

Pen and Palette  
Fort Lauderdale NLAPW  
<https://lauderdalepenwomen.wixsite.com/nlapw>  
April, 2024



**President's Message**

**Hello Dear Pen Women!**

It's been a fantastic, creative art season so far and there are more good things coming this month before our 2023-24 season ends. Keep reading below for more details on each. Be sure to mark your calendar for these big events:

**\*Thursday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 6-8 pm** -- Opening Reception for the "Visions of Women" exhibit at History Fort Lauderdale.

**\*Thursday, April 11<sup>th</sup>, 11:30am** -- Achievement Awards Luncheon, the final luncheon of the season. We're celebrating the talented arts students from Broward College – visual, composition and letters. Awards will be presented at the Coral Ridge Yacht Club.

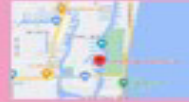
Looking forward to seeing you at these upcoming special events. And, congratulations to all the members who have shared their latest achievement within this newsletter.

*Phoenix*

**President**

**National League of American Pen Women  
Fort Lauderdale Branch**

**Thursday, April 11th  
Luncheon & Achievement Awards  
Ceremony  
Coral Ridge Yacht Club**



**2800 Yacht Club Blvd, Fort Lauderdale,  
FL 33304**

**Phone: (954) 566-7886**

**Guest Always Welcome  
Final Luncheon of our Season  
Please Join us!!!!**

**Thursday, April 11th, 11:30am**

**\$40**

You can pay at the door and we are now taking  
ZELLE, use [penwomenftl@gmail.com](mailto:penwomenftl@gmail.com) for  
payment.

Questions? contact: Tammy Seymour at-  
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**Board Meetings  
Apr 1, 2024 – 2 pm  
May 6, 2024 – 2 pm**

**NATIONAL LEAGUE OF AMERICAN PEN WOMEN**

**Membership dues are due April 11th**

**\$75**

**Payable to NLAPW**

**Patron Donations for 2024-2025 are also due**

**Please send check made payable to NLAPW**

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# YOU'RE INVITED

New Solo Exhibit by Phoenix

OPENING RECEPTION

Friday • April 12 • 6—8 PM

*come see new works never exhibited before*

Pompano Beach Cultural Center

50 W Atlantic Blvd, Pompano Beach, FL 33060

**THE SPIRIT OF THIS PLACE**  
EXHIBITION BY PHOENIX

**-ARTIST RECEPTION-**  
Capturing the soul of nature as seen through the eyes of photographer *Phoenix*.

**APRIL 12 | 6-8PM | FREE**

 pompano beacharts 

"Lexahatchee Sunset" by Phoenix

Read More and RSVP: <https://www.pompanobeacharts.org/events/the-spirit-of-this-place-art-exhibition>

The New Pelican article: <https://www.newpelican.com/articles/eye-on-the-arts-phoenix/>

# “VISIONS OF WOMEN”

## Opening Reception

### Thursday April 4th 6—8 PM

Empowering Women During Women's History Month

History Fort Lauderdale

231 SW 2nd Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

[RSVP](#)

The poster for "VISIONS OF WOMEN" is set against a dark purple background. At the top left is the History Fort Lauderdale logo. The title "VISIONS OF WOMEN" is written in large, white, serif font. Below the title, it says "National League of American Pen Women Fort Lauderdale Branch" and "APRIL 4 - APRIL 30, 2024". A paragraph of text describes the event's purpose: "Pen Women believe in the power of art to illuminate the human experience, fire the imagination and nurture the soul. Join the Pen Women as they showcase their talents and continue to inspire and educate the community with their powerful and creative art." The event details are listed as "OPENING RECEPTION THURSDAY, APRIL 4 • 6PM-8PM" and lists the organizers: "Claudia Hafner • Judy Nunno • Phoenix Donna Sallee • Tammy Seymour". Contact information includes "231 SW 2nd Ave. Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301" and "954-483-4431 info@flhc.org historyfortlauderdale.org". At the bottom are logos for the Community Foundation, Florida Arts & Culture, Visit Fort Lauderdale, and Broward County. To the right of the text are several small images of artworks: a dragon-like creature, a woman in a pink dress, a woman in a yellow and orange dress, a stone tower, a heron, and an abstract painting.

### Featuring Artworks By

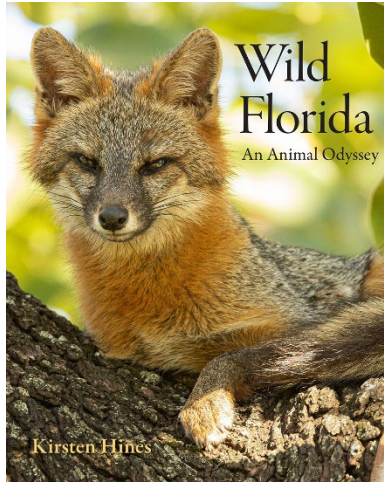
Pat Anderson \* Ellen Cohen-Berman \* Cori Carrol \* Susan Convery  
Sharron Demarest \* Pat Ellison \* Rosemary Fineberg \* Claudia Hafner  
Kirsten Holmes \* Marlene Hammel \* Cindy Jenkins \* Judy Nunno \* Phoenix  
Anabel Peicher \* Chrissy Quaglieri \* Pauline Runkle \* Donna Sallee \* Tammy Seymour  
Karen Tondiglia \* Rosaria Vigorito

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**Congratulations to Kisten Hines for her latest award!!**  
 Her book Wild Florida received the Gold Medal in Visual Arts for the Florida Book Awards.

**All are Invited !**

**Donna Bruno presents** book reviews at Belmont Village Senior Living on Seminole Drive, Fort Lauderdale every Wednesday at 2 PM.  
**Directions:** Go east on Sunrise Blvd past the Galleria Mall headed toward the beach. At light at end of Mall, take a left onto Seminole Dr. Belmont is just a few yards on the left. Turn into garage where you can park.: Take elevator to library on 12th floor.  
 For more information contact Donna at [donna49aaron@aol.com](mailto:donna49aaron@aol.com)



**Thank you Phyllis Elrich for representing NLAPW-FTL at this event.**



**Congratulations to Elle Cohen-Berman and Susan Casbarro who both have a booth sponsored by Las Olas Capital Arts on April 20<sup>th</sup>.**



### Congratulations to Anabel Rub Peicher for the four exhibits of her work

- \* "Fly away" acrylic on canvas at The History Ft Lauderdale with NLAPW through the month of April 2024.
- \* Three Recycled collages on 6"x6" canvas at the Coral Springs museum of art "Empty walls Exhibit" dates: Feb 22-March 30 2024
- \* "Mujer" bronze sculpture, NAWAFL "Her story exhibit" Cornell art Museum at Old School Square 51 N Swinton Avenue Delray Beach FL 33444 dates Feb 25-April 1-2024
- \* "Flowers of passion installation" 2+3 The artist's organization exhibit at Gallery 6 Broward County main library April 1-30 2024

## Watercolor Workshop with Susan Convery

### "Let in the Light"

Sunday, May 5, 2024  
Noon - 3:00pm

*A watercolor workshop on understanding how to employ light and tonal value to create watercolors with more dimension and impact.*

*We will paint watercolor in 4 easy steps using a limited palette.*

**Register:**

<https://browdartguild.org/workshops>

**Cost:** \$75 Non-Members / \$70 Members

**Includes:** Materials included, but if you would like to bring some of your own stash, feel free!

**Attire:** Dress in comfortable clothes that you don't mind getting paint on.

**Location:** Broward Art Guild Gallery  
3280 NE 32 Street  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33308

**Call:** 954-537-3370

**Click:** [BrowardArtGuild.org](https://BrowardArtGuild.org)

**Email:** [info@browdartguild.org](mailto:info@browdartguild.org)



## News from Phyllis Elrich



Phyllis Elrich is all set to head out to OHIO for the NLAPW Biennial Convention, April 25-28, 2024.

Her first convention was to Daytona Beach for the Florida "get together". There Phyllis met exciting new Pen Women friends representing Ft. Lauderdale as well as the Boca Raton Branches. Those who attended a Fort Lauderdale Branch luncheon a few months back got a chance to meet Penelope Pendelton, a giraffe made in Kenya by the featured speaker Erin Smith. Erin started Oceansole, a nonprofit group cleaning up the millions of discarded flip flops polluting the waters. Penelope is made of 32 flip flops and took 45 hours to create. Who knows what Phyllis will bring back next from Ohio?

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With great thanks to Phoenix, and the judges for scholarships, Phyllis, Art Chair of Pen Women-Boca Raton, was able to get another young woman a \$1250 Art Award this year. Phyllis had one young lady but was having difficulty finding a second recipient. She spoke with Phoenix and voila!, a win-win situation! One more young lady was granted an award and will be presented with it at the Boca Raton luncheon on April 18, 2024. The "helping each other philosophy" of Pen Women, is another example of friendship and caring Phyllis feels in this great National program she is so happy to be part of.



### Let's welcome Rita Deutsch!

Rita Deutsch is an illustrator, who grew up in New York City. Rita studied at the High School of Art & Design in Manhattan, received her BA from Brooklyn College where she studied anatomy, figure drawing and secondary education. She attended Barry University in Miami, where she received her MSW. Rita worked as an artist designing wall covering as well as an illustrator for children's wear in NYC. Her artwork delves into the wonders of childhood, her affection for animals and the simplicity of line.

Currently Rita is a member of the National Leagues of American Pen Women-Fort Lauderdale Branch, the Weston Art Guild and the Broward Art Guild. She has exhibited at various galleries in Fort Lauderdale and published in Synkroniciti magazine. At present she is drawing miniature artworks emphasizing her love of line.

Her work can be seen on <https://linktr.ee/Flgal1000>, IG at @rita\_deutsch\_art\_, [https://www.instagram.com/rita\\_deutsch\\_art](https://www.instagram.com/rita_deutsch_art) and <https://ritadeutschartist.wordpress.com/>

My dreams inspire my artwork, for each dream is a kaleidoscope of colors, shapes, and themes.  
Mary Belle Cordell

**Narda McCarthy**  
Editor-in-Chief  
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