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## **ArtCenter Manatee Welcomes Three Exhibits in May/June**

*Color Outside the Lines (Village of the Arts Exhibit)*

*Artist's Choice (An open, all media, juried exhibit)*

*ArtCenter Manatee: Celebrating 80 Years*

*Exhibits: May 23 to June 23 - Opening Reception: Thursday, May 25, 5:00-7:00pm*

BRADENTON, Fla. May 9, 2017 – Manatee County is home to a vibrant and growing community of artists, and art lovers. As the premier visual arts center in Manatee County, ArtCenter Manatee is excited, and grateful, to be part of it.

In May/June, the ArtCenter will host three exhibits in their galleries. *Color Outside the Lines, in the Searle Gallery*, is a group show featuring the work of visual artists from Village of the Arts, a unique and eclectic live/work community in Bradenton. The exhibit is open to Village artists and will include pottery, sculpture, metal and wood arts, paintings, drawings, photographs, and mosaics.

*Artist's Choice*, in the Kellogg Gallery, is an open, juried exhibit that will feature work in all media. All artists are welcome and online entry is available until May 15. Juror will be Gary Morgan.

In the Reid Hodges Gallery, the ArtCenter will feature photos and stories from their 80 years in the community as they celebrate their 80th anniversary.

All exhibits will be on display May 23 to June 23. The opening reception will be Thursday, May 25, from 5:00-7:00pm. The exhibits and reception are free and open to the public.

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**About ArtCenter Manatee** Founded in 1937, ArtCenter Manatee celebrates its 80th Anniversary this year. Located in downtown Bradenton, Florida, ArtCenter Manatee is the premier center for art, art education and unique gifts in Manatee County. The nearly 10,000 sq. ft. building features three galleries, five classrooms, an Artists' Market gift shop and an art library featuring over 3,000 art volumes.

Day, evening and weekend art classes for adults and children are offered year round in painting, drawing, pastels, pottery, jewelry, photography and more.

The Artists' Market features unique, affordable gifts by local, regional and national artists. Exhibitions in the galleries change monthly and showcase local, regional and national artists. Meet the exhibiting artists at the monthly evening opening receptions.

For more information please visit <http://www.artcentermanatee.org>, call 941-746-2862 or stop by 209 9th St W, Bradenton FL 34205. M/F/S 9-5, T/W/Th 9-6, closed Sunday.



*Village of the Arts* by Herbie Rose, "Mayor" of the Village



**Artist's Choice**  
an open, all media,  
juried exhibit  
May 23-Jun 23

**Call For Artists**

Receiving: May 20  
Online: May 15

*Center Ring* by Rick Papineau

Artist's Choice



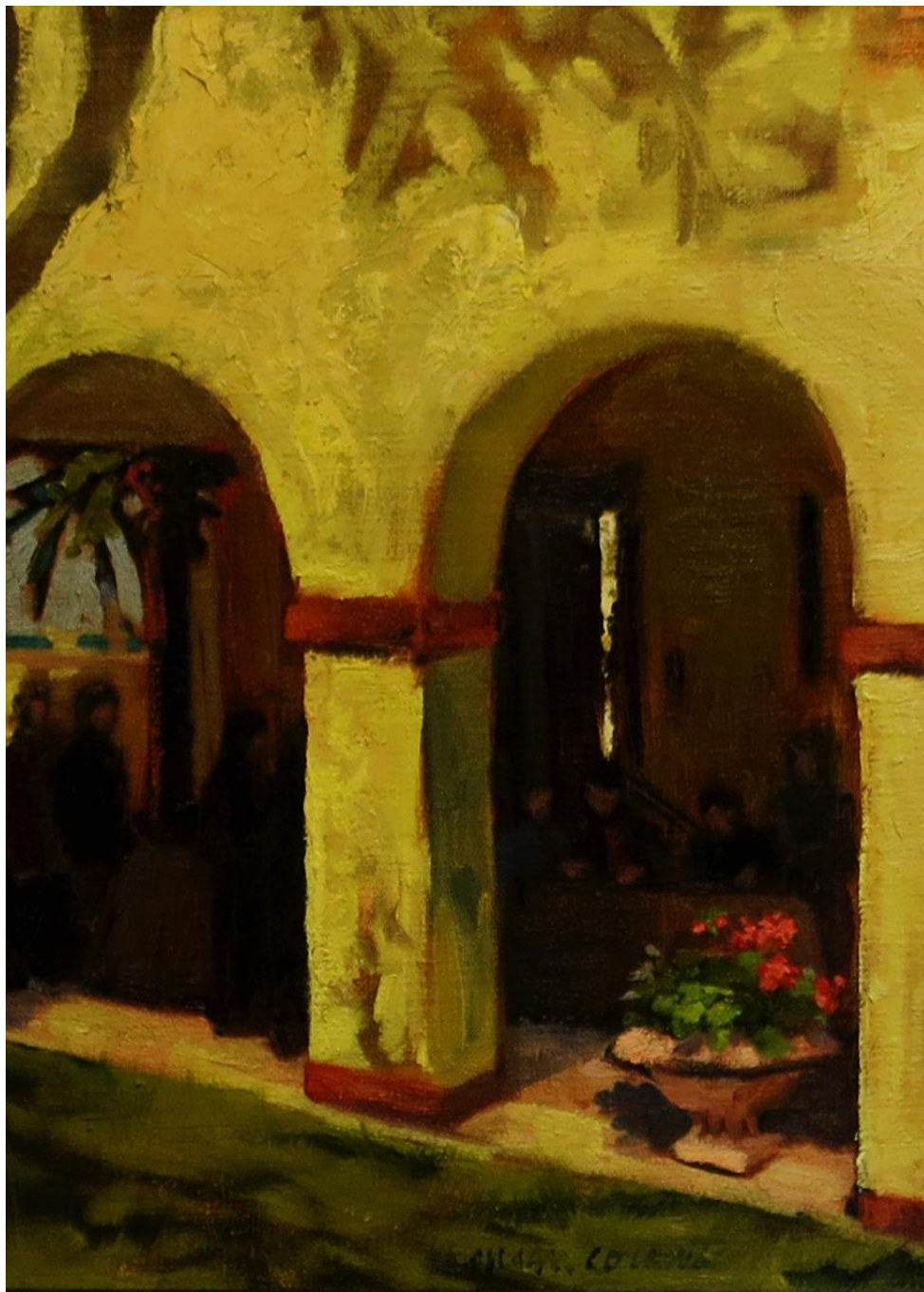


Roy Nichols teaches painting at ArtCenter Manatee



Breaking ground for 9th St building in 1954





*Arches, oil painting by Susan Covert*



*Underwater Cool Down* ceramic sculpture by Karen Chilton





*Everglades Reflections #1* watercolor painting by Donna Morrison