



SAN LEANDRO ART ASSOCIATION Newsletter

May 2019

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PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

Dear Fellow Artists,

I am very grateful to Tervina Moy for inviting Molly, Cricket, Marcia and me to be her guests at the De Young to see the Monet exhibit. The five of us were able to find a date in common and had a lovely excursion over and back. With my teensy new knowledge of painting (thanks Azar!) I was quickly fascinated by the incredibly loose, color-filled strokes that when combined made such amazing images appear. I took a lot of close ups of the paintings! Wow!

Big news! The board approved a motion to purchase one set of the new light-weight grids which will eventually replace the existing heavy and unwieldy grids we have used for ages. It is our hope that with at least one set we will be able to create some smaller, mobile shows on short notice. Marcia and Lawrence have offered to host the new grid set so we won't have to go through the library security to access as needed. That always complicates it.

That said, I met with Zach Borja, at the Station SL, 1499 Hays Street. Station SL hosted the First Saturday Art event, April 4, and is looking for ways to partner with organizations within the community in some manner. He has many connections with city business who may be interested in having small shows at their locations. The owner, Shannon Hackley, of Station SL is also interested in discussing having members display work within the office space. More info to come.

I hope you will make an effort to come to the May general meeting. We are voting on which images to use for our Dorothy Cunningham Art Grant greeting card fundraiser project. I received the images with no time to announce before the April meeting. I really want the members to have a say in which kids art gets chosen. See p. 3 for details.

-kat *President* • pres@slartassociation.org

Volunteers needed, June 1, for the San Leandro Cherry Festival Booth!

The Association is participating in the 2019 Cherry Festival, June 1. We will have a double booth where we will share information about our association, display some children's art from the winners of the Dorothy Cunningham Art Grant (also collecting donations towards it)



The craft table, managed by Cathy Chow, at the 2018 Cherry Festival

and hosting a craft table for children. If you participated last year you know how rewarding the day was. Not only did we have the craft table but we also gave out art packets containing drawings, blank sheets of paper and a small box of crayons to children passing by. We are looking for volunteers to be at the booth in 2 hour increments to help with the craft table and to give out the packets and information about our group, hopefully drumming up a few new members! Our Vice President, Stella Chen, is managing the volunteers. Please contact her at: (415) 385-9202

IMPORTANT MAY DATES

- 1** Main Library Gallery take down, 9:00 a.m.
- 14** Monthly Meeting:
Karp room Mingling at 6:30 p.m.
General Members' Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
Demonstration 7:30 p.m.:
Linda Nygard, Acrylic Pour art
- 28** 6:00 pm Board Meeting – Room C,
Main Library

See last page for more calendar information

Many Artists Participated in the Artist of the Month Competition at the April Meeting

Artist of the Month



Congratulations to the April winner, Ed Ortman.



Lawrence August



Cricket Gallegos



Marina Meniatis



Stella Chen



Gil Raposo



Roberto Cunanan

Help a Member!

One of our newer board members, Chris Erwin, will be looking soon for a new place to live in San Leandro. Ideally, it would be a share-house/ apartment situation, a room in a house, or an in-law unit. Email can be sent through the association's website. Send to chris@slartassociation.org. Sincere thanks.

Local Art Opportunities to Check Out

Hayward Senior Center, Bruce Roberts, poetry, through May 14.
Jeanne Bertolina, digital photos, May 15-July 9.

John O'Lague Galleria, "Conversation," by the 7-1 Collective, May 3-Aug. 2. Reception, Fri., May 10, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Hayward Arts Council Sunset Gallery, Adult School Student Exhibit, through Sept 19 .

Hayward Shoreline Interpretive Center, "Buzz..." exhibit by Harden School of Botanical Illustration, through June 7.

Sun Gallery, "Planet Earth: The Beauty of Life," through June 1.

"The 60's and 70's Revisited," through Sept. 30.

Harrington Gallery, Pleasanton, "Fresh Works IX" through June 1. "Soul Searching the Spirit of Africa," expressed by Bay Area contemporary artists, through Oct. 14.

Sunshine Report!

If you know of a member facing a challenge or celebrating an occasion who would be cheered by a greeting card, you may contact Allison Hall directly at boxturtle32@aol.com and she will arrange for a card from the association to be sent.

Calling for Volunteers to help with the Website!

We will be making the updated website LIVE in the next week or so. To keep it relevant and a place to return to often we will need help with the content. We'll need people to write blogs, gather photos to populate the site, update pages as needed and lots more... **AND YOU DON'T NEED TO KNOW ANY CODE!** Robert West and I will train you on the basics.

Help us make the site the best it can be! Contact me with questions: pres@slartassociation.org

Special Thanks to Our Sponsors



The San Leandro Main Library

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May Art Demonstration

May 14, 7:30pm

San Leandro Main Library, Karp Room
300 Estudillo, San Leandro

• All are welcome •

Linda Nygard

Acrylic Pour Technique

Linda Nygard is a visual and performance artist that loves to experiment. Her current projects include portrait photography, poetry, and her latest passion; Acrylic Pour. (Acrylic paints are thinned, poured on to canvas, then manipulated; creating beautiful one of a kind abstract paintings.) Linda also teaches art to children and adults.



Dorothy Cunningham Art Grant Fundraising Project: Greeting Cards!

Marcia O'Kane came up with the greeting card idea when she observed that whenever we displayed children's art at our events, to show the results of how the Dorothy Cunningham Grant supports the school arts programs, people really wanted to buy the art. Why not make greeting cards? The Association will pay to print up the greeting cards, 4 or 6 to begin with, and then sell them at our events. All sales will go to the DCAG fund and therefore back to the schools. We asked Susan Deming, an art teacher at Roosevelt Elementary School, if we could get access to some of her students artwork to use on greeting cards. She finally agreed and sent me 34 images to choose from. If you did not make it to the April meeting to vote on your favorites I hope you will be able to make the May meeting. We will eventually approach all schools too participate. This is just a start.

San Leandro Art Association

General Meeting Minutes Date: 4/9/19

Kat called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.
Deborah took minutes.

Minutes approved by Kathy Ries made a motion and Molly seconded.

Treasurer's report: Marcia attended the UCEB award event. Kat read the report, \$10,014.29 in the checking account, \$14,519.08 in the CD which is reaching maturity very soon. Dorothy Cunningham account has \$929.12. The art counsel award fund have a balance of \$2,307.00.

Memberships: 48

Grant update:

Dorothy Cunningham chair Report – We received art work from the Youth to vote on which (4) will be printed on cards.

Calendar Updates:

Art Shows and Festivals: Alameda County Fair is calling for art, the deadline is April 24th. Ginny's show at the Church in Oakland runs through the Easter Holiday. Monet the Late Years exhibit is at the De Young Museum in San Francisco through May 27, 2019. The Gauguin Spiritual Journey runs along with it through June 23, 2019. The SLAA members show runs at the San Leandro Library through April 30th. Adobe art show reception is May 20th, runs through July 8th. SL Station month art events are happening with a collaborative project. We are considering supporting this event.

Old Business –

New Business – The 8th annual Plein Air convention is in San Francisco April 24th – 28th. We are deciding on the Fall Art Festival Sale dates to be held at the San Leandro Library for 2019.

Sponsorship levels and benefits offered are being finalized by the Board.

Sunshine report:

Artist of the month is: Ed Ortman

Snacks for May: Molly and Gail

Kat adjourned the meeting at 7:21 pm

The Board Wants to Know

The board has been discussing the idea of organizing art meet-ups at the library on a few weekends throughout the year. Initially it would be for members to gather and either bring your own projects to work on while hanging out or coming up with a project to work on together to display at one of our shows. These are only suggestions. On the weekends the library charges an hourly fee for the room usage so we would like to gauge the interest of the membership before moving forward with the idea in 2020. We may also look into hosting art projects for kids later on. Let me know your thoughts: pres@slartassociation.org or speak with any board member.

UC East Bay Student Awards



University of California East Bay students Sarah Kamiya and Benjamin Matthews were each awarded \$500 in the name of the San Leandro Art Association. Marcia O'Kane and Cathy Chow represented SLAA at the reception for the art students' gallery show.

3 Dorothy Cunningham Art Grants Awarded

Many thanks to board member Chris Erwin for doing a great job of managing our rather last-minute outreach to art teachers within the San Leandro School District. We received six comments with four applications. The board reviewed the applications and selected three to receive the \$300 grant. The winners are: Laura Baker, Jefferson Elementary School Laura Meersman, James Monroe Elementary School and Christine Shearer, John Muir Middle School. Congratulations to the teachers. We will be displaying artwork from the students who will benefit from the grant at the Cherry Festival booth. Stop by to check it out.

2019 Calendar

MAY

- 1 Main Library Gallery take down, 9:00 a.m.**
- 14 General Meeting
6:30 p.m. Mingle
7:00 p.m. Meeting
7:35 Demo. Linda Nygard, Acrylic Pour art
- 28 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Board meeting
C room, Main Library room

JUNE

- 1 Cherry Festival Booth**
- 11 General Meeting
6:30 p.m. Mingle
7:00 p.m. Meeting
7:35 Demo. Marlys M Smith, Rosemaling, Norwegian folk painting
- 25 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Board meeting
C room, Main Library room

JULY

- 9 General Meeting
6:30 p.m. Mingle
7:00 p.m. Meeting
7:35 Demo. Sally Lampi, Mono Printing, Inexpensive art reproduction for marketing. Collage using Washi, Mono paint and stickers.
- 25 Truth Thursday participation - TBD**
- 30 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Board meeting
C room, Main Library room

AUGUST

- 1 Hang at Senior Center, Take down Sept. 30**
- 13 General Meeting
6:30 p.m. Mingle
7:00 p.m. Meeting
7:35 Demo. Monica Satterlwaite, watercolor
- 27 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Board meeting
C room, Main Library room
- 30 Take Down Senior Center**

SEPTEMBER

- 2 Main Library Gallery hanging, 9:00 a.m**
- 10 General Meeting
6:30 p.m. Mingle
7:00 p.m. Meeting
7:35 Demo. TBD
- 20-21 ArtFest**
- 24 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Board meeting
C room, Main Library room

OCTOBER

- 8 General Meeting
6:30 p.m. Mingle
7:00 p.m. Meeting
7:35 Demo. TBD
- 29 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Board meeting
C room, Main Library room

NOVEMBER

- 12 General Meeting
6:30 p.m. Mingle
7:00 p.m. Meeting
7:35 Demo. TBD
- 26 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Board meeting
C room, Main Library room

DECEMBER

- 2 Hang at Senior Center, Take down Jan. 31**
- 27 Zocalos Hang, tentative**
- 31 Take Down Senior Center - Tentative**