

# WHAM

What's Happen'N Art Movement

## CURRENT EXHIBIT:

Small but Impressive



The WHAM Art Center is proud to present!  
The Small but Impressive Art Exhibit  
Over 200 pieces of small works of art on display.

Exhibition Dates: August 2nd through August 30th,  
Tues-Sat 10am-4pm  
Artist Reception: TBD

Please join us!  
All are welcome. Free admission!  
WHAM Community Art Center - West Gallery  
16560 North Dysart Road, Surprise AZ 85378

**Thank you to our sponsor!**

Credit Union West will be the August "Small Works" exhibit sponsor. They will

also be hosting one of our meetings too!

[www.cuwest.org](http://www.cuwest.org)



## WHAM Gallery News and Upcoming Shows

### Upcoming Gallery Exhibit

The September show is "Artists by the Lake" from Sun City.

- October is Phoenix Artists Guild
- November is ArtThena! - this will be their third exhibit at WHAM
- December is the **Four Common Corners - Fiber ART** from a group of 13 artists from the four corner states AZ, UT, NM and CO.

<https://4commoncorners.com/>

## Check out the classes we have in store for you!

<https://wham-art.org/all-classes/>

LOOK ONLINE FOR CLASS AVAILABILITY, DATES, TIME & COST - NEW CLASSES ARE ADDED ALL THE TIME. MUSICAL ART CLASSES | CLAY WORKSHOPS | TODDLER ART SESSIONS | SELF-CARE GLASS ART | PAINT NIGHTS | KIDS ARTS & CRAFTS | OIL PAINTING WORKSHOPS & MORE! REGISTER ONLINE AT [To See list of classes!](#)



## Adult & Youth ART CLASSES!

Check out the latest offerings!

- Adaptive Art
- Veteran's Art Classes
- Clay Workshops
- Kids Arts & Crafts
- WHAM Nights: Paint Night
- And More!

Register



## A Night out Painting with "WHAM ARTS" at The Spicery in Glendale.

Everyone is invited to join us in Historic Downtown Glendale for a unique painting experience with WHAM Artists & The Spicery.

What fun the June class had painting the moonlight! The class is on break till September. Check back closer to the month to register on WHAM website.

Spicery is located in beautiful Historic Downtown Glendale  
7141 N 59th Ave  
Glendale, AZ 85301

[Register](#)

**Subject:** 11 X 14

**Date:** Thursday September 21

**Time:** 6:00-8:00pm

**Cost:** \$35

LIMITED SEATING - EARLY REGISTRATION RECOMMENDED

Class minimum 5, maximum 10

All supplies provided

## Bowls of Hope! Getting a head start for the Annual fundraiser in December! Mark your calendar!

The photo is of Mike Brunson, Mike Verhoeks, Ed Goodman and Connie Whitlock all throwing clay bowls for our annual "Bowls of Hope" fundraiser. This will be WHAM's 9th year making



the Bowls of Hope fundraiser to raise money for 7 local charities, 3 food banks, a human trafficked girl's shelter, a youth homeless shelter, battered women's shelter and are adding a homeless young adult center in Surprise. Sun City West Clay club and others help WHAM members make the bowls.



The event is held at WHAM, in the

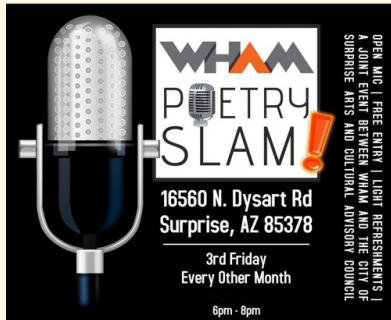
parking lot, on a Saturday with over 500 handmade bowls for sale at \$12 to \$15. All the proceeds go to the above charities to help feed the many who don't have enough food during the year. This year's event will be on December 2, from 9 to 3 p.m. This is a great way to give back during the holidays.



## Next Poetry Slam August 18

WHAM has partnered with the Surprise Arts and Culture Commission. Written and Spoken word is beautiful art! So, join us every other month on the 3rd Friday from 6pm to 8pm at WHAM Art Center!

What is a Poetry Slam for the community? You are welcome to come and read any poem or introduce your own Poetry to the group. Great evening out and the arts are celebrated! WHAM has been doing Poetry Slams for 5 years now, and we thoroughly enjoy promoting Literary Arts. In addition, a red box receptacle is outside WHAM's facility for those who love poetry to Take a Book and Leave a Book for your Poetry Friends. Awesome, right??



## WHAM Write Club

August 19th @ 7pm

WRITE CLUB - Literary Blood Sport!



**6 Writers | 3 rounds | 2 opposing topics**  
**Literary Arts are Alive and Well at WHAM, with our expansion of our Literary Arts Program**

**What is WRITE CLUB?**

Write Club is a show that is produced by Jonathon Rios and has found a home at the WHAM Arts complex! Jonathan Rios comes to us from the LA Write Club to develop a Phoenix version. Write Club is:  
3 rounds | 6 Writers | 2 Opposing topics: Acting The Fool  
7 minutes on the microphone.  
Think literary blood sport (with no actual bloodshed).

For more information go to WHAM's website [www.wham-art.org](http://www.wham-art.org) or contact Connie Whitlock at [connie.whitlock@wham-art.org](mailto:connie.whitlock@wham-art.org).

### [Instagram Clip](#)

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## **Adaptive Art & Memory Care are Creating Art!**

Finding the Artist Within is a special needs program for those with physical disabilities, cognitive, developmental, and mental health disorders. The creative process in making an art piece offers persons with physical or cognitive challenges the opportunity to further develop skills, interests and competencies across their lives. WHAM offers ongoing studio-based classes staffed by practicing artists who .



provide support and assistance to the students. Our WHAM classroom has a wheelchair accessible entrance, located in a quiet area at the art center

A lunchroom is available for use by those attending the program giving them an opportunity to finish with lunch together (lunch is not provided.) This can be a great outing by taking an art class, having lunch, and viewing the amazing artworks in our gallery and gift shop. Caretakers, and chaperons are recommended for attendance.

For details and questions, email Cindy Chambers [adaptiveedarts@gmail.com](mailto:adaptiveedarts@gmail.com) or book online Classes are held the 3rd Thursday of each month (unless otherwise noted & if date falls on a holiday

**Dates:**

Thursday August 17th

**Time:** 10:00am to 11:30am

**Cost:** \$20.00

**Instructor:** Cindy Chambers

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## **Veterans Program: Art, A Path to Healing**



Both Peoria and Surprise Veteran art programs meet monthly are being held currently at WHAM Art Center. WHAM Art Association offers a FREE art program for veterans of all ages. The program includes a 4-hour session in which participants will learn from professional artist, held the second Monday and fourth Thursday of every month from 10:00 am till 2:00pm. Classes will range from drawing to painting, and other mediums. No experience necessary!

During each session, supplies are provided for each participant and each class will be taught by a professional artist. A light lunch will also be provided.

Want to join the fun?! Call Marty Wolfe at 623-606-1649.

## Clay Highlights!



Be sure to check out our website for new classes being added to date. Mike Sampson has done a fantastic job teaching our beginning wheel classes. Our hand-build clay classes have also been extremely well received. Alisa Lee and Connie Whitlock have been the warriors

bringing the know-how to all our students. Glazing is often perceived as

mysterious and scary. Carol Commins made it fun and approachable. More classes on how to glaze and how to spray glazes are in the works.

WHAM continues to enjoy a growing clay community. We have had some of our members go back to their summer homes only to express how excited they are about returning soon to continue creating. This excitement is also being shared with more of our newest members. Summer is a great opportunity to become more involved in clay when it is so hot outside. Wednesday evening open studio is available to our clay members. Do you have a small group that would like your own private classes, let us talk. Come see us and see what the West Valley and WHAM has to offer to express yourself in Clay!

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## Teen WHAM Art Class

First and Third Wednesday of the Month



Teen WHAM art classes are geared specifically for teens ages 11 to 16; where teens gather in an art club atmosphere for inspiration, art instruction, and a place to belong. Each month we will be studying different aspects of art. Drawing, painting, creating, and developing long lasting creative, critical thinking skills, building stronger social skills while adding art to their way of life.

ASK about 'TeenWHAM' club membership program (additional teen member perks, extra events, activities, and community art events, exclusively for teen WHAM members)

**Date:**

First & Third Wednesday of each month

**August 2nd**

Rex Ray Collage 4:30 - 6:30pm

**Cost:** \$15 per Non-Member | \$10 per Member

**Instructor:** Jenni Chambers

*All supplies provided*

**NOTE:** Please enter South side of Art Center using Class entrance for all classes scheduled 4pm and later as the front Gallery will be closed for the day.

Register

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# WHAM Member News!

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- Join our **Facebook** [WHAM Art -Members only](#) page to share what is on your easel, inspirations, and happenings in the art community! You must be a current member to join the group.

- **NEW!** EXCLUSIVELY for WHAM MEMBERS! **OPEN STUDIO Mondays** WHAM is inviting our members to come in on Mondays to enjoy time with other WHAM artists. Bring a small project and your own supplies and join us in the classroom. Hours are 10am to 2pm. What is Open Studio? WHAM is setting aside the classroom for our members to enjoy some social interaction and meet other artistic people like yourself. Tables and chairs will be set up to work on. We can all enjoy the creative energy that happens when artists congregate and exchange ideas.

NOTE: We will not meet on the second Monday of each month because the Veterans group has their class on that day. Please enter South side of Art Center using Class entrance as the front Gallery will be closed for the day. Check the WHAM website for the next month's dates on the Members Only page.

August 7th, 21st, 28th

If you have questions, please contact Dede Robinson or Diane Freeman  
[dede.robinson@wham-art.org](mailto:dede.robinson@wham-art.org) OR [diane.freeman@wham-art.org](mailto:diane.freeman@wham-art.org)

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- WHAM Room rental prices effective January 1, 2023 If you are looking for an affordable space in which to teach a class, give a presentation or hold a meeting, WHAM can help you out. Our reasonable prices are: Half Day (4 hours) Non-Member \$60/Member \$50 Full Day (8 hours Non-Member \$110/Member \$90 The benefits of Renting WHAM's classroom to teach art classes are: Space that has tables and chairs for your students. We have a small kitchen/lunchroom area to be used if needed. WHAM can process your bookings and payments through our booking system. The cost to you will be 5% of each student booking. WHAM will advertise your class on social media and email your class



information to hundreds of artists on our mailing list. What a great way to get your name out into the art world.

Contact Dede Robinson at [dede.robinson@wham-art.org](mailto:dede.robinson@wham-art.org)

## Looking for a studio space to create glass art?

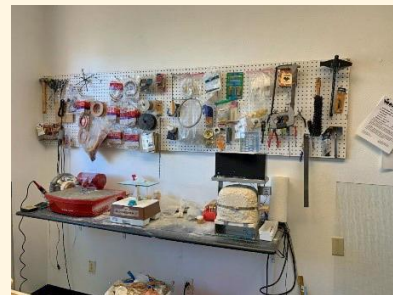
From Connie Whitlock

To all of you artists who work with glass, I am asking if you would be interested in a secure, studio space to work in. This space includes several small grinders, a small glass kiln, cutters, a large work table, padded flooring and a storage space that can be locked.

This studio space will be available in the fall. The intention is to rent this studio to several people to share with special access just for making glass art. The rental fee will include access to all of the equipment plus locking storage space for your glass and tools.

If you are interested, please contact me in the next few days. If our members are not interested, we will send this out to the public so that they may take advantage of this great opportunity.

Connie Whitlock  
Executive Director  
Contact via [email](mailto:connie@wham-art.org) or 623-640-5229



## Want to become a WHAM member? Here are the amazing benefits!

- Discount on Art Classes
- Classroom Rental Discount (art instruction/class use)
- Art Clubs & Special Events (art collaboration)
- Monthly Member Meetings

• Ability to hang your artwork at no cost to you unless it sells then you pay 25% fee

• Usage of WHAM building during open hours with approval

• Access to an Artist community to share ideas

• Ability to sell artwork in the Gift Shop at no cost to you unless it sells, then you donate 25% back to WHAM

• Ability to Enter into WHAM Exhibits, Events and Art Fairs

• Opportunities to give back to the community with your volunteer hours for classes and events!

IT'S TIME TO GET INVOLVED IN THE ARTS WITHIN YOUR COMMUNITY



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