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### **2022 PROGRAMS SCHEDULE**

JUL 16: 30-Year Celebration and Raffle Items Presentation

AUG 6: Rocky Mountain Jewelry Arts Raffle and Bead-In

SEP 17: Guest Instructor

OCT 1: Meeting and Voting for Officers

OCT 22: Trunk Show

NOV 5: Pearl Anniversary Challenge; Guest Instructor

DEC 3: Holiday Celebration!

**JOIN US SATURDAY, JULY 16, 2022, 10:00 AM TO NOON, AS WE CELEBRATE THE 30<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE RMBS!!!**

### **LOCATION:**

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

### **JULY MEETING – JULY 16TH – ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION AND RAFFLE PREVIEW**

We will have food, drink, games and door prizes celebrating the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the RMBS. You won't want to miss this celebration! All members in attendance will receive a special "anniversary" gift bag.

The Rocky Mountain Bead Society was founded on January 15, 1992, by Leslie Sartor "to advance the study of and education about beads; to encourage and promote public appreciation for beads and the art of beading; to collect and disseminate information and knowledge about and concerning beads and beading; to develop and administer programs

concerning beads and beading; and to discover, purchase, commission or otherwise procure, and to publish or otherwise preserve writings, newspapers, journals, and the like concerning the history of beads and beading."

In addition to the anniversary celebration, we will also have a preview of items available in our Rocky Mountain Jewelry Arts Raffle. The raffle will be held in person and online on Saturday, August 6, together with a bead-in for members.

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*"To be creative means to be in love with life. You can be creative only if you love life enough that you want to enhance its beauty, you want to bring a little more music to it, a little more poetry to it, a little more dance to it." - OSHO*

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### **AUGUST MEETING – AUGUST 6 – ROCKY MOUNTAIN JEWELRY ARTS RAFFLE AND BEAD-IN**

The raffle planning is rapidly nearing another successful event! We have already received many donations from local and national businesses – in excess of \$9,000 from over 35 sponsors. The raffle committee could still use some helping hands with writing eye-catching descriptions for prizes as well as crafting advertising messages for newsletters, Facebook and emails. We have resources from last year to help get us started, but we just need more hands to help distribute the work to

be ready when the Raffle goes live in just a few weeks. Please contact Katlin Nolte at [raffle@rockybeads.org](mailto:raffle@rockybeads.org) for additional details or to join the Raffle Committee. Tickets for the raffle will go on sale in late July and the drawing will be held in person and online on August 6<sup>th</sup>. We will have a bead in for members – so start thinking about what project you'd like to work on or may need help with!

## SEPTEMBER MEETING – SEPTEMBER 17 – IT'S ANOTHER PLAY DATE!

Our regular meeting was scheduled to be held over the Labor Day weekend and the board felt too many members might not be available. Accordingly, the meeting has been moved to Saturday, September 17. We have another play date planned with Carrie and Sandy for members to try their hand with alcohol inks! Note that this meeting will start at 9:30 a.m. to allow enough time for play.

## OCTOBER – REGULAR MEETING AND TRUNK SHOW

We will have our regular meeting on Saturday, October 1, and a Trunk Show on Saturday, October 22. We will vote for officer positions at the October meeting, so your attendance is greatly encouraged. In addition, we are hoping for members to volunteer for one of the positions that will be open this year. To date, we have had members volunteer for the positions of Vice President/Programs Chairperson and Secretary. We are still in need of members to volunteer for the positions of President and Treasurer. Without these positions being filled, we run the risk of having to disband the RMBS. Please give serious consideration to volunteering for one of these positions. The Programs Committee could also benefit from additional volunteers to help with planning and coordination of meetings and events. If you have an interest, please reach out to Diane Kremer.

Our Trunk Show committee, Pat Lucero and Susan Van Norton, are hard at work reaching out to vendors for a limited “bazaar.” This will not be a de-stash but will hopefully be some of our popular vendors selling their wares to members and the public from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 22. If you would like to volunteer to help at the event, please contact Pat Lucero or Susan Van Norton.

## JUNE MEETING RECAP – THE SAMPLER

Thank you to all members who participated as instructors and/or students at this year's Sampler. We had a good turnout and it seemed everyone enjoyed the event.



## RMBS BEAD AND JEWELRY SHOWCASE AT THE LOWRY CONFERENCE CENTER

Thank you to everyone who has brought art for display and/or sale in the RMBS Bead and Jewelry Showcase at the Lowry Conference Center. If you'd like to display your art, please bring your pieces to any of our meetings and Helen Littlejohn will coordinate displaying them. Members can display more than two pieces. The consignment form can be found on the [rockybeads.org](http://rockybeads.org) website. **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. Staff at the Lowry Conference Center say that everyone who passes through looks at our displays!

## A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

As my final year as RMBS president comes to a close, I want to thank the RMBS membership for making this such a fun and rewarding experience. And I'd especially like to thank all of the board members and advisors I've worked with over the past three years for making my job so much easier.

I have some good news and some bad news.

First, the good: two fine ladies have stepped up to run for the VP/programs chair and secretary board offices next year!

Now the bad: We still haven't identified anyone willing to run for president or treasurer. These two roles must be filled per the RMBS bylaws, or we cannot legally operate. Further, these positions cannot be filled by the same person. If no one is willing to take on these positions, we will be forced to disband the RMBS. This would break my heart after all of the work we've done to navigate through the pandemic and into a post-bead bazaar reality. I would hate for my final act as president to be to disband the RMBS and give all of our money away to other non-profits (which is what you have to do legally when a non-profit is disbanded).

So please, I implore you, if you are possibly able to take on one of these two roles next year, speak up now. Board elections are only four months away, so we are running out of time. Here are little descriptions of what these two offices entail. Both come with unlimited training/advice/help from the current (and past) board members. Email [president@rockybeads.org](mailto:president@rockybeads.org) for more info.

President - The President is the chair of the RMBS board. You would be in charge of planning and leading the board meetings and making sure everything gets discussed and planned that needs to be discussed and planned. You would not be responsible for planning our classes and events, as that falls under the charter of the programs committee. You also set the vision/direction for the board's efforts for the year. For example: find new ways to make money, increase membership, improve communication with members, among others. In addition, the President is the head cheerleader for RMBS, always looking for opportunities to improve our members' experience, positively impact our community, and generally make RMBS run better. Your main job will be to support the other board members/advisors, and make sure they have what they need to provide outstanding programs. Leadership comes in many forms. Your style and talents will be different from all previous presidents and that is a good thing. Having a variety of perspectives and voices on our board will make us stronger in the long term.

Treasurer - The Treasurer is responsible for keeping track of our incoming and outgoing funds. The Treasurer holds the RMBS checkbook and writes checks to instructors, pays our rent at the Lowry Conference Center, and logs in to the Secretary of State's website once each quarter to file our raffle paperwork. The treasurer uses Quicken to keep track of our finances and print out reports as needed. The Treasurer does not file our taxes; we use an accountant for that. We have had treasurers with varying degrees of financial experience over the years. You do not have to be an accountant, tax professional, or familiar with Quicken. We will teach you what you need to know. You do have to be detail oriented and not afraid of numbers. In addition, the Treasurer keeps our insurance policy up to date and logs in to the Secretary of State's website once a year to file our annual report.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration.

Diane Kremer

## 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. RMBS receives funds quarterly from King Soopers for participating. For the first quarter of 2022, RMBS received \$314! Instructions for signing up here: <https://rockybeads.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/FREE-MONEY-FOR-RMBS-1.pdf>. 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! You don't have to do anything other than sign up to help RMBS receive funds through the King Soopers Community Rewards.

### MEMBERS NEEDED

- **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 are spearheading this activity. Please reach out to Rita at [your.design@comcast.net](mailto:your.design@comcast.net) or Kathleen Sloan at [ksloan@indra.com](mailto:ksloan@indra.com) if you would like to help a Junior Girl Scout achieve her badge. As activities become available, they will also be reaching out to members to volunteer.
- **2023 Board Members** – Several of our Board members have already indicated they will not be remaining in their current positions. We are still looking for members to step up for the positions of President and Treasurer. We need members to step up and volunteer if they have an interest in any of our board or committee positions. By indicating your interest now, it will give you an opportunity to learn the responsibilities of that position prior to it becoming official!



## MEMBERSHIP UPDATES/RENEWALS

Log into your membership profile on the rockybeads.org website to renew your membership, check your renewal date, or update your contact information. You should receive renewal emails approximately two weeks before the due date. If you have any problems or questions regarding renewing or updating your membership profile, please contact the membership coordinator at [membership@rockybeads.org](mailto:membership@rockybeads.org).

## 2022 BOARD MEMBERS, OFFICERS, COMMITTEE CHAIRS AND OTHER

NAME	POSITION	EMAIL
<b>Diane Kremer</b>	President/Board Member	<a href="mailto:president@rockybeads.org">president@rockybeads.org</a>
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