



The Palette

The Los Gatos Art Association Newsletter

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Upcoming Events

January 14, 2018: 1-3 pm George Rivera Critique of Members' Work

George Rivera is a well-known and respected local artist and teacher. Rivera received his B.A. and M.A. at San Jose State University, and for 28 years he was the Executive Director and Senior Curator for the Triton Museum of Art in Santa Clara. During this time he also taught art studio, art appreciation, and art history classes in many Bay Area institutions: San Jose State University, San Jose Art League, Pacific Art League, UC Berkeley Extension, DeAnza College, Triton Museum of Art School and continuously at Mission College since 1986. In 2013, he joined Mission College as Associate Faculty Instructor of Art and also teaches studio art and art appreciation at Ohlone College since 2014.

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



February 11: 1-3pm Myrna Wacknov Watercolor

Myrna Wacknov is a practicing artist and workshop instructor specializing in figurative and portrait character studies. She has attained Signature Membership in the American Watercolor Society, National Watercolor Society, the California Watercolor Society, the San Diego Watercolor Society, and the Rocky Mountain National Watermedia.



She has been featured in numerous magazines including *Watercolor Magic*, *Artist Magazine*, *Watercolor Artist*, and *Palette Magazine*. The March/April 2017 issue of the *Artist Magazine* has an article written by Myrna on using digital applications for creating painting inspirations.

See her work as well as her workshop schedule at www.myrnawacknov.com and her online art journal at myrnawacknov.blogspot.com She maintains studio #21 at the Peninsula Museum of Art (PMA), 1777 California Drive, Burlingame CA 94010.

Reminder!

LGAA is Moving to a New Location & Day!

Beginning **January 14, 2018**, LGAA meetings will be held at 20 Cherry Blossom Lane at Congregation Shir Hadash in Los Gatos on **Sundays** from 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. It's a beautiful facility with ample parking and a wonderful meeting room.

(See the new map on the back page.)

LGAA's Annual Holiday Party

was held on December 9 and included an auction of items, donated by LGAA members, which raised \$1,658 for Wine Country fire victims.

Association members also brought toys, donating several bags to Toys for Tots.

Barbara Lancon was awarded the LGAA 2017 Artist of the Year.

Past President's Message:

My two years as President of the LGAA seems to have absolutely FLOWN by... though they were filled with so many great happenings.

To begin with, how about being exposed to the techniques, styles and media of 18 terrific demonstrations artists like Guy Magallanes' gallery-wrapped watercolors, or the plein air-based work of our own Ellen Howard, or Inna Cherneykina's juicy flowers done in the Russian Impressionist style, etc.etc. Thank you Helen Scheel for all your work in arranging all the demos for the past three years.

In addition, how about our past two Holiday Parties and their featured auctions. The 2015 auction raised \$575 for our own treasury, and the 2017 auction raised \$1658 to help our neighbors in the North Bay rebuild their lives following the recent devastating fires. Thank you Maralyn

Miller for the party and the donation idea.

And how about our bus trip last year to check out the recently re-opened SFMOMA... a fun and beautifully organized trip. Thank you Elwira Maszara.

I could go on, but, in the space I have left, I must thank the Board, officers and folks who pitched in to make things run smoothly. I continue to be amazed at how things got done. My job as President was made so much easier by the competent people who surrounded me. I thank you SO much.

I'll see you in our new meeting place on January 14.

Jeff Chase
The Ex-Prez

Member News

The Annual Fall Juried Show of members of the Los Gatos Art Association runs daily at the Addison-Penzak Jewish Community Center, 14855 Oka Road, Los Gatos, through January 7.

Pictured below is Judy Welsh with her watercolor *Foggy Day at Pebble Beach* that won First Place, in the Landscape/Seascape category, and Best of Show. To see several of her paintings and find out more about Judy, refer to her website at judywelsh.com.



Figures/Animals—First Place
Claudia Browne, Oil,
Jayla's Butterfly



Still Life—First Place
Iris Lian, watercolor
King and Queen



Abstract—First Place
Kay Duffy, collage
Cocoa Love



Photography—First Place
Patricia Dennis
Afterglow on the Palouse



Sculpture—First Place
Syd Dunton
Rocker

(See the complete list of winners on Page 4.)

Helen Scheel was invited, as a signature member, to exhibit a solo show of 5 paintings on one wall of the gallery at the Society of Western Artists in San Bruno for the month of November.

Bonnie Joy Sedlak had watercolors juried into two Laguna Plein Air Painters Association shows "Art and Nature" and "Salute to National Parks" at the Forest & Ocean Gallery, Laguna Beach. A mini watercolor was accepted in the Randy Higbee 6" Square Exhibition and Sale, Randy Higbee Gallery, Costa Mesa, CA, December 2 – January 12, 2018, and two of her paintings will hang for a year in the Arts Council of Monterey County juried show at the Government Administration building in Salinas. Her *China Beach* painting won First Place in the Monterey show.



Bonnie Joy Sedlak - *China Beach*

Al Shambles *Lonesome Natural Bridge* has been juried into the Triton Museum of Arts: 2017 Salon at the Triton 2D Competition and Exhibition which is in progress until February 4, 2018.



Al Shambles - *Lonesome Natural Bridge*

Nancy Takaichi's *Crimson and Gray* won an honorable mention at the Capitola Plein Air Show in November.



Nancy Takaichi - *Crimson and Gray*

LGAA Plein Air Schedule by Rebecca Lillis White (map links by Annie Haines)

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 1: Palo Alto Baylands, Palo Alto



Lucy Evans Baylands Nature Interpretive Center, 2775 Embarcadero Rd. Bounded by Mountain View and East Palo Alto, the 1,940-acre Baylands Preserve is the largest tract of undisturbed marshland remaining in the San Francisco Bay.

[Map](#)

January 8: Moran Lake, Santa Cruz



**RAINED OUT
(Moved to Jan. 15)**

January 15: Moran Lake, Santa Cruz



22785 East Cliff Dr., Santa Cruz. From Los Gatos, take CA-17 S, becomes Ocean at the end, go left onto E. Sea Cliff, becomes Portola Dr., right on 26th and left on E. Sea Cliff, parking lot ahead on the left. Ocean waves across road. No fee, facilities. View paintings 12:15.

[Map](#)

January 22: Palm Ct, Morgan Hill



10020 Palm Court, Morgan Hill. From Los Gatos, take CA-85 S to CA-101 S. Take 101 south to Bailey Ave., turn right onto Bailey. Turn left (south) onto Santa Teresa. Turn right on Palm Ave then left onto Palm Court. Facilities at the end of the road in the park. View paintings afterwards.

[Map](#)

January 29: Davenport Landing Rd, Davenport



From Los Gatos, take CA-17 S to Santa Cruz, 19.8 mi, exit north on CA-1, go 1.1 mi. Use two right lanes to turn right onto Mission St./CA-1 N towards Half Moon Bay. Go 12 mi and turn left onto Davenport Landing Rd. LGAA sign and orange cone on corner. Follow around to parking on right. View paintings, then let's go to lunch.

[Map](#)

February 5: Quail Hollow Ranch, Felton



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 facilities in parking area.

[Map](#)

February 12: Morgan Hill, Rose Barn



From Los Gatos take CA-85 S to Almaden Expy. Turn right onto Almaden Expy. Stay on Almaden Expy. to the end. Turn right onto Harry Rd. Make an immediate left onto McKean Rd. Drive until you come to Casa Loma Rd., turn right. Drive until you see the Barn on the right side of the road. Not far past Triple Bar Stables. Restrooms at Rancho Canada del Oro parking lot farther down the road.

[Map](#)

February 19: Moss Landing, Moss Landing



Working fishing harbor, old and new boats and interesting old buildings. Take CA-17 S to Watsonville exit. Go south past Watsonville, turn right just after the power plant onto Moss Landing Rd. and park on side of the road. Restrooms available in Harbor parking lot. Stay for lunch. View paintings.

[Map](#)

February 26: David Stonesifer's Home

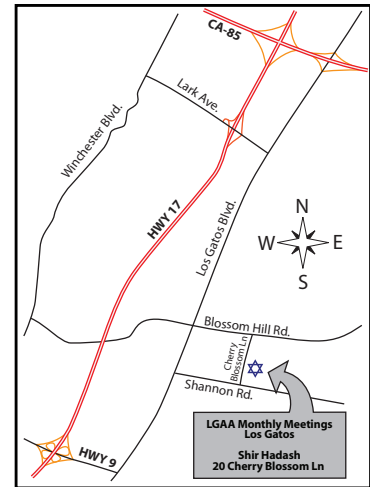


From Santa Cruz Ave. downtown Los Gatos, turn west on Main St., right on Bayview, left on Pennsylvania, right on Wissenhickon, left on Overlook Rd. David's house is on the left. Beautiful mission style home. Beautiful pond and gardens. Park on the street (not in the driveway). Lunch provided.

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LGAA General Meetings are held at Congregation Shir Hadash, 20 Cherry Blossom Ln, Los Gatos.

Member News

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Syd Dunton's piece titled *Tumbling*, made of various hardwoods and measures 16"x18"x36" high, is on display in the front lobby of Hotel Los Gatos.



Jill Kroh's two photographs, *Sun Worshipper & Sea Treasures*, were juried into the LGAA's 2017 Fall Member Juried Show and her acrylic mixed media painting on canvas, *Floral Fantasy*, was donated for the Santa Cruz Art League's 2017 annual "Luck of the Draw" art lottery fundraiser.



Joan Drennan, Veronica Gross, Linda Oberquell, Teresa Ruzzo and Judy Welsh, currently have paintings on display through February at Venture Christian Church's Annual Invitational "Best of Show" Exhibit at 16845 Hicks Rd. in Los Gatos.

2017 LGAA Fall Members Juried Show Award Winners

Sculpture

First Place:
Syd Dunton (Rocker)

Still Life

First Place:
Iris Lian (King and Queen)

Abstract

First Place:
Kay Duffy (Cocoa Love)

Hon. Mention:
Danielle Dufayet (So Much in Common)

Photography

First Place:
Patricia Dennis (Afterglow on the Palouse)

Second Place:
Claudia Gray (Milky Way ala Sierra Nevada)

Figures/Animals

First Place:
Claudia Browne (Jayla's Butterfly)

Second Place:
Danielle Dufayet (Sisterhood)

Third Place:
Michelle McCune (Better Hide)

Hon. Mention:
John Giannotti (Memories of Auntie)

Hon. Mention:
Bonnie LaRault (Charlie's Friend)

Hon. Mention:
Barbara Lancon (African Lady)

Hon. Mention:
Ran Wu (Getting Ready for the Parade)

Landscape/Seascape

First Place:
Judy Welsh (Foggy Day at Pebble)

Second Place:
David Stonesifer (Cooper Garrod Winery)

Third Place:
Sam Pearson (Quiet Road to a Needed Rest)

Hon. Mention:
Maralyn Miller (Grape Arbor)

Hon. Mention:
Nancy Takaichi (Roy's Café)

Best of Show:

Judy Welsh (Foggy Day at Pebble Beach)

Welcome New Members

Greg Cheung
Steve Lopez
Wilfred Mabanta
William Mabanta
Bimal Shrestha
Linda Sherry