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TENTATIVE 2022 PROGRAMS SCHEDULE

MAR: Name Badge Challenge

APR: Spring De-Stash; Call for Sampler Instructors

MAY: Shrinkets Play Date

JUN: Sampler

JUL: 30-Year Celebration and Raffle Items Presentation

AUG: Rocky Mountain Jewelry Arts Raffle and Bead-In

SEP: Guest Instructor

OCT: Fall De-Stash

NOV: Pearl Anniversary Challenge; Guest Instructor

DEC: Holiday Celebration!

OUR NEXT MEETING IS APRIL 2, 2022, AT 9:00 A.M. AT OUR NEW LOCATION:

Lowry Conference Center Room 200B 1061 Akron Way Denver, 80230

APRIL MEETING – SPRING DE-STASH!!

Join us on Saturday, April 2, starting at 9:00 a.m. until noon for our Spring De-Stash. We will have eighteen tables FILLED with gorgeous supplies for crafting and jewelry-making at rock bottom prices! Come early for the best selection. Doors will open at 9:00 a.m. for members only of the Rocky Mountain Bead Society and will then open to the public at 9:30 a.m.

As of Wednesday, March 23, there were still a few tables available. Members can now purchase additional tables if they need more than one. If you need to de-clutter your stash, don't miss out buying a table for \$10.

"I found I could say things with color and shapes that I couldn't say any other way – things I had no words for." – Georgia O'Keeffe

RMBS BEAD AND JEWELRY SHOWCASE AT THE LOWRY CONFERENCE CENTER

Thank you to everyone who brought art for display and/or sale in the RMBS Bead and Jewelry Showcase at the Lowry Conference Center. After

displaying all the pieces that members brought to our March meeting, we still have room to display more. If you'd like to display your art, please bring your pieces to the April meeting and Helen Littlejohn will coordinate displaying your pieces. We are now permitting members to display more than two pieces. **RMBS will not be responsible for completing or collecting funds for any sales. All sales transactions will be the responsibility of the member.** In addition to allowing our members to showcase their talents, our goals for the showcase are threefold: to educate, to promote and/or sell our members' work, and to increase the visibility of RMBS.

MAY MEETING – SHRINKETS PLAY DATE

Join Carrie and Sandy after the May meeting for a Shrinkets Play Date for a fun and easy introduction to this medium. We will have sample kits with pre-cut shapes for you to color, shrink and shape, and combine with beads and head pins to make a pair of earrings or a pendant. We will have colored pencils, Sharpie markers, heat guns, molds, etc. for you to play with. If you have any of these supplies, you are welcome to bring them as well. Prisma colored pencils are the recommended pencils but any colored pencils will work for an introduction. There will be a minimal charge for the pre-cut shapes. This meeting will start at 9:30 a.m. to allow enough time to play with the Shrinkets.

JUNE MEETING - THE SAMPLER

June is right around the corner and so is the Sampler! If you have not participated in the Sampler previously, this is one of our most popular events where members teach other members a favorite project, technique or medium. The call for instructors is open. If you have a project that you would like to teach to other members, get your application submitted before Friday, April 15! We are hoping to have four sessions, 9:00 a.m.-noon and 1:00-4:00 p.m. on each of Saturday and Sunday, June 4 and 5, with four or five classes during each session depending on number of applications submitted. Classes will be selected by April 22 and registration for classes will open to members from May 1 through May 20.

JULY MEETING – DATE CHANGE! 30TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION AND RAFFLE PREVIEW

Our regular meeting was scheduled to be held on July 2. As this will be the Fourth of July weekend, the board felt too many members might not be available and so the meeting has been moved to Saturday, July 16. We will have celebrating the RMBS 30th Anniversary and an opportunity for members to view items included in our Rocky Mountain Jewelry Arts Raffle.

MARCH NAME BADGE CHALLENGE

We had some fantastic name badges created by our members for the March Name Badge Challenge. And the winner was: Clare Pramuk! Watch for our next challenge this fall in celebration of the RMBS celebrating its 30th anniversary with a "pearl challenge."



MEMBERS NEEDED

- **2022 Rocky Mountain Jewelry Arts Raffle Committee** We have our Raffle Chair, Katlin Landers, but Katlin still needs help from our members to make our 2022 Rocky Mountain Jewelry Arts Raffle successful!
- **Girl Scouts Junior Jeweler Badge** Members showed a lot of interest at the March meeting in helping a Junior Girl Scout achieve her Junior Jeweler

Badge. Rita Martin and Kathleen Sloan will be spearheading this activity. If you were not present at the meeting or didn't get a chance to talk with Rita or Kathleen at the March meeting, please reach out to Rita at <u>your.design@comcast.net</u> or Kathleen Sloan at <u>ksloan@indra.com</u>. As activities become available, they will be reaching out to members for volunteers.

2021 FINANCIAL UPDATE

RMBS started 2021 with \$40,029.58 in the bank. We finished 2021 with \$45,531.01 in the bank. For the first time in several years, we took in more than we spent (part of which, unfortunately, is because of the ups and downs of Covid)! We currently have \$613 earmarked for the scholarship fund.

Our top three sources of income were (1) the Raffle (46%), (2) member dues (30%), and (3) King Soopers Community Rewards (10%). Our top three expenses were (1) rent (67%), (2) software and technology (14%), and (3) Sampler teacher fees (5%)

BEYOND THE BOUNDARIES BEAD RETREAT

Our own Rita Caldwell will be one of the instructors at the 1st Annual Beyond the Boundaries Bead Retreat being held in Spokane, Washington, June 23-26, 2022. This retreat is all about Bead Embroidery with four various teachers who will be sharing their bead embroidery designs with you. The retreat is limited to 45 students total to keep the class size to an intimate 15 students per classroom over the course of the 3 days of creating, beading, and uniting with other like minded women. In addition to Rita, who will be teaching a class Friday night, the other instructors are Jody Young, Holly Bean (who taught a class for the RMBS in October 2021), and Shayne McQuay. Seats are still available! Please contact Jody Young at jodybead@aol.com if you would like to attend. More information about the retreat and the specific projects on the Beyond the Boundaries With Beads page on Facebook.

IN MEMORIAM



Jan Dalton, a longtime member of the RMBS who served at one time as our Programs planner, passed away on December 22, 2021. Nan Stine is helping Jan's family to find new homes for some of Jan's beautiful jewelry pieces. You can see some of Jan's available pieces in our Showcase.

If you become aware of a member who passes, please notify <u>newsletter@rockybeads.org</u> to be included in our monthly newsletter.

KING SOOPERS COMMUNITY REWARDS

If you haven't signed up to participate in the King Soopers Community Rewards, please do! Your family and friends can participate as well. The RMBS receives funds quarterly from King Soopers for participating. Instructions for signing up here: <u>https://rockybeads.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/FREE-MONEY-FOR-RMBS-1.pdf</u>. If you need help signing up, bring your King Soopers loyalty card (SooperCard) with you to any in-person meeting and someone can help you sign up!



2022 BOARD MEMBERS, OFFICERS, COMMITTEE CHAIRS AND OTHER

Due to board meeting scheduling conflicts, Jill Arnson has stepped down as secretary of RMBS. Per our bylaws, if a board member or officer cannot finish their term, the board may appoint someone to replace them for the remainder of their term. Sandy Brock volunteered to finish out the year as secretary and the board voted to approve. The board would like to sincerely thank Jill Arnson for her service to RMBS. She will be missed on the board. We would also like to thank Sandy Brock for stepping up to fill this gap. We are so very grateful!

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