

# Gallery Happenings

## October at Gallery Moab

The creative spirit is alive and well despite the Covid-19 pandemic! Visit Gallery Moab in October to see the unique and different ways local artists have kept the creative flame burning during this challenging time.



Safari 2020 by Shari Michaud



Hare-Brained by Shari Michaud

Guest Artist Shari Michaud is full of surprises! Of her new series, "Small Work for the Bathroom," she says "My world has shrunk, and though pretty small before, at least my paintings were big. But not this year. I'm not committed to grand. My choice of subject hasn't substantially changed, I'm still keeping it light and irreverent. And as before I'm easily and blissfully drawn to and distracted by human foibles."

It's all just on a smaller scale these days. Right when I thought I couldn't possibly take things any less seriously..."

In contrast Samantha Zim, our second Guest Artist, has been wide-ranging, painting on site in Canyonlands, Arches, Natural Bridges and Hovenweep as the 2020 Community Artist in the Parks. Her creative process is rooted in being outdoors, primarily using easily portable sketchbooks and a combination of graphite,



Whale-of-a-Time by Shari Michaud

watercolor and pen and ink. She explains "The chaotic flow of canyon country has inspired me to develop a style which celebrates its expressive nature, and evokes the emotional drama of light that brings the desert to life. Landscape work is a recent artistic adventure for me, and I rely on my background in scientific illustration to help tell the detailed, whimsical stories I pursue in my current work."



Primrose by Samantha Zim



Druid Needles by Samantha Zim

Gallery artist Charlotte Quigley's pastels and watercolors are featured in October. Throughout the years she has taken many classes in watercolor, her favorite medium since childhood. She has earned an M.A. in art history, has worked in two art museums, served as director



Skull Arch by Charlotte Quigley

of two arts councils, and taught elementary school art in New Mexico. She now teaches third grade at HMK in Moab, incorporating art into the curriculum whenever possible. She says "The process of creating works of art is just as enjoyable and important to me as the final product. I'm always learning and growing through the process of creating watercolors and pastels."

## International Quilt Show A Show You Won't Want to Miss!

The potential Extinction of bees is the inspiration for the 2020 International Quilt Challenge. Entrants have created their unique bee-inspired messages in their 8"x10" quilts. You will be amazed at the creativity show in this year's exhibit of 30 quilts. This year the Israeli Fiber Artist Group SHESH MISHZAR has submitted 13 quilts for this special exhibition.

For the entire month of October these quilts will be on display at Gallery Moab, 59 S. Main Street #1, where you will be able to vote on your favorite entry. You will also be able

to view and vote for quilts online at itssewmoab.com. The show is anonymous and all labels are hidden so that your heart can decide which quilts deserve the winning prizes. First Prize: \$100, Second Prize: \$75, Third Prize: \$50



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Miniature quilts entered into the 2nd International Quilt show, sponsored by local quilt and fabric store It's Sew Moab will also be on display. This year's challenge theme is Bees, with each entry required to have a small piece of special red and white bee fabric used in an 8x10 inch quilt. Quilters dream up very original, ingenious solutions to quilting challenges, so this is sure to be a colorful and entertaining show.

We hope you'll stop by to enjoy these featured exhibitions, as well as the wide variety of original fine art and artisan crafts created by our many talented gallery artists.

Our hours are: Tuesday - Wednesday 12-4 pm; Thursday - Saturday 12-8 pm. Closed Sunday and Monday. Call 435-220-0891 and we will open by appointment.

Gallery Moab follows COVID safety protocols by sanitizing, social distancing, and requiring masks indoors. We offer a colorful selection of 100% cotton masks in different styles hand made by our artists. Sale of these masks helps us pay our rent!

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