



# The Palette

The Los Gatos Art Association Newsletter

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## Upcoming Events



**March 8: 1-3pm**  
**Guest Speaker: Mark Nardini**  
**Topic: Portrait Painting in Oil**

Mark Nardini's work has been exhibited in galleries and museums including the Smithsonian Institution and the Corcoran Gallery of Art. He holds a BFA from Art Center College.

Mark's focus is on Classical Realism. He was also selected into the copyist program at the National Gallery of Art to study directly from the master works in the collection.



Mark Nardini - young girl

My goal is to create the most beautiful oil portrait. I follow a set procedure to ensure that each of my oil portraits are of the highest standard and quality. With care, oil portraits on linen canvas will last many hundreds of years and grant future generations the legacy to perceive both the personality and likeness of the subject.

**(Members can enter a drawing for a \$25 art supply gift certificate at these meetings.)**

**April 12: 1-3pm**  
**Demo Artist: Jennifer Kretschmer**  
**Topic: Paint with an iPad**

An introduction painting with an iPad. A few different painting applications will be demonstrated along with equipment for both indoor and outdoor painting. Then, the artist will do a step-by-step painting demonstration of a still life designed for all level of painters.

Jennifer is an architect and an artist and has been exhibiting since 2010. Her primary

medium is watercolor. Recently, she began painting with an iPad and iPhone while in situations where bringing her typical painting setup was not feasible. Jennifer is also a volunteer teacher with the Art Docent of Los Gatos and exhibits her work at Gallery Saratoga.



Jennifer Kretschmer - Blue Lily

## President's Message

As many of you may not know, our President, Bonnie Rokas resigned her position due to health problems.

Jeff Owens, our Vice President, is not able to fill that position because of his sculpture shows and I have accepted the job until the next election.

The Board has plans in the works for more activities for the members this year and we welcome any suggestions as to venues to exhibit our work or any other ideas you may have to benefit the Members.

The Association is for you and we hope you will take a part in keeping it vibrant.

- Maralyn Miller - Interim President

## Dates to Remember

**March 8**  
General Meeting 1-3pm  
Mark Nardini  
Demo Artist

**April 12**  
General Meeting 1-3pm  
Jennifer Kretschmer  
Demo Artist

## New Board Members

Jeff Chase - Membership Chair  
Isaias Sandoval - Program Chair  
Betsy McGuire - Historian

## New Members

Hershel Abelman  
Judy Bingman  
Linda Edmonson  
Anna Jacke  
Thong Le  
Iris Lian  
Jane Loomis  
Debra Martin  
Bonnie Perkins  
Darlene Turner  
Lisha Wang

## Resource Table

Bring your unwanted art supplies to the next meeting and sell them on a table designated for that purpose. You'll have to stay there and do the selling yourself, but you'll take all the proceeds home.

## Member News

**Carole Bower** and **Lorraine Lawson** are in the Gallery of Dreams in Campbell.

**Gary Coleman's** *Event* won first prize in the Abstraction show at the Pacific Art League in February.



Gary Coleman - *Event*

**Danielle Dufayet** has three paintings in "The Journey" show at Gallery 85 in Santana Row through April 24.

**Sagi Erez** won second prize in the Abstraction show at the Pacific Art League in February.

**Carolina Mueller's** *Arrigetch Peaks, Alaska* was accepted into the art competition of the Biennial Convention of the National League of American Pen Women May/June in Atlanta.

**Britta Ottersgard** and **Jeff Owen** have been accepted into the Saratoga Rotary Art show again this year.

**Anna Jacke's** *Baylands Egret* was accepted into the Coastline Trust California Wildlife Show in Half Moon Bay through March 21. She also has two paintings to be included in "The Artistic Touch" book this summer.



Anna Jacke - *Baylands Egret*

**Marte Thompson's** paintings will be exhibited in the Cupertino Library through May.

**Ellen Howard's** *Blue Surge* was accepted into the Society of Western Artists January/March exhibition and she will be one of four artists featured in the March/April exhibition at Unleashed Art Gallery in Redwood City.



Ellen Howard - *Pescadero Purple*

**Isaias Sandoval's** *Motherboard One* received an honorable mention in the Abstraction show at the Pacific Art League in February and was the Featured Artist at Gallery Saratoga in February.

**Karen White** has a solo show "Colorscapes" at Viewpoints Gallery in Los Altos through March 29.



Karen White - *Golden Dawn, Livermore*

## Classes

**Nina Bricker's** "Drawing in The Evening" classes at the Adult Recreation Center in Los Gatos on Tuesdays, 6:30-8:30 PM. 408-354-8700 extension 261 or [www.lgsrecreation.org](http://www.lgsrecreation.org)

**Kay Duffy's** "Watercolor with Kay Duffy" 2nd and 4th Mondays at Hakone Gardens. 408-867-0508 or [k@kayduffywatercolors.com](mailto:k@kayduffywatercolors.com)

**Karen La Roche** is teaching "Drawing Instruction and Plein Air Sketching" Saturday mornings as well as "Lifedrawing at the Villages" Tuesday afternoons. 408-891-1467

**Vallerie Tomasetti** teaches an 8-week "Watercolor during the Day" class Thursday mornings at Los Gatos Adult Recreation Center. 408-251-5489 or [www.cre8art@sbcglobal.net](http://www.cre8art@sbcglobal.net)

**Edna Piersol Windes'** Wednesday afternoon Watercolor class. [ednawindes@me.com](mailto:ednawindes@me.com) or 408-386-5317

**Ferenc Besze** is conducting 4 Impressionistic Watercolor Workshops in 2014: April 5, July 12 and October 4 at the Cribari Center Art Room. 408-531-9402

**Tuesday Artists** - Figure Drawing As Usual Tuesday 2-4:30 in the lower level of the Los Gatos Museum Gallery will resume August 6. 408-395-0853

Three day Oil/Acrylic workshops at La Rusticana Vineyards in Los Gatos. **Joe**

**Anna Arnett:** Still Life - May 9-11;

**Randall Sexton:** Plein Air - June 13-15;

**Father Bruno Segatta:** Using

Acrylics as Oil - August 1-3; **Paul**

**Kratte:** Plein Air - August 8-10.

408-371-3067 or [saralarusticana@aol.com](mailto:saralarusticana@aol.com)

**Cloud Castle Art Studio** ongoing classes & new spring workshops in Saratoga: Daytime Drawing & Painting - Mondays and Tuesdays 10-2pm; After School Art Program - Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 4:15-6pm; Nighttime Drawing & Painting Mondays & Tuesdays - 6:15-9pm. 831-345-1845 or [cloudartstudio@gmail.com](mailto:cloudartstudio@gmail.com)

## Opportunities

**The 57th Annual Saratoga Rotary Art Show** May 4, 2014, application deadline January 10. [saratogarotary.org/artshow/onlineform.shtml](http://saratogarotary.org/artshow/onlineform.shtml)

**California Arts Council** now hosts a website listing artist calls specifically for California Artists. [www.cac.ca.gov/artistcall](http://www.cac.ca.gov/artistcall)

## LGAA Plein Air Schedule by Nancy Takaichi

The Los Gatos Art Association runs a weekly outdoor painting event every Monday and the first Thursday 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>.

**Thanks to Sam Pearson for making a new sign to identify the location where we are painting!**

### March 3 - David Stonesifer's house

18000 Overlook Drive, Los Gatos. From Santa Cruz Avenue, downtown Los Gatos, turn west on Main Street, right and Bayview, left on Pennsylvania, right on Wissenhickon and left on Overlook. David's house is on the left. Beautiful mission style home with all sorts of interesting nooks and crannies both inside and out. Stay for soup. Bring two paintings for group critique. Please park on street (not in driveway).

### March 10 - Los Gatos Creek Trail

1690 Dell Ave. From 85 South, take Winchester Blvd Exit. Turn left on Winchester. 2nd right is Knowles Dr. which becomes Dell Ave right after it turns to the left. Across from Southbay Construction, there are two entrances marked 1680-1700 Dell Ave. Go in the 2nd entrance, a large parking lot, and park on the northside by the chain-link fence where there is an opening. Take this path to the bike path, and cross the footbridge. There are many perc ponds to paint in the area. No facilities.

### March 17 - Palm Court in Coyote Valley

10020 Palm Court Morgan Hill. Take 101 south to Bailey Ave, turn right on to Bailey. Turn left (south) onto Santa Teresa (which becomes Hale). Turn right on Palm Ave and an immediate left onto Palm Court.

### March 24 - Davenport



490 Coast Road Davenport. Take Highway 17 south to Santa Cruz then head north on Highway 1. Proceed about 9.5 miles to the town of Davenport. Whale City Bakery is on the right Park across from bakery. No fee; facilities at the bakery. Some us didn't get enough of this

site which offers industrial (cement Plant) Coastal cliffs/Ocean and Monterey pines, small but historical and weathered downtown. Lunch suggestion: Kelly's French Bakery 402 Ingalls St. in Santa Cruz (2nd light going south on 1 from Davenport, take a right on Swift, complex on left at Ingalls.

### March 31 - Quail Hollow Ranch



800 Quail Hollow Road Felton, CA Take CA 17 south 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 Rd. Park is on Right. In this 300-acre historic horse ranch and nature preserve, one will find

a ranch complex consisting of the visitor center housed in a historic ranch house, picnic areas, horse barns and turnouts, lawn area, orchard, pond and parking lot, with basic amenities including bathrooms and drinking fountain.

### April 7 - Monterey Fisherman's Wharf (New)

Fisherman's Wharf #1 Monterey. Take Hwy 1 S. Exit Del Monte Ave. Proceed to intersection at Figueroa or Washington and turn right into Wharf parking lot. This is the first day of the Plein Air convention and hundreds of artists may be around the wharf painting before the conference starts in the late afternoon. Come paint and enjoy the company of some exceptional artists. Meetup at 12:30 at the Old Fisherman's Wharf sign at the entrance to wharf (a pink building is directly behind it).



### April 14 - Rancho Canada del Oro (New)

4289 Casa Loma Rd., Morgan Hill, CA. From 101, take Bailey Avenue exit west. Turn left onto McKean Road. Where McKean becomes Uvas Road, turn right onto Casa Loma Road. A large parking lot is at the end of the paved road. No fees, Facilities. Beautiful meadows, trails, hillsides, possibly wildflowers.



### April 21 - Elkhorn Slough

1700 Elkhorn Rd., Watsonville, CA Take Highway 1 south from Santa Cruz to Moss Landing; at the power plant, turn east onto Dolan Road; go 3.5 miles on Dolan Road, turn left onto Elkhorn Road; go 1.9 miles on Elkhorn Road, turn left into the Reserve gate. Free Parking, but there is a hiking fee if you leave the paved areas. Meet at Scenic Lookout spot past Nature Building. You will be able to look down on spectacular vistas, views of old barns, slough and ocean.

### April 28 - Coyote Creek Trail

From 101 South, take exit 373 for Bailey Ave. Turn right at Bailey Ave, Take the Monterey Road Ramp, Turn left onto Monterey Road going south, (3.6 miles) make a U turn at Live Oak Ave. Turn right (.5 miles) on to a dirt road between power lines. Look for a small sign that says Santa Clara County Model Aircraft Skypark (SCCMAS). Drive down the road through the gates toward the Model Park.

### May 5 - Mission San Juan Bautista

406 2nd St. San Juan Bautista. From Hwy 101 North and South take the Hwy 156 exit east towards San Juan Bautista/Hollister. Travel approximately 3 miles on Hwy 156 to the Mission San Juan Plaza Green. Meet in front of Mission. A favorite with a beautiful Mission, unique Historical Downtown. We have enjoyed a group lunch at a local restaurant with some returning to do an afternoon painting. Make a day of it and bring a friend.

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All 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:  
Jack Quattlebaum – newsletter@lga.org by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month before publication.



**Membership Renewal**

**Membership Dues for 2014 were due on January 1, 2014.**

If there have been no changes to your contact information just mail your check to PO Box 1193, Los Gatos 95031 - or visit lga.org to use PayPal.

If there have been changes, please visit www.lga.org and download a membership application, fill it out and send it to the PO Box address.

If you have any questions, call Maralyn Miller at 408-354-6747.

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