

Invite The Habitorium to be a part of your next family gathering. We dispatch a researcher to ask questions ...like only a stranger can.

### Who's turning fifty?

Tell us all about the first fifty years of a life well-lived, then collect stories from friends who show up to spill the tea.

### Milestone at work?

Show us your workspace, ephemera from conferences, and pictures of company parties and barbecues.

### Memorialize your cousin who left us way too soon.

Begin a conversation with people who knew them best to celebrate her habits.

## ABOUT THE HABITORIUM

The Habitorium was founded by Jo Novelli-Blasko in 2013 as a research project to investigate what habits *do* and how they *work*. She found focusing on other people's habits helped her understand her own.

The Habitorium is a roaming laboratory for making sense of habitual behaviors through listening, writing, and watercolor. It is a studio where Jo looks at seemingly rote acts, parsing the stories and structures surrounding habit.

The Habitorium is an archive that holds more than 12,000 images (snapshots, film, slides), and a modest library of books and printed matter. The archives are open to the public by appointment. Call 480-452-5758 to schedule a meeting.

The Habitorium has devised several surveys since 2015, among them: The Survey of Joyful Habits, The Survey of Gallery Going Habits, and The Survey of Bookish Habits.

The Habitorium offers writing services from brainstorming through line editing. Jo will read your content and give you the feedback you seek.

### The Habitorium believes in love.

Jo is an ordained minister and will officiate your union for a small fee you can afford.

*Love is love is love.*

# The Habitorium

Asking Thoughtful Questions

Since 2013



Water Color Painting  
Writing Services  
Habit Surveying

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*Ethnic Festival guests responding a survey at Venue of Merging Arts during the Ethnic Festival in Johnstown Pennsylvania. (2018)*

## Habit Paintings

The Habitorium makes paintings of your habits, from stories and snapshots.



Habit paintings offer a particular kind of portrait.

Jo visits your home, asks you questions about your habits, and looks at your family photos. She listens to your stories for evidence of habits, then returns to her studio to make watercolor paintings from the details you share.

Jo can make a single composition with elements from several different photographs, create a suite of paintings from pictures across time, or a triptych of images from snapshots of one family vacation.

Painting prices are reasonable and include the consultation. Prices are determined in advance, according to your budget and need.

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## Surveying Family Reunions

The Habitorium drafts surveys tailored to what you want to know. We get to the bottom of troublesome habits, and celebrate the contours of joyful ones. We also offer analysis of survey findings, and, based on the results, suggest insights for action.

You collaborate with The Habitorium to formulate the right survey questions, based on the occasion of your gathering. From baby showers through birthdays to celebrations of life, we will ask your loved ones to tell all the stories, in their own words.



**Surveying Habits**

The Habitorium prepares surveys intended to distill habits through conversation.

Learn more from your coworkers, family or friends, share what you learn with them and learn even more.

## Workshops on Demand

*Better Than Board Games*

When family is in town and you're looking for something constructive to do, arrange a Workshop On Demand (WoD) with The Habitorium. Bring your pod to a cooking demo and get dinner to go, ZOOM a guided write-from-life journaling exercise, or invite Jo to your living room for some watercolor painting. Live WoD are strictly COVID cautious, prepare to sanitize your hands coming in and going out.

Contact Jo at 480-452-5758 for details.

## House Paintings

Jo will paint your house the way you want to see it, working from all kinds of sources:

- historic photographs,
- news paper clippings,
- architectural drawings,
- snapshots from the porch, and
- rumors.

Whatever gives the full picture. Use an old picture and change the season, add plants you love but can't grow, or include grandpa's push mower.

Jo will walk your property taking pictures of beautiful details and the evidence of habits. She will listen to your stories and pour over any pictures you have of the place. Then compose a unique and impossible illustration of your home.

