

PETALUMA ARTS ASSOCIATION

Newsletter August 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

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Bank of Marin, Petaluma Branch
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Our Next General Meeting

Please note date of next meeting. It will be the 1st Tuesday of the month, Aug. 1.

Date: August 1, 2006 Time: 7 P.M. Location: United Church of Christ at 825 Middlefield Road, Petaluma
Topic: Award-winning Nature photographer, Bob McFarland, will present a slide show. He will explore the craft in seeing the strength and beauty, and the harmony and balance in the patterns and textures and colors of Nature with his slide presentation.

There will be two drawings for gift certificates to Petaluma Art & Earth at the August meeting. One for members that attended the July meeting and one for our regular August meeting.

July Meeting Highlights

Pat Marshall very graciously did a critique of several members' work. She had many knowledgeable observations about the art, the principles of which could be applied to other work. She made a few suggestions and also opened it up for discussion from those present. Thank you, Pat.

Message from the President:

It is time for a **nominating committee** to be formed for the next election of officers. On the slate will be our Vice President position and Secretary position. 2007 will be our 50th Anniversary year. This organization can only exist through the generosity of our members' volunteering their various talents. We have several positions becoming available for 2007. PAA is about our artists and all we have to share through our art and our knowledge. It has only lasted this many years through our volunteers. If you are one that has believed you do not have time to volunteer, then it is time to look around you at your fellow members that have been volunteering regularly. They do not have time, either. Please think hard on this subject. I look forward to an exciting 50th year with you all.

Membership News:

Please welcome new members:

Carole L. Smith, e-mail: suzzykai@comcast.net, phone 707-696-3909

Marylin Kelley, e-mail: bartkitty@comcast.net

Logo Contest:

Many thanks to the artists who entered the PAA logo contest. They are: Nancyrose Green, Lilly Kwong, and JoAnn Naylor. The winner will be announced at the August meeting.

Grant Information

PAA has awarded \$500 scholarships to the following art students at Santa Rosa Junior College: Ben Kellgren, Antonina King and Sandra Lara. Congratulations to all three. They worked very hard for these scholarships. Grants to schools will be made in the fall. Thank yous and kudos to all of our membership for making these awards possible.

Artists at Work

"Landscapes and Townscapes," paintings by Henry White & Wendy Brayton are showing at the Graton Gallery until August 27, with an artists' reception Sat. July 29 from 3 – 7 P.M. Graton Gallery is located at 9048 Graton Rd., in downtown Graton. Closed Mondays. Info at 829-8912.

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.

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.

Requests for Art

In recent months, there have been a number of requests to place art at various business sites. There was some discussion at the July meeting about how to handle these requests. It has been decided to refer these business people to look at PAA's website gallery & then to contact specific artists whose work suits their needs or for them to contact PAC to see whether they would be willing to add a site to their Art Around Town program. Vangie will post these requests on the information board at the general meetings in case any members wish to contact the businesses directly.

Calendar of Events

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| August 1: | 7 P.M PAA General Meeting |
| August 16: | 6:30 P.M. Art in the Part meeting at Pelican Art Gallery. |
| August 21: | 7 P.M. PAA Board meeting at Aurora Colors. All members welcome. |
| Sept. 5: | 7 P.M. PAA General Meeting |
| Sept. 9 & 10: | Art in the Park |
| Sept. 18: | 7 P.M. PAA Board meeting at Aurora Colors. All members welcome. |

Art & Jazz on the River

Art & Jazz on the River continues. Come, join the fun.

Every Friday through September 29, 2006, Peter Welker and his fellow musicians will be playing on the Apple Box deck at 2nd 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, 707-773-4898 or Dee Dushkes at dushkes@comcast.net, 707-769-8812 or Richard Standard at jrstandard@comcast.net, 707-765-9056.

Art in the Park

Final Art in the Park (AIP) meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 16th at 6:30 P.M. at Pelican Art Gallery.

Donations are still needed for the raffle, proceeds of which go specifically towards our scholarship/grant fund. You may donate whether or not you are a participant at Art in the Park. Donated art may be dropped off at Aurora Colors (707-762-0131) & will be displayed in the Copperfield Book Store window prior to the event. 2-D donations must be framed with wire hanger. Please get your donations to Vangie before August 15th. If you'd like, you can bring them to the August meeting on August 1st.

Still plenty of spaces for artists for Art in the Park. This year, we will have a professional sound system the entire 2 days, making the music transition quicker and making announcements easier to hear throughout the park. Please encourage your artist friends to participate. Questions, call Linda 707-773-3393.

5th Annual Art and Garden Festival Report

What a hot day! PAA was listed as a sponsor on the Art and Garden posters and web page. Fine art was sold, but it was not a high selling day. PAA members and non-members did make use of PAA's credit card machine. This year our members used the service for free, and non-members paid a donation of 15% of their credit card sale. Donations versus actual costs for the booth are not complete at this writing. Our booth attracted new membership, with one person signing up that day and a couple dozen people requesting applications. PAA's presence at this festival proved to be worthwhile. Jim Johnson volunteered to take photos of the event on behalf of PAA, and copies were given to the host of the event, the Petaluma Downtown Association. Many, many thanks to all that assisted with the booth: Tricia Perkey, Virginia Stevens-Johnson, Linda Postenrieder, Jim Johnson, and Jan Lee. –Vangie Pullins, Committee Chair.

Volunteer Positions:

A reminder that the following volunteer positions are opening up for 2007:

Vice President

Secretary

Membership Chair

Newsletter Chair

Program/Presentation Chair

Library Show Chair (this position needs to be filled by October!!!)

Art in the Park Chair

Publicist for Calendar and Non-Event Publications

Persian Rug Seminar

A free seminar about Persian rugs is being offered to PAA members by Monarch Interiors of Petaluma on Sunday, August 27 from 10:30 – noon. The seminar will include a tour of the vault and showroom, and attendees will learn how to identify the age, quality, and country of origin and learn how to determine a fair price. Tea and cookies will be served. A minimum of 10 and a maximum of 20 participants can be accommodated. To reserve this date, a firm commitment must be made by August 11. Please respond to Jan Lee before that date at hpoplee@aol.com or 707-789-9662. If room permits, we may be able to include non-PAA members.

