



ALLIANCE NEWS

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ACA Presents an Art Demonstration by
Sally Delap-John, Oil
Saturday, April 9th at 1 PM
Clovis Fire Dept, 1233 5th Street, Clovis

Demonstrations

2011

May

Rose Wheeler
Mixed Media

June

Joan Brumley
Watercolor

Sept

Kathleen Mattox
Marketing

At 20, a year's study in Florence, Italy was life-changing - living within the culture, seeing the great works of art first-hand. She traveled through Iron Curtain eastern Europe (Poland, Czechoslovakia, Russia and Hungary). School holidays were spent traveling through Europe, Greece, and Israel.

Upon completing both a BA and MA at Fresno State, Sally was hired to teach in Australia. Ever adventurous, she made the trip "top to bottom" twice, climbed Uluru (Ayers Rock) twice and saw much of the continent.

After returning to the U.S. her varied work schedule finally allowed time to re-connect with art. Valley artists: James Soares, Sam Rae, Millie Pepper, Gay McCline, and Paul Buxman added layers of instruction and inspiration. A watercolorist to the core, Sally won awards, had several one-woman shows, served on art association boards for many years, joined the Door Art Gallery, and was a co-founder of the Art Stand.. She considers it an honor to have been asked to judge art shows. Twice she was part of a selected group who's works typify Fresno County. She is an acknowledged contributor to the plan for Highway 180 to be designated as a scenic highway. Sally is a charter/signature member of ACA, (SWA), and an associate member of Plein Air Painters of New Mexico.

Another life change was in store in 2007 when she stopped in Truchas, New Mexico to paint, en plein air with oils. She was invited to return, stay, and paint. For the past three years, she has returned for months at a time, bought a house, entered shows, and helped form a plein air group. This year the move will be permanent. Her residence will also



be her studio/gallery in the mountain village of Truchas, midway between Santa Fe and Taos, New Mexico on the High Road. Look for her in the PAPNM ad in June's issue of Southwest Art Magazine.

Website: www.sallydelap-john.com

Board meetings

Tuesday before General Meeting

(April 5th at 6:30 P.M.)

3947 E. Rialto Ave., Fresno

Next General Meeting

Second Saturday of Month

(April 9th at 1:00 P.M.)

Location:

Clovis Police & Fire Hqtrs

1233 5th Street, Clovis

Between Clovis Ave & Sunnyside

For more information

Bea Prince 559-227-1319

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Message from our President Bea Prince

April Greetings to ALL!

Have you noticed that we have been introducing NEW MEMBERS every month since January 1st? We have welcomed at least 17! What excitement! To you new members we want you to feel a warm welcome because you are a valuable addition to ACA! Each new person adds a new dimension, a new world if you please, a new dimension or world not present until you came. Think of that! That's exciting and important!

At our last General Meeting we witnessed at least 4 of our new members volunteering to help Diane set up and take down all items needed for our meeting; i.e., arranging tables, chairs, set up for the guest artist, readying the microphone for use, etc., etc. We have one new member helping Becky Matli set up the food table and a new member volunteered to help with transporting the large mirror when needed. Guess what? Not only will ACA benefit from their help, but these things give the new members an opportunity meet other artists who have mutual interests. Such fun!

Please reflect upon what YOU can do as a volunteer to help ACA thrive! Volunteering on any level is of utmost importance to our continued success. We all live busy lives so it's a matter of prioritizing the important things that we don't want to miss! ACA offers all of us the opportunity to grow artistically through workshops, demonstrations, critiques and juried exhibits. Thanks to our Board of Directors who are excellent examples of volunteerism! And my personal thanks to ALL of you for participating in our ACA community.

Two reminders which are important and easy: As you check in at each meeting, don't forget to tell Linda Erickson at the hospitality table of any person who may need a card of encouragement, condolence, or a get-well card. This is an important gesture on the part of ACA. SECONDLY, please bring finger food for sharing during our break time. And/or if you feel so inclined, please place a donation of any size to help defray the cost of things such as water, coffee, tea, napkins, etc. Every little bit helps. Thank you.

Every guest artist this year has presented things which we can use in OUR work, regardless of whether it was our chosen medium...we can always learn something if we have an open mind and a desire to improve. So we look forward to welcoming Sally DeLap John, our guest artist for April who will demonstrate oil painting. Don't miss it.

And, now a quote by Harley Brown Artist, "Everything, but everything is interesting if you make it so.... In life and Art."

We are again sponsoring an outdoor fine art sale to be held on Saturday, April 23rd. The venue at 7330 N Palm Ave is nice, clean and has high visibility. This is only juried to non-ACA members. As stated in the registration form, 10x10 spaces are available for \$75.00 and a 10x10 shared space with two artists is \$100.00. If you are looking for a person to share with, let me know. This is a great chance to expose yourself (your art) to yet another audience. We will have access to internet so that we can accept credit cards. Please call should you have ANY questions about ANYTHING. **The deadline was March 18th but will be extended until March 30th.**

ACA Sale Chair , Valerie Greene

2011 Officers

- President: Bea Prince 227-1319
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Tip Line

For you Plein Aire Painters: I can't recall where I picked up this idea, but it was either an artist I was watching on a DVD, or one who talked about this. An empty pick-up truck bed is a great size in which to set up easel, chair, artist umbrella and taboret with paints and head down the road where the scenes call out to be painted. It's a wonderfully safe vantage point to create from where creepy crawly things in high grass like fire ants can't reach you. Believe me, I've painted all the while watching the big ants at my feet...not too pleasant to say the least. Bea Prince

Linda Erickson and Roberta Davis will be exhibiting their artwork at the law offices of Dean Gordon, 1220 E. Olive Ave. (bet. Blackstone/Van Ness) March 24 - April 27, 2011. Reception on arthrop night, April 7, 5pm - 8pm. Silent auction of artist prints, proceeds to benefit Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central California.

Marilyn Torchin has won a 1st place and Honorable Mention in the Mixed/Media Category for the Lodi Community Art Centers 51st annual Spring Art Show.

The Clovis Art Guild would like to invite all members of your association to participate in the Old West and Rodeo fine art juried show. The categories are Old West & Rodeo in any medium (The Old West, the Western way of Life, Cowboys and Indians and The Rodeo), Oil & Acrylics, Watercolor, Pastel, Drawing, Mixed Media, Sculpture, Aspiring Artist, and Student. RECEIVING: Thursday, April 14, 2011 from 3:30 to 7:00pm, at the Clovis Memorial Building at 5th & Hughes. A gift table will be set up during the reception to allow artists who entered the show to sell cards and prints. artists must give notice they intend to participate when they enter their paintings. Cash and Ribbons for Best of Show. 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each category. Must be 10 entries in each category for monetary awards. Ribbons only will be awarded to the Student category and the People's Choice. RECEPTION: Artist's reception will be Tuesday April 19 at 6:00 to 8:00 pm. The awards will be given out this night. EXHIBIT HOURS: Mon. Wed. Thurs. Fri. 12 to 6 pm, Tuesday 12 to 8 pm, Sat. 9 am to 6 pm. For more information: Hilda Vandergriff 322-6557 hvandergriff@aol.com or Cris Loyd #855-2456.

The San Joaquin Valley Plein Air Painters is having a show beginning on April 7, 2011 and ending on April 25, 2011. A reception will be held on April 7, 2011 from 5-8pm. STUDIO 74 , 1274 N. Van Ness
Phone: (559)908-0658 Email: dmendes@studio-74.org
Show Artist: Maxine Fargason, Jocelyne Starkey, Nancy Kemmer, Janice Leppke, Marilyn Torchin, Sandy Kowallis, Joyce Tuck

Apr 11th CAG (Clovis Art Guild) Storefront Gallery exchange. 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Please remember that the paintings are changed every two months. Next exchange will be in June 2011. For more information, contact Gail Daley 559-960-2428 or cag@gaildaleyfineart.com.

Apr 13th CAG (Clovis Art Guild) General Meeting and Art Demonstration. 7:00 p.m. Clovis Veteran's Center 808 4th Street , Clovis , CA. Free to members, Guests \$5.00. For more information: Cris Loyd, President 559-855-2456 or Alice Sutton 559-787-2386 suttonscutter@aol.com or cag@gaildaleyfineart.com.

Apr 20th Art-Tique receiving for Storefront Art Gallery @ Sierra Vista Mall (Clovis & Shaw Avenues) store #1079, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. pick up and exchange date: June 21 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. For more information call Gail 960-2428 or art-tique@gaildaleyfineart.com. Prospectus available at www.gaildaleyfineart.com/art-tique.

Apr 23rd Kingsburg Art Center General Meeting and Art Demonstration, Kingsburg Senior Center, 1460 Ellis St, Kingsburg, CA 1 - 3 p.m. For more information contact Merle Kleinhammer 896-3544 or Patricia Brock 896-1618 HBrock@csufresno.edu

ACA Shows 2011

March 1st - April 30th

Member Show Sunnyside Library

Take down from 11:30-12:30 am on Saturday, April 30th

Contact Mary Lou Griggs or Gail Daley

March 26 - April 30th

Open Fine Arts at ArtsVisalia

March 26th - Receiving 10:00 am - 11:30 am

Judging in the afternoon.

April 1st - Artist reception 6 pm - 8 pm

April 23rd - 4th Annual Art Sale

ACA Sponsored 4th Annual Fine Art show

June 4th - August 4th

Krazan's & Associates
Membership Juried Show

Receiving will be Saturday, June 4,

As each Show gets closer, check with the ACA website for updates and the prospectus or contact Director of Exhibits, Valerie Greene at 269-5512 or vgreene100@comcast.net.

ACA Gallery at Sierra Vista Mall.

We have another window gallery! Due to the large number of empty store fronts in the mall, artist groups and individual artists have been allowed to hang their artwork for sale in the windows. Our window is in the former Hallmark store on the east end of the mall. We were able to hang 21 paintings using easels for the larger ones and peg board for the smaller ones. In using the floor space as well we were able to use almost all of the paintings we received. The **next change-out will be April 18, from 12 noon to 1:00pm**. Please go by the mall and take a look at our new gallery. Questions? call Roberta Davis 960-5065

Downtown ACA Art Window

Change day for the Downtown Window Gallery is Thursday, May 4 from 11am to 1pm. The theme this month is "Fresno Fiesta" as Art Hop is the 5th of May. The window is a wonderful opportunity to show your work in Fresno, 24-7. Fiesta is a great time to have fun and show COLOR !!! Ole!

Patricia Selin 226-4758 patriciaselin@att.net

The Downtown Club is now open to the public on Arthrop Night - a great place to start or end your Art Hopping evening



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Diane Breuer at 274-1270
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To submit information to the Alliance News

Member's information for publication should be for accomplishments achieved in the field of art such as magazine articles, acceptance in art shows, or awards. Send written information (please, no phone calls) no later than the 20th of each month to:

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Membership Dues .

Dues are \$40.00/yr. Make payment to:
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 PO Box 821 Clovis, CA 93613
 or bring your payment to the next
 General Meeting
 If you have any questions regarding
 membership please call Linda Stewart at
 559-313-1687

Name _____

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Email Address _____

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Check here if you would like your name and/or Website on the ACA Website.

Volunteers needed for following positions:

- Food and Receptions
- Downtown Gallery
- Setting up/Tearing Down of Monthly Meetings
- Mailing of Newsletter