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Bonnie Kelso is an artist, book author/illustrator, and creative workshop facilitator. She uses custom designed Creative Workshops to help people connect with their unique self-expression. She believes that personal healing can be found from interacting with your inner child in creative ways. Bonnie currently conducts Creative Workshops in the Las Vegas area for community centers, addiction recovery centers, and private groups. The emphasis in her workshops is to build creative confidence in people who struggle with seeing themselves as artistic.

Bonnie has over 23 years of experience as a professional visual artist and designer. She is a graduate of the Rhode Island School of Design. For twelve years she worked as an exhibit and graphic designer for museums, visitor centers, trade shows, and the print industry. She has worked on projects for the Smithsonian Institution, National Geographic, The Newseum, and NASA. Bonnie has owned her own creative business for over fifteen years.

Community Programming

Centering On Your Creative Potential: Revitalize the creative spark in your group by giving them the gift of re-connecting with their natural creativity. This simple step-by-step Mandala Creating Exercise brings focus and awareness to each individual's creative potential. This is a 45-60 minute presentation for large groups of 30 or more.

Vitalize Your Creative Life (The Sketchbook Class): This three-hour workshop walks participants through themes in my workbook, "Vitalize Your Creative Life." Each person receives a copy of the book and basic art supplies. Together we explore ways to connect with the inner-child through creative play. This is for small focused groups of ten or less.

"Faith, Hope, and Love." A Collaborative Painting Project
This is a team-building painting workshop for groups. By layering paint on segmented canvases, together your group will create a meaningful message that reflects what is important to your organization. No painting experience is required. This collaborative workshop is for medium groups of 10 - 20 participants and lasts at least 3 hours.

Paint Playdate for Parent and Child (ages 5+): This workshop shows parents how to nurture the development of their child's creative nature. By letting go of judgment over their creations, they are free to encourage each other to think experimentally, try new things, and increase their potential to innovate. This workshop typically lasts 90 minutes and is for small groups.