year which marked the 7<sup>th</sup> year of the Tour with 15 studios compared to the first year's 9 studios. This year we welcomed over 300 visitors at Justine's "Desert Textures" studio and even had return visitors who visited "Hidden in the Hills" and came to the Tour.

Friends and patrons bought over \$3,000 in art from Justine's studio. Mary Dupuis, from Canada, bought another 6 x 6" painting to join two other paintings hanging in her office. Freeport, Illinois collectors Beverly and Peter Haselhorot bought a third small painting and Justine's vertical painting "Autumn's Reflections".



### AWA Online Show

American Women Artists juried in Justine's painting "After the Storm" for their "Spring Online Juried Show". She and 100 artists were picked from 1,000 submissions. The paintings will be shown on the online gallery for a year, featured in the monthly E-Newsletters, and promoted through AWA's social media.



### FHAL News ...

Justine is finishing her first, very busy, year as Fountain Hills Art League President. Recently the group was able to present three \$500 Arizona Art Supply Certificates to the local art departments of FH High School, Middle School, and Four Peaks Elementary School. Accepting the certificates was Adrian Larsen.



# Spring Painting Workshops

## Students enjoy a day of Art & Friendship

Many of the **Tour** visitors, **HITH** guests, and **Art League** members signed up for two workshops Justine offered this spring; one at The Fountain View Village and a second in her home studio. Student painting and etching results were impressive. It was a fun time at the "Village" where the group met at the "Pub". Justine plans to offer another workshop in the fall.



Drawing and Print Making Show  
Sonoran Arts League  
May 4 to 25, 2018

Justine has five works in this show which features artists working in pencil, charcoal, pen & ink; and all printmaking techniques. See the show at SAL's beautiful location at

Stagecoach Village  
7100 East Cave Creek Road Suite 144  
Cave Creek, AZ 85331

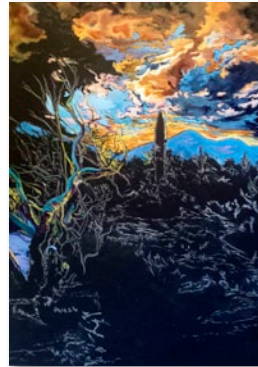
- Take Scottsdale Road/ Tom Darlington Drive north to Cave Creek Road (Scottsdale Road changes names at intersection with Carefree Highway)
- Turn left - west, continue to Galloway Drive. SAL is located on the northwest corner!



## Looking toward Summer ...

Artwork had to be tabled during various illnesses but Justine has resumed painting on a large sunset. Look to the next newsletter to see the finished painting.

Also in the upcoming newsletter will be pictures of Alaska as Justine finally visits her dear, long-time friend Patty at her Fairbanks home. Patty and Justine have been close friends since the second grade!



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