



# BAA ARTIST NEWS

## January's News 2022

Encouraging creativity in visual arts and serving the community since 1950.

### *President's Message - Mimi Rossi*



Happy New Year, Fellow Artists!

Many people look at the new year as a fresh start. Many people create resolutions, and when they don't accomplish them, they feel as if they failed. That's why I don't make them.

I look at every day as a fresh start; every moment I choose is a fresh start.

Looking back at 2021, I think about the things I tried (*whether I succeeded or not*), things I accomplished, and things I discovered. And, I'll do more of that this year because it brings me joy. Life is too short not to have joy in your life!

My new year's wish for you is a blank canvas, a virgin lump of clay, a fresh box of pencils, a new set of paints – whatever your medium – I wish you joy.

Eat, drink and be creative every day!

And on that note, the Board has decided to keep the hybrid meetings going until further notice. Those of you that feel comfortable with in-person meetings will have the opportunity to join us at the usual spot – the Burbank Administrative Office Building. And those that aren't quite ready can join us via Zoom. We are working on a better Zoom experience for the next meeting. Mark your calendar for January 19th. The Zoom details will be sent before the meeting.

*"Talent is a pursued interest. Anything that you're willing to practice, you can do." ~ Bob Ross*

Wishing you all good things in the new year, and always,

Mimi Rossi

## PROGRAMS - Stefanie Girard & Pam McDonald

**Next Meeting:** Wednesday, January 19, 2022, 7p-9p -

**Presenter:** Annie Wood

Annie Wood, mixed-medium artist, and actress, will teach you how to create your self-portraits in a fun workshop! All materials will be provided except for one thing: Take or bring photos of yourself that we can use as reference.

This abstract process is perfect for anyone who wants an original piece of artwork--no previous art experience is required whatsoever because she will let us loose on the canvas together with her supplies (and maybe even show some tips!).

This meeting will be a hybrid.

- The Zoom link will be emailed out on Monday, January 17.
- If you are going to be going in person, here is the address.

Burbank Administrative Building,  
301 E. Olive Ave, Room 102.  
Burbank, CA

The entrance is on the lower level at the back of the building. Parking is on the side of the building on Olive.

You can learn more about Annie Wood on her website, [anniewood.com](http://anniewood.com); Instagram @anniewoodworld & @artistanniewood, and Twitter @anniewood.

See you there!



## Show & Tell - Jamie Butterworth



Since we resume in-person meetings, we would like to start doing our "show and tells" again. We invite one or two members to share their work with us and tell a bit about themselves at the beginning of each meeting to help us to get to know each other a bit better. If you are interested in doing a "show and tell," please email Jamie Butterworth at [VP@burbankartassociation.org](mailto:VP@burbankartassociation.org).

### Holiday Party

Thank you to all who attended the Annual Holiday Party! We had a nice mix of new and old members. It was a bit chilly, but that added to the holiday vibe. We had a beautiful setting, tasty dinner, and a lively white elephant gift exchange (thanks for being such good sports, Teresa Green and Chance!) We even had the honor of getting to sing happy (90th!) birthday to our long-time member, Marie Bezjian (complete with explosive candles that Betty Bairamian brought)! It was a lovely evening, and I hope everyone had an excellent time.



Thank you to everyone who helped!

- Parisa Talebian helped with planning and did a great job of making our tables beautiful;
- My husband, John, strung up extra twinkly lights and kept the fires going for a magical setting;
- Stefanie Girard and Yvonne Jongeling came early to help with the last-minute crunch;
- Jenny Cirrincione brought coffee supplies;
- April Cowger brought Yummy Cupcakes (!);
- Pam McDonald loaned us tables and chairs;
- Mimi Rossi brought over decor and an extra white elephant gift (which we needed!);
- Helena Bowman helped clean up;
- Ren Colantoni took photos which can be seen on our website.

And thank you to anyone I missed who helped along the way or with clean-up! Your help was greatly appreciated!



### Holiday Art Exchange

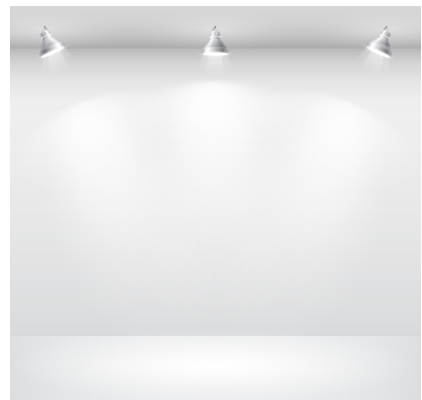
We had 11 members participate in the Holiday Art Exchange. (I love doing this because I get to see everyone's beautiful work!) If you participated, please post the art you received on our Facebook members' page so everyone can enjoy seeing them. Isn't it a nice treat to get art in the mail?

## Annual Exhibits - Ellie Klein & Helena Bowman

### 2022 BAA Annual Sprint Show

The 2022 Spring Show will take place in April at the Geo Gallery. Take-In is scheduled for Saturday, April 2, 9 am-12noon. The Artists' reception will be on Saturday, April 9 from 5-7 pm.

As you look ahead for this exhibit, keep in mind the smaller size of the Geo Gallery and plan your work accordingly. Because of this and the size of our group (over 100 members), only one entry per person will be allowed (no exceptions), and the maximum size for artwork is 36" high x 24" wide. The Geo Gallery can display only wall art. If you have artwork that needs special consideration, we will do our best to accommodate you, but please discuss your needs with us (Ellie and Helena) ahead of the Take-In date.



Open Division Categories will include the usual Landscape/Seascape/Cityscape Still Life/Floral Life/Genre (People/Animals) Abstract and Photography. Sculpture/Ceramics will be accepted only as wall art. An additional category, Fantasy, is being considered to be added, and we will provide more information about that shortly. There will be more show details, rules, and regulations, etc, in upcoming Newsletters and specifically related emails.

As the online catalog of the 2021 Spring Show was well-received, we may produce a digital catalog of this year's exhibit as well, [to post on our website and](#) social media pages. This requires a lot of extra work, but it is a great way for your art to be seen by many others outside of the group. To be featured in the catalog, you will need to submit a photo of your entry by mid-late March, so our Web Guy, Ren, can work his magic. There will be more details forthcoming on this as well.

We look forward to another great exhibit. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact Ellie ([ellieoklein@gmail.com](mailto:ellieoklein@gmail.com)) or Helena ([helenasbowman@gmail.com](mailto:helenasbowman@gmail.com)).

Ellie and Helena, Annual Exhibits Co-Chairs

*p.s.: Due to a miscommunication regarding the exhibit labels at our Fall Show, only Best of Show and 1st Place winners were noted on the artwork labels. Unfortunately, this error was discovered too late to correct. All winners were listed in the exhibit program and in the December newsletter. As Exhibit Chair, I regret the error and take responsibility for the mistake, but please be assured it was unintentional. Our usual procedure is to indicate all winners on their artwork labels, and we will continue to do so. - EK*

## **GEO Exhibits - Joanna Lewis**



### **Save the Date!**

**Paula Quasarano**

**Geo Gallery Reception**

**February 4th, 2022 5-7p**

Paula Quasarano's "Obscure Beauty" solo show will be our first exhibit of the new year! She has a robust collection for this month-long engagement filled with pieces from various series capturing what she sees as beauty in all things.

There will be a reception on Friday, February 4th, from 5-7p.

Join us for Paula's and future exhibits at the Geo Gallery, 1545 Victory Blvd. Glendale, CA 91201, Monday - Friday, during regular business hours, 10a - 5p. Park in the back, and please wear your mask!

Support your fellow artists by attending receptions. We are fortunate to have a gallery - Let's fill it to the brim with people! (six feet apart, masked up. Haha. seriously.)

### **2022 Geo Gallery Shows**

February - Paula Quasarano "Obscure Beauty"

March - Helena, Jeri, Linda, Teresa, and Karen - "Life How We All See It."

April - All Member Big Spring Show - no theme, judged.

May - April Cowgur

June, July, and August - All Member (plus others) "Room for Improvement" show. More info to come.

## **WebSights - Ren Colantoni**

**WebSights** is a new category for our newsletter.

While the BAA website <https://www.burbankartassociation.org/> has the purpose of attracting and informing casual visitors and non-members, it also has a variety of features that can appeal to members as well.

As an example, check out the main menu link (the vertical link buttons at the left) entitled "Show Galleries". This item has a right-pointing arrow in white.



Click on this to get a list of all the show galleries that BAA has put on or participated in since 2014. If you select one of these, you will get a page of pictures and notes for the item you have selected. It's a great way to see what has gone in the past and how BAA has continued to grow and feature some great art.

## **Penstrokes - Helena Bowman**

We welcome all our member to send and share 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 photos too!





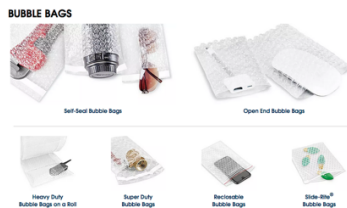
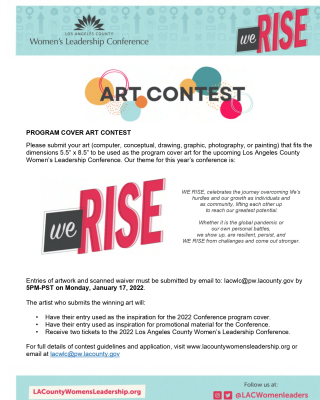
Send in before the end of each month to Helena at

helenasbowman@gmail.com. The email subject should read: "BAA Penstrokes"

**Oscar Will** works for the County, and every year they have an art contest for the 2022 Los Angeles County Women's Leadership Conference. Part of the flyer is attached.

For more details, contest guidelines, and application, visit [www.lacountywomensleadership.org](http://www.lacountywomensleadership.org) or email at [lacwlc@pw.lacounty.gov](mailto:lacwlc@pw.lacounty.gov).

The deadline is Monday, January 17, 2022, at 5p.



**Jeri Lynn Grover** uses bubble-wrap pockets to protect her framed artwork while she travels to art shows. She is sharing information and links on where you might be able to purchase these bubble-wrap pockets. She shares that Uline may be less expensive than Frame Destination; however, Frame Destination makes custom sizes. Here are some links.

[Uline Open-end bubble bags](#)

[Uline Bubble Bags](#)

[Frame Destination Photo Storage Bubble Bags](#)

**Linda Roletti** was offered to show her work at an office complex in Encino. However, there were 13 notable display cases, more than she could fill. So Linda invited a few other BAA members to join her - Jeri Lynn Grover, Helena Bowman, Teresa Green, and Karen Sachs. The show will have a nice mix of media: Linda's felted art and watercolors, Jeri and Teresa displaying their photography, and Karen and Helena as acrylic painters. They are setting up the show on Sunday, January 9. They are all excited for this unique opportunity to show their artwork for three months in a location none of them have shown before.



Let's celebrate the New Year with the Burbank Tournament of Roses Association float "An Unlikely Tale," winning the Mayor Award for a most outstanding float from a participating city.

The BAA Members volunteered throughout the season. **Teresa Green** worked on several float parts, from drying the Christmas trees and orange dots to painting the pod. **Helena Bowman** assisted in building the dragon's wings, ears, and one arm after she learned to weld with the Burbank Tournament of Roses Association. **Karen**

**Sachs** worked during deco week and shifted split peas and put the yellow sawdust on the Kid's leg. They used over 2500 lbs of peas on the dragon.

The Burbank Tournament of Roses Association always looks for people to help out. Check out their website and become a member and or volunteer. <https://www.burbankrosefloat.com/>

## BAA TEACHERS

We have several members who also teach. If you are a member who teaches art, conducts workshops, and or have attended one that you think your fellow BAA Members would enjoy, send an email by the end of each month to [news@burbankartassociation.org](mailto:news@burbankartassociation.org). Here are some upcoming classes and workshops you might want to attend:



### *Fun & Play while learning about YOU!*

Karen Sachs' unique workshops are still going strong. Come join her at Soul Expression (January 2) or Paint Your Essence (January 23). Both events are online via Zoom. Go to her website for more information and registration: <https://paintyouessence.com/workshops/>.

### *Art Classes for Kids by Jamie Butterworth*

In February, Jamie will continue teaching her Exploring Art classes for elementary and middle school students. She will be offering in-person as well as online courses. If you know any young people looking for a quality art class, please send them her way! You can go to Jamie's website for more information on her classes: <http://www.jamiebutterworthart.com/exploring-art-spring-2022.html>.

### *Advance Photography Classes at Creative Photo Academy*

Paul Coman, who was one of our Presenters from 2021, has several photography classes starting. All CPA Advanced classes include Creative Photo Academy's proven formula of inspiring lessons, challenging assignments, and constructive image reviews. All the online courses are recorded for playback by paid participants.

- Advanced **The Passionate Photographer #418** Thursday nights with Steve Simon online 6 monthly lessons begins January 13, 6 pm
- Advanced **Project- Concept to Presentation #440** Tuesday nights with Mark Comon online 12 monthly lessons begins Jan 18, 6 pm
- Advanced **The Perfect Print #460** Thursday nights with Mark Comon IN-PERSON 6 monthly lessons begins Jan 20, 7 pm
- Advanced **Get Inspired #421** Monday nights with Corie Savary online 6 weekly lessons begins Jan 24, 6 pm
- Advanced **How to Win Awards #451** Thursday nights with Kristi Odom online 5 monthly lessons begins January 27, 6 pm
- Advanced **Challenging Compositions #425** Monday nights with Rob Sheppard online 6 weekly lessons begins March 7, 6 pm

To learn more about these classes, you can go to PAUL'S PHOTO's websites:

[paulsphoto.com](http://paulsphoto.com)

[creativephotoacademy.com](http://creativephotoacademy.com)

## BAA Sponsors



We want to thank Chris and Jenia Hauser, owners of **Carter Sexton Artist Materials**, for renewing their BAA sponsorship. They have been a loyal BAA sponsor for many years.

Carter Sexton Artist Materials, a family-owned business since 1944, is located at 5308 Laurel Canyon Blvd. in North Hollywood. They always have artists working at the store and the staff are friendly and full of tips and advice. No matter what you're looking for, if they don't have it, they will do their best to find it for you. Be sure to stop into Carter Sexton the next time you need art supplies. Tell them you are a BAA member and thank them for their sponsorship. For lots more information, visit their website at <https://www.cartersextion.com/>.

The Burbank Art Association is a volunteer-run, non-profit organization. Our mission is to stimulate and encourage creative expression and showcase our members' talents. Artists of all ages and skill levels are welcome to join—sponsorships and donations to the BAA help 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](http://www.burbankartassociation.org).



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