



# The Left Bank Studio

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## Jo in the Des Moines Register!



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### Upcoming Events

**Saturday, October 8 10-5**

**Sunday, October 9 10-4**

ArtFest West, Village of Ponderosa,  
West Des Moines

**Friday, Oct 29<sup>th</sup>** Emerging Artist Show  
Prairie Moon Winery

### Classes:

#### Repurposed Jewelry

**Sarah Dorn** Email Sarah of your interest  
in class at [mamapeacock@hotmail.com](mailto:mamapeacock@hotmail.com)

#### PMC

**Rhonda Scott** Call or email Rhonda of  
your interest in class at 231-1750  
[Rhonda@silverleafshop.com](mailto:Rhonda@silverleafshop.com)

#### Watercolor

**Jo Myers-Walker**

Ongoing Mondays 6 – 8 pm

Ongoing Thursdays 9 - 11 am

Next class: starting Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>

Reiman Gardens, January 13-March 10

#### Watercolor

**Gwen Foster**

Mondays Oct 4, 11, 18, 25 1 - 2:30 pm

#### Muralist-Stenciling

**Deborah Gnagy Ruby**

See her Facebook Page for Dates/Times

**The Left Bank Studio**

**125 Main St.**

**Gilbert, IA 50105**

**Phone: 515-233-1405**

**Just 3 miles north of Ames**

While Jo was at the Watercolor Booth at the Iowa State Fair this year, a DSM Register journalist, Jane Schorer Meisner, stopped by to chat. The result was an article about Jo and her shop in Gilbert. Jo has spent the last 40 years teaching, painting, and practicing her craft. You can read the full story at:  
<http://www.desmoinesregister.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=20109260311>



**Jo, Sarah, and Deb will be at ArtFest West on  
October 8 and 9**

Looking for something fun to do this weekend? Jo will be “showing the ropes” to Sarah Dorn and Deb Ruby to ArtFest West where they will be exhibiting their works. This juried show will feature approximately 100 artists, kids' activities, a variety of entertainment and food vendors, **FREE PARKING AND FREE ADMISSION**. You can find more information at <http://www.stookeyshows.com/visitor.html>. Directions to Village of Ponderosa: From Mills Civic Parkway, go North on S. Prairie View. 590 Market Street, West Des Moines.



## Write Brain Café

The Write Brain Café has been truly launched. The Des Moines Register article (Sept 26) has invited Iowa to the Left Bank Studio and the Write Brain Café. Jo is delighted to entertain all who come to the shop. Come for a neat visionary experience and culinary delights, enjoy the simple menu and have fun painting too! Lunch is served Tuesday – Saturday, 11-2. Call for reservations for large groups.



## October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month

A group of ladies recently had a fun lunch at the Write Brain Café to celebrate Breast Cancer Awareness month. This year marks the 25<sup>th</sup> year of awareness, education, and empowerment.

## Walk, Paint, Eat Italy: Umbria, Tuscany and Cinque Terre May 15 – 24, 2011

Jo is postponing the trip to Italy as her daughter is having major surgery and she wants to be available for her and her family. We will be changing the trip to Italy from next spring to next fall.

## Watercolor Class in January 2011

Jo will be teaching a watercolor class starting on January 13, 2011 through March 10 at the Reiman Gardens. The theme will be the winter garden.

## Any Grant Writers Out There?

Are there any grant writers out there who would be willing and able to help Jo write a grant? Please call her if you can help.



Last month, Jo was starting her weight loss with **Take Shape for Life**. Look at her now – she's lost 12 pounds! Go Jo!

## Sweet Traditions

The winner of the September drawing for an apple pie was Irene Wilcox. Congratulations Irene!



## CLASSES FOR OCTOBER & BEYOND

The following artists will be teaching and displaying their work at the Left Bank Studio.

### **Sarah Dorn – Repurposed Jewelry Glass Tile Necklaces**



Students should bring images from magazines, photographs, fabric, etc that they will be cutting up; the best sizes are 1"x1", 1"x2". The pendant will be made using pieces of glass that Sarah will provide. Students will have two completed necklaces to take home at the end of class. It is open to all skill levels. Cost: \$30, (\$25 for the class and \$5 for supplies.) To register or get info: email Sarah at [mamapeacock@hotmail.com](mailto:mamapeacock@hotmail.com)

### **Gwen Foster - Watercolor Portraits**

**Four Monday classes – October 4 and ending October 25 from 1:00 - 2:30 pm.**  
**\$100 for the whole class or drop-in for \$25 per class.** We will take a look at Portraits in the style of Jane Angelhart. You can study her work in advance of the class on her website at: <http://www.angelhart-portraits.com/>  
Pre-registration is not necessary, just show up.  
**Questions, call Gwen at 382-1686.**

### **Jo Myers-Walker – Watercolor - Ongoing**

**Mondays, 6-8 pm & Thursdays 9–11 am, Jo** will be teaching **watercolor classes**, focusing on value study, drawing, composition. **For more info or to register, call Jo at 233-1405 or email [jomyerswalker@gmail.com](mailto:jomyerswalker@gmail.com) Cost: \$225 for all sessions or drop-in \$25/class**

## **Creating Holiday Gifts for Giving or Decorating with Jo**

Starting November 4<sup>th</sup>, Jo will be doing a multiple mediums class combining watercolor, acrylic and permanent paint to create holiday cards, pillows, bags, chairs, etc. Let your imagination go.



### **Deb Gnagy Ruby – October Class**

Check out my t-shirt. Make and take class will be posted on my Facebook page Art & Soul Gallery. Become a fan so you can see what we are making each week. A little Wine and a little cheese will bring out the inner artist in everyone. If you are interested contact through facebook messages at Deborah Gnagy Ruby. Google my name to find the link.

### **Rhonda Scott - PMC**

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? Rhonda will supply tools, finishing materials, and kiln firing. You supply the imagination! You are eligible to come if you have taken at least one PMC class and are able to work independently.



**To get more info or to register, call Rhonda at 231-1750 or email her at [Rhonda@silverleafshop.com](mailto:Rhonda@silverleafshop.com)**

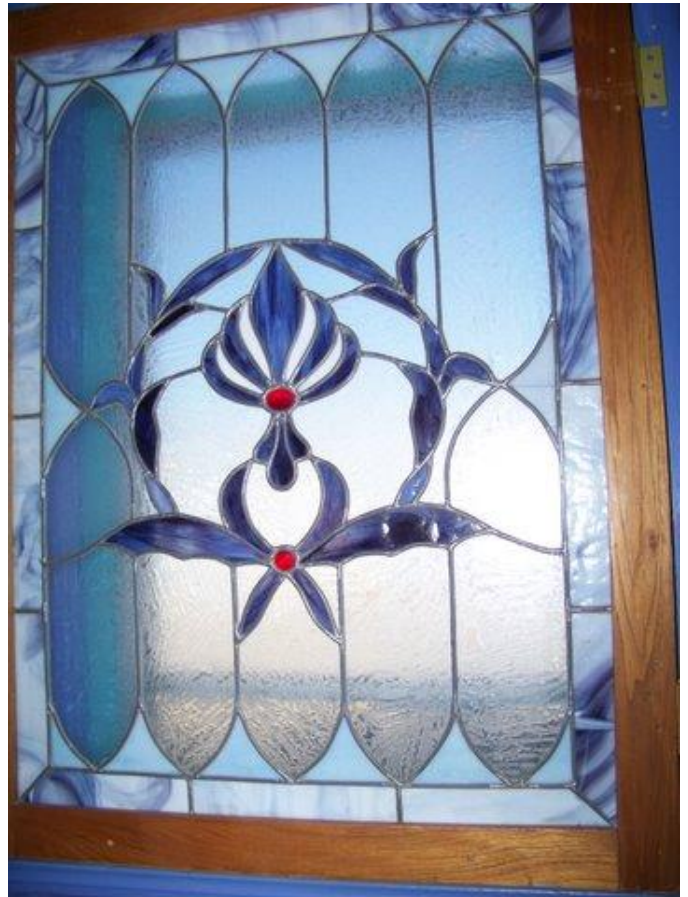
## For Sale

From time to time, I have things available for sale. They are treasures and, although it's hard to part with them, I need the space. Let me know if you are interested.



### Antique Oak Ice Box

Great for storing sweaters, towels in the bath, dishes in the kitchen or you could use it to hold your TV! Sale Price: \$1,000



### Victorian Stained Glass

Size of panel and frame: 34" x 44" including frame. Sale Price: \$700