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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Well, Spring is springing, and for those of you who do flowers, now's your chance. I'm looking forward to seeing my weeds have flowers, as I have given up long ago on actual flower flowers for the most part.

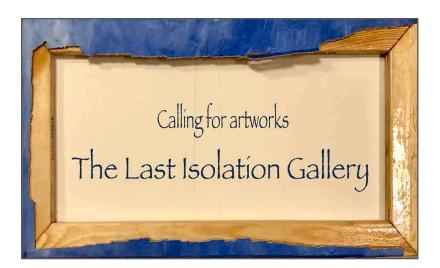
We are looking forward to an active summer for BAA. The Spring Member's Show is still on at the GEO. Following will be a summer show entitled "Three's Company," emphasizing the creation of triptychs as art pieces. We will be having a July and August newsletter and plan to have a July and August Zoom meeting with special presenters as we have had this last year. Our Program

Chair Stefanie Girard seems to know everyone in the art business, and we have had some great presentations. So we will see what she comes up with.

As you probably have heard, the slate of officers and chairs proposed by this Spring's nominating committee was voted on and accepted by the membership. These folks will take over their new jobs on September 1, 2021. Your new president will be Mimi Rossi, and I expect that she and everyone will do their usual outstanding jobs in supporting BAA.

We are looking forward to in-person meetings for the monthly gatherings, and we will keep you posted on our progress.

Meanwhile, stay safe and keep painting, sewing, casting, throwing, chiseling, soldering, and hammering.



EXHIBITS ~ Ellie Klein, Exhibits Chair



Spring Show Reception and Art Pick up

Yes, you read that right! As pandemic restrictions are reportedly being lifted in mid-June, we are planning to have a **reception from 5-7 pm on Friday, June 25th**, in the parking lot of the Geo Gallery. We will have an outside reception, and there will be an opportunity to view the Spring Show inside the gallery. Mask wearing will be optional for outside, especially if you have been fully vaccinated. If you have *not* been immunized by that time, it would still be in your best interest to wear a mask.

The reception and exhibit viewing will take place from 5-6pm. At 6pm, we will have a brief modified awards ceremony, after which members will

be able to retrieve their artwork before leaving by 7pm. During "normal" times, the reception and awards ceremony is the best part of the two annual exhibits. We invite you to attend this modified version to get us back on our feet! The 2021 Annual Fall Show reception in November (at the Betsy Lueke Creative Arts Center Gallery) will be a most welcome celebration! Much more on that later...

I look forward to seeing the artists, their family, and friends at the reception on June 25th. Participating artists are encouraged to bring something for the refreshments table (but this is optional). **Please note:** If you cannot attend the reception, please make arrangements to pick up your artwork on Saturday morning, June 26th, from 10am-12pm, as Joanna will be taking in a new summer show.

As always, if you have any questions, I can be reached at ellieoklein@gmail.com.

GEO GALLERY NEWS ~ Joanna Lewis, Exhibits Chair, Geo Gallery

"Three's Company Art Exhibit"

Hello Artists!

Hopefully, you have started on your Triptych, Trifecta, Triangle or Trio. As you can see, Threesomes are A LOT of work! (Please mentally note this for future reference). After all, it's Three times the painting, sewing, casting, throwing, chiseling, soldering, hammering, and stringing. Plus framing. Plus, dragging them all to me. I know. As Larry (the debonair neighbor on the show) would remind us, it's all for love.

If you cannot make it Saturday, you may bring in your artwork on Friday, June 25th, either during



business hours or before our Closing reception. Just be sure your artwork is strung for hanging, and your paperwork is filled out for all three pieces. Also, so there is no confusion, place your artwork in order (first, second and third) and indicate this on your paperwork (either 1.2.3 or A.B.C.) so we know how to hang it.

We will be doing the proper take in on Saturday, June 26th, from 10-12. We will have more forms. See you at the Geo! Please continue to wear your mask while indoors. I can't wait to see what you have created (in triplicate) for our groovy Summer Show - Three's Company!

p.s. If you want to wear 70s attire or roller skates to the party, it is not required but encouraged. Pick up of art will be at the end of August.



BAA Members Solo GEO Shows

We have a plethora of new Solo Shows coming up at the Geo. It's so exciting! There are still opportunities, so if you are interested, please email Joanna at <u>exhibits2@burbankartassociation.org</u>.

> Pam McDonald - September 2021 Jamie Butterworth - October 2021 Lusine Saakyan - November 2021 - Jan 2022 Paula Quasarano - February 2022 Linda Roletti and Friends - March 2022

JUNE PROGRAM ~ Stefanie Girard, Program Chair



Guest Speaker for our June Membership Meeting will be:

ZÄRA MONET FEENEY

Our monthly meeting is on **June 16, 7pm via Zoom** ~ Zoom link to be sent out closer to the event.

BIO & ARTIST STATEMENT – {partial}

Zära Monet Feeney is an exhibiting artist as well as curator and college professor. She has a BA from UCLA and an MFA from LCAD. Her art studio is based in Los Angeles.

Feeney's paintings are published in Huffington Post, LA Weekly, Manifest, Juxtapoz, Beautiful Bizarre, Young-Space, Uproxx, Art in America, and Circle Art periodicals. She has been awarded 14 solo shows and 37 selected group exhibitions in the past 5 years, including Museum of Art and History:CEDAR- Lancaster, Carnegie Art Museum- Oxnard, Torrance Art Museum, Brea Art Gallery, CES Contemporary Gallery, 101 Exhibit Gallery, CMAY Gallery, Mash Gallery, CAP Gallery and Eastern Projects Gallery. Her credentials also include numerous national and international art residencies and first place honors at juried group exhibitions. She recently placed first (out of over 1,000 applicants) in the state-wide juried painting competition, *Made in California*. She also recently placed first in the Los Angeles juried competition with LA Artcore Gallery (out of over 700 applicants).

Feeney feels there is a specific moment when we believe an illusion or become seduced by something outside of ourselves. When this happens, we are not looking at something, but looking at ourselves perceiving it.

By challenging traditional modes of representation and exploiting optics of value and color, she hopes the viewer will question the generic way a painting is received.

You can read more about Zara on her website, http://www.zaramonetfeeney.com/

SCHOLARSHIP ~ Jamie Butterworth, Scholarship Chair

Burbank Art Association 2021 Colleage Scholarships

Arline Helm College Scholarship Winner - Diego Gonzalez from John Burroughs High School

Jamie Butterworth and Stefanie Girard from our BAA Scholarship Committee were happy to award Diego Gonzalez from John Burroughs High School with our \$500 Arline Helm College Scholarship for 2021 and a gift certificate for \$100 of art supplies donated by Golden Paints. Diego submitted an impressive portfolio that showed his mastery in a variety of mediums. He plans to study animation in the fall at Woodbury University with the hope of eventually becoming a model maker in stop-motion animation. Diego is pictured here with Deborah Madrigal, principal of John Burroughs High School, and Jamie Butterworth, VP of Burbank Art Association.



Charlotte Jones College Scholarship Winner - Bird Le'au from Brbank High School



We were also pleased to award Bird Le'au from Burbank High School with our \$250 Charlotte Jones College Scholarship for 2021, along with a gift certificate for \$100 of art supplies donated by Golden Paints. Bird loves to sing, act, sculpt and paint! Her work has meaning and shows a depth of emotion. She will be attending New York University in the fall and will be a Collaborative Arts Major (which means she gets to take classes in any or all of the visual and performing arts!) How many of us would love to go back to college and do that!?! Bird is pictured here with BHS Counselor Caroline Sasorski and Jamie Butterworth from BAA.

Youth Art Expo 2021

Artistic Excellence Winner – Hannah Sidener Senior at Burbank High School

On May 14, 2021 The Burbank Art Association was pleased to present Burbank High School Senior Hannah Sidener an award in Artistic Excellence for her painting titled "Life" in Burbank's Youth Art Expo 2021. The Youth Art Expo, produced by the City of Burbank Parks and Recreation Department and Burbank Fine Arts Federation, is an annual event open to all Burbank students, grades TK-12, to celebrate and recognize the artistic talent of the Burbank youth. Each year the Burbank Art Association chooses a work by a senior student. This year's prize was a \$100 gift certificate donated by Golden Paints. Youth Art Expo 2021 was a virtual show and may still be viewed <u>here</u>. Congratulations, Hannah!

(L-R) Burbank Art Association Vice President Jamie Butterworth, award winner Hannah Sidener, and BHS Assistant Principal for Athletics and Activities Brian James. Photo by Stefanie Girard.



PENSTROKES Helena Bowman, Penstrokes Chair

Penstrokes is a short news update from our Members. We welcome our members to send in information on any exciting art stuff they would like to share. These could be personal accomplishments or events you think we would be interested in. Send in before the end of the month to Helena to <u>helenasbowman@gmail.com</u> and subject line: "BAA Penstrokes"

Karen Sachs has revamped her website and is happy with how it reflects her playful, colorful, and creative artist side. It is simple and easy to navigate with her artwork, and workshop/events are in one place. You can check it out at: <u>https://paintyouressence.com</u>. If you are interested in purchasing any of her artwork, workshops, and or events, you also reach her at <u>karen@paintyouressence.com</u>.



Kris Reinke is back from far too much fun travel. She went to Yosemite to teach Art with Jennifer Bentson. Kris sold a painting of Half Dome. (Yay!) Afterward, she went to Carson City, Nevada, where she was commissioned to paint a piece for the band V2A. So, all in all – Kris had a great, fun, and busy time.

Lucky for us, **Pam McDonald** will be back teaching at the Creative Art Center in person in June. Then in August, Pam and her daughter Dede will be traveling to Italy.

Congratulations to Debra Reynolds for winning 4th-Place in the Valley Watercolor Society at the May Meeting. Her piece is called, "Winter Tree"





So, **Ren Colantoni's** shoebox in which he held all his paint tubes finally disintegrated. He had to find a new way to keep the tubes, preferably with some organization. He checked all sorts of websites: Blick's, Art Bin, etc. - and nobody had a solution. All the boxes he found and a couple he bought had places either too small or too large for the tubes he uses. So, Ren had two boxes made to order, using some partitions he found on one website. Here is a picture of the main "in use" box. colantoni@dslextreme.com

If you would like to paint micro Art on Scrabble tiles for a good cause, swing by Stefanie Girard's house and pick up a bag of 12 tiles and then drop them back off before the show. Your art tiles will be shown in the Micro Art Candy Machine to raise money for TreePeople at the "Trees Rustle and Breathe" exhibit at the Neutra Gallery in Silverlake. Art Candy Machine <u>https://artcandymachine.blogspot.com/2020/10/call-for-art-art-candy-machine-sell.html</u>



A group of talented BAA members are teaming up with a fellow artist, **Diane Carter**, to do a show about Trees - **Helena Julin-Bowman**, **Joanna Lewis**, **Yvonne Jongeling**, **Stefanie Girard**, **Mimi Rossi**, **and Jen Snoeyink**. The exhibit, "*Trees Rustle and Breathe*," will have lots of paintings of trees, a Rainforest Room, a Lorax Room, and a Tree full of Art from the Art candy machine, plus more!

This is a fundraiser for promoting tree planting. **30% of sales will be donated to TreePeople**. This multimedia show will open at the Neutra Institute Gallery in Silverlake on July 3, 6pm.



The Burbank Art Association is a volunteer-run, non-profit organization. Our mission is to stimulate and encourage creative expression and provide a showcase for our members' talents. Artists of all ages and skill levels are welcome to join. Sponsorships and donations to the BAA help to fund exhibits, awards and student scholarships. Your gift will have a tremendous impact by keeping our organization thriving and serving its community. If you or someone you know would like to become a sponsor, please contact us through our website at: www.burbankartassociation.org



