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## **President's Letter**

Dear Friends of the Cape Coral Library,

Spring has sprung, and there are lots of activities on tap. Here's a quick overview, but you can read all the details elsewhere in this newsletter.

The Friends of the Cape Coral Library is a sponsor of the March 18 Southwest Florida Reading Festival in Fort Myers at Centennial Park, and we'll have a booth set up near the Youth area. We'll have art supplies ready so kids can create their entries for the annual "Coloring the Earth" Art Contest organized by Alessia Leathers.

We'll also have a table at the March Sunset Celebration at the Cape Coral Yacht Club Beach, so stop by to say "Hi" to our volunteers. Thanks to our Fundraising Chair Dawn Lavacque for making arrangements.

Don't forget our annual membership meeting scheduled for Saturday morning March 25. We'll have the election and installation of officers. Please be sure to attend, so that we have a quorum. Then enjoy an audio visual presentation about the history of the Library and the Friends, followed by a tour of the building. We'll bet there are areas of the Library you've never even known existed. So don't miss it!

Mark your calendar for the Spring Book Sale, which kicks off with the Members Only Preview on April 20. The sale will be open to the public on the 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Our Spring Luncheon is scheduled for May 6 at Mel's Diner. Thanks to our Events Chair Marlene King for setting it all up.

As always, I look forward to seeing you at our meetings and events and at the many wonderful library programs we sponsor.

Yours Truly,

Monica Rahman, President  
Friends of the Cape Coral Library

#### **SOUTHWEST FLORIDA READING FESTIVAL**

Sat., March 18  
10 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
Centennial Park,  
Fort Myers River District  
Free Admission

#### **New Members**

Bonita Wendt-Olesen  
Phyllis McCormick  
Karen Tenaglia

#### **Upgrade to Life Membership**

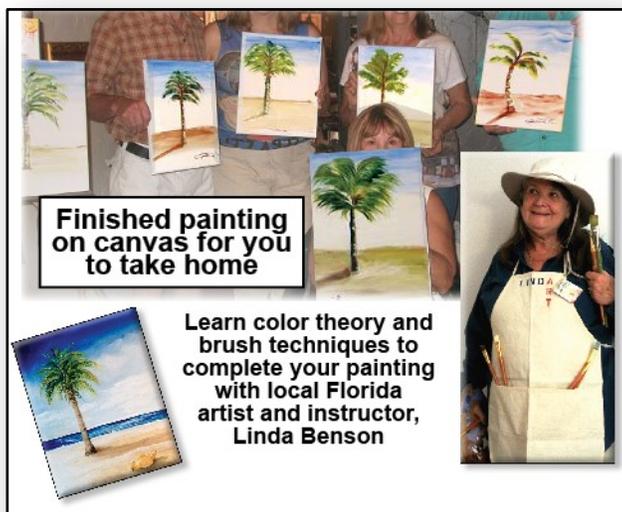
Anne Slaton

## Painting Demonstration and "Make it - Take it" Free Painting Program for Adults At Cape Coral Library

On March 21 from 2:00 to 3:00 PM, watch a painting demonstration by local artist Linda Benson in the Meeting Room of Cape Coral Public Library, which is located at 921 SW 39<sup>th</sup> Terrace. The event is free of charge.

Join Linda Benson on Tuesday, March 28 from 1:00 to 3:00 PM for a free "Make it-Take it" painting program for adults in the Meeting Room of the Cape Coral Library. Learn color theory and technique. Art supplies will be provided. Participants will be able to finish a painting to take home and display. Class size is limited, and registration is required. Call the library at (239) 533-4500 or visit [www.leelibrary.net](http://www.leelibrary.net) to register. This event is sponsored by the Friends of the Cape Coral Library.

Linda Benson attended the Art Institute of Chicago and the American Academy of Art. She has been a commercial artist, illustrator, and digital designer for over 40 years. Retirement now has Linda painting on her 46-foot studio boat called the Artist Xpress, volunteering at the Arts for ACT Gallery and teaching painting. Linda is always trying new artistic endeavors and enjoys sharing her creative tips with students. Her slogan is "It's Always a Great Day for Art."



## IN MEMORY OF Nellie Slaton



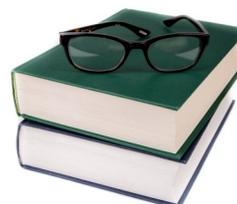
1932 - 2016

Nellie passed away on Dec. 28, 2016. She was a long-time member of the Little Acorns/Friends of the Cape Coral Library, board member, volunteer and dedicated advocate for libraries. She will be greatly missed. Thank you to all who made donations to the Friends of the Cape Coral Library in Nellie's name.

### Library Quote of the Month

"An original idea. That can't be too hard. The library must be full of them."

- Stephen Fry



# 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Children's Environmental Art Contest

## "Coloring the Earth!"

The Cape Coral Public Library and the Friends of Cape Coral Library invite children ages 7 to 12 to participate in the 12th Annual Children's Environmental Art Contest "Coloring the Earth." The theme this time is all about our Florida Panthers and ways to protect them. To enter the contest, create an original painting or drawing that shows how we can protect this precious species that call Florida home.

### Prizes and Awards Ceremony

Winners will be selected from three age categories: 7-8, 9-10 and 11-12. There will be five awards for each age group with ribbons for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place, as well as for two honorable mentions. The winning works of art will be exhibited in the Gallery at the Cape Coral Public Library for one month. A wildlife expert will be our keynote speaker at the Awards Ceremony, to be held on Wednesday, May 3, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the Cape Coral Public Library, located on 921 SW 39th Terrace.

### Contest Rules

- Open to all children ages 7 to 12. Submit one entry only.
- Entries should be on a flat medium to heavy-weight art paper size 8.5" x 11". Watercolor, crayons, pencils, color markers and/or any other preferred material may be used.
- Write on the back of the entry your name, age, and phone number, as well as your grade level, school and teacher's name and how you learned about the contest.
- Visit the following website to learn more about our Florida Panthers at [www.floridapanther.net](http://www.floridapanther.net)
- Artwork will be viewed and voted on by three recognized local artists, a wildlife specialist and a representative of The News-Press. Entries will be judged based on originality and quality of art. Winners will be notified by phone by April 29, 2017.
- Participants must pick up their artwork at the library before July 15, 2017.



### Deadline

All artwork must be received by 6:00 p.m. on Monday, April 24, 2017. The Cape Coral Public Library will have a designated box in the children's area to receive entries. Questions? Please contact Alessia Leathers at [alessialeathers@yahoo.com](mailto:alessialeathers@yahoo.com)

# Let's Protect our Florida Panthers!



# Spring Luncheon 2017

**Date: Saturday, May 6, 2017**

**Time: Arrive: 11:30**

**Lunch Served: 12:00 Noon**

**Place: Mel's Diner**

**1331 NE Pine Island Road**

**Cape Coral, FL 33909**

**Cost: \$15 per person, inclusive**

*[\$15 includes your choice of one of the menu options (listed below) plus soft drink/coffee. Alcoholic drinks not included; tax and gratuity are included.] Non-members and guests are very welcome; please note the number of people attending on your form and include \$15 for each person.*

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**PLEASE RETURN THIS SECTION WITH PAYMENT BY APRIL 22. THANKS!**

Include a check written out to "FOCCL".

MAIL TO: Marlene King  
118 NW 9<sup>th</sup> Terrace  
Cape Coral, FL 33993

If you have questions, you may contact Marlene at [mrk33993@gmail.com](mailto:mrk33993@gmail.com) or 313.402.4534.

\_\_\_\_\_ Julienne Salad – Turkey, ham, cucumber, tomato, red onion, egg, Swiss and American cheeses. Choice of dressing

\_\_\_\_\_ Black Angus cheeseburger platter with French fries and coleslaw

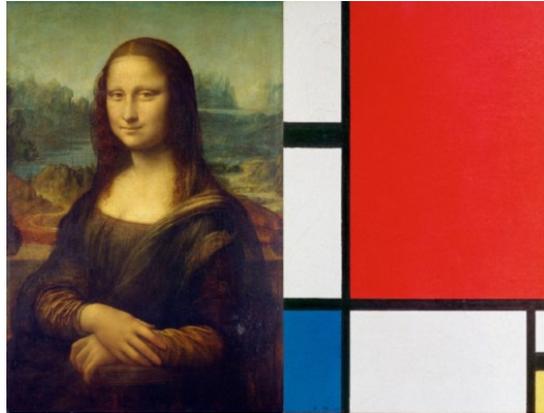
\_\_\_\_\_ Hot turkey sandwich with mashed potatoes and gravy

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of People Attending: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (\$15 per person)

## ***Special, Free Series at Cape Coral Library***

### ***Art through the Ages: An Introduction to Art Appreciation***



Join local artist and art enthusiast Hal Klingler for this five-part humanities series. Klingler holds a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from the University of Toledo and is a current board member of the Cape Coral Art League, where he'll be teaching an art class for high school students this July. The Art Appreciation sessions at the library will be held in the large meeting room. There will be many examples of art to view, study and enjoy on the big screen. While Hal suggests that you attend all sessions to get the most out of the program, each is stand-alone. You'll still pick up a good deal of interesting and worthwhile information, even if you can only come on some of the days. The program is open to the public, is offered free of charge and requires no pre-registration. The Cape Coral-Lee County Public Library is located at 921 SW 39<sup>th</sup> Terrace. Visit [leelibrary.net](http://leelibrary.net) or call (239) 479-4636 for more information.

**Part I** - 1:00 PM Monday, March 6  
An Introduction to Art Appreciation  
(How to see and understand fine art...)

**Part II** - 1:00 PM Monday March 13  
The Human Experience Through Art  
(From Prehistoric to the Renaissance...)

**Part III** - 1:00 PM Monday, March 20  
The Masters and Their Masterpieces  
(What makes a masterpiece?)

**Part IV** - 1:00 PM Monday, March 27  
The Modern Era of Art to the Present  
(A look at Modern and Contemporary Art...)

**Part V** - 1:00 PM Monday, April 3  
The Development of American Art  
(From Colonial period to today...)

# Gallery Exhibits

## Artists on Exhibit in the Cape Coral Library Art Gallery

*Brought to you by the Friends of the Cape Coral Library*

*By Monica Rahman*

### **MARCH 3 THROUGH MARCH 30, 2017**

Images captured by News-Press photographers will be on exhibit on the walls of the gallery. Subjects of the documentary photography include human interest, mental illness, hunger, homelessness, disaster relief and other stories. Photographs by Amanda Inscore, Andrea Melendez, Kinfay Moroti, Ricardo Rolon and Andrew West will be featured.

### **MARCH 3 THROUGH APRIL 4, 2017**

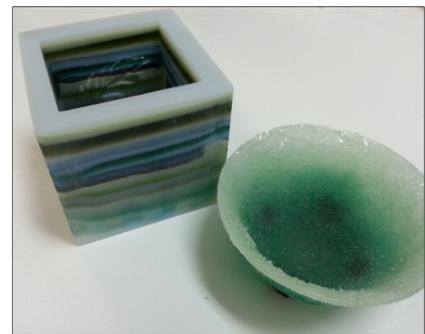
The display of fused glass creations by Lois Johnston has been held over in the cases from the previous month due to popular demand. Johnston is known as an award winning kiln-formed glass artisan. Her creations are shown in galleries throughout the South-west Florida area and can be found in homes across the United States as well as internationally. She currently instructs students in the techniques of glass fusing at the Cape Coral Arts Studio.



### **APRIL 7 THROUGH MAY 7, 2017**

The “French Connection” photography exhibit on the walls of the gallery will feature images by Claude Chalut, Estelle Chartrand, Marie-Elise Mathieu, and Andree’ Morin. These four talented snowbirds return each year to their homes in Cape Coral, and each has received numerous awards and recognition in shows at the Cape Coral Art League, where they are all active members. The extraordinary work in this exhibit at the library will include travel, nature, scenery, macro photography and more.

Contemporary Native American beaded artwork by Marion Courtney will be shown in the gallery cases. Her handmade leather items with intricate beadwork are period correct for the years 1810 to 1840. Medicine bags, small personal bags, knife sheaths, and rifle cases will be among the pieces included in the display. Ms. Courtney is of English, Irish, Scotch, Dutch, Viking, French and Native American descent. Her tribal heritage is Seneca Brule Yanktonai. Don’t miss the opportunity to view this special exhibit.





I would be interested helping Friends of the Library with:

- Events  Accents
- Book Sale  Publicity
- Gallery

Use this form to join or renew your membership or change your address or other contact information.

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We could use your help with publicity, advocacy, fund raising, and much more. Help us find a "fit" for you [don't be modest]: \_\_\_\_\_

***Meet new friends and be involved in making the Cape Coral Library an interesting and informative place.***

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