

**keeping
art alive!**



MRAG 21st Annual Art & Craft Show/Sale

November 7 – 10am to 3pm Dinner – 6 to 9pm

Come view 24 artists/crafters, plus 20 or more pieces of student art from Freedom Elementary and Haile Middle Schools, the schools we support financially.

Artist Kathy Flora will lead an interactive “paint-along” with student participants and, our fabulous raffle and silent auction will entice, with many interesting items.

Guadalupe Marines, a high school student who won MRAG’s award at the Manatee Schools Art Show for best 2D non-digital art, will exhibit her award-winning acrylic painting “Ocean Dawn”. Ayanna Williams, who won MRAG’s 2026 \$1000 scholarship, will exhibit as well.

Remember Ellie Raistrick, a talented young artist and Waterlefe resident? She exhibited in several past art shows, as well as volunteering at the Raffle Ticket Desk and as a Raffle Runner. We’re thrilled she is returning to exhibit in this year’s show. Her talent has grown and she will offer on the spot quick portrait commissions (she takes a photo of the person, draws them, and they pick up their portrait 10-15 minutes later)!

Our Artists & Crafters for 2026

AIM Crafters: Novelty pens and other crafts	Judy Kovalski Swartz: Crocheted creations
Alicia Blazejewski: Watercolor paintings	Keri Tani: Custom Wooden Signs
Betty Hruska: Woodland Bowls	Leslie Carrol: Caroll Craft
Bob Cameron: Bob’s Favorite photographs	Lisabeth: Paintings by Lisabeth
Debbie Craig: Clay Smiles	Mary McLain: Paper Creations by MaryB
Ellie Raistrick: Caricatures, stickers & paintings	Michelle Polito: Pottery
Herb Krasow: Colored pencil drawings	Nancy Dalonzo: Moss Art
Janet Goldman: Hand woven baskets	Patsy Kline Hall: Photography by Patsy
Jane Kusnir/Carla Miller: Quilters Corner	Roxanne Mund: Quilted Golf Cart Seat Covers
Jeri Lambdin: Florals Designs by Jeri	Sue Kerr: Whimsical Raku
Jimmy Copeland: Colored Pencil Portraits	Vicki Wetzel: Vicki’s Art
Guadalupe Marines: Student Artist	Ayanna Williams: Student Artist
Freedom Elementary Student Artists	Haile Middle Student Artists

After the Art Show, please join us for Dinner at the River Room, where door prizes are plentiful, raffle and silent auction winners are announced (but you do not need to be present to win) and fun is had by all!