

Celebrating our 50th Year! o July 2015

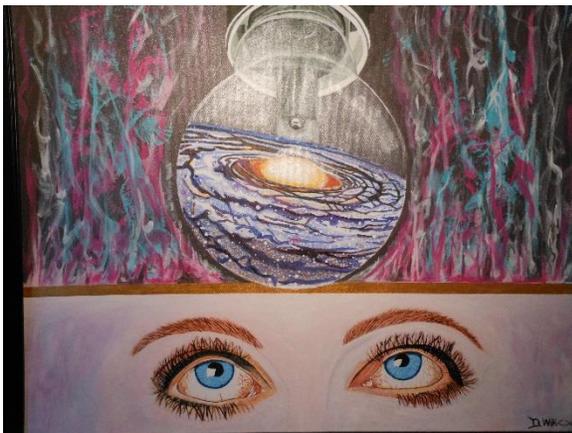
From the President ...



From the mind's easel of Denis Wik, I give you Enlightenment: 24x32 acrylic on canvas. Enlighten: to give information or understanding to; instruct; edify, to free from ignorance, prejudice, or superstition, to give spiritual or religious revelation to, to shed light on!

"Being enlightened is not a special state of mind; it is the mind's and heart's freedom from clinging to the material world which gives rise to an awareness of all human experience without a notion of identity separate from the world around us!"

- D. Wik



Business Meeting Schedule



The Guild's Business meeting is open to all members. Members will be notified in advance if the meeting is cancelled. Join us for lunch!

Coco's Restaurant • 1:00 p.m.

150 E. Hamilton Avenue • Campbell

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July 9 • August 13

September 10 • October 8 • November 12

No meeting in December

Plein Air Painting



Artist Dick Zunkel was our demonstrator during the June 27th meeting. Dick shared techniques of *plein air* painting. *plein air* is a French expression which means "in the open air" and is particularly used to describe the act of painting outdoors.

Dick used a truck in a farmer's field as the subject for the painting demonstration. An initial sketch of the composition is recommended before starting the painting to work out the composition.

Additional Tips:

- 1) Simplify distracting elements. Remove unwanted distracting objects.
- 2) Choose your colors deliberately. Warm colors will make objects in the foreground appear closer, cooler colors will make objects appear to recede.
- 3) Divide the composition into 25% and 75% segments. The focal point should be within the 25% section and contain the lightest lights and the darkest darks.

Always use the best materials for the painting.

site: <http://www.dickzunkel.com/> to learn more about him and his art.

Exhibit Opportunities

The Guild sponsors exhibits at a variety of business locations throughout San José and Campbell. While the available exhibit spaces are limited, this opportunity is open to any Active member who has attended three meetings or more. Please familiarize yourself with "Guidelines for Exhibiting Artwork" in the Guild's Constitution and Bylaws. If you are interested in displaying your art or if any member knows of a location, (e.g., company office, lobby, bank, medical office) where art could be displayed, please contact the Exhibits Chair, Pat Powell, 408-378-6607.

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693 E. Brokaw Road
San Jose, CA 95112

<http://www.fineartsgiclee.net>

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94710

<http://www.berkeleygiclee.com>

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Monthly Competition Awards



First Place
Al Giraudo
"Bird Watching" o Water Color

Artist of the Month • June 27



Second Place
Annie Olander
"R Ranch Creek" o Acrylic

General Meeting on July 25

Guild members and friends are asked to meet at the Rose Shenson Gallery on the grounds of the Triton Museum of Art in Santa Clara for its General meeting on July 25 at 12:30 p.m. This special field trip on Triton's grounds will encompass a variety of opportunities where:

- Participating artists in our 17th Annual Art Show will register and drop off their art at 11:30 a.m. and stay for a mini workshop on "How To Be A Good Host."
- *For all members and friends:* please bring your picnic lunch and we will take advantage of the knowledge gleaned from Dick Zunkel's talk from our June 27 General meeting on plein air painting and paint en plein air on the grounds of Triton.
- No competitions this month for obvious reasons.

Calendar of Events

July 25

Member and Friends Event - field trip to Triton

Artists register for art show and stay for a workshop on "How To Be A Good Host"

August 22

Competitions held this month
Submit photos for Guild's Fall Art Project
17th Annual Art Show in process

Demonstrator: TBA

September 26

Competitions held this month
Demonstrator: Cuong Nguyen,
www.icuong.com

October 24

Competitions held this month
Demonstrator: Khosorow Azarpour
(tentative)

November

No meeting; Happy Thanksgiving!

December 5

Holiday Potluck Party
Sharing Fall Art Project
ATCs Exchanged
No demonstrator

Campbell Artists' Guild Business Meeting Minutes

July 9, 2015

The meeting was called to order by President Denis Wik at 1:10 p.m.. In attendance were : Vice President Marlene Bird, Treasurer Sharon LaBouff, Secretary Mary Kahn, and member Kenneth Burton.

• **Announcements:** The July 25th Campbell Artists' Guild General Meeting will be held following the "Check In" procedures for the Rose Shenson Gallery. This meeting will not be in our traditional format, but rather as an opportunity to practice Plein Air techniques on the grounds of The Triton Museum of Art in Santa Clara.

If you plan on participating in the Plein Air portion of our day, please send an email to President Denis Wik confirming your attendance.

• The Annual Art Show co-chair Marlene Bird announced that we have a total of twenty four artists registered for this year's Annual Art Show. There are a total of ninety four paintings being submitted by these participating artists.

• Treasurer Sharon LaBouff shared that the Campbell Community Art Box Project now has a total of eleven boxes that are currently being sanded and prepared for the artists to begin their process. Sharon also mentioned that while she was working at one of the utility box locations, Alan Zisser the President of The Campbell Civic Improvement Commission stopped by and presented the idea to her that The Campbell Artists' Guild sponsor a floral themed box which is located in front of Citti's Florist Shop located on the corner of Hamilton and Bascom Avenues. The artist will begin the process of painting this box on July 10, 2015. This is very exciting news for CAG!

• **Exhibits:** The CAG exhibits which are located at The Campbell City Hall, City Express Coffee, and the office of Doctor Robert Fettgather, will be changed at the end of July. The participating artists are to remove their work on Tuesday, July 27th and install new art on Wednesday, July 28th. In the future, due to the nature of being a small venue, and the lack of exposure, CAG exhibits will be limited to two locations: The Campbell City Hall and The Campbell Express Coffee shop.

• **Agenda Items:** Rose Shenson "Drop Off": When dropping off your art on July 25th at the Shenson Gallery, Sharon LaBouff and Mary Kahn will facilitate the "Check In" process by dividing show participants into two lines and in alphabetical order. Each artist will be given documentation which confirms receipt of their art, and the necessary information concerning each piece. Upon completing this process, artists will be asked to gather on the deck for a briefing on ways in which to host The Shenson Show. Mary Kahn will post directions outside the gallery for the day's format to eliminate any possible confusion.

• **Annual Art Show:** A request will be presented to our judge Jeff Bramschreiber to present the awards to the winning artists in an awards ceremony rather than the pre-hung approach that has been used in the past. Additionally, we would like to use a microphone for this event. It would be most appreciated if anyone who has access to a portable sound system to please contact Art Show co-chair Marlene Bird.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.
*Respectfully submitted by Mary Kahn,
Secretary*