## **Collaboration with Rutherford County Property Assessor's Office**

4:30 to 6 p.m., Friday, February 23, 2024



Assessor of Property, Rob Mitchell, Rutherford County, Tennessee

Join MTSU Art and Design for an artist reception for Sandra Swayne and 10th anniversary festivities in support of Murfree Art Gallery. Started as a collaboration with Rutherford County Property Assessor's Office and Assessor Rob Mitchell, Murfree Art Gallery was begun to showcase the work of local artists and MTSU students. Later, the collaboration was joined by MTSU Photography which further enriched the variety and artistry of gallery displays with the addition of community and MTSU student photography.

Murfree Art Gallery named in honor of Revolutionary War hero, Colonel Hardy Murfree and family, it's two chambers were opened to the public and have for the last decade presented several solo, and small group exhibits.

To mark this milestone, the public is invited to attend the opening of an exhibition featuring the paintings of Sandra Swayne. Additionally, a short program in support of the 10th Anniversary will begin at 4:30 to 6 p.m., Friday, February 23, 2024. Among the scheduled speakers, you'll hear from Property Assessor Rob Mitchell, MTSU College of Liberal Arts Associate Dean Jeff Gibson, MTSU Department of Art and Design Jimmy Mumford, and Lascassas artist Sandra Swayne.

The Assessor's Office is located on the second floor of the Rutherford County Office Building at 319 N. Maple St. Suite 200, Murfreesboro, TN 37130.

A special thank you of support goes to MTSU's College of Liberal Arts, College of Media and Entertainment, the Department of Media Arts, and Photography Professor Jonathan Trundle for their ongoing support of the Murfree Art Gallery collaboration.



Rutherford County Office Building



Sandra Swayne

## Murfree Art Gallery 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Special Guest Artist | Sandra Swayne

As a child growing up, I've always had the desire to create the images that plague my mind. I am a self-taught artist that started painting in 2017. I prefer to use acrylic and oil for my medium, but I'm always up to trying new things. My style has evolved into an impressionistic background with a realism subject, I prefer using bright colors and I always try to instill emotion and nostalgia in my pieces. If a viewer stops for a moment to reflect on a piece I've created, than I have succeeded.



Sandra Swayne - Ukraine, detail