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The Easel Street Splash

More Flocking News

Visited Bra-Vo, Yet?

Local artists put their energy into more than 44 forms for Bra-Vo; all on exhibit at the Mount Dora Center for the Arts, next door to [Artisans](#). Five of these artists are Artisans members. Their works and motives are below.

If you haven't done so, you should visit the exhibit. 100% of net proceeds from Bra-Vo go for testing, treatment, and reconstruction for men and women fighting breast cancer in Lake County.



There is still time to show your support by purchasing your own flamingos to honor a friend or family member for \$10 each. One will go home with you. A second flamingo will join the flock around Mount Dora and Tavares.



Artisans' Bra-Vo Entries

Artisans is fortunate to have almost 30 talented people as members. Five of us entered the Bra-Vo exhibit with works showcasing their imagination and passion.

You can vote for these and other pieces either in person or online, [here](#). And, you can go to the Exhibit at the Mount Dora Center for the Arts in downtown Mount Dora and bid for your favorite piece in our silent auction.

"Dream" by [Patricia Christmas](#)

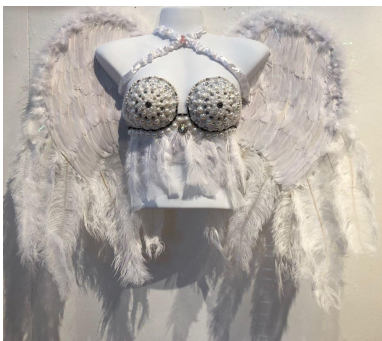
A Dream Catcher is a carefully woven web that will catch your bad dreams during the night and vanish them in the light of the morning sun. The good energy will float through the sacred feathers, blessing you with pleasant dreams, good luck, harmony, and love throughout your life.

"Dream" is inspired by that lore.

I choose to believe that a cure for cancer isn't far away, and keeping a positive mind, a heart filled with love, anything is possible.

See some of Patricia's jewelry, [here](#).





"Survivor Angel" by [Heather Hopcraft](#)

I created "Survivor Angel " using the ideas of Clara from Em'z on Fifth.

She wanted a white angel with wings and beads and bling on the bodice. Clara's wish was to create this for Elsie and close friend that died from breast cancer.

See more of Heather's fiber art [here](#).



"Sassy Sea Siren" by [Susan Davis Jones](#)

Cancer affects so many of us. The fear and sense of loss can be overwhelming. Many in my family have faced it. Some lost the battle. Some are winning.

This piece, Sea Siren, is one of a series I've done called "Fancy Ladies." She isn't overwhelmed or fearful. She is confident, accompanied by her friends and ready for whatever life brings.

She could be a mermaid. Like many cancer patients, she gives up a part of her body (her tail) to have a new life on land.

Life is good and precious. Every day. Every minute. Anything I can do to help seems minor compared to the courage and fortitude of those who face it.

See more of Susan's ceramics [here](#).

"Heart Seams" and "Blue Butterfly" by [Marla Montgomery](#)

"Heart Seams" was a challenge. So large. So much glass. A unique, hand-made mold. It reflects how my life is made of many strands of experiences. My fabric had been ripped open, exposing a broken heart. I used threads of hope and learning lessons to repair the cloth and my art provided me with threads to weave my life back together.

Now? I have plenty of thread and am looking forward to the patterns my life will weave next.



I made "Blue Butterfly" because the butterfly embraces the changes of her environment and her body. This unwavering acceptance of her metamorphosis is also symbolic of faith.

Here, the butterfly beckons us to keep our faith as we undergo transitions in our lives. She understands that our toiling, fretting and anger are useless against the turning tides of nature. She asks to recognize the same.

See more of Marla's glass works, [here](#).

"Health and Faith" by [Morna Strengtholt](#)

I began with Madonna and child, symbolizing Motherhood. My drawing from the Dali Museum of a



woman embracing a man next to a child, depicts family, sorrow and compassion.

Birth of Venus, represents, rebirth, existence, thriving. Archangel Raphael, angel of healing and healers of the sick and suffering, be it physical, mental, emotional or spiritual.

The Matisse dancers represents joy, community, one figure stumbles but the circle is unbroken. Flowers, vines, egret, fruit, Ankh symbol of Life, Udjat symbol of Health, Star of David, Fish, sailboat, ocean and skies, symbols representing

Health and Faith.

See more of Morna's paintings, [here](#).

Artisans' New Hours

Artisans is now open on Friday and Saturday evenings until 8:00 pm. Where you can find great works and gifts before or after dinner and a movie. Or during just a walkabout. Or for any other reason.

Artisansonfifth.com

More [website](#) changes coming. Stay tuned for that, too.

Our Annual Holiday Showcase

Starting in November. A new window display. Something about a floating tree? Floating? Maybe? Why not? More holiday gift ideas than last year? But of course! It's Artisans!

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- **2nd Friday of each month** – "Art in the Alley" from 6 to 9 pm in downtown Mt. Dora. Start your art stroll at the Mt. Dora Center for the Arts and pickup a special map. You will have a chance to win a prize when you get all the punches. **10% OFF YOUR ENTIRE PURCHASE** at Artisans during "Art in the Alley."
- **Sundays** – Mount Dora Village Farmers Market at Sunset Park starting at 9 am.
- For more Mount Dora events click [HERE](#).

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