



The Palette

The Los Gatos Art Association Newsletter

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July - August 2009

Dates to Remember

July 2009

No General Meeting

August 8, 2009

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm
General Meeting
Marianne Gault,
Watercolor and Calligraphy demo

September 12, 2009

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm
General Meeting
Stephen Wagner
artist and motivational speaker

October 2009

No General Meeting

October 18, 2009

Member Juried Show: Art in take

November 14, 2009

1:00 pm-3:00 pm
General Meeting:
Shannon Grisson

General Meetings

Happy 4th of July

No general meeting

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Marian Gault: Watercolor and Calligraphy

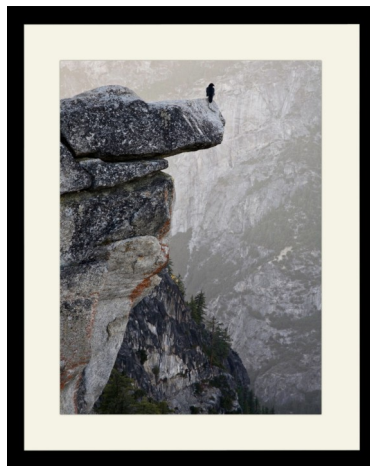
Marian, a LGAA Member, will demonstrate the art of beautiful writing. Also a watercolor painter, she will show how she often integrates the two art forms in the pieces she produces. She is a member of, and has taught at national conventions for, the International Association of Master Penmen, Engrossers, and Teachers of Handwriting (IAMPETH) is a past president of Pacific Scribes, teaches classes locally, does

commissions and teaches workshops on various styles of calligraphy.



"Valley Floor - Spring" by Marian Gault

Mentor Member for August will be Kay Duffy



An example of an award winner included in the calendar "Kutkh" by Jack Quattlebaum

The **LGAA** is producing a **2010 Wall Calendar** with the First Place and Specialty Award Winners from MJS 2008 and OJS 2009. Proceeds from the calendar are going to

The **Second Harvest Food Bank.**

Calendar will sell for \$15. and be available in early August.

Please wait to check ours out before you buy one.



AVA Artfest – What’s Happened!

The AVA Artfest in Mountain View was a GREAT SUCCESS! Sales of nearly \$2500 to LGAA artists, WOW! This year’s event was spectacular, a great setting and GREAT crowd of art lovers from all over the bay area. It just keeps getting better and better. Thanks to the promoters for making this event so wonderful, and a SPECIAL THANKS to all the LGAA members who participated and made our booth the BEST BOOTH IN THE SHOW! – Jeff Owen

Some comments from AVA Artfest participants

Kathryn Ellis – It was great meeting you and enjoying your good humor! Thank you for the opportunity to do an art festival....enjoyed all the artists and lookers. See you at the next LGAA event.

Susan Lawson – My day at Artfest was filled with learning and fellowship. Each of the LGAA artists’ work and approach to selling had something to teach me. I came with no expectations about sales, nor did I realize how much I’d benefit from the hours spent with the other artists - so I definitely came out on the plus side!

Vernon Dittenbir – I am overwhelmed by the results of my being one of the artists in the AVA Artfest. I was fortunate to sell two "bear" paintings, to the same lady, and another lady wanted one of them! It really made my day. I met two bear ladies who wanted my babies. The husbands said "Whatever you want Honey". Guess what I said "Show me the money!"

Gary Coleman – Highlights for me were: 1) Interacting with Jeff Owen and other LGAA boothmates. Jeff made us work like a well oiled machine, setting up and tearing down, and work hard, having to dig deep within ourselves at times to find that hidden reservoir of strength to meet his demands. I think that I finally discovered who I am. 2) Painting while talking with passers by, often taking suggestions from them knowing that there would be no obligation to share with them any recognition or eventual financial benefit. I made some progress on an abstract and a landscape. Thanks to you again, Jeff, for your efforts.

WOW, I’m all a glow!!!! Same time next year!!! – Jeff

What our Members are Doing!

- **Holly Van Hart** – "Shopping" won a Blue Ribbon 'Award of Excellence' in the 2009 Artfest at the Park.
- **Jeff Owen Event Schedule** – *Come see me!!!!*
July 3,4,5 - Northstar at Tahoe
July 11, 12 - Los Altos Arts and Wine Festival
July 18,19 - Connoisseurs Marketplace, Menlo Park
- **Peggy Hansen** has four pieces in Studio II Gallery's third annual photography exhibition. Her piece "Butterbaum" has been awarded Honorable Mention in the Farmington Museum's national juried show. "Butterbaum" has also been juried into the Marin Society of Artists 2009 national exhibition. Her images "Ghost Primrose" and "County Fair" appear in the 2009 edition of *Porter Gulch Review*.
- **Donna Orme** – "Three Artists. Three Visions" at The Museums of Los Gatos. June 11-August 7, 2009, recep. 6/14/09, 1-4 pm
- **Carol Bower** reports: Over a dozen artist's from the LGAA Plein Air Painters are displaying their work during the Vine to Wine – History of Local Vintners, at the History Museum in Los Gatos. The exhibit opens on June 13 with the Vintners Festivals.
- **Tonya Carpenter** had two pieces accepted into the Pastel Society of the West Coast's International 2009 at the Triton Museum from July through September.
- **Sheila Winner, Kim Newell, and Fabienne Bismuth** are in the "CONTROL" Show, in San Francisco with their art "Complaisant", "Letting Go", and "Alone" respectively.
- **Edna Piersol Windes** – Wednesday afternoon water media class in Campbell 1:30 p.m. Wednesdays reservations required. ednawindes@me.com
- **Jim Potterton** – My painting "Watershed" was was accepted in the New York Salmagundi Club's 32nd Annual Open Exhibition in Painting and Sculpture. (831) 425-1854
- **Tomiko Bailey** – Santa Cruz Museum "Plein Air Affaire" & "Frank Bette Plein Air Paint out", www.tomikobailey.com
- **Carolina Mueller** - AVA Award of Merit for my silk painting "Haleakala Crater, Maui"

National Juried Art Exhibit this September

Coast Redwoods Art Association in Crescent City, CA – John Helgeson johnsart@charter.net

Portrait Painting and Drawing from a Model

Thursdays, 6–9 p.m. All levels, oil or pastel. www.lindaharrisart.com

!! Welcome NEW Members !!

Alison Akin, Marie Doherty, Karen Ehlers, Bonnie Hillesheim, Paul Indman, Karen Scarborough, John Stubler, Karen Wandel

Arts in the Garden

Art Dog Studio (Jolene Anderson) is hosting its first annual Arts Show - August 1, from 10-4 at in Los Gatos - 20 artists – www.artdogstudio.net

Your Membership is VERY important.

If you are not a Member of the Los Gatos Art Association then your event info will not be published in the Palette. Send in your membership dues to be sure that your events are in the "What's Happening" page of the Palette!

The Santa Clara Valley Watercolor Society offers workshops and free, open to the public demos with the most famous watermedia artists.

First Friday's at the Museums Gallery
The Los Gatos Museums Gallery will be open late (till 9pm) on the First Friday of each month.

LGAA PLEIN AIR SCHEDULE by Cynthia Riordan and Kathryn Ellis

All events are Monday Mornings 9:00 - 11:00 am

July 6 and 13 Muns' Vineyard 25600 Loma Prieta Drive, Los Gatos

Beautiful views of the vineyard, Monterey and surrounding areas. Take hwy 17 S. Exit right at Summit Rd. and come back across the hwy, then left onto Summit Rd. Turn Left in 2 miles on Loma Prieta Ave. Follow Loma Prieta 2.7 miles up all the way to the top. On the way, the road narrows, curves, bears to the right, flattens out and turns to dirt. The "private drive" to Muns continues straight up. At the top go to the right. Drive through the gate and park parallel to the fence.

July 20 Ed and Diana Leone's home 21700 Calero Creek Dr. San Jose 95120

Take 85S and exit at Almaden Expressway. Turn left at Emporium Way and then right at Almaden Expressway. In 5 miles the road dead ends, turn right onto Harry Rd. Take first left at McKean Rd. in 2.3 miles turn left at Timothy Lane and park parallel to fence. Look for an old red barn. There is another old barn nearby and a charming old white farm house. We are welcome to use the bathroom at Diana's house, which is to the right off the family room. Do not unload your stuff here.

July 27 Silver Mountain Winery Off Summit Rd

Vineyard with spectacular views of the valley and the ocean. Take Hwy 17 S and exit at Summit Rd. Exit right come back across the Hwy, turn left onto Summit Rd. Drive 3.8 miles on Summit, make a right onto San Jose-Soquel Rd and drive .5 miles. Make a left onto Miller Cut Off and then go .9 miles to Silver Mountain Drive. The driveway and gate will be on your left.

Drive up the driveway all the way to the top and park next to the vineyard. Additional spaces below near large metal storage tanks.

August 3 – Davenport, CA is 9.5 miles north of Santa Cruz. Should be cool, gentle off-shore breezes which offers industrial (cement plant) or coastal cliffs/ocean and Monterey Pines. Small but historical and weathered downtown and coffee house and restaurants for after a fun day of painting. Take Hwy 1 north from Santa Cruz (or Hwy 1 south from Pescadero) to Davenport. Meet at coffee house parking lot at 9.

August 10 & 11 – Point Lobos just south of Carmel. Special overnight trip. Famous South of Carmel coastal setting with lots of beautiful sites to paint. We will be spending the night nearby. Park fee is \$8-9. Enjoy the galleries and good food; even for the day it's worth the trip.

August 17 – Home of David Stonesifer, 18000 Overlook Rd., Los Gatos. Beautiful Mission-style home with great garden and patios with ponds. From Santa Cruz Ave. go west on Main to Bayview. Right on Bayview and left on Pennsylvania Ave. Right on Wissanickon and left on Overlook. David's home is on the left.

August 24 – University Ave, Rose Garden area, San Jose. Grand homes of every description with many just as charming homes on nearby streets. Meet at small triangular park at corner of Dana and University Avenue.

August 31 - Muns' Vineyard, 25600 Loma Prieta Drive, Los Gatos
See description under July 6th.

This Painting created during May 9, 2009 general



meeting by Jane Hoffstetter. Photo taken by Deborah Matlack. Jane's focus was using pre arranged patterns in her painting. If you missed this demo, it was a good one.

Volunteers still needed

- **Newsletter Editor**
- **Historian**
- **Hospitality Chair**
- **Data Entry for juried shows**
- **Transportation of mirror to meetings**

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All General Meetings are held at the Community Center:
208 E. Main St. Los Gatos.

If you have something that is Newsletter worthy Please E-mail to: Jeff Owen at Jeffmonoxide@yahoo.com by the 15th of the month.



Member Juried Show- Art intake

October 18, 2009.

The Juror will be Preston Metcalf assistant curator at the Triton Museum in Santa Clara.

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