



Petaluma Arts Association Revised August NEWSLETTER 2008

Regular Meeting, Tuesday, August 5,

7pm business meeting followed by refreshment break:

Agenda: Committee reports: Art In the Park, Art and Jazz on the River, Bank of Marin show, Spirit of Color Show, Salvation Army Show, possible venues downtown, Nomination Committee, other reports and announcements.

At each meeting YOU have the opportunity to sign up for various committees. It is the volunteers that make this organization work.

Program: 8pm ... Christopher Newhard,

Christopher Newhard is a figurative and landscape painter working in a realistic style. He interprets in two dimensions what inspires him in three dimensions, from life, models, or "en plein air". Mr. Newhard received his MFA in painting from the New York Academy of Art, Graduate School of Figurative Art. He has painted professionally for 10 years in galleries in Carmel and Sacramento and in various painting events and festivals. He has taught figurative drawing at the San Francisco Art Academy for the last 5 years. He will show slides of his work and discuss the importance and advantages of painting from life, as well as utilizing photography and memory. The artist will also demonstrate the process of working from studies to complete large and more complex work.

If you have suggestions that you think would be beneficial to our group or goals, please let us know by providing a written suggestion to one of our Board members or send an e-mail to paaboard@petalumaarts.org

Program Notes:

The July program was a Critique and sharing opportunity, led by Pat Marshall. The work shared ranged from wax, to sculpture in copper and lots of good things in between. You really do learn from others successes and challenges.

Thanks to Muriel Knapp and her committee for scheduling a variety of interesting programs.

Coming programs

Sept 1

Carol Beadle

Mixed Media

Membership Information:

. Please contact Tricia Perkey at email triciaperkey@sbcglobal.net should you like to change any information or cannot find your name. Those who do not have a computer may call Tricia at 707-778-3851, who will be happy to double check information for you. **We may soon need a volunteer to handle the membership duties.**

Member Profiles

A faithful member for over 20 years, **Mary Bales**, can always be depended on to volunteer her talents and quiet enthusiasm. In the past she served as treasurer for 6 years, and served on every committee, including publicity for Art in the Park. She was the first to start putting art work on the poster. (The next year we had t-shirts made with the poster art on them.) After several years of not being able to be part of Art in the Park, this year she will be exhibiting her work. She has primarily worked in watercolor, and recently discovered the joy of colored pencil. Now she is exploring oil painting. Mary has attended many classes, including figure and portrait classes. Mary is always willing to learn some thing new or different. She organized a rotating exhibit in a store window so will have some ideas on a possible new project for PAA. Mary and her husband Tom celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary this year. Tom is also a veteran of many art shows, as he has lifted, carried, moved panels, and hung paintings. Mary's web site is mbales@sonic.net.

Be an active part of PAA, and never stop learning

Unsung Hero: Elda Runco is the member who sends by mail the newsletter to those who don't receive it over the internet. It's one of those quiet jobs that helps the news get out and isn't noticed until you don't get your newsletter. Elda was an accomplished oil painter until she started taking classes from Pat Marshall. Now she does lovely watercolors, not an easy task for someone used to oil painting. Elda is another member not afraid to learn something new. Thank you Elda, for your quiet dependability and cheerful presence.

Art and Jazz on the River now to Sept., Fridays 6 pm to sundown

There is a slight change in the set-up area for the artists, so it is important to contact **Bobbin Tobin** if you are interested in being part of this activity. More artists are needed to display their work from 5:30 to 8 each Friday night on the sidewalk near the Apple Box. This year the event is free of commissions or donations for all PAA and PAC members. So we are hoping that artists will come out and showcase their talent. Artists are to contact **Bobbin Tobin** by 3:30 on the Friday if they wish to show, and to sign in with the Captain by 5:30. Spots will be assigned on a first come, first choice basis. If you have any question, contact Bobbin, 763-2514, or bobbint@sonic.net

Art in the Park Sept. 6 and 7, Sat. and Sun., 10 to 5

Linda Postenrieder and her committee are busy, with this big event and need all the members to be involved. Contact Linda, either at the meetings or at the Pelican Art Gallery if you can help in any way. The best publicity is "word of mouth". so let your friends know that the BEST OUTDOOR ART SHOW is coming s

Spirit of Color Friday, August 1, 9 am to 8 pm. Rooster Run Golf Club, 2301 East Washington St., Petaluma. This is annual fund-raising event benefiting the PAA school grant program, and the Petaluma Peoples Service Center. It is sponsored by the Bank of Marin, (Petaluma Branch), and PAA. It is open to the public from 10 am to 8 pm.

Art and Music and Bar-b-que, Community event sponsored by the Salvation Army, Saturday, August 23, 10 to 4

Artists are invited to show their work at this community event. There is no charge for space, no commissions, and the artists are allowed to sell their work. The only request is that the organizers know who is interested in showing work so information about the artists can be in the publicity. There is still time to contact Pat Marshall, 763-2308 if you are interested in participating.

A Message from President Darold:

At the July meeting there was considerable discussion about the PAA credit card for Art in the Park. After much discussion and lots of questions, the Executive Board decided to discontinue the credit card. The primary concern was financial.

There is a \$60 charge every month even when the card is not being used plus various fees when it was used. Another credit card system is being researched.

We are looking for more venues for displaying art. A suggestion has been made concerning vacant stores downtown. This will be on the agenda at the Aug. meeting. The Executive Board meetings are open to the members and any member is welcome to attend. If you know of some business that would be a good venue for showing art work please contact me or any other Board member. We also need a member willing to scout out possible venues and to work with the members showing work.

Gallery Walks 2nd Friday, each month for the summer 5 to 8

For the summer, all the galleries in Petaluma will be open for special hours on the 2nd Friday of each month, and it is a nice walk before or after dinner. Petaluma is fortunate to have several art galleries showing quality work and varied styles and materials.

The Riverfront Gallery is featuring Henry White, "A Few of My Favorite Things", that includes new landscapes as well as intimate still life's and figurative work; and Tracy Bigelow Grisman's "Jazz Line", a wall of oil portraits of Jazz greats. The Artist's reception is Sat. , Aug. 16, 5 to 9 with music by The Riverfront Blues Band. The Show includes new art by the 24 resident artists, and runs from Aug 5 to Sept. 21.

The current exhibit at the Aurora Colors Gallery, "Summer Afternoon", is showing 66 original oils, watercolors and acrylic by well known local and California artists.

Members Dee Andreine and Evelyn Dolowitz-Nitzberg have joined the gallery as resident artists. The exhibit space has been redesigned with new lighting.

Be sure to visit this gallery, the Pelican Gallery, and the Riverfront Gallery to see new and exciting work and to support our PAA members who own them.

Fourth of July...art fun for kids

Vangie Pullins and the Aurora Gallery sponsored children's art projects at the community Fourth of July event at the fair grounds. Five art activities were offered (one was co-sponsored by Cats and Dragons Art Studio). Several PAA members volunteered their time; Virginia Stevens-Johnson, Pat Marshall, Barbara Harden, and Muriel Knapp. Virginia was in charge of a project and provided many hours of assistance in preparation. The kids had a great time. Vangie and Lyndon send a BIG thanks to the members and friends for helping with this community event.

Members Gallery and Venue Information

Dee Andreine is representing Aurora Colors Gallery with a new work for "The Gallery Show" at the Art Council of Sonoma County Gallery. This is a collection of works from at least 46 Sonoma County galleries. The exhibit runs to Sept. 12 at, 404 Mendocino Ave. Suite C, Santa Rosa.

FAIR AWARDS This was a good time for PAA members Renee Shipley, Hedda Gold and Jan Lee.

At the Marin County Fair two of Renee Shipley's sculptures won awards: 2nd place and Honorable Mention.

At the Sonoma Marin Fair Renee won a 1st place for one sculpture, and both a 1st and Best of Show for another sculpture. She also won a 1st place for a gourd and both a 1st and an Award of excellence for another gourd.

Hedda Gold won a 1st place and Best of Class for one of her photographs, and a 2nd place for another photograph. For two of her gourds Hedda won 1st and a 2nd. places. She also won an Award of Excellence for a watercolor. Jan won a 1st place for an acrylic painting and a 1st place, Best of Section, and a Special Award for a watercolor.

Congratulations to all participating members.

Nominations... This year we will be electing a new Vice President, and a new secretary. These can be shared jobs. It is for a 2 year term. Think about how you can help keep PAA going and growing as it has for over 50 years. A nominating Committee will be formed next month.

Class & Teacher information may be found at:

www.petalumaarts.org/findateacher

www.petalumaarts.org/acsc_calendar.php

If you have any suggestions or art related news items please send it to news@petalumaarts.org or to Pat Marshall, 763-2308. The due date for Newsletter articles will normally be the first Wednesday after the Board Meeting. Pat Marshall is currently doing the newsletter, and requests help with writing two short articles for "Membership profiles"

Thank you to Belu Jones who will be answering calls to our listed phone number (793-2113)

For Information or to contact the Board in 2008:

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2008 Events Calendar:

Every Friday Eve. Art on the River
August 5 Regular Meeting, 7pm
August 23 10-4 Art and Music and Bar B Q Salvation Army
Sep 2 Regular Meeting, 7pm
Sep 6 & 7 Art in the Park
October 7 Regular Meeting, 7pm
November 4 Regular Meeting, 7pm
December 2 Regular Meeting, 7pm
Holiday Party date pending
Additional dates for Board Meetings will be determined and notification sent.

Next Regular Meeting August 5:

The PAA meets the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM. With a social break from 7:45-8:00. The meetings are held at the United Church of Christ, 825 Middlefield Road, Petaluma.

Directions: Driving south on Petaluma Blvd., turn right onto Mountain View Ave, left on Mission, right on Middlefield, and left into the parking lot.

Board Meeting

The next Board meeting is scheduled for Monday evening Aug.18, 1310 Clegg Street. 7 o'clock

Clegg Street is two blocks past the McDowell Post Office (if you're heading towards Kohl's), then turn left directly across from FEDEX office.