

October 2020

### **October Membership Meeting**

Our meeting this month will take place on October 22nd at 6:30pm MST. We will have a few announcements, board elections, and then a bead-in. We would love to hear how everyone is doing and see what projects you are working on! Also, in lieu of the Holiday Luncheon this year, we will announce a Holiday Bead Exchange for members!

### **Membership Renewals**

The board requests that if you are past due on your membership dues that you take a moment to pay them. Membership dues are our only source of income right now. We know many of you are struggling through this difficult time and have chosen not to renew. That is understandable and we support your decision. But if you are past due simply because you forgot, could you take a moment now to renew? We would really appreciate it! Also, if your membership is on auto-renewal please make sure your credit card numbers and expiration dates are current and correct. Thank you!

### **Free Money for RMBS**

If every member of RMBS signed up for this program it would likely cover our full annual rent at Spirit of Hope! What program? RMBS is now officially enrolled in the King Soopers Community Rewards program. What does this mean? Every quarter King Soopers donates \$2.5M to charity, and we get a slice of that pie. How big a slice depends on how much we spend at King Soopers.

You do not have to be a member of RMBS for your shopping to help us! Please pass this information along to your children, relatives, friends, neighbors.... They only have to sign up once and then all of their shopping counts towards our reward too! Follow the instructions here to sign up today! <https://rockybeads.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/FREE-MONEY-FOR-RMBS-1.pdf>

### **We Need More Members!**

An important element to keeping RMBS thriving both financially and energetically is to continually add new members. Since in-person outreach is not possible right now, we were hoping to recruit new members online. We are

thinking about targeted ads on Facebook and/or Instagram. Are you knowledgeable about social media and willing to help? You do not need to be an expert, we will have roles for all levels of experience who are willing to pitch in. If you are interested please email [RMBSinfo251@gmail.com](mailto:RMBSinfo251@gmail.com).

## **Programs**

### **Use The Muse Competition**

Just a reminder to all participants. Entries for Use The Muse are due November 8th at 5:00pm MST. You can email your photos to [rmb.programs@gmail.com](mailto:rmb.programs@gmail.com)

### **November Membership Meeting**

The November meeting will take place on November 12th at 6:30pm MST. We will announce the winners of the 'Use The Muse' challenge! This will be a chance for the winners to showcase their work. This will be the final membership meeting of the year.

### **January Membership Meeting**

Our first meeting of 2021 will be January 28th at 6:30pm!

### **Meeting In Person?**

In the October board meeting we discussed when we should start meeting in person again. We talked about what we are hearing on the news including projections about when a vaccine will be widely available. We will continue to evaluate month-to-month based the status of the pandemic, and will try to remain as flexible as possible. However, for planning purposes, we have decided the following:

- Our membership meetings for the rest of 2020, and January-April of 2021, will be virtual

We will consider meeting in person again May-September 2021, depending on the status of the virus. We will evaluate outdoor options and hybrid options including in person an in-person meeting combined with a virtual option.

- We are assuming that a vaccine will be widely distributed by October of 2021. So we will plan in-person events starting in October.

Again, all of this is subject to change depending on the virus.