

February 2012 SOLAR NIBS Newsletter

There will not be a meeting in February to avoid a conflict with the Letters California Style conference. Please feel free to come out to Kellogg West, Cal Poly Pomona from Friday, February 17 through Sunday, February 19 to enjoy the exhibits, shop at Paper & Ink and the Scribe Store, and enjoy dinner with your friends who are attending the conference.

If you would like to attend one of the mini classes, there are still a few spaces open in the Ward Dunham and Linnea Lundquist mini classes on Friday night and in C.C. Sadler's Saturday night class. You do not have to be a conference participant. Information is available at www.societyforcalligraphy.com. Check with Karin Gable (colourmepurple@sbcglobal.net) before sending in your registration form.

Brenda Broadbent will be giving a special workshop for us after the conference, on



Wednesday, February 22. Complete tails are in the attached flyer.

**IN MEMORY OF
SHERYL
NICHOLS TAKAHASHI**



My dear friend, Sheryl Nichols Takahashi, passed away on January 4, 2012, after a cardiac arrest which left her in a comatose state. She and I met around 15 years ago at a TriChem Fabric Paint meeting and became fast friends. We told everyone we were sisters and we shared a variety of artistic interests, as well as our faith. She and I, along with our husbands, often had dinner at each other's house over the years. Cherie, her daughter, could see I adored her children, Kenny and Kenya. "Miss Kenya" called me Aunt Pat when Sheryl and I met for lunch and Kenya joined us ... happy memories.

Sheryl introduced me to rubber stamping, book-making and creating greeting cards. I introduced her to calligraphy. We were members of both the Orange County Society for Calligraphy and Solar Nibs of South Los Angeles. Sheryl was also a member of the Red Hat Society for a few years, which she enjoyed immensely. She and I did numerous craft shows together over the years. Sheryl was always a proper lady, reflecting her strong Baptist upbringing. Angels were also a facet of her faith in the Lord.

- Pat Bennett



Letterista Script



Lisa Engelbrecht

The January meeting was packed with calligraphers anxious to learn Lisa Engelbrecht's new Letterista Script.

Lisa's handouts and examples provided lots of inspiration, and her easygoing teaching style made everyone feel comfortable and confident.

We were encouraged to add our own touch to the letters, and Lisa demonstrated her method of blending gel pen colors.



by Lisa Engelbrecht



by Sandy Doerr

SOLAR NIBS PRESENTS:

TWO PLAYFUL PROJECTS WITH BRENDA BROADBENT



Wednesday
February 22, 2012
1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Barbara Close's Studio
3851 Bear Street
Studio B
Santa Ana



CELEBRATION LETTERING: Use your lettering to create an easy, exuberantly happy keepsake for a special event -- a gift from your hands and heart. We'll make large, colorful tent-card centerpieces for a birthday or other event of your choosing. Bring: Two to three subjects (person and special event, i.e., Beth's 70th birthday).

SUPPLIES TO HAVE WITH YOU: A handful of calligraphy markers in a variety of colors and sizes, pencil, ruler, scissors, three water containers, pipette or eyedropper, palette with six wells or more.

BRING WHATEVER YOU HAVE OF THESE: Flat brush (1/2" to 1"), two to three sizes of pointed brushes, 6mm Parallel Pen, colored pencils/crayons (regular or watersoluble), small watercolor set, spritzer, Stardust gelly roll pens, metallic Slicci pens or other fun tools. Brenda will have tools to share and you can use a variety of materials.

MYSTERIOUS MESSAGES: Black on Black with Electric Colors! Get a shimmering 3D effect using Glaze Pens, colored pencils and black paper. Optional materials: CrayPas or Oil Pastels, Sakura metallic gelly rolls.

BRING: Colored pencils (regular and metallic) and/or share Brenda's.

WORKSHOP FEE: \$30. **SUPPLY FEE** of \$6.50 covers paper and a balloon for the "Celebration" project plus a black glaze pen, gold gelly roll and black papers for the "Mysterious" project.

Send this tear-off with check for \$30 (payable to Solar Nibs) to Linda Renner, 3223 East First Street, Long Beach, CA 90803-2605. (Contact info: la.renner@verizon.net, (562) 433-7771)

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