

Art Happenings

18th Moab Artists Studio Tour - Labor Day Weekend

by Linn DeNesti, Moab Artists Studio Tour

Although many of us would rather forget certain aspects of 2020, we endured, we made discoveries, and we stopped everything. Almost. Last year's slowdown provided some of us artists with new perspectives on being present day to day and finding simple pleasures in our work and play. We kept on perfecting our practices in clay, paint, wood, inks, pixels, film, and ephemera in the making of our art. See what we've been up to! Once again, you can immerse yourself in Moab's creativity and join us for the **18th Moab Artists Studio Tour**—16 participating artists are showing in 10 studio locations over **Labor Day Weekend: Saturday, September 4th and Sunday, September 5th from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**



Cups, by Samantha Derbyshire

Our new participants include five potters from **Desert Sun Ceramics: Liz Ford**, an accomplished potter and teacher as well as the studio owner, along with **Sue Booker, Samantha Derbyshire, Emma**



Ceramic Mug, by Emma Tucek



Ceramic Mug, by Sue Booker

Tucek, and Gee Wirt (Jiraporn Amornsupamit). During your visit to this creative ceramics hub, you'll find a variety of hand-made items, from functional ware to unique sculptural pieces. This is a great opportunity to visit Desert Sun Ceramics and meet the potters. Also new to the Tour is artist and illustrator **Christina Minasian.** Her work



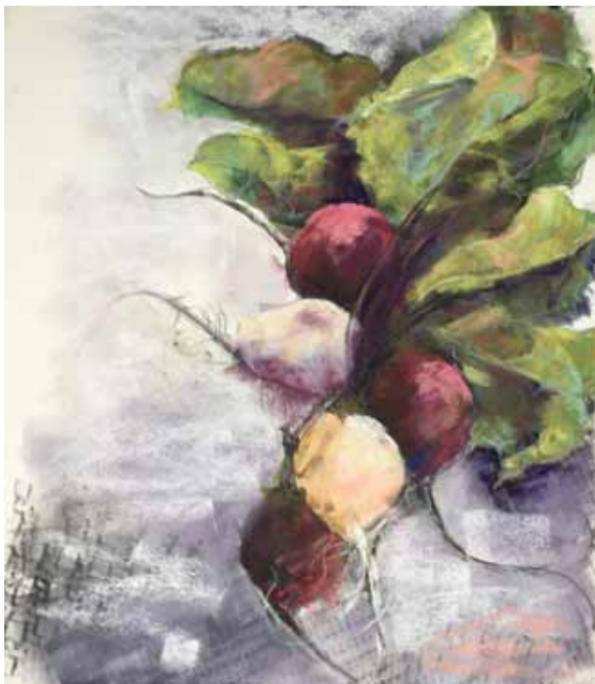
Teapot, by Liz Ford

is a festival of evocative digital and analog collage that incorporates vintage imagery including people, colors, patterns, flowers, textures, and text. Christina is drawn to telling stories, and injecting a bit of humor in her work—a must-see stop on the Tour. Discover more about all of the artists at moabstudiotour.com.



3 Ceramic Mugs, by Gee Wirt

Back after a year off from the Tour, pastel artist **Sarah Hamingson** is opening her beautiful studio for visitors and offering a look into her artistic process. Sarah has been exploring mixed media and other subject matter more recently, and continues her love for creating pastel landscapes. Painter and linocut printmaker **Deborah McDermott** returns this year to share her paintings and most recent artistic ventures. Her monoprints are one-of-a-kind, and Deborah is ready to



Radishes, by Sarah Hamingson

show you how the magic of her art happens.

With us for their second year, landscape painters **Julia Buckwalter** and **Antonio Savarese** are partnering together in one location to show their works. Known for her large and stunning clouds over the red rock landscape paintings, Julia is also this year's Artist in the Parks for the National Park Service. She will have a wide range of pieces for sale. Antonio's pastel and oil paintings capture wild, light-filled desert landscapes, local in-town landmarks, and even flowers—beautifully and skillfully expressed in vibrant colors.

Watch for the September Happenings, where we feature the rest of the Moab Artists Studio Tour artists, all accomplished in their media and participants of past Studio Tours: **Karen Chatham** and her hand-built ceramics (and



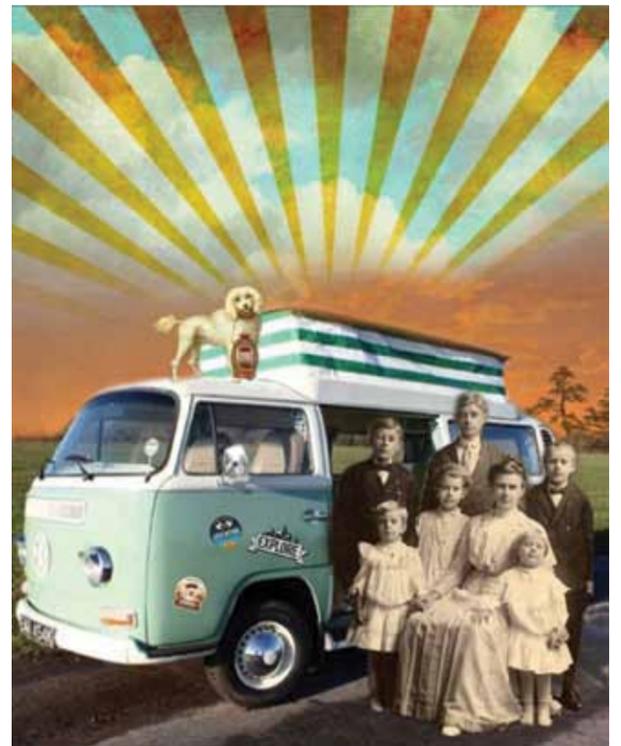
A New World, by Julia Buckwalter

more!); wood sculptor **Nick Eason**; watercolor painter **Greg MacDonald**; landscape painter **Daniel Hills**; photographer and iconic "Art Coach" **Bruce Hucko**; and me, **Linn DeNesti**, potter. Get a head start and visit our website: read about the artists, see examples of our work, and map out your studio visits. Since we still live in changing times, please also check the website for updates in the days before the Studio Tour weekend.

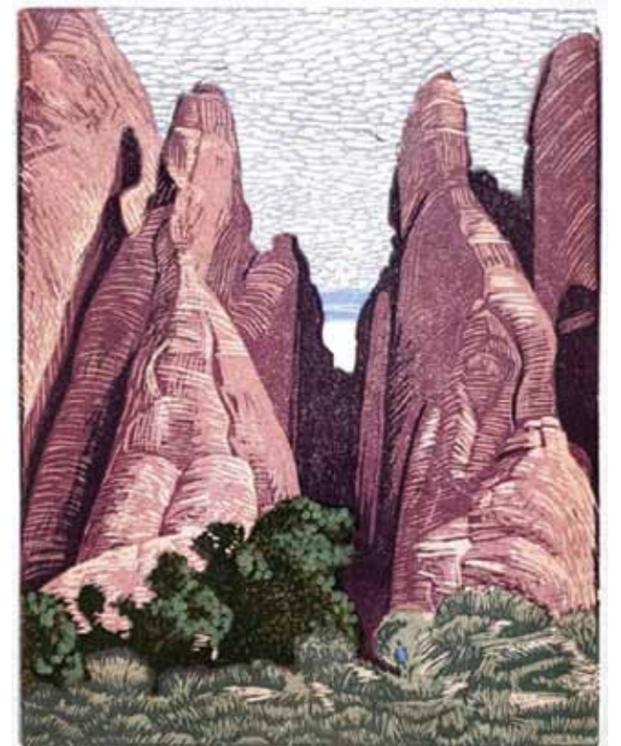
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Apache, by Antonio Savarese



Family Vacation, by Christina Minasian



Into the Fins, by Deborah McDermott

MOAB ARTISTS STUDIOTOUR

WELCOME! STUDIOS ARE OPEN

LABOR DAY WEEKEND

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

10:00 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M.

VISIT STUDIOS, SEE ARTISTS AT WORK,
BUY ORIGINAL ART: PAINTINGS,
PRINTS, POTTERY, JEWELRY, COLLAGE,
SCULPTURE, AND MORE.



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