



The Art of Women: A Celebration of Diversity – Oct. 5th | 8 pm-11 pm at the historic Centro Asturiano – Salon Asturias (1st floor) Ybor City

Featured Artists - Bios and Photos

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Francine Bauer conveys intensely personal moments through intuition and imagination. Her goal is to explore the purity of raw, untamed, and nonlinear emotion using color, line, form, and nontraditional methodologies. Bauer's current series, Beautifully Broken Things, is rooted in the Japanese art of Kintsugi, which treats the breakage and repair of an object as part of its history rather than something to disguise. Bauer has extended this to include all of us, beautiful in our fragility, broken physically or emotionally, and more beautiful for having had these experiences. Learn more at: FrancineJBauer.com



Bbo theArtist **Brenda Bohannon** offers highly creative visual representations of individuals and institutions. She makes sure that her vision is aligned with the specific goals of her customers. As a multimedia artist and an interior designer, she is able to utilize various art forms and ideas to produce a unique work. As a purveyor of art, she loves to incorporate color, texture, and emotions into her work. Her services are open to anyone who has a deep appreciation for fine art with a twist

Brenda began her career in 2009 and has more than 15 years of experience in the art industry. She's a member of Artist 4 Artist, Discover Black Art, and Black Art Experience. Her business is in Tampa, Florida and she serves clients across the US. **Learn more at: BbotheArtist.com**



Karen Brown, an award-winning interior designer, has created beautiful spaces for clients for over 20 years. With her unique vision, she uses ordinary elements in an unexpected fashion, earning her an "out-of-the-box" reputation. Also an accomplished writer, painter and filmmaker, Brown is now focusing her artistic eye on jewelry. She compiles seemingly disparate elements into original, striking collections known as Kissing Bee Mashups. Utilizing her treasure trove of interior design project leftovers, hardware store finds and vintage jewelry components she combines them with natural elements such as pearls, shells, abalone and silver to fabricate one-of-a-kind creations. Her jewelry creations have been shown in juried exhibitions at the Dunedin Fine Art Center and can be purchased online at www.etsy.com/shop/kissingbeemashups. To hear about Brown and what drives her artistic passion, learn more at: www.karenbrowninteriors.com.



Sharon D. Bundrage is a Tampa based photographer specializing in travel, landscape, portrait and lifestyle photography. Her images tell stories, capture personalities and evoke emotion. **Learn more by contacting her at:**Sdbundrage@gmail.com



Teresa Davis - Alaskan born, Florida raised artist Teresa Davis, grew up in north Florida and currently lives in Tampa. She is an accomplished multi-media artist, painter, muralist, and 3 dimensional designer. Teresa has flexed her creative thinking by taking her paintings and mixed media art in a completely different direction. She fuses blurring the lines and breaking the rules by drawing on the versatility of metal, the refraction of glass and beauty of wood, she is recreating herself in the world of customer furniture and lighting and taking her canvas work on a journey of dramatic imagery and emotional expression. **Learn more at: Studio4111.com**

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Alexandria Jones is a blogger at **thefrugalistalife.com**, freelance writer for Creative Loafing and St. Pete Life Magazine; and burgeoning filmmaker. She received her Master's degree in Digital Journalism from the University of South Florida - St. Petersburg. Alexandria recently completed a documentary film called "Oldie but Foodie: The Culinary Scene of Seminole Heights" that will be released soon. In her spare time, she loves to watch anything on the Food Network, Cooking Channel, and Investigation Discovery. Follow all of her adventures (mostly food-related) on Instagram at @alleyomalleycat.



Lakeema Matthew is a gifted Tampa-based artist and Tampa native with a Caribbean background and many talents that include: Entrepreneur, Muralist, Teacher, Graphic Designer, Musician, and more. She began her art career as a participant at Community Stepping Stones in Sulphur Springs, a Tampa neighborhood along the banks of the Hillsborough River. Her art is based on personal, Biblical, and black culture-related topics. Lakeema received her Bachelor's degree in Studio Art from the University of South Florida, studied Studio Art at Cité Internationale Universitaire de Paris, and received an Associate of Arts degree in Graphic Design from Hillsborough Community College.

Learn more at: MissyLTM.com



Susie Pennoyer is a proud member of the "The Legendary Siren" a group of eight retired mermaids, ages 63 to 79, who perform at Weeki Wachee Springs State Park. After being invited back to perform at the park's 50th Anniversary in 1997, they began performing in shows once a month, and conducting "Mermaid Camp" in the summer. Susie loves performing in the shows because she hears all the time how inspirational it is for people to watch them, at their age, do what they do, and as well as they do it. She says anytime she can inspire someone to do something they thought they could not do, for whatever reason, it makes her feel like she was able to help someone in some way, and that makes her feel great. Learn more at: WeekiWachee.com



Monica Roberts is a career counselor, coach, and graphics artist who specializes in digital storytelling. She is an authentic warrior who mindfully enlightens and empowers others along their path. Roberts recently launched her company, MTRoberts Generational Consulting, LLC and has 20 years of experience in academic advising, career development, sports counseling, diversity education, and leadership development. She holds a Master's degree in Counselor Education from Syracuse University and a Bachelor's in Graphic Arts from Texas A&M University, Commerce (TAMU). With certifications as a 5G Power Skills Facilitator and a Global Career Development Facilitator Instructor, Roberts has presented both regionally and nationally for several universities and professional associations. Monica played professional basketball for the Texas Twisters in the National Women's Basketball Association, and college basketball for TAMU and Hilbert College. Learn more by contacting her at: MonicatRoberts@gmail.com



New local artist **Melissa C. Romanaux** is making a career of painting abstract art. Using acrylic paint and mixed media, her art offers viewers a unique display of color, spunk, dimension and sparkle especially when she adds her signature touch of Swarovski crystals within all of her pieces. Melissa is a self-taught artist who is now focusing on her art career full time. She resides in Gulfport Florida with her wife Tori and their three dogs. **Learn more at: MelissaRomanaux.com**



Natasha Samreny is a traveling storyteller and comedian. She got her start in radio and developed her comedy chops in Chicago.

Samreny's playful style of stand-up blends cheeky observations of everyday life, relationships and her mixed upbringing as a multicultural military brat.

She's performed at the Edinburgh Fringe, Camden Fringe Boston Comedy Arts and NYC Sketch Festivals to name a few. As well as The Improv, Zanies and independent stage everywhere. You can see her locally, performing with Florida Studio Theatre Improv and the sketch group Millennial Fresh.

Stay connected on Instagram, Twitter and Facebook. And book Natasha to MC your next event, tell jokes at your sister's bachelorette party, or entertain your weird

second cousins at the family reunion so you don't have to. Learn more at: NatashaSamreny.com



JJ Watts is a Tampa-based, multi-dimensional sculptor and artist whose works challenge viewpoints, elicit emotion, stimulate laughter, inspire harmony and celebrate life. An award-winner in more than one medium, she has received national media attention for her art.

Watts' original works are varied, and her public monuments, such as her memorial for the Tampa Police Department are known throughout the country. It is but one example of her belief that art ought to "Provoke thought and feeling...stand for something important."

JJ Watts' work can be found all over Florida and around the world - in Tampa, at the Tampa Museum of Art, in Curtis Hixon Park, on Davis Islands; in Sarasota at Siesta Key, Dolphin Cay, Sarasota Quay and the Ringling Museum of Art; in Lakeland and Miami and in France, Germany, England, Italy and Sweden.

Learn more at: <u>JJWattsstudio.com</u>



Monique Wilburn is a professional actress and dancer, based in Tampa. She studied Dance and Theater Arts at the University of Tampa, and currently performs and travels with a dynamic Latin dance team. Monique has won leading roles on film and in theater, in addition to landing commercial campaigns. Most recently, she was cast in the upcoming SAG film, "Looking in the Mirror", and recently wrapped on the exciting thriller, "Beauty is Skin Deep." For more information on her acting projects, you may visit www.lMDb.me/moniquewilburn. You can also stay up to date and get behind the scene access to her projects on Instagram at @mocherries.





Renee Warmack/Sandi Eveleth (Producer and Co-Producer of The Art of Women)

Tampa native, **Renee Warmack**, is a producer, speaker and coach who helps others claim their power and capture their dreams through her inspirational movies, engaging events, motivational talks and awesome coaching program. Warmack spent 20 years working in Tampa Bay government programs and public administration and now focuses full time on her company **Renee Warmack Productions**, **LLC**. Her first documentary film, **Ten at the Top in Tampa Bay**, premiered on PBS and features women government leaders who broke the glass ceiling.

She holds a Bachelors degree in English and Masters in Public Administration from USF where she competed as a scholarship athlete on the NCAA Div. I tennis team. Renee is a proud member of the Hillsborough County League of Women Voters, Ruth's List of Florida and Tampa Theatre.

Learn more at: ReneeWarmackProductions.com and IMDB Listing - Renee Warmack

Warmack is married to Dr. Sandi Eveleth who is a video and photo editor and digital marketing strategist. Sandi loves helping entrepreneurs grow their businesses using the latest digital marketing and business development techniques.

In 2009, Sandi founded KISS your Web, LLC (KISS stands for Keeping Internet Solutions Simple) as a web design and digital marketing firm. Sandi is also a WP Elevation Certified Digital Business Consultant. She has been practicing Optometry for over 27 years in just about every setting possible — from owning a thriving private practice for more than 15 years to working inside corporate practices and working for Ophthalmologists. She holds a Doctor of Optometry degree from the New England College of Optometry, where she was the Valedictorian, and a Bachelor of Science degree from Boston College. Learn more at: KISSyourWeb.com