



## FIRST FRIDAY ART WALK

NexLynx Gallery is the “must see” art gallery on the First Friday Art Walk located in the historic Bates Building in the heart of Downtown Topeka. Beginning in 2010, we have shown hundreds of original photographs, paintings, carvings and sculptures from dozens of local and regional artists. The First Friday Art Walk is our “Opening Reception” for each new monthly exhibit at NexLynx Gallery of Arts. The First Friday Art Walk is a program of ArtsConnect.



### FIRST FRIDAY ART WALK – JULY 2023

Discover Art Downtown with our Artist Reception at NexLynx Gallery of Arts, Friday July 7th from 5pm to 8pm. View the variety of subject matter and mediums by Kathy Colon, during our First Friday Art Walk.

You are not seeing double! Come view the striking artwork of Kansas City artist, Kathy Colon, the identical twin sister of our recent June



featured artist, Karen White. Kathy has been a featured artist for many organizations throughout Kansas, Missouri, Indiana, and Texas.

Sharing the same artistic ability with her twin sister, Kathy has been immersing herself in art for decades, since her first introduction to Crayola Crayons. She believes that “Art” is an emotional expression that can be displayed for people to use their senses to identify with “Art”. Primarily working with pastels, color pencils, acrylic, oil and watercolors. Her artwork includes pyrography, combining woodburning with acrylic paint.

Understanding that giving back to the community is important, Kathy shares her passion and love of art by participating in community service opportunities with organizations such as United Way and the Kansas Chamber of Commerce. In 2005, she was commissioned by the Texas State Fair to airbrush on a canvas during the day of the event.

Capturing a moment in time, that could spark the emotions and touch the hearts of people, Kathy’s creations will enable you to see artwork through her own eyes. You can read more about Kathy at [tryvisions.com](https://tryvisions.com) (<https://tryvisions.com>).

### Artist Image Gallery

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## OUR HISTORY

NexLynx Gallery of Arts started in 2010, after being selected as one of the venues for the ReThink Topeka Exhibition. This was a movement to spur re-building community awareness through art and cultural events. NexLynx continues to host art exhibitions and receptions. We worked with the former Arts Council of Topeka, and now ArtsConnect to promote art in the community.

The Gallery is located on the 2nd floor of the historic downtown Bates Building. Walter L. Bates' (1859-1903) last building was located on the corner of 6th and Jackson Streets, known as the Bates Block, which includes the I.O.O.F. Hall (117 W. 6th - c. 1910) and 123 W. 6th.

NexLynx Gallery was voted a Finalist for both 2016 and 2017 People's Choice Awards, nominated by people in the Topeka Art Walk, a program of ArtsConnect.

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