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~ Gretchen Rubin

The 25th Anniversary of the show gives me pause to be grateful for all of the amazing artists who I have been honored to know over these past two decades. And to the generous volunteers and sponsors who contributed so much. And to my loving family. Thanks, Doug Sharpe for co-piloting for more than a decade! Diane Van Parys, I am wowed by your energy! Thank you to all the people below who walked the path and left their mark!

I love you all ~ Taire Malloy



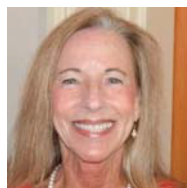
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Diane Van Parys



Patsy Reeves



Jill Spanbauer



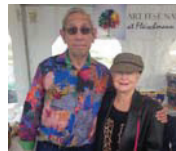
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Frank Garbarino,  
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## ART FEST 2022 TEAM

Merrylee Kandel  
Dr. Joseph Kandel

Diane Van Parys  
Russ Cronin  
John Cronin

Connor Nehles  
Cayla Childs  
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# IN LOVING MEMORY



**PATSY REEVES** It was a deep love of art and fellow artists that led Patsy Reeves (1951-2020) to present her ideas for an art festival in Fleischmann Park to art collectors, Dr. Joe and Merry Kandel in 1998. Patsy's exuberance for life began early as she traveled through Europe for several years working in Germany and becoming an accomplished skier on the slopes of Austria and Switzerland. She traveled the US before finding her home in Naples. For the last 35 years, Patsy amassed patrons of her gorgeous works of art which appear in many fine homes, hotels, and buildings across Naples and beyond. Her work will be cherished by all and her advocacy for fellow artists appreciated. Patsy was an amazing mother who would say her greatest works of art are her children Casey and Cheyenne. Thank you, Patsy, for your passion and vision.



**JACK MEGELA** 2022 would have marked the 25<sup>th</sup> year that Jack Megela (1941-2021) exhibited his Photography at Art Fest. He will be missed. Jack was a man of character and creativity. At school age he was in sports and became an accomplished classical guitarist. Jack was a US Marine. He later was a member of the Ohio State Highway Patrol. After a degree from Kent State, he became a Detective Sergeant. Jack's career as a Fine Art Photographer evolved from his 23 years in law enforcement investigating and photographing the scope of human calamities. He returned to Kent State to study art photography. Jack and Marianne traveled the U.S. capturing the magnificence of nature and Jack transitioned from a world of tragedy to one of tranquility. He lived with a true sense of purpose that comes from knowing he was part of something larger than himself. Jack's Photographic Art is hanging in corporate, public, and private collections all over the world.

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The STARability Foundation is like a matchmaker for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and employers who believe in an inclusive workplace. As an approved provider for the Florida Department of Education Vocational Rehabilitation (VR), we offer job readiness services and connect individuals with local employers and job training sites.

The **Trailblazer Academy** was launched in 2016 for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities who, at 22, age out of school and face a gap in services. The Academy became our centerpiece program because of its focus on community engagement, vocational training and continuing education.



The **Junior Trailblazer Academy** serves teenagers in high school preparing to transition to young adulthood.

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Trailblazers to learn, practice and demonstrate vocational skills while providing meaningful service to our vocational partners' businesses.

*Our vocational site partners provide opportunities for Trailblazers to access training and exposure to the work world.*



Our instructor team is the heart of the Trailblazer Academy. Each instructor and employment specialist has unique qualifications, and they collectively have years of experience, insight and expertise working with individuals with special

needs. Instructors are provided with advanced training in vocational, behavioral and educational strategies promoting goal achievement.

Everything we offer comes from an authentic, loving and empowering place.



# PROFILE

## Hannah Rose Kandel

### ARTIST AND STARABILITY PARTICIPANT



*Y*annah Rose was born in 1991 and was diagnosed with PDD-NOS (Pervasive Developmental Disability-Not Otherwise Specified) in 1993. Hannah did not sleep very much, had stopped talking, and did not know where her body was in space. At that time, autism was diagnosed in 1 out of every 10,000 births and there were few resources available for families and very little awareness. Today, about 1 in 44 children are diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder.

Hannah's parents put together a multidisciplinary team and started interventions immediately. Hannah was mainstreamed for preschool and kindergarten while also attending exceptional student education classes. She started talking when she was five years old.



When Hannah was a student at Eden Autism Florida, her parents, Dr. Joseph and Merrylee Kandel, co-founded Art Fest Naples with artist Patsy Reeves to support Eden's therapeutic services for children with autism in Southwest Florida.

After many years of special education, Hannah enrolled full time at Seacrest Country Day School, where she had an aide with her in the classroom.

## HIGHLIGHTS OF HANNAH'S LIFE SO FAR INCLUDE:

- Her 2005 Bat Mitzvah. She studied for two years to become an adult in the eyes of her Jewish Community.
- Training her service dog “HoneyBun.” Hannah enjoys the responsibility and says that HoneyBun keeps her calm.
- In 2012, Hannah was one of eight artists chosen by the United Nations for its Autism Awareness Stamp. Her painting, “Crazy Love,” was selected as the result of a worldwide search for talented artists with autism. After this experience, Hannah began speaking at schools, rotaries, religious groups and continued to pursue her love of art.
- Hannah earned her high school Diploma in 2015.
- In 2018, Hannah attended The Marino Campus at Florida International University. The Marino Campus’s mission is to prepare young adults with autism and other developmental disabilities for gainful employment, social competence, and independent living through a unique post-secondary experience. In addition, Hannah earned her certification as a Microsoft Office Specialist.



Hannah joined STARability’s Trailblazer Academy in 2018 and now works as an administrative assistant there and as a STAR Made Studio assistant. Her many hobbies, include dancing, horseback riding, theater, and gymnastics. She works out almost every day to stay healthy in her mind and body. She would like to become a children’s book author and illustrator and has co-written and illustrated three books. Hannah’s passion is art. Art is how she best communicates. She recently held

a successful private show in her studio for 90 guests where she also received several commissions.

This weekend Hannah Rose will exhibit her paintings at Art Fest Naples and is excited to share her art and passion with visitors of the show!

# ART FEST NAPLES DISTINGUISHED JUDGES 2022



## DUNCAN McCLELLAN

Duncan's love affair with glass began as a child while visiting a glass factory in Virginia. After many years and alternate creative successes, Duncan came back to that early vision and studied Glass Art, both in Venice, Italy and the US. After

thirty years of creating and exhibiting his work, he purchased and redesigned an abandoned tomato packing building in midtown St. Petersburg. *Duncan McClellan Glass* features his work and works of 60 plus artists from around the country. With his wife, Irene, a dedicated staff and a half-dozen well-behaved cats that enjoy the run of the place, Duncan continues to grow his vision of mentoring artists and establishing educational programs for the public.



## PAUL ARSENAULT

A native of Montreal, Paul Arsenault grew up in Hingham, MA., where his love for the sea and travel emerged. Following his graduation from the Art Institute of Boston in 1973, he began a six-month stint as a deckhand on a research vessel. Arsenault signed off

in Florida in 1974 and began his professional painting career. With Naples as his base, he has embarked on painting trips to the Caribbean, Central and South America, Asia, the South Pacific, Indonesia, Australia, and the Mideast. Arsenault and his wife Eileen owned and operated The Arsenault Gallery in Naples for 30 years. The Arsenault's are strong supporters of community causes, especially ocean conservation, and several of the more than 31 organizations they have supported have held fundraisers at the gallery. The gallery closed this year, but Paul has no intentions of putting down his brushes. This is a chance to paint in places he's never visited, such as Zanzibar and to the island of Hawaii, where he will participate as "ship's artist" in a Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution research expedition to measure the tallest mountain in the world from seafloor to summit.



# 2022 PARTICIPATING ARTISTS

## CLAY

30	Cheer, John .....	Allentown, PA
33	Peters, Tim .....	Winter Haven, FL
42	Tevia Clark, Lisa .....	Brasstown, NC
110	Ulevicius, Antanasas.....	St. Petersburg, FL
73	Yanow, Joy .....	Naples, FL

## DRAWING

5	French, Diane .....	Naples, FL
14	Strailey, Nancy .....	Columbia, SC

## LEATHER & FIBER WEARABLE

112	Arango, Andres .....	Miami, FL
98	Benedict, Marijke .....	Allenwood, PA
85	Brawley, Jenna & Debbie.....	Longmont, CO
119	Clarke, Larry .....	Boca Raton, FL
31	Hearty, Carol .....	Carmel, NY
10	Rudroy, Shekina .....	Princeton, NJ
36	Strauss, Lisa .....	Hackettstown, NJ
55	Viteri, Daniela .....	Hollywood, FL

## GLASS

117	Barron, Paul & Heidi .....	Ada, MI
122	Kuntz, Randy .....	Holland, OH

## JEWELRY

52	Bird, Marie-Juliette .....	Boulder, CO
72	Bobofchak, Cristy .....	Columbiaville, MI
43	Bonardi, Michael .....	Columbus, OH
62	Collins, Dennis .....	Naples, FL
74	Fournier, Denise .....	West Fargo, ND
2	Greer, Paige .....	Falkville, AL
15	Kapoor, Gopal .....	Greenville, NC
102	Kittichareonsup, Busarin .....	Phoenix, AZ
34	Mutch, John .....	Hampton Bays, NY
92	Stine, Megan .....	Stevensville, MD
83	Testor, Nora .....	Jacksonville, FL
124	Trueman-Honey, Jolie .....	Wappingers Falls, NY
61	Tsai, Erh-Ping .....	Locust Valley, NY
56	Weinrab, Barbara .....	Mt. Sanai, NY

## METAL

11	Formato, John .....	Depew, NY
69	McCaffrey, Shirley & Bill .....	Naples, FL

## MIXED MEDIA

13	Francis, Wayne .....	Marquette, MI
77	Funk Grim, Tara .....	Naples, FL
6	Gao, Wayne & Michelle Chang .....	Rowland Heights, CA
21	Lanoue, Guiteau .....	Houston, TX
65-66	Lowe, Rick .....	St. Petersburg, FL
41	Marshall, Kimberly .....	Bonita Springs, FL
24	Moore, Christine Adele .....	Bonita Springs, FL
26-27	Moore, Eric .....	Pomaria, SC
45	Porter, Nanou & Jon .....	Naples, FL
67-68	Sette-Mayer, Cheryl .....	Naples, FL

## MUSIC

9	Gorodkin, Vladimir .....	Toronto, CAN
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## PRINTMAKING

114	Costin, John .....	Tampa, FL
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## PAINTING

28-29	Antonelle, Patrick .....	Naples, FL
120	Carney, Kate .....	Sanford, FL
51-53	Carter, Sydney .....	Powder Springs, GA
7-8	Causey, Teri .....	Louisville, MD
58	Chavez, Rosa .....	Naples, FL
48	Cooley, Victoria .....	Sarasota, FL
111	Currie, Carolyn .....	New Milford, CT
44	Dillon, Shelby .....	St. Petersburg, FL
84	Enyart, Alane .....	Fort Myers, FL
79	Fritz, Kati .....	Naples, FL
23	Gal, Yoram .....	Old Jaffa, Israel
59	Heitmann, Eric .....	Naples, FL
32	Jones, Kerream .....	Jonesboro, GA
123	Kandel, Hannah Rose .....	Naples, FL
22	Lanoue, Elaine .....	Missouri City, TX
91	LeeAnn, Rachelle .....	Naples, FL
63-64	Macaulay, Angus .....	St. Petersburg, FL
108	Mauer, John .....	St. Petersburg, FL
3	Odmak, Gary .....	Holland, MI
18-19	Park, Edward .....	Naples, FL
20	Ross, Tom .....	Naples, FL
57	Ruiz, Leon .....	Naples, FL
12	Sebastian, Stephen .....	Thomasville, NC
97	Silkwood, Annette .....	St. Charles, MO
94	Spinuzzi, Glory .....	Naples, FL
109	Stuart, Dennis .....	New Millford, CT

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## PAINTING

35-38	Tracht, Kelly .....	Jupiter, FL
101	Wang, David .....	Orlando, FL
99	Wang, Li .....	Palm Coast, FL
50	Warren, Angela.....	Gulfport, FL
105	Yung, Bryan .....	Rockville, VA

## PHOTOGRAPHY

47	Brito, George .....	Naples, FL
4	Brown, Mark .....	Carlisle, PA
90	Calleja, Diana .....	Naples, FL
54	Coe, Geoff .....	Fort Myers, FL
60	Damon, Marc .....	Naples, FL
25	Goodman, Dennis .....	Naples, FL
121	Horn, Dale & Gail .....	Naples, FL
81-82	Lewis, Glenn .....	Greeley, CO
95-96	Love, Gary .....	West Jefferson, OH
1	Megela, Jack .....	Naples, FL
113	Ogden, David .....	Melbourne, FL
70-71	Olson, Darren .....	Minneapolis, MN
37	Provost, Colleen.....	Naples, FL
87	Ruprecht, Jane .....	Naples, FL

## SCULPTURE

17	Causey, Scott .....	Sarasota, FL
125	Fox, Todd .....	Orlando, FL
104	Miller, Dee & Michael .....	Saline, MI
118	Olsen, Gert .....	Jupiter, FL
116	Perez, Noel .....	Naples, FL

## WOOD

106	Kara, Carol & John .....	Perryopolis, PA
93	Linn, Robert .....	Edmond, OK
49	McCollum, Richard .....	Bryn Athyn, PA

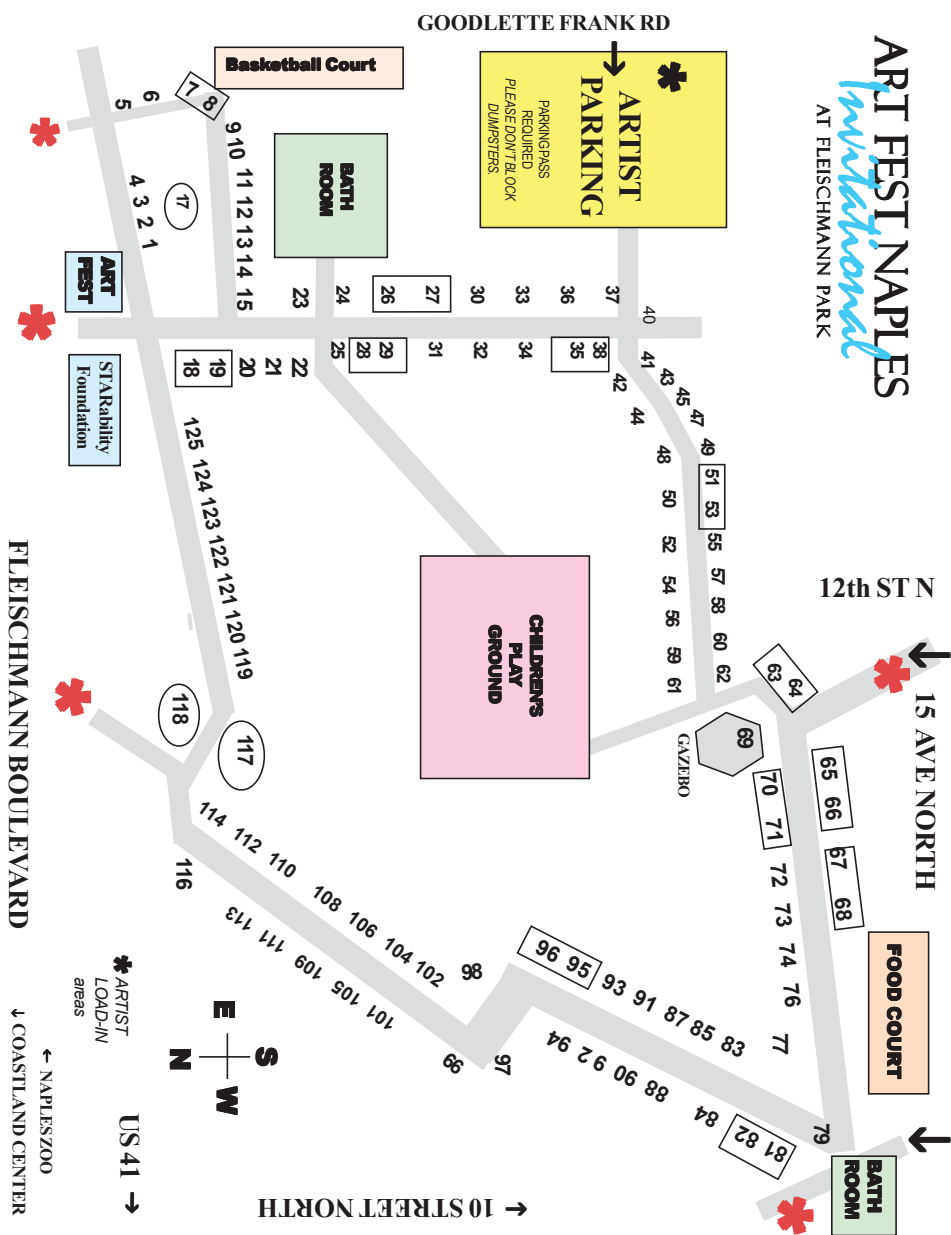
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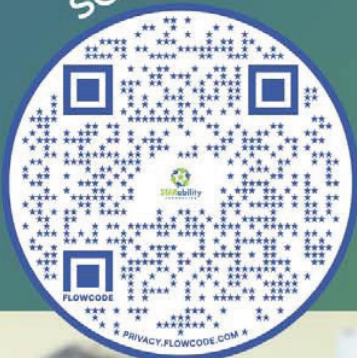
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