



This Month's Program

Envelopes With Flare

THE DALLAS CALLIGRAPHY SOCIETY

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Presidential Seal By Janell Wimberly
"We Ink 'em Up!"
(for outgoing president Kathy Setina)

President's Letter

August 2012

Hi everyone

We have had a busy summer so far and I hope that you are all keeping cool and busy lettering something. Our upcoming meeting will have a presentation about envelopes, and I am sure that you have all done a few of those. We would love to see those very special ones that you have either done or received over the years, so why not bring a few to the meeting in August, along with a friend who might be interested in joining our group.

As I mentioned, some of us have been a bit busy, first with the Round Robin in June, which was great fun for everyone who attended. Then a few of us went to Portland for Calligraphy Northwest Conference, and then returned here to a small group that met in July for a play day, which included Rick Garlington teaching his pop up techniques, and Louise Weber who provided a ton of stuff to make collage cards.

The board has also met and we have started to plan for the coming year and I do hope that you will participate in the group by helping out with a program during the year. We are very interested in returning to the team approach, which means that the program will be presented by a team of several members with one member presenting the program and the rest in supporting roles. This includes everyone in the group over the year and is a great way to get involved in the group and learn about each other a little more. We all want to have fun and learn something new at the meetings, and by sharing the load we learn and enjoy more.

We have discussed a project for this year but I'll wait until the meeting to reveal what that will be. Kathy Setina will be heading up the Projects Committee for us this year.

October will bring us the fall retreat with Barbara Close. I have taken classes from this lady and she is one of the very best instructors around.

So dust off those pens and get ready for a great year! See you at the meeting.

Betty



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THE DALLAS CALLIGRAPHY SOCIETY

2012-2013 Kaligrafos Kalendar

· General Meetings 2012-2013

Aug 11	10:00 am	Decorated Envelopes - Beverly Stewart- First United Methodist Church
Sep 8	10:00 am	Modern Pointed Pen Script - Betty Barna - First United Methodist Church
Oct 13	10:00 am	Conference Review - Sherry Barber, Betty Barna, Tom Burns, Rick Garlington, Angie Vangelis, Louise Weber - First United Methodist Church
Nov 10	10:00 am	Flat Brush Intro / Annual Bazaar - Sherry Barber - First United Methodist Church
Jan 12	10:00 am	"Illumitangle" - Angie Vangalis - First United Methodist Church
Feb 9	10:00 am	Valentine's Social - Home of Sherry Barber
Mar 9	10:00 am	Cadels - Randy Stewart - First United Methodist Church
Apr 13	10:00 am	Folded Booklet - Jeri Wright - First United Methodist Church
May 11	10:00 am	Carrie Imai "Carrioka" Letter Style - Thomas Burns - First United Methodist Church

· Board Meetings 2012-2013

Sep 30	3:00 pm	Betty's House
Dec 9	3:00 pm	Betty's House
Mar 17	3:00 pm	Betty's House

· Newbie Workshops 2012-2013

TBA	9:30 am	Romans - Janell Wimberly - TBA
TBA	9:30 am	Uncial - Catherine Burkhard - TBA
TBA	9:30 am	Pointed Brush Lettering - Debi Sementelli - TBA

· Kaligrafos Workshops 2012-2013

October 26,27,28	9:30 am	Watercolor Embellishing Techniques - Barbara Close - Springhill Retreat Center
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Local Classes

Private Lessons
 Summer / Fall
Flexible hours
 My studio in Sachse
Contact: Carol Scott
www.carolscalligraphy.com

Instructor Carol Scott
 \$30/Hour

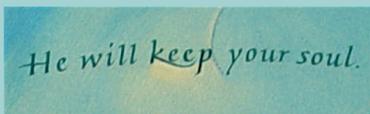


Discover the delight of the beautiful art of calligraphy! You will be introduced to the details about tools, letterforms, fun projects and other pertinent information for your level of experience. Both beginners and continuing students are welcome in all sessions.

Ages.....14+
 Location.....Old City Hall,
5560 Hwy. 78,
Sachse, TX 75048

Italic (Chancery Cursive)

.....Fridays, Apr 20 - May 25, 6 weeks
 Class Fee.....\$90 for each six weeks
 Supply Fee.....\$12/session (new students only, paid to instructor)
 Supply Fee (returning students)TBA (less than \$12)
 Sachse Parks & Rec. flyer



Foundational	Fridays	9:00-11:30 AM	9/14-10/12	\$94 (12.5 class hours)
Copperplate 1	Fridays	12:00-2:30 PM	9/14-10/12	\$94 (12.5 class hours)
Gothicized Italic	Fridays	9:00-11:00 AM	10/26-12/7	\$90 (12 class hours)
Copperplate 2	Fridays	12:00-2:00 PM	10/26-12/7	\$90 (12 class hours)
Italic	Fridays	9:00-11:00 AM	1/11-2/15	\$90 (12 class hours)
Copperplate 3	Fridays	12:00-2:00 PM	1/11-2/15	\$90 (12 class hours)
No Class: 11/23				

Benefits:
 Experienced teacher
 Casual, non-intimidating atmosphere
 Plenty of table space
 Quiet classroom
 5 minutes from George Bush/Hwy 78 intersection
 Easy driving directions - as a point of reference, it takes 16 min. to drive from Coit/Bush to class location; George Bush toll road eastern extension is now open from I-30 to Hwy 78!

Workshops taught by Janell Wimberly

www.jkwimberlydesign.com/Workshops.html

Beverly Stewart, Instructor
 \$5

Card Making Classes
2nd Tuesdays 7:00 PM to 9:30 PM
 At 6805 Oak Falls Dr, McKinney, TX 75070
3rd Saturdays 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM
 At THEO - <http://theosonline.org/Location.htm>
 214/551-5782
beverlystewart@gmail.com

Bring your own scissors and adhesives. If you make a Stampin' Up! purchase, the class is free. As always there is no pressure to buy. Come, make cards and have fun!

Look for Kaligrafos on ...



Announcements

HIGHLIGHTS OF PAST KALIGRAFOS MEETINGS

REGULAR MEETING MAY 12, 2012

Betty Barna called the meeting to order. Betty encouraged members to record volunteer hours in the volunteer log book. It was noted that a \$200 donation had been made to the 2013 International Calligraphy Conference to be held in Colorado Springs. Louise Weber reported that the guild's financial records were reviewed and passed by the Audit Committee (Sherry Barber and Louise Weber). Anita Hofmeister, Kathy Setina, and Debra Worden presented the program on "Ravishing Reds and Glimmering Golds."

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MAY 12, 2012

At First United Methodist Church, Richardson, Texas Betty Barna called the meeting to order after the close of the regular meeting.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Betty announced that she has confirmed the willingness of the following persons to serve on the board as committee chairpersons:

- Workshops Sherry Barber
- Programs Anita Hofmeister
- Membership Trish Manche
- Public Relations Debbie Worden
- Newsletter Randy Stewart
- Webmaster Sherry Barber
- Library Brenda Burns
- Parliamentarian Tom Burns

Betty will ask Catherine Burkhard if she is willing to serve as historian. Unfilled slots are exhibits and projects.

Louise Weber
 Secretary

2012-2013 Membership

**Join Kaligrafos membership for
 2012-2013!**

\$25 for individual memberships
 \$35 for family memberships

Harvey's Helpful Hints

The Brush Off An engineer's dust brush is a very useful and handy tool to have close by your work area to sweep crumbles, erasures, etc. off your writing surface. Just make sure ALL your ink is completely dry before using it or you'll have a lot of new erasing to do (or start over).

Take the Fork A quick and easy way to line an envelope is to draw a fork across the envelope. The lines are virtually invisible, but give you lines to write on without pencil and erasing.

Recycle Recycle the round coffee creamers you get in a restaurant - they are perfect for ink and gouache. Also the round/clear McCormick spice containers for storing, etc.

Hey, Mister Keep a water mister handy when using acrylic paint on fabric. The paint generally dries very quickly and the mister will help prevent this from happening.

Lighten Up When mixing gouache colors always start with the lighter color first...it is much harder to lighten dark colors as opposed to darken lighter colors. Start with a white palette and gouache about the size of a pea - then go from there.

No Tipping Never roll the brush to a point in your mouth - some paints are hazardous and toxic (cadmium, cobalt and Vermillion). Roll the brush tip on a wet piece of paper shipping tape instead. AND NEVER PUT CHINESE INK IN YOUR MOUTH - some makers use snake venom as a binder

Good Gouache A good gouache formula : ½ inch gouache, 2 drops rubbing alcohol, 10 drops gum Arabic, and distilled water to the consistency you like (about like cream).

File This Ask your manicurist for the flexible FINE nail files. Sometimes they have multiple grits on them. Keep them handy for sharpening your pen nibs - they are a great time saver and you will always have a sharp nib. Be safe and keep a 10x loupe handy also to check the nib after sharpening - take the same amount of metal off each side to get as sharp as you like them.

Tasty Glue Homemade envelope glue recipe: 1 T vinegar, 1 T white Elmer's glue, 2 drops peppermint extract.

Need A Nib *NOTE: If you are in need of vintage nibs, my hand-made penstoffs and calligraphic dvd's, look me up at the meetings. I carry several different vintage nibs with me to the meetings. If there are specific nibs that you want, let me know in advance by phone or email and I'll bring them to the meeting (or will be happy to mail them to you). Email: penstaff@verizon.net Phone: 972-307-0172*

Library Books

Remember that library books are due at the August meeting!

Library Books are available to members to further your artistic knowledge. Give yourself a treat! Check something out to study or just to enjoy.

Browse on over to The Library Thing at <http://www.librarything.com/catalog/Kaligrafos> and pick out a few titles this month. Send Brenda Burns your selections at library@kaligrafos.com so she can bring the books you want to the August meeting.

Monthly Meeting Location

The Kaligrafos monthly meetings for 2012 - 2013 will be held at the **First United Methodist Church** in Richardson in Room 217 A. The full address is 503 North Central Expressway, Richardson, TX 75080.

This is the location for the **August 11, 2012 MONTHLY MEETING**.

A map to the **First United Methodist Church** is to the right. Parking is on the right side (north side) of the building when entering the main parking area from the south bound service road south of Arapaho. A sign says left turn only but you want to live on the wild side and turn right at that sign.

The entry door has short stairs on one side and a ramp on the other side. Take the elevator on the right just inside the hallway to the second floor and go to room 217 A.



First United Methodist Church

Practice Time

It's a rare person who wants to hear what he doesn't want to hear.

Dick Cavett

The squeaking wheel doesn't always get the grease, Sometimes it gets replaced.

Vic Gold

BARNUM WAS WRONG
- IT'S MORE LIKE EVERY 30 SECONDS.
UNKNOWN

No matter how rich you become, how famous or powerful, when you die the size of your funeral will still pretty much depend on the weather.
Michael Fritchard

I love being a writer.
What I can't stand
is the paperwork.
Peter De Vries

An honest politician is one who,
when he is bought, will stay bought.
Simon Cameron

It is far more impressive when others discover your good qualities without your help.

Judith Martin

America believes in education:
the average professor earns more money in a year
than a professional athlete earns in a whole week.

Evan Esar

Watch your Thoughts, they become your Words.

Watch your Words, they become your Actions.

Watch your Actions, they become your Habits.

Watch your Habits, they become your Character.

Watch your Character, it becomes your Destiny!

Diplomacy is the art of saying 'Nice doggie'
until you can find a rock.
- Will Rogers

Michael Easley

A "Tip" From Janell

While at the round robin back in June, some of us were discussing the frustration of not being able to put the caps securely on the end of a Pilot Parallel pen when using it. It's frustrating because when you get finished and wish to "cap" the pen, you can never find the wayward cap!

They just goofed up and made it so the cap is too large and doesn't stay seated on the pen's handle! I started thinking about it and discovered some cheap pencil eraser tips at Walmart. For 88¢ I bought a package of 25 and slipped them on the end of the pen. They were the right size and stayed securely on the tip and held the cap in place till I needed to replace it on the pen! VOILA! Not perfect, but very workable and handy!

I have put a post on my blog at http://www.jkwimberlydesign.com/Blog/Entries/2012/7/13_Pilot_Pen_Tops.html.

Gee, I guess you could even use them to erase mistakes!!!! not that calligraphers ever make mistakes!

Janell



At the July Play Day

Thank you to all who participated in our summer play day!

We started out with Rick Garlington giving us some extraordinary pop-ups with various intricate folds for each.

Louise Weber brought her studio with her and shared with us her collection of treasures to create our own collage cards.

Together we all left with a stockpile of cards and an accumulation of instruction to keep creating unique cards.

A big “Thank you” to Louise and Rick for making it great and generously leading our play day!

The
SUMMIT
AT COLORADO SPRINGS

The 32nd International Calligraphy Conference

The Summit at Colorado Springs, sponsored by Summit Scribes, will take place July 21 – 28, 2013 and will be the 32nd international gathering of lettering artists. The Summit will take place at Colorado College in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Instructors from around the world will teach weeklong or half-week classes in lettering, bookmaking and more. The evening programs will provide even more opportunity for inspiration. Come experience Colorado in all its summer glory as we gather to explore, play and generally have fun.

Director: Cecelia Harris and all of Summit Scribes

Visit the web site at www.2013calligraphyconference.com for more information.



Envelopes with Flare

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What is an envelope? Simply an enclosure to transport a letter, card, etc. from one place to another serving as a bearer to protect its contents and proper addressing / nomenclature to allow the carrier to deliver it to the recipient without having to open it. Since the Pony Express this simple enclosure has allowed people to stay in touch over vast distances with little cost. Now the social network age is upon us and Facebook and Twitter seem to be the way to keep up with friends and family, but there's nothing quite like going to the mailbox and pulling out an envelope that is hand written to you! Something from a friend or family member. It could be a card for your birthday or if it's something out of the blue, what could it be? Now, imagine if the envelope addressed to you is a piece of art in itself? All decorated with vibrant colors and ink, and metallics, then maybe you notice the postage stamps are something you haven't seen in forever! Your face lights up like you just got a present at Christmas and that's what a decorated envelope is all about, putting the smile and excitement into pulling out something MORE than just another piece of mail.

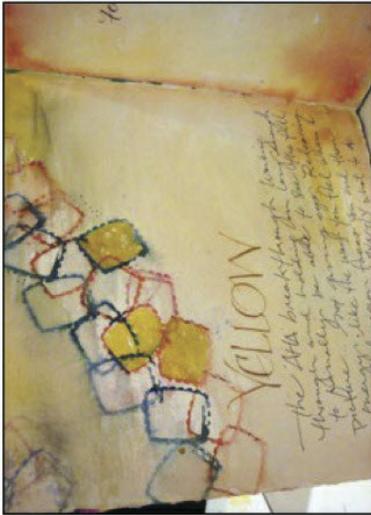
Come to the August meeting to discover some easy techniques to add flare and life to your envelope that will make it

Demand Attention!

Here is an appetizer (love story included) to whet your appetite for the program:

<http://www.reminisce.com/2011/07/couples-wartime-correspondence-was-stamped-with-love/>





Art Exchange

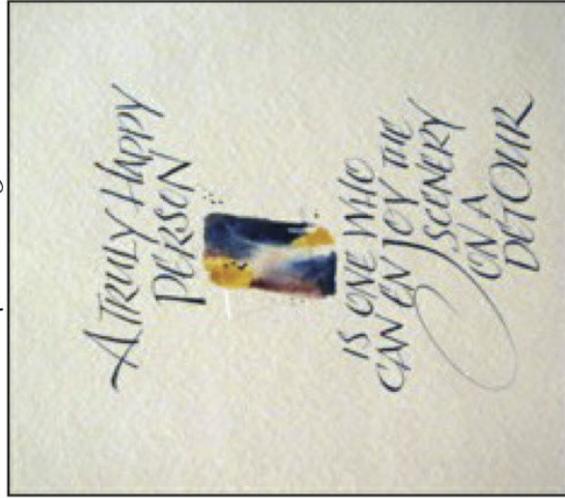
You will receive a 5x7" canvas to create a work of art prior to the weekend to exchange at the retreat.

Retreat

October 26 - 28, 2012

5 pm Friday till

3 pm Sunday



Check out Barbara's website for inspiration and more about Barbara:

<http://www.bcdesigns.com>

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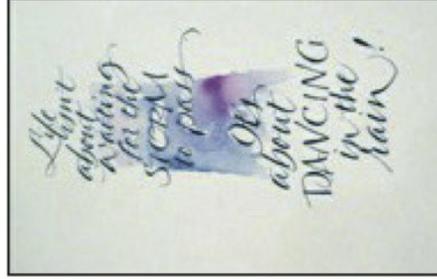
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THE WEEKEND RETREAT *With Barbara Close*

October 26 - 28, 2012

5 pm Friday till

3 pm Sunday



*Springhill Retreat Center
Richardson, TX*

Name

Telephone

E-mail

Fee \$200

Deposit \$100 due August 15

Balance \$100 due September 15

Roommate request

Make Checks Payable to: Kalligrafos

Send to:

Sherry Barber
17 Stonebriar Way
Frisco, TX 75034



Barbara Close is a freelance calligrapher, graphic designer and instructor located in southern California. She will lead the retreat to experiment with watercolor. Techniques and other various methods of decorating and embellishing calligraphy. These methods can be used on cards, books, and broadsides and is not limited to watercolor.



The fee of \$200 includes a shared room at the retreat, meals on Friday, Saturday and Sunday and workshop fees.

The retreat is limited to 22 persons and will be open to all SAC members.

Questions? Sherry.barber@gmail.com