

MBPAPA

Monterey Bay Plein Air Painters Association

April 2019

Newsletter

MBPAPA Annual Meeting & Luncheon

was held at the Markham Ranch Clubhouse in the oak studded landscape of Corral de Tierra in January.

The meeting was chaired by **Sibyl Johnson** who was sitting in for Murray Wagon. The main focus of the meeting was to enlist volunteers for the various duties necessary to running a good organization. In order to encourage more participation, Guna Hebbar organized a raffle open to volunteers.

Kati D'Amore discussed the venues for the upcoming juried shows for our members. The **Natividad Medical Center exhibit** is open to all members as well as the **Pacific Grove Art Center general membership show**. The **Signature Member Show** will take place at the **Sunset Center in Carmel** and will consist of "Abstract Shapes in the Landscape". For details, please refer to "onlinejuriedshows.com".

The artists enjoyed a fabulous meal after the business meeting. The food was a pot luck provided by the artists. Many thanks to **Donna Robbins** for organizing the potluck, and to her support team. A debt of gratitude to **Jean Weissenborn** for making the beautiful site available to us.



Thanks to all the board members and volunteers that have contributed to the organization during 2018. May we all have a happy year of painting during this new year. Here are some snapshots from the afternoon.
from Yolana Gurries



Joe Ragey carving the Honey Baked ham he brought to the luncheon



NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to MBPAPA **RITA PESCATORE, DOUGLAS WOODMAN** and welcome back **KATHERINE SPITZ**.

CONGRATULATIONS NEW

Signature Members
PAOLA BERTHOIN, RUTH CARROLL and **AL SHAMBLE**.



Al Shamble



89th Annual Santa Cruz Art League Statewide Landscape Show

MBPAPA was well represented at this year's Statewide Landscape Show at the Santa Cruz Art League. **Ruth Carroll** received 3rd place for her painting of China Cove. An **Honorable Mention** went to "Winter Free Fall" by **Christine Crozier** for the Beach Boardwalk's historic "Giant Dipper" roller coaster. MBPAPA members **Paola Berthoin, Julia Seelos, Maggie Hellman, Michele Hausman** and **Kati D'Amore** also had works in the show. The exhibition runs till April 14, at the SCAL gallery at 526 Broadway in Santa Cruz.



The Representational Art Conference

CAROLE BELLIVEAU has won the TRAC 2019 Grand Prize for her figurative painting "The Beating Heart of a Dove". The juror's noted the "creative use of background, expression and innovative presentation" of her piece. Carole will be attending the conference in Ventura California from March 31- April 4.

The Representational Art Conference 2019 (TRAC) is the premier international event focused on cutting-edge representational art in the 21st century – where imagination matters and the mind meets the hand. Imagination in art are just a few of the subjects that will be discussed in the conference. **Well Done Carole!**



CAC GOLD MEDAL EXHIBITION

SIBYL JOHNSON had two paintings in the **California Art Club's 108th Gold Medal Exhibition** in March. The exhibition is the Art Club's premiere show of the year and was held at the former Pasadena Museum of California Art. The entire show can be seen

on line at California Art Club Gold Medal/ Artists and Artwork.

Congratulations!



Yahmeire and Denise, Oil on Paper, 2019

SALINAS VALLEY, PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE

Nine of **PAOLA BERTHOIN'S** figurative and landscape works will be featured in the exhibit "**Salinas Valley, Past, Present and Future**" at the **Center for Arts and Culture, CSUMB Salinas City Center**. This show opens May 3, 2019 with a First Friday reception from 5:00 - 8:30 p.m. It ends August 2, 2019 with a closing reception from 5:00 - 9:00 p.m.



In **Paola's** related work on behalf of the Carmel River and watershed education, the sculpture "Transformation in Restoration", forged from metal from the former San Clemente Dam is now on permanent display at the **Palo Corona Regional Park** as their first public art installation. Paola is the Artistic Director of the project with the metal work created by Fred Saunders and Richard Schrader.

MEMBER NEWS

CATHERINE FASCIATO'S painting Ocean's Dance has been accepted into the **Oil Painters of America National Juried Exhibition**. www.oilpaintersofamerica.com



HENRIETTA SPARKMAN has four oil pastels juried into the "**The Fine Art of Pastels**", a national juried competition held at the Carnegie Arts Center in Turlock, CA. The exhibit is shown in the Ferrari Gallery from March 28 through May 26th. The exhibition judged by Terri Ford.

MARTE THOMPSON, MBPAPA's webmaster, has three paintings on exhibit this month: Sea Otter Mom at the CAC show in PG Museum, Wine Lover at the CCPAP show at the Wargin Winery in Watsonville, and Monastery Beach at the SCAL statewide landscape show.



SIGNATURE MEMBER DEMOS

BARBARA GILL

Watercolor demo **Saturday, May 11,** 10 am-12 noon at Laguna Grande Park, in Seaside near the parking lot by the Russian Church.

Barbara will explain how to use "cat tongue" brush for quick sketches of birds, flowers and cattails. She will also show how to varnish water



color so it does not need glass. Paint, brushes and paper are provided for 14 participants. Bring a sketch book and water container to paint along. Text or email Barbara to reserve materials. No host lunch at 12:30 at Fishwife Seafood Cafe, 789 Trinity Ave., Seaside.



"Morning Marsh" By Barbara Gill

CATHERINE FASCIATO DEMO



We had 15 members who came out and watched a fabulous demo at Point Lobos. Catherine painted rocks and the surging ocean for two hours and shared many good tips. The weather was glorious and her process mesmerizing. The MBPAPA member Facebook page has

many photos, videos and notes from the event. She is an undisputed master in painting waves and water movement. Thank you Catherine, we all learned a lot. Kati D'Amore

CALL FOR ARTISTS!

4th Annual Benicia Plein Air Paint-Out

Saturday, August 24. Hosted by Benicia Plein Air Gallery with a plein air competition, reception, exhibit & sale. Cash and ribbon awards, juror Carolyn Lord. Entry fee \$40. Participation is not juried, but early registration is encouraged as space is limited to the first 40 artists who apply. Register by August 23. www.beniciapleinair.com/4th_annual_paint-out.html



The Reception for **NATURES INSPIRATION at Natividad** was enthusiastically attended April 9th by many of the hospital staff and our artists. Jennifer Williams, CEO of the Foundation, and two of the staff physicians expressed gratitude for MBPAPA's yearly gallery show that brings such pleasure to everyone. Doctor Anthony Galicia, head of the Acute Rehabilitation Unit, shared what he had learned about plein air painting for the non-artists. He also talked about the



1st Place Sibyl Johnson

research that has been done on the positive affect of art on healing and health. It was heart warming to hear how appreciated we are. We can be proud of our contribution and friendship with this organization.

Congratulations to our award winners.

1st Sybil Johnson, Visitors to Frog Pond

2nd Maria Boisvert , Afternoon Light in Carmel

3rd Cindy Wilbur, Splendor

Honorable Mention, Carole Belliveau , Gibson Beach

Honorable Mention, Joe Ragey, Impression Lovers Point

Honorable Mention, Ernie Baber, Spanish Bay Clouds

CARMEL ART FESTIVAL

May 17 to 19th. MBPAPA will be well represented at this year's Carmel Art Festival. Artists check in and start painting anywhere in Monterey County on May 5th.

Join us Saturday by Devendorf park in Carmel for the show and awards.

CATHERINE FASCIATO

CORALY HANSON

VIVIAN HEALY

SIBYL JOHNSON

ROLF LYGREN

KATE MARTIN

MARK MONSARRAT

JULIA MUNGER SEELOS

CINDY WILBUR



2nd Place Maria Boisevert



3rd Place Cindy Wilbur



Honorable mention Joe Ragey

Gallery & Museum Shows

11th Annual Art of Painting in the 21st Century

- Davis, CA - Mar 6 - Apr 20 - John Natsoulas Gallery - An annual conference in its eleventh year and is geared towards nurturing dialog on contemporary painting and the shared ideas that define current trends in the field. www.natsoulas.com

Laguna Plein Air Painters Assn. LPAPA - Forest & Ocean Gallery in Laguna Beach - The "Best of Plein Air" series of shows by members during the year. www.lpapa.org



Monet: the Late Years - de Young Museum, San Francisco - now thru May 27th - Monet paintings from 1913 - 1926 also Gauguin: A Spiritual Journey ends April 7th 50+ paintings & more

Wayne Thiebaud SF Museum of Modern Art

Paintings and Drawings: through—April 28, 2019
Drawn from SFMOMA's collection, the selection of works in Wayne Thiebaud: Paintings and Drawings spans 50 years of the artist's career, from his classic still life Confections (1962) to his grand landscape Canyon Mountains (2011–12). Get a firsthand look at the creative process behind Thiebaud's lushly painted, richly hued works, from beginning sketch to finished painting.



SHOWS WITH MEMBER'S WORK

(artists from the Central Valley)

Fine Art of Pastels - Carnegie Art Center, Turlock, CA - Mar 27 thru May 26 Juried exhibition of pastel paintings - www.carnegieartsturlock.org [note: Rhett Regina Owings, Henrietta Sparkman and Tamara Keiper have entered and results known soon]

2019 Expressions Art Show - Tracy Community Center - March 12-22 - Tracy Art League - Barbara Gill, Henrietta Sparkman and Rhett Regina Owings all have work juried into this show.

Ironstone Spring Obsession Show - Ironstone vineyards, Murphys, CA - Mar - May 12 - www.ironstonevineyards.com Henrietta Sparkman and Rhett Regina Owings have work accepted to this show.

Salinas Valley: Past, Present and Future exhibition at CSUMB Salinas Center for Arts & Culture, a community based arts & science exhibition centering on the Salinas Valley with paintings & drawings by 24 artists. 1 Main St, Salinas, CA May 3 - Aug 2nd. Rhett Regina Owings will have 2 paintings in this show.

MEMBER NEWS

YOLANDA GURRIES Artist of the Month at the Carmel Foundation Gallery, SE Corner of 8th and Lincoln Carmel
All are welcome to view the exhibit



WILLA STRUPAT has a collection of abstract paintings and **GUNA HEBAR** have traditional paintings showing at the **Sally Griffin Senior Center** through mid April 2018. The center is open from 10 to 4 Monday thru Friday. 700 Jewel in Pacific Grove.



PAINT-OUT SCHEDULE**April - May**<http://www.mbpapa.org/paintouts.htm>

DATE

LOCATION

Check our website for scheduled up-dates

- Sat., April 13, 9:00am Paint the Lupins along Hwy 68/Monterey-Salinas Hwy (From Monterey, use the pull-off just past Toro Cafe on the left.) Meet at Toro Place Cafe, 665 Monterey Salinas Hwy, 12:30 or 1:00 for lunch.
- Sat., April 20, 9:00am Pt. Lobos paint-out. Paint anywhere in the park. Sack lunch and critique at China Cove picnic tables - 12:30
- Sat., April 27, 9:00am Mark's Ranch by invitation, near Toro Park. See postings on MBPAPA FB page.
Email Sandra Uecker, sandeyedesign@gmail.com by 4/10 to sign up. Questions: 831/594-4074
- Sat., May 4, 9:00am Pacific Grove Pink Carpet is in full bloom. Use pull-outs from Lover's Point to Asilomar.
Table reserved for lunch at Peppers MexiCali Cafe @1:00, 170 Forest Ave., Pacific Grove.
- Sat., May 11, 10-12:00 Laguna Grande Park, Seaside, Watercolor Demo with BARBARA GILL. 1159 Canyon del Rey Blvd, next to Russian Church. Text or email Barbara to reserve materials: 209-985-7106 gillwatercolors@gmail.com
No host lunch at 12:30 at Fishwife Seafood Cafe, 789 Trinity Ave., Seaside.
- Sat., May 25, 9:00am Point Lobos, paint at Whaler's Cove. Our third Saturday Point Lobos moved due to the Carmel Art Festival. Sack lunch and critique at the picnic tables at Whaler's Cove - 12:30

"Volunteering is an artful experience"

We're looking for new paint-out locations for June and July. If you know of a scenic spot with parking, bathrooms, and maybe a restaurant close-by, email donnarobbins@opendoor.com PLEASE NOTE: The position for a dedicated Paint-out Chairperson is still open if you think you'd enjoy this creative opportunity.

Email Donna for more information.

MEMBER NEWS**LOS GATOS PLEIN AIR****June 19-23**

MBPAPA member **ALFRED SHAMBLE** will be participating.

GUNA HEBBAR will be showing her plein air landscape paintings at "Salinas Valley, Past, Present and Future" show at CSUMB Salinas City Center. Also **GUNA** has been accepted into **Salinas Valley Art Gallery** located at South Main Street, Salinas. **Congratulations.**

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