



The Palette

The Los Gatos Art Association Newsletter

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Upcoming Events



January 9: 1-3pm Gerald Boyd Critique of Members' Work

Gerald Boyd is a representational artist who works in a variety of media including oil, pastel and watercolor.

He has been honored with "Signature Memberships" in both the Society of Western Artists and the Pastel Society of the West Coast.

His considerable experience has put him in demand as a juror for art competitions including twice for the Society of Western Artists Annual Exhibition.

Each **member** may bring **one painting** to be critiqued by Gerald and we can all benefit from observing the process.

Be planning what to bring.

Membership Reminder

LGAA membership dues are due January 1 of each year...which means you're already delinquent! The easiest way to take care of this is to follow the instructions on the lgaa.org website Membership page, where you can download the new Membership Application form as well as a copy of the LGAA bylaws.

February 13: 1-3pm Ray Mendieta Portrait Drawing

Raymond Mendieta received his undergraduate and Masters in Fine Arts from the Academy of Art University in San Francisco.

Ray plans to draw a portrait for us from a live model. He will demonstrate how he makes decisions regarding composition, perspective, proportion, value, pattern and the use of light and shadow - key considerations for achieving a good likeness.

Today Ray's paintings are collected worldwide. He specializes in commissioned portraits and plein air landscapes, and has had numerous one-man shows. He also teaches at the Academy of Art University as well as the Pacific Art League.



Past President's Message:

The Christmas party and auction was a huge success and so much fun. Thanks to everyone who brought the delicious food and all the interesting and wonderful things they donated for the auction, which I'm pleased to say brought in \$575. This will pay for almost 4 months rent at our Recreation Center meeting place.

Thanks to all who helped clean up afterward too. We took 4 huge bags of toys to the Fire Station for Toys for Tots. They were so happy to get them.

I want to thank everyone who donated toward my plant, floral bouquet and gift card and I want to give all those who helped with the meetings, shows, bus trips, TGIF parties and workshops etc. a very big THANKS.

Thanks to our Webmaster and Palette Editor Jack Quattlebaum. This job is a hugely important part of our organization and he does it so well.

I've really loved being President for the past 2 years, and I'm looking forward to continuing as a Board member so I can still be a part of the club's activity planning.

I welcome JEFF CHASE as our new President and I look forward to another fun and creative year.

What a great group of artists you are.

- Maralyn Miller

2015 Artist of the Year

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New Officers & Chairs

- **Jeff Chase** - President
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- **Elke Groves** - Los Gatos Museums Liaison

Member News

Judy Bingman's black and white Mt.Mckinley photograph just won first place in the National League of American Pen Women Vinnie Ream art competition. And her *Aurora Borealis* got Honorable mention.

Jan Grady, Veronica Gross, Kathleen Mitchell and Teresa Ruzzo have a group show at Viewpoints Gallery in Los Altos in January.

Jill Kroh's *This is the Life!* received a Special Merit Recognition in the Juried 2015 5th Annual Animals Light Space & Time Online Art Exhibition Photography category.



Jill Kroh - *This is the Life!*

Elwira Maszara's *Colorful Soul* won first prize at The Monterey Bay 12x12 Open Invitational Exhibit in the Painting/Mixed Media category at the American Tin Cannery Center in Pacific Grove. Her painting *Royal Couple* was voted 2nd in popular choice by visitors and artists of 48th Annual SCVWS Member show at Triton Community Gallery.

Carolina Mueller's *Symbolica* won "Work of Merit" in the art category from the National League of American Pen Women, a Vinnie Ream Award given to composers, artists, and writers.

Bonnie Joy Sedlak's *Cove Colors* was selected as one of ten that Point Lobos Foundation will reproduce as note cards for sale at the Park. She also had paintings juried into Santa Cruz "Beasts on Broadway" and a mini accepted in the 6" Squared Exhibition & Sale at the Randy Higbee Gallery in Costa Mesa.



Bonnie Joy Sedlak - *Cove Colors*

Isaias Sandoval will have a solo show the month of Feb 2016, at Gallery House in Palo Alto "Sharing our world".

Al Shamble's *Capitola Wharf View* received 2nd Place Award in the professional division at the " Magic of Capitola en Plein Air" event in November. As part of the Award, the painting was purchased by the City of Capitola for permanent display at City Hall.



Al Shamble - *Capitola Wharf View*

Marte Thompson's *Peregrine Falcons* is now in the permanent art collection of Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History in Pacific Grove in the California Bird Specimen room.



Marte Thompson - *Peregrine Falcons*

Classes

Nina Bricker's "Drawing in The Evening" classes will resume on Tuesday, January 12 6:30-8:30 PM at the Adult Recreation Center in Los Gatos. 408-354-8700 or www.lgsrecreation.org.

Edna Piersol Windes' watermedia classes continue on January 6, at First Congregational Church San Jose, corner of Hamilton & Leigh. Time 12:30 to 3:00pm Registration required. No drop-ins allowed. Also this year NEW on Thursdays 1-4pm at a new venue, the Joan Pisani Community Center in Saratoga. ednawindes@me.com or 408-386-5317

Opportunities

Figure Drawing at Los Gatos Museums Gallery continues on: Tuesday afternoons, 2 to 4:30, drop in basis, uninstructed, short poses, cost \$16 plus model tip, bring own easel. Friday mornings, 10 to 12, drop-in, uninstructed, cost \$12 plus model tip, long pose, bring own easel. Come and join the fun!

California Arts Council now hosts a website listing artist calls specifically for California Artists. www.cac.ca.gov/artistcall

Life Drawing and Painting
Mondays & Wednesdays: CSMA (Community School of Music and Arts), Mountain View, 7-10pm. Tuesdays: Los Gatos Museums Gallery, Los Gatos, 2-4:30pm. Thursdays: Karen LaRoche Studio, San Jose, 10am - 12:30pm. Fridays: Triton Museum, Santa Clara, 1:30-4pm.

Modern Japan Art Society has opened an exhibition for small works (thumb hole) and mid/large works. Thumbhole exhibition: 22.7cm x 15.8cm size artwork. Place is at a local gallery, Tokyo, Japan. Application deadline is January 30, 2016. The framed works must arrive before February 21, 2016. Modern Japan Art Society Exhibition : International Exchange Division at Tokyo Metropolitan Museum, 1st floor lobby, Tokyo, Japan. Date/2016 form is not announced yet. But 2015 application rules are available in English. <http://www.kinbi.jp/youkou-e.html> or mail-t@kinbi.jp (Modern Japan Art Society, attention Ms. Keiko Takanashi)

Morgan Hill First Wednesday Art Walk - a free self-guided tour through downtown Morgan Hill restaurants and shops to see the latest art exhibits. First Wednesday of every month 11am-7pm.

LGAA Plein Air Schedule by Rebecca Lillis White

The Los Gatos Art Association runs a weekly outdoor painting event every Monday each month.

The location changes every week. All mediums are welcome.

Upon arriving at each location, members will be there to greet you and start the session.

All events are mornings 9:00 – 12:00 noon unless otherwise noted. Updates online at <http://www.lgaa.org/new-pleinair.html>.

January 4: New Brighton Beach, Santa Cruz



Take Highway 17 south to Santa Cruz. Head south on Highway 1. Take the New Brighton/Park Avenue Exit; turn left at the first stop sign (McGregor), then right into the park. \$10 per vehicle; facilities. View paintings afterwards.

January 11: Vasona Park, Los Gatos



333 Blossom Hill Road, Los Gatos. From HWY 85 take Winchester Blvd. S. Left on Blossom Hill Rd. Left into the park. Go to parking on your left at the fishing pier. fee \$10.00, senior less, restroom. View paintings afterwards.

January 18: Laguna Avenue, Felton



From Los Gatos, Go south on 85, merge onto 101 S, take exit 373 Bailey Ave, turn right onto Bailey and left on Santa Teresa Blvd. We will meet on the corner Laguna Road off Santa Teresa Blvd. View paintings afterwards.

January 25: Los Gatos Creek Trail



1690 Dell Ave. From 85 South, take Winchester Blvd Exit. Turn left on Winchester. Take 2nd right on Knowles Dr. Turn right into the 2nd entrance, park on the north side of parking lot. Take path to the bike lane, go left to the bridge and cross. No facilities. View paintings afterwards.

February 1: Capitola City Beach, Capitola



From Los Gatos, take HWY S 17 go about 18.3mi. Take exit 1 B toward Watsonville/ Monterey onto CA-1 S (Cabrillo Hwy) go 3.9 mi and take exit Bay Ave. Follow down to beach. Meter parking on Esplanade in front of beach. Stay for lunch.

February 8: David Stonesifer's home, Los Gatos



18000 Overlook Rd. From Santa Cruz Ave. downtown Los Gatos, turn west on Main St., right on Bayview, left on Pennsylvania, right on Wissenhickon, left on Overlook Rd. David's house is on the left. Park on the street (not in the driveway). Lunch provided. Bring two paintings for critique by Will Maller.

February 15: Laguna Ave and Santa Teresa Blvd



Go East on 85 S, merge onto 101 S, take exit 373 Bailey Ave, turn right on Bailey and left on Santa Teresa Blvd. Farm and Ranch land. Tree studded California hills. We will meet on the corner Laguna Road off Santa Teresa Blvd. Stay and view each others paintings.

February 22: Quail Hollow Ranch



800 Quail Hollow Road. CA 17 S, exit on Mt. Hermon Road, turn right on Mt. Hermon Rd. turn left on Graham Hill Rd., turn left onto E. Zayante Rd., turn left onto Quail Hollow Road. Drive down the road until you see the Park on the right. Blue outdoor bathroom in parking area.

February 29: San Juan Bautista Mission



From Los Gatos, CA 85- S, Merge onto US 101-S, Exit 156, drive about 3mi. Turn left on Alameda, first light signal. Right on Polk St., left on 2nd St. Park in front of mission, stay for lunch and view paintings afterwards.

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LGAA General Meetings are held at the Los Gatos Adult Recreation Center: 208 E. Main St., Los Gatos.

If you have information that is newsletter-worthy please email to: newsletter@lgaa.org by the 15th of the month before publication.