



# The Left Bank Studio

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## Things are heating up this summer at the Left Bank!

### Upcoming Events

Tuesday's all summer: Mardi Market and Open Studio

July 24: Classic Car and Tractor Show in Gilbert

July 24: Open Studio and classes all day at the Left Bank

August 12-22: Jo's boutique returns to the Cultural Building at the Iowa State Fair

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Jo is changing things up (again!)--never a dull moment at the Left Bank. Read on and see what's happening. . .

### Looking for your next adventure?



Do you sew slipcovers, aprons or bags; do you repurpose vintage clothing; do you construct furniture? Whatever your passion, we might have just the thing for you! Jo is searching for another creative soul(s) to. . .

### share the space. . .

- 10' x 15' studio for \$300/month
- 5 1/2' x 8' vault with built-in shelves for \$150/month
- Access to the patio and Pink Provence studio (including awesome equipment like a kiln, 5' oven, and great space for woodworking, metal working, or the like
- Space to sell your work and teach classes

### and share the vision.

- Create!! Make original art or crafts for sale.
- Be gracious to Left Bank Studio guests; work out a schedule with Jo to cover some hours when the Left Bank is open 11am – 5pm.
- Be part of the LBS blog, website, newsletter and etsy
- Be willing to demonstrate and promote your craft with guests and parties during lunch time.
- Be a part of Open Studio Tuesdays 6-8pm

If you work with a friend, why not come on board together. Share expenses and responsibilities!

**Contact Jo today for more information about this opportunity.**



## Piano Wine Bar for Sale

We are growing and need more class space, so the beloved blue piano is up for sale! Designed and painted by Jo, this colorful piece can be used in so many ways. A thick piece of tempered glass is included. A work of art-- yours for \$400.



## Eye Candy

Sarah Dorn and Jo have joined forces to create wearable art. Jo's beautiful watercolors are featured on this fun and funky jewelry. Come in and see!

Psst! Don't forget---

**Mardi Market**  
**Gilbert's Outdoor Market**  
**Tuesdays, 4 - 7 pm**

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**Open Studio at Jo's**  
**Tuesdays, 4 - 8 pm**

## Gilbert Classic Rides

### & Tractor Show

Saturday, July 24

Gilbert will be hopping on the 24<sup>th</sup> with this event sponsored by Ron Boelman Collision. Come and see the classic cars and tractors on Main Street from 4pm 8 pm. There is plenty to do, even if cars and tractors are not your thing.

- ☞ **Open Studio** at the Left Bank. Come in and create: plastic slumping or precious metal clay (9am – 4pm)
- ☞ **Metal Clay Madness!** Classes in precious metal clay all day. Pick one or do them all. For more information, see the "Classes" section below. (9am – 4pm)
- ☞ **Wine tasting** at the Left Bank with Prairie Moon Winery (4pm – 8pm)
- ☞ **Mardi Market:** art of all kinds, jewelry, vegetables, walking tacos, desserts, root beer floats, and more (3pm – 8pm)
- ☞ **JBKnacker** is hosting their Breakfast Club. Also, get 20% off any purchase if you bring in a nonperishable food item for the good back. There will also be a flea market from 10am – 7pm in the side yard. For more information, visit [www.jbknacker.blogspot.com](http://www.jbknacker.blogspot.com)
- ☞ **Dance** to Danny Grouse and Uncle Tater Bank at Ron Boelman Collision parking lot (8pm – midnight)



## Jewelry Classes with Rhonda

### PMC Open Studio

July 6, 20 6-8pm

July 24 9am – 4pm

*What would you make with a little lump of clay if you knew it would be **fine silver** when you were done?*



Want to create on your own, but don't have the tools and materials? Come to Open Studio. Rhonda will supply tools, finishing materials, and kiln firing. You supply the imagination! You are eligible to come to Open Studio if you have taken at least one PMC class and are able to work independently.

### **Sign up 24 hours in advance.**

*Cost: \$20 plus cost of PMC products. You may bring your own PMC. Open Studio is free for students completing a class project.*

### Metal Clay Madness

#### Saturday, July 24

9:00 – 10:30am Fine silver fingerprint charms.

Bonus: button mold pendants

10:30 – noon Using PMC syringe to make embellishments and "filigree"

noon – 2:00pm BronzClay

2:00 – 4:00pm CopprClay



#### Cost:

\$25 per class plus \$25 supply fee

Sign up for 2 classes and get the 3<sup>rd</sup> class for just the supply fee

Sign up for at least one class and use Open Studio for free all day.

**Register at least 24 hours in advance.**

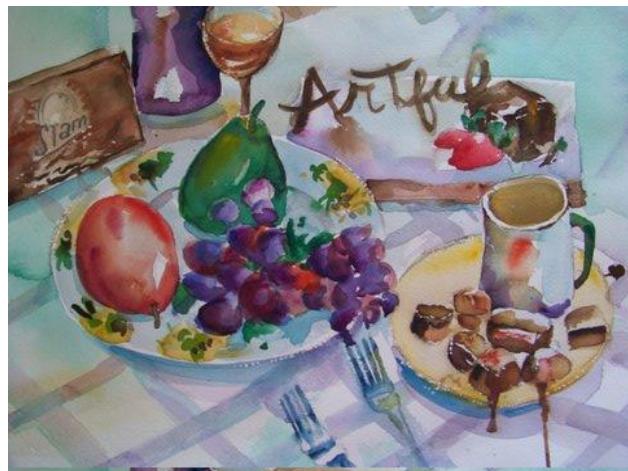
**To register for open studio or for more information, please contact Rhonda:**

- Call 231 – 1750 or
- E-mail [rhonda@silverleafshop.com](mailto:rhonda@silverleafshop.com)



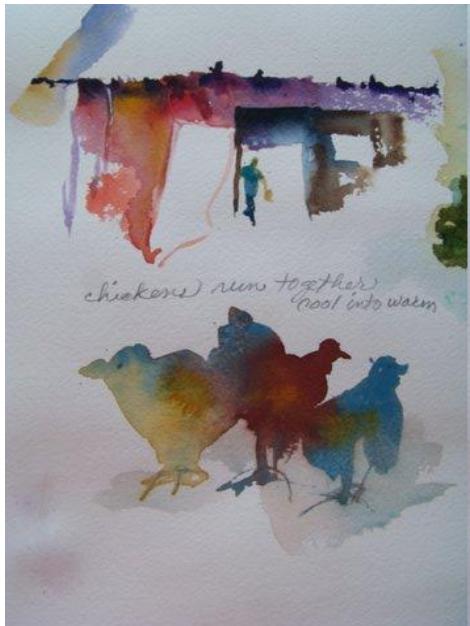
### **Watercolor Class gears up for the next Emerging Artists Show!**

We have been painting glass, chocolates, wine, gelato and European landscapes for decadent still life. We'll be showing our work at Chocolaterie Stam on Main Street in Ames in August.



Wondering what they do in those watercolor classes? Here is a taste of the lessons learned. . .

Running it all together for interesting shapes



tape resist method, start small, overlap shapes, dark against light

## On the Road. . .

Where can you find Jo and company next?

- **Reiman Gardens Garden Art Fair, July 11** (Jo and Rhonda)
- **Dubuque Art Fair, July 17** (Rhonda)
- **Linn Creek Art Festival, Marshalltown, July 18** (Rhonda)
- **Iowa State Fair, Cultural Building, August 12 – 22** (the whole gang)



**Congratulations to Sharon C. for winning the key lime pie from Sweet Traditions this month! Don't forget to sign up at the Left Bank for your chance to win one of Wanda's delicious treats!**

**See you at the Left Bank!**

**The Left Bank Studio  
& Write Brain Café**

**Tuesday -- Friday 11am – 5pm & Saturday 10am – 3pm  
Lunch 11am – 2pm**