

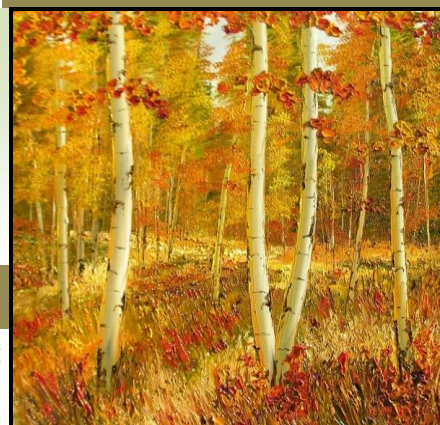
# Anniversary Celebration

## 5 Years & Just Beginning

Some anniversaries mean more than others. In small business, celebrating the first year of success is very exciting. Each year brings new challenges and rewards. As we flip the calendar page to October 2010, it is surprising how fast time has passed and we are glad to be here to announce, "This is our Fifth Year!" Along the way, we have faced interesting challenges, received many rewards and built lasting friendships with clients and artists from around the world.

Every year on this date, I automatically go into the "reflection" mode—what have I learned? What needs to improve? How can the gallery make a difference? And, the questions are worked through the next twelve months. This is a business one learns very quickly during the early stages of operation, understanding what is important and how to make it happen. The success rate in this business, frankly, is relatively low and there is little room for errors or do-overs. In a recent interview I was asked, "What is the most important thing that has made Hunter-Wolff Gallery successful?" There's no easy answer or magic formula but I can't ignore the importance of offering top quality products and developing strong customer relationships.

To our dedicated artists and devoted patrons, I raise my glass and thank all who have helped Hunter-Wolff Gallery grow and thrive, and to so many wonderful people who have become good friends and advisors. We invite you to celebrate with us throughout October. In celebration of this fifth year anniversary, we are bringing you a special collection of paintings – The 10/10 Show on Friday, October 1 from 5-8 pm. And every Saturday during the month we will have special treats each afternoon. Stop in soon. Check out our special silent auction too! *Cheers!*



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### October - Opal

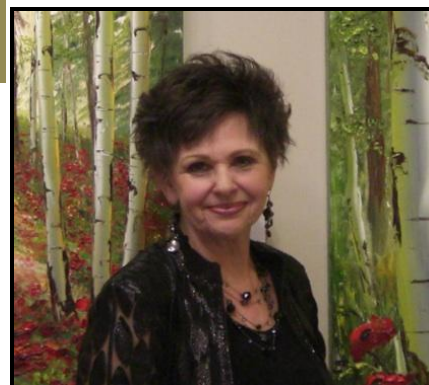
Opals are a mysterious, thought to be a symbol of hope and jinx. The characteristic feature of the gem opal is play of colors. Found primarily in Australia and Mexico  
Tourmaline is also considered to be October's birthstone.  
Both are highly sought-after.

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## Who's Who – The Queen of Aspens

In Colorado, this time of year the aspen tree is held in high esteem with its shimmering gold leaves. Katherine McNeill, who has been a career painter of the Aspen tree for decades, knows how to layer that gold on canvas for a jolt of autumn. There are few artists who get as much attention as Katherine for her large scale aspen paintings. Her work is owned by Corporations, CEO's and private collectors around the globe. Katherine just finished one of her most impressive projects this year – a 10 foot by 10 foot masterpiece. *You can now come down off your ladder, Katherine!*



Katherine McNeill

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## Making a Difference with a Promise: "Paintings for Change"

### On a Mission To Help



Marlene Kort & little friends in Zambia  
"Paintings for Change"

### Ask Kelli . . .

**Q: Is there sales tax applied to purchases that are shipped out-of-state?**

**A:** No. Currently, we do not apply sales tax to out-of-state purchases but this may change in the very near future.

**Q: We have a very sunny window close to where we would like to hang some paintings and I saw you had several paintings in your window facing south. Is it safe to put paintings in a sunny spot where they are exposed to several hours of intense sunlight?**

**A:** The artwork in Hunter-Wolff Gallery's window is either blown or fused glass or paintings on stained glass by Gary Vigen. These paintings are not at risk due to UV exposure or the heat that sometimes builds in our display location. Gary's work is different from oils or acrylics or any other medium on canvas. He paints with a medium made up of glass called frit and it is fused in his kiln to the surface which is stained glass. It is durable, the colors are permanent and his paintings are not susceptible to damage from UV rays or fluctuating temperatures. Other paintings would be at risk.

*Kelli*

Call or send your questions to  
AskKelli@gmail.com

October marks not only a special milestone for my gallery but the start of a special opportunity to help many school-age children who have few places to turn.

Artist Marlene Kort experienced a life-changing event that tugged at my heart and spearheaded a project to help her keep a "promise". She and her family visited a small village, Mfuwe, in Zambia Africa this summer. There she was greeted by some 50 inquisitive and loving children, many who were orphans and living in poverty. So many just wander the village streets looking for food and shelter. What impressed Marlene (and me) the most was the contrast between our lives and the lives of these hopeful little boys and girls.

Their current "school" consists of one room in a church, a sometimes-paid teacher and a chalkboard. There are more children than chairs, no desks, few books and virtually no teaching aids, snacks or supplies. Marlene made a promise to these desperate youngsters that as an artist she will help them by making "Paintings for Change".

Adversity and poverty are everywhere. Poverty shatters lives across America and in our own neighborhoods. And, conditions in Mfuwe make it even more difficult for a child to survive let alone thrive. Their lives are threatened by HIV/Aids which continue to ravage their country. Life expectancy is 38 years, 86% of Zambians live below the international poverty line of \$1 a day, and as many as 23% of the children are orphans, wandering the streets without a shred of hope. More than 40% of the children never have the opportunity to go to school to improve their life.

There's a high cost to living near a big game park too. The village of Mfuwe sits a few miles from a game park that helps provide employment for some villagers. Through the efforts of conservation groups, indigenous game numbers have grown and elephant and lion populations are being restored. This is good *and bad*. The now-protected game freely wanders beyond park boundaries terrorizing villagers and trampling what few crops survive harsh conditions.

The growing number of children wandering the streets unattended all day did not go unnoticed by one of the village's park employees. Knowing that most were orphans, he started a small preschool called Chiyembekezo School. The one-room school currently provides a half day school for 50 children. Marlene and her husband visited the school and spent time with the kids and she *knew she could make a difference*. Marlene made a promise that as an artist she would do some "Paintings for Change" to help fund the needs of a small school.

Currently, Marlene has completed three paintings inspired by the area. Profits from these works go directly to the Chiyembekezo School. During our Anniversary month, we are also holding a silent auction, bidding starts on October 1, for a beautiful grouping of ten paintings to benefit the children's Chiyembekezo School. All proceeds from "Chitenge Gate to Hope" go directly to help build a better school. Marlene plans to continue to paint additional paintings to add to the "Paintings for Change" campaign.

Call the gallery to speak with Marlene or Sharon about helping or go to these sites for more details about this project: <http://www.projectluangwa.org/> or at <http://www.flatdogscamp.com/community-involvement/>.

*Marlene Kort--making a difference! Together we can make A bigger Difference.*



One Teacher, One Classroom



A Promise to Help

## New Collection Corner Preview

The 10/10 Show – Commemorating Our 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary



Does My Butt Look Big in these Stripes?  
Marlene Kort



10 O'clock Brunch 18x18 oil  
Janelle Cox



Ten Love Letters 12x16 oil  
Janelle Cox



Evening Interlude 10x10 oil  
Don Hamilton



**Chitenge Gate to Hope** by Marlene Kort  
10 individual paintings combined on a gate, 10x10 to 6x6 acrylic on canvas  
Silent Auction "Paintings for Change"



### News Flash! Blogging To Keep You Current

Hunter-Wolff Gallery blogs and invites you to respond. We add news info and commentary once a week or more. Resident Gallery Artists contribute as Guest Writers as well. Listen to what they have to say and comment back. Your input is important to us and helps us develop better shows, offer superior artwork and meet your needs. Read and Respond at [www.hunterwolffgallery.com/gallery](http://www.hunterwolffgallery.com/gallery)

**More Local Events** - During the busy month of October, Hunter-Wolff Gallery will be present at the Opening Night of "Peak at the Arts Global Artists Exchange Festival" on Friday, October 8.

Over 225 dancers, musicians and visual artists from Colorado Springs, Costa Rica and Japan are coming together in a collaborative performance for Colorado Springs' Pikes Peak Center stage.

Advanced tickets can be purchased at [www.peakatthearts.com](http://www.peakatthearts.com) for both October 8 and 9. Showtime is 7:30 pm.

This is the first major event, where performing arts and visual arts are coming together for a spectacular evening. Hope to see you during Opening Night on the 8<sup>th</sup>. Laura Reilly, Janelle Cox and John Sherman are joining Ann Leago and me for the Opening – tickets are still available and I think it will be an evening we all talk about for some time.

#### Visit Ongoing Exhibit at Waddell & Reed

1365 Garden of the Gods, CS  
Monday through Friday

Paintings

by

Janelle Cox, Marlene Kort, Katherine  
McNeill and John Sherman  
Exhibit Ends 12/31/2010

#### Showtime Calendar

**October 1** ArtWalk 5-8 pm  
5 Year Gallery Anniversary  
Celebration Reception  
All Gallery Artists' Exhibit – "The  
10/10 Show" & Silent Auction

**October/November/December** –  
Donna Gordon's Blown Glass is  
being featured at the Colorado  
Springs Airport for the next three  
months. Stop by and check it out.

**October 8** – 7:30 pm Peak at the  
Arts, Global Artists Exchange  
Festival  
Tickets: [www.peakatthearts.com](http://www.peakatthearts.com)

**October 16** Teach Me Now with  
Fran Dodd 1:30 – 3:30 pm

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ArtWalk presented by Ent Business Banking 4  
October 1, ~ 5-8 pm

**Mark your calendar** to visit during **ArtWalk Presented by Ent Business Banking** with 12 galleries located on W. Colorado Avenue. Meet some of our top representational artists, observe special art demos, and purchase works from a wide array of artistic styles. If you enjoy any form of art, don't miss this monthly event. Here are some of our newest pieces!

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## SIGN UP for LESSONS

**Art lessons on location are available weekly. Resident Artist Donald Hamilton instructs oil and acrylic painting classes weekly each Wednesday. No experience needed. Call now to register 719.520.9494**



Madrone Burl Elmer Jacobs



Oil 12x24

Tranquil Awakening by Jeannie Breeding



Oil 10x20

The Last Ten Minutes of Light



Silver, Crystals & Glass Beads  
Gina St. Aubin Designs



Oil 12x12

Autumn Intrigue by Laura Reilly



Pastel 18x24

Nocturnal Invitation by Marlene Kort



Fused Glass Bowl by Dan Hewett



Oil 6x8

Light Show by Don Hamilton

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