TRUNK SHOW: JULIE PETIT THOMSEN

Julie Petit Thomsen is the woman behind Leather & Gems Jewellery where she creates one-of-a-kind jewelry including bracelets, necklaces and earrings.

Julie has been making jewelry for about 12 years and focuses on leather because of its tactile nature. Recently retired after a 40-year career in the design industry, Julie enjoys the freedom of creating without a client’s prerequisites.

“Experimenting with different combinations of leathers and stones and learning new techniques keeps it fresh and new,” Julie says. She is currently learning to work with some different metals, wire work, silversmithing and some kiln work.

Meet Julie and see her work at the Austin ArtWorks Center main floor retail area during the Austin ArtWorks Festival.

Rachel Obranovich presents an exhibit, performance and art-making activity at the Paramount Annex (121 4th Ave NE). Rachel’s work has developed along a spiral where movement circled out to incorporate children’s early mark-making, dance, music and words.

Rachel is a native of Texas where she studied both visual and performing arts, earning a Master of Fine Arts degree from the University of Dallas. She also holds a Certificate of Advanced Studies in Applied Design from the Zurich University for the Arts. Rachel does freelance work locally as a scenic painter and set designer and teaches art.

EXHIBIT AT THE PARAMOUNT ANNEX

ART MAKING PERFORMANCE
SAT AUG 26 AT 1:30PM

A three-part 20 minute show including Part I: Improvisational Drawing, Part II: Drawing to the Sounds of Being Drawn; and Part III: Solo Performance Narrative of Four Years in Minnesota (in Four Minutes).

ART MAKING OPPORTUNITY
ONGOING DURING THE FESTIVAL

After viewing the exhibit, visitors are invited to listen to or read drawing instructions and follow with individual responses to be displayed in the exhibition space. A group line drawing called Life Lines also encourages visitor participation.

MAKE ART

WANDER THE FESTIVAL GROUNDS TO FIND THESE ART-MAKING OPPORTUNITIES WHICH ARE ONGOING BOTH DAYS.

FAMILY ART TENT

BRUSH THE BEETLE

PAINT THE PLOW

BUBBLE BLOW

SPIN ART

CALLIGRAPHY WITH SALLY WIGHTKIN

STREETCORNER LETTERPRESS

CLAY ON THE WHEEL DEMONSTRATION BY THURSTON BAKER

PLAN YOUR DAY

THese ART ACTIVITIES HAVE LIMITED HOURS, BE SURE TO PLAN TO PARTICIPATE.

PINATA BREAKING – near the Family Arts tent at 12pm on Saturday and 12pm on Sunday. Thank you piñata artists Flor Soto and Gabriela Alva.

MINI MOSAIC CLASS WITH DER D’SOUZA – Sunday at 1pm in tent near the music stage. Space is limited, advance registration suggested at austinareaarts.org/classes-shop.

SIP & PAINT CLASS WITH HEATHER FRIEDLI – Saturday at 3pm at the ArtWorks Center 2nd Floor. Space is limited, advance registration suggested at austinareaarts.org/classes-shop.

RACHEL OBRANOVICH ART MAKING PERFORMANCE – Saturday at 1:30pm at the Paramount Annex.

BOOKMARK MAKING – Saturday at 10am at Sweet Reads, 407 N Main St.

CHALK ART DEMONSTRATION BY KATIE HUNERDOSSE – Sunday from 11am to 4pm on 1st St near Paramount Theatre.