



# THE BRUSH WHACKER BEE

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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**Festive Fall Getaway was amazing! Viejas is such a wonderful venue with the huge ballroom, dining indoors and outdoors and beautiful rooms. If you missed this year, there is always next year to come and join the fun. Thank you to Cecelia and Carol P. for their hard work!! The raffle items were varied and so interesting. We made over \$4000 on the raffle. Yeah! What a generous group of ladies.**

**Coming up in December is our Christmas party. Karen and Charlotte are working to make it a night to remember. Be sure to sign up soon so we have a final number for Bali Hai. There will be a raffle at the Christmas Party, so start working on items to put in the raffle. It is because of the raffles that we can pay our bills and cover part of the cost of the venue at Bali Hai.**

**Sally is working on our seminar with Holly Hanley. THE DATE HAS CHANGED TO MARCH 9th. The seminar is free to all members. (You must pay for your membership before the end of 2023 to get this deal.). Holly will be on zoom. However, we will meet at STMSC for the seminar. You can also zoom if you are unable to attend or it will be recorded for those who sign up to take the class. Even though it is free, you must sign up to participate in the seminar.**

**We need volunteers for the board. This year we need someone to take over programs. Please consider this position. Carol W. and Rayma will help you. We also need a group willing to do the Christmas Party. Thinking ahead, we will need a treasurer in 2025. We are a volunteer organization, we can't continue without a board.**

**Please help!**

**Pam**

## PROGRAMS

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Well, golly. Nothing to report for September cuz we all were at an awesome Autumn Get Away. But we do have a line-up for the remainder of this year and 2024, so let's get started.

Heidi Allison will be joining us on October 21st to teach "Trick-or-Treat" which is a fun design by Chris Thornton-Deason. This will be just in time as a new addition to our Halloween decorating. Class fee is \$25 (\$30 for non-members). We have new information to order the surface: Bev Canty of [paletteandsawdust.com](http://paletteandsawdust.com) is to go-to site for ordering: Go to her website and click on "surfaces" then SD Brush Whackers Semin for the wood and stencil (optional). Class is filling quickly.

To close out 2023, Janet Mitchell will help us decorate for Christmas with Sandra Malone's "Ornament Collection". What a cute design – I have already signed up and you can, too. Cost is \$25 (\$30 non-member). So get your name on the list and I can check it twice and join the fun on November 18th.

NOW! I'll bet you have been wondering what 2024 will bring for our painting year. First, Carol W. and I want to thank all the teachers for their wonderful submissions, just sorry we couldn't get all on the calendar. Thank you, again to all those who submitted. Without further delay, here is the 2024 schedule.

January 20	"Quirky Quails"	Rayma Stewart
February 17	"Holiday Hat"	Sandy LeFlore
April 20	"Yes, You Can"	Sally Anson
May 18	"Snowman Topiary"	Donna Carpenter
June 15	"USA Sunflower and Daisies"	Sandy LeFlore
July 20	"Snow Days"	Deb Ramo
August 17	"A Midnight Clear"	Janet Mitchell
October 12	"Blueberry Thief"	Rayma Stewart
November 16	"Santa Bear"	Janet Mitchell

Mark your Calendars! And get ready to keep those brushes busy.

See you in a couple of weeks.

Rayma Stewart

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## FACEBOOK NEWS

Hi Painting Friends,  
 We've solved the issue for our Facebook page. It will have the same name. It is now a **GROUP** that members can post in. Before it was a page, so only admin were able to post things. You can go to the new **GROUP** at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/sandiegobrushwhackers> and Click on the **JOIN** button. Looking forward to seeing you. Show us what you have been working on, tell us about new products you've tried and an upcoming class you would to share with us. Lets have fun.

Please note: The **GROUP** is open now and the old **PAGE** is now shut down.

Jenny Stabile 619 917 7177  
[jensbusy@gmail.com](mailto:jensbusy@gmail.com)



### PANTY RAFFLE

Hi Everyone, Home from Autumn Get Away, what a great time I had!! So fun seeing old friends and making new! Projects were fun and lots of goodies!

Our Club supports the Rachael Center with much needed underwear! For each pair donated you receive a ticket to win a gift. This month's gift was painted and donated by Rayma!! Thank you!



Hugs,

Joyce Hatch

### HOSPITALITY

Painting Friends,

Do you know of a fellow Brush Whacker who would enjoy receiving an encouraging note or a "Thinking of You" card? I'd love to send her one. Please e-mail her name to me at [claudysc@rocketmail.com](mailto:claudysc@rocketmail.com).

Thank you,

Claudia



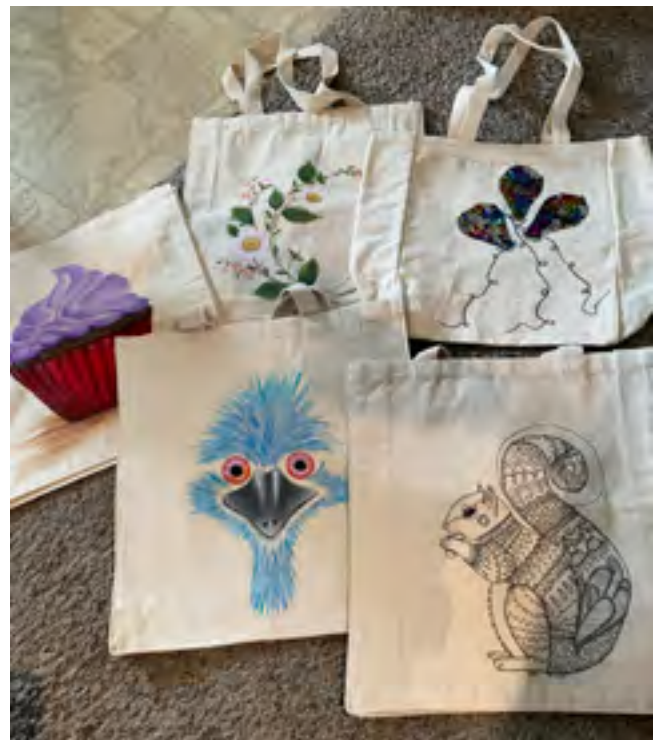
## CHILDREN'S CHARITY

Thank you painters for all the pages you turned in at Autumn Get Away. 65 were turned in at the event. Combined with what I had at home, 76 bags were delivered to the Monarch School. The students love the bags to go shopping in the boutiques for personal and school items. There are 250 students attending Monarch right now. Full capacity is 300 with kindergarten thru 12th grade.

Please continue to paint bags. Please contact me for pick up or delivery of bags. They are always available at the paint-ins but if you want a specific amount, please get ahold of me first.

Here are some of the wonderful bags painted by our fantastic members.

Jenny. 619 917 7177. [jensbusy@gmail.com](mailto:jensbusy@gmail.com)



## WAYS AND MEANS

Ways and Means allows us to help pay our bill at STMSC so we can paint together. The raffle for October will be full of Halloween, Thanksgiving and some Christmas items. Also there will be some supplies. I hope you are taking Heidi's class and can come in person to paint and join in the raffle. It really is fun to have painting friends.

Happy Painting!!

- Pam

## NOMINATING COMMITTEE

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Programs VP is in need of you to step up and help out in 2024. Rayma and Carol W. have been at it and doing a great job for years now....it's time for you! Grab a friend, Rayma and Carol will get you oriented.

Treasurer in 2025 will need a nominee. Again, Sue has been at this a long time. We can all help you. Let us hear from you!

Christmas Party 2024 will need a chairgal and committee...talk to your friends...it's a fun experience!

- Sally



**Seminar Date Update...Have you saved the date yet??? Seminar date is now....March 9, 2024...Holly Hanley Seminar....YES! She will be bringing us her fun, happy style of painting via ZOOM to our St. Maddie's Sophie Center Classroom. Make plans to join us now. Project details next month.... for now, know this....it will be FREE to all SDBW members if you have joined by 12/31/23...yes FREE! You will be responsible for surface and supplies, but that info will come later. We will have a raffle for all to participate even if you choose to zoom seminar from your own craft room. Stay tuned for all the deets!!**

**SAN DIEGO BRUSH WHACKERS'  
OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS:**

- 2ND SHERI BARKER**
- 3RD JENNIFER HEDRICK**
- 3RD JUDY HELTON**
- 4TH CAROL PHILLIPS**
- 7TH TAMARA MANNON**
- 9TH ELAINE CENDALI**
- 9TH JOYCE HATCH**
- 11TH KATHY RUTH**
- 13TH DEBI BYRD**
- 13TH JENNY STABILE**
- 14TH MARION BARNETT**
- 17TH CAROLEE VAKIL-JESSOP**
- 23RD CHARLOTTE HICKS**
- 27TH DONNA CARPENTER**
- 31ST CECELIA DENTON**
- 31ST CAROLE LICCARDO**



**VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO STAY UP TO DATE**

Keep up with the latest information on <https://www.sdbrushwhackers.com/>

Pictures from the AGA will be up soon for you to view. Print out the new 2024 Paint In schedule soon. Every month the latest Newsletter is available along with all the forms for the year, membership, Christmas party, and the seminar(coming soon). All forms are able to be printed out.

Be sure to check out all of the links to see what we're all about. Visit soon!

Thank you,  
Carol Wolfe



## MEMBERSHIP

Our membership drive at Autumn Getaway was a success. Thank you all who completed and turned in your 2024 membership forms. We currently have 59 members for 2024 including the following six new members who we welcome here with their first newsletter:

Marion Barnett - [MBLITURGY@AOL.COM](mailto:MBLITURGY@AOL.COM)

Anne Engle - [Aengle3@yshoo.com](mailto:Aengle3@yshoo.com)

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Maxine Thomas - [stippler@aol.com](mailto:stippler@aol.com)



Please remember that if you join before the end of the year you are entitled to join us free of charge for the Holly Hanley seminar in the spring. Also new members joining by the end of October will get the discounted rate for the 2023 Christmas Party.

We are attaching to this newsletter the application for your 2024 membership. Be certain to completely fill out the form (even if there are no changes) and attach your check for \$15.00. Make your check payable to **SAN DIEGO BRUSH WHACKERS**.

Your new membership & renewals can always be sent to:  
Donna Kidd Eledge 144 Landis Ave Chula Vista, CA 91910

Please feel free to contact me for any changes to your information, questions or comments:  
619-857-8096 or [jdbeldg@yahoo.com](mailto:jdbeldg@yahoo.com)

Thank you. Donna



# **2024 Annual Membership Form** **San Diego Brush Whackers**

Find us at: [www.sdbushwhackers.com](http://www.sdbushwhackers.com)

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street

City State Zip Code

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday (optional) \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_ Ck# \_\_\_  
month day

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contact \_\_\_\_\_ Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship of contact \_\_\_\_\_

**All newsletters will be emailed to members.**  
**We will print your name, address, phone #, e-mail and birthday in our membership roster unless you circle information that you DO NOT want printed in the roster.**

Type of membership:

New \_\_\_ Renew \_\_\_ WITH SAN DIEGO BRUSH WHACKERS.

Level of painting: Beginning \_\_\_ Intermediate \_\_\_ Advanced \_\_\_

Please check all that apply: Student \_\_\_ Teacher \_\_\_ Business \_\_\_

Please fill out our Membership form **completely**.

**Annual San Diego Brush Whacker membership dues for 2024 are \$15.00.**

Please make checks fully payable to: **San Diego Brush Whackers**

Mail check to our Membership Chairperson:

Donna Kidd Eledge  
144 Landis Ave  
Chula Vista CA 91910

Questions: [jdbeldg@yahoo.com](mailto:jdbeldg@yahoo.com)  
or 619-857-8096

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**A heartfelt THANK YOU to all the attendees and teachers!! It is because of YOU, that "Festive Fall" was such a huge success!!**

**Our raffle brought in \$4,336!!**

**Your generosity goes above and beyond!!**

**Thank you again, Cecelia, Carol P., and the AGA Crew**

**AGA 2023 FINANCIAL REPORT  
FESTIVE FALL  
VIEJAS CASINO AND RESORT SEPTEMBER 13-15, 2023**

Collected Revenue from Attendees:	\$32,262.68
Refunds:	\$507.19
<b>Total Revenue collected:</b>	<b>\$31,755.49</b>
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<b>Expenses:</b>	
Teacher's Fees:	\$5,190.00
Food and Beverage:	\$12,786.34
Sleeping Rooms:	\$11,994.50
Goodie Bags and Decor:	\$1403.91
<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b>\$31,374.75</b>
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Collected:	\$31,755.49
Spent:	<u>\$31,374.75</u>
Balance:	+ \$380.74
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Raffle Income:	\$4336.00

## Paint In Projects for 2023



October 21, 2023

Project: TRICK OR TREAT

Teacher: Heidi Allison

Designer: Chris Thornton-Deason

Class Fee: \$25.00 / Non-Member: \$30.00

Packet/Supplies Fee: No Charge

Surface Fee: Ordering information coming soon.

Surface of choice

10.5" x 12"



NOVEMBER 18, 2023

Project: ORNAMENT COLLECTION

Teacher: Janet Mitchell

Designer: Sandra Malone

Class Fee: \$25.00 / Non-Member: \$30.00

Packet/Supplies Fee: No Charge

Surface Fee: Surface of choice

13" x 10"



# San Diego Brush Whacker Paint In's

## Paint In Information and Policies

- ★ **WHEN:** 3rd Saturday of the month (except Sept. & Dec.) 9am to 3pm
- ★ **WHERE:** St. Madeleine Sophie Center 2119 E. Madison Ave. El Cajon, CA 92019-1111
  - I-8 east, exit Greenfield Dr - turn right, turn left E. Madison, center is on your right
- ★ **FOOD:** Bring your own lunch . Coffee and tea will be provided
- ★ **WHO:** Any member in good standing
  - Guests/Non-Members? Welcome to attend paint-ins for an additional \$5.00 per class
- ★ **COST:**
  - Member Class Fee is \$25/Non-Member Fee is \$30 - covers room rent & teacher fee
  - Project Fee - decided by teacher
  - Surface Fee - varies (if applicable)
  - Checks will be cashed AFTER the paint-in
  - **NO REFUNDS** are given for paint-ins
  - **SURFACES** You may provide your own surface
  - Prep instructions and surface, if applicable, will be available at the paint-in previous to the scheduled class
  - **It is the member's responsibility to pick up prep instructions/surface**
  - **Zoom is available for every class**

<b>Paint In Enrollment</b>		
(Please initial) _____ I understand it is my responsibility to pick up prep instructions & surface, if available. I understand no refunds are given for paint-ins.                      ZOOM ? Yes   No		
Project Name:	Member Fee and/or Non-Member Fee:	
Name:	Packet/Supplies Fee:	
Phone:	Surface Fee:	
Email:	Total Enclosed	
Make checks payable to " <b>San Diego Brush Whackers</b> " and mail to: Rayma Stewart 17355 Plaza Maria, San Diego, CA 92128-2246		



Please **"COME HOME FOR CHRISTMAS"**  
and join us for our annual  
**Christmas/Holiday party at the beautiful**  
**Bali Hai Restaurant on Shelter Island**  
**Monday, December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.**

- Sign up now through October 15<sup>th</sup> as an Early Bird and get ten (10) bonus (that means FREE) raffle tickets!
- All registrations must be received by November 15<sup>th</sup> so we can have a seat at the table for you.
- Please help support our amazing raffle by bringing donations that you would like to win (painted, crafted, purchased, etc).
- No ornament exchange this year. We have something else up our sleeves.

**See you at the party!**

*Karen Ortman, Charlotte Hicks & our amazing Committee*

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**Christmas Party registration (must be received by November 15, 2023)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please seat me with: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Member (\$25.00) \_\_\_ Non-Member (\$55.00)

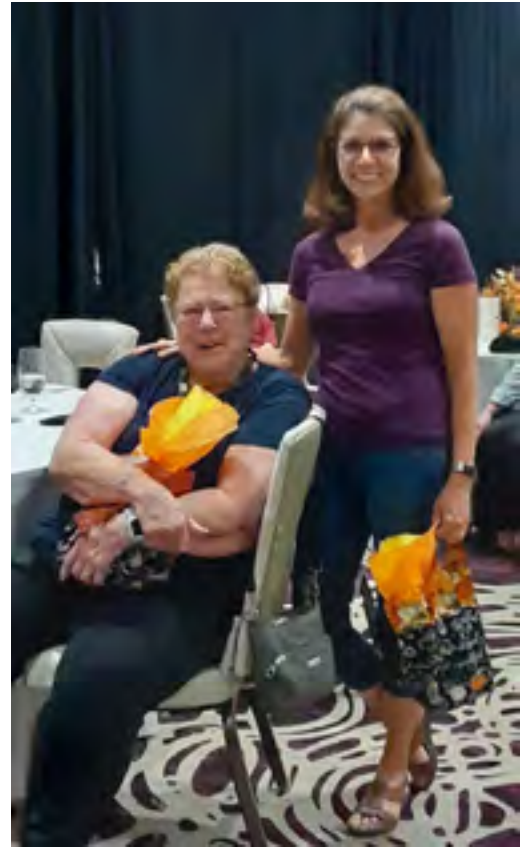
Make checks payable to San Diego Brush Whackers (not SDB) and mail to:

**Charlotte Hicks**  
**1386 South Hale Ave**  
**Escondido, CA 92028**

**Questions? Contact Karen Ortman**  
**kleortman@gmail.com**

## PICTURES FROM FESTIVE FALL AUTUMN GET AWAY

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## PICTURES FROM FESTIVE FALL AUTUMN GET AWAY



**MORE PICTURES CAN BE FOUND ON  
OUR WEBSITE**





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## Let's Paint Fine Art!

Marco Aguilar- Contemporary Realist Painter and Art Instructor

November 11 and 12, 2023 (9 am- 4 pm PST)



Pathway to Eden- Sat. Nov 11,2023  
11x14 inch canvas



Tidal Forte- Sunday Nov 12, 2023  
11x14 inch canvas

### Sign up Menu

This class will be LIVE and Zoom.



Select from below	Price
Members one-day	\$ 80.00
Members two-day	\$150.00
Non-member one day	\$ 90.00
Non-member two-day	\$160.00

What's included for the day when attending LIVE at the San Marcos, Ca, Mobile Home Park:

- Instructional packet
- Paint
- Lunch

Zoom signups will receive an e-packet through email.

### Order Form

Please print.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Check #: \_\_\_\_\_

### Select Your Options

Member one-day \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Member two-day \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Nonmember one-day \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Nonmember two-day \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If taking a **one-day** class, please circle your project choice: **Pathway to Eden** or **Tidal Forte**

### Mail Form to:

Make checks payable to Palomar Heritage Painters

Mail to: Carol Voyles

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Escondido, Ca 92026

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No refunds for seminars