

# PETALUMA ARTS ASSOCIATION

## Newsletter June 2006

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All members are invited to attend board meetings as non-voting participants. Written or phoned suggestions/concerns for the Board's consideration need to be received one week prior to the next board meeting. Please include your contact information.

### Bronze Sponsors (2006):

Aurora Colors Glass Art Center  
Pelican Art Gallery

### Honorary Gold Benefactors:

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### Our Next General Meeting

Date: June 6, 2006 Time: 7 P.M. Location: United Church of Christ at 825 Middlefield Road, Petaluma  
Topic: Christopher "Topher" Schink is an internationally known painter, teacher and author. Mr. Schink earned his B.A. in Fine Arts from Stanford University and also studied at the California College of Arts and Crafts. In addition, he studied privately with Rex Brandt, Barse Miller, and Edward Betts. He is an elected member of the National Watercolor Society, the Federation of Canadian Artists. He has taught throughout the U.S. and in Canada, Mexico, Europe, and Australia. Schink is also in demand as a judge for national and international painting exhibitions, including Watercolor West and more. Topher will do a painting demonstration for us. Don't miss this exciting program.

## May Meeting Highlights

Frank Marshall gave the program at our May meeting, with Pat Marshall's help. Watercolor painters always comment on how Frank's trees are so beautifully painted. Frank demonstrated his technique, giving directions on how he achieves painting different types of trees, including ones with pine needles and leaves. Pat passed out paper, paint boxes and brushes, and we all painted trees with Frank's help. Everyone enjoyed the activity and went home with a new perspective on tree painting.

Fittingly enough, the winner of the gift certificate to Petaluma Art & Earth was Frank Marshall.

## Program News

Thank you to Muriel Knapp for volunteering for the last 5 years to arrange our monthly programs. She would greatly appreciate some help with this task. The duties could be shared among several people. They are: arranging for a speaker, checking to make sure she/he has what is needed, introducing the speaker, making sure they are paid, making sure a thank you note is sent, and submitting information for the newsletter advertising the upcoming program and giving a synopsis of the program afterwards. If you are interested in helping Muriel with any of these tasks, please contact her or the board to offer your services. Thank you.

## Artists at Work

Lyndon and Vangie Pullins have moved their studio. Their original art glass designs may be seen at Aurora Colors Glass Art Center at 145 Kentucky Street in Petaluma.

Henry White is exhibiting original works & prints at the Graton Gallery, 9048 Graton Rd., Graton.

Michelle Sottile-Smith is showing her silk art at Anticipations Gallery at 102 Second Street in Petaluma.

If you are showing your work, please contact the newsletter so we may include your events. Permanent exhibits will be listed for 3 consecutive months.

## Calendar of Events

June 6:	7 P.M. General Meeting at United Church of Christ.
June 10:	2:30 – 5:30 P.M. Artists' reception "Cats, Dogs & Rainbows" at Pelican Art Gallery.
June 19:	7 P.M. Board Meeting at Aurora Colors. All members welcome.
June 21:	6:30 Art in the Park meeting at Pelican Art Gallery.
July 9:	Art and Garden Show
Sept. 9 & 10:	Art in the Park

## Art & Jazz on the River

Art & Jazz on the River is back!! Come, join the fun.

Every Friday, June 2 through September 29, 2006, Peter Welker and his fellow musicians will be playing on the Apple Box deck at 2<sup>nd</sup> and B Streets from approximately 5:30-8 P.M.

Artists who belong to PAA and/or PAC are invited to show their art at this event. Set up begins at 4:30 P.M., and breakdown begins at 8 P.M. If you would like to participate as an artist, call or e-mail for details: Karen Spratt at [kjspratt@comcast.net](mailto:kjspratt@comcast.net), 707-773-4898 or Dee Dushkes at [dushkes@comcast.net](mailto:dushkes@comcast.net), 707-769-8812 or Richard Standard at [jrstandard@comcast.net](mailto:jrstandard@comcast.net), 707-765-9056.

## Art and Garden Festival

All booths have been filled. If you have received your application confirmation, you are in! Details and instructions will be mailed by the Petaluma Downtown Association prior to the event. Vangie Pullins, representing the PAA artists, assisted with the booth assignments for all artists. Before and during the event, you may contact her with any questions or problems you may have. PAA will have a booth, #A1, in the A Street parking lot. Put on your thinking caps and bring your ideas for PAA's booth to the next general meeting – we want it to be beneficial to our members as well as attract new memberships.

## **The Museum Show “Looking Back at Petaluma – An Artist’s View**

The Museum Show, “Looking Back at Petaluma – An Artist’s View,” was held from April 5 – 30, 2006 at the Petaluma Historical Library and Museum. A reception was held on Thursday, April 13 5-8 P.M. Twenty-eight artists were represented by the 44 works that were shown. The show was sponsored by the Petaluma Museum Association with the cooperation of the Petaluma Arts Association and the Petaluma Arts Council.

The reception occurred on a warm & balmy evening, contributing to the already enjoyable event. Jeffrey Ventrella played a medley of fitting piano music, & a delightful buffet was provided by five local merchants. Special thanks to Devine Delights who provided Petite Fours; Petaluma Market, Bruschetta; Spring Hill Jersey Cheese Co. & Petaluma Creamery, a variety of cheeses; Petaluma Port Works, Port and Sherry, and committee members who provided chocolate.

Thanks again to the Exhibit Committee: Show Coordination: Karen West, PAA & Marilee Ford, PAC. Committee members: Mary Bales, Barbara Harden, Jean Fulton Logan, Margo McDowell, Karen Spratt, Marshall West & Gail Wilson. Also thanks to the Museum staff: Mildred Benson, Kathy Fries, Teresa Froschl & Susan Villa.

Awards were juried by Susan Cornelis and those presented were:

Best of Show: \$40 – “Line & Twine” – Linda Postenrieder

First Place, \$30 – “Turning Basin – Oldest Stone Building in Petaluma” – Before the Golden Eagle Shopping Center – Frank Marshall

Second Place, \$20 – “Artist and His Painting” – June Li

Third Place, \$10 - “Snow, Purple shadows, Yellow Field” – Jean Fulton Logan

Honorable Mention – “Stairway (Sun Side)” – Yingshi Tang

Honorable Mention – “Bread of Life – Petaluma” – Deanna Leiphart

Honorable Mention ‘ Sixth Street Sturgeon/Mix’ – Joseph Sturgeon

The winner of the People’s Choice Award went to Margo McDowell, who was awarded a year’s membership to the Museum Association and gifts from the Museum Gift Shop.

To date, three paintings have been sold, one large work and two smaller.

It was our pleasure to hang the show in the 100 year old Carnegie Library Building. The Museum was designed by Brainerd Jones, a renowned architect of that time. It was finished shortly before the 1906 San Francisco earthquake and suffered only minor damage to the stained glass dome. We were delighted to help in the celebration of this event.  
Karen West, Co-chairman

### **Available for Rent:**

A site on Petaluma Hill Road has been offered for rent to artists to sell their art. It has been a fruit stand in the past, with no water or restroom facilities. It has parking & is near Sonoma State. Owner: Vicki Tipton who may be reached at 707-585-8050 for details.

### **Art Studio For Rent:**

Art studio to rent on a small farm. Day/evening use only, no overnights. \$250 month. 707-738-6098.

