



## From the President

Happy New Year Campbell Artists Guild! As you know part of the Guild's success and growth rate is due to the quality demonstrators that are presented to its members but these folks are not

always easy to come by. I am reaching out to remind membership that it is each member's responsibility to help find demonstrators for our monthly meetings. Are you taking classes or a workshop where you feel the instructor could benefit the Guild with a demonstration? The Guild is looking for artists who are comfortable in speaking and demonstrating to an audience. Guild members are also encouraged to demonstrate if they are comfortable in doing so.

Speaker/Demonstrator forms are always available at the Membership Table every month and the Guild compensates its demonstrators \$100 for a 1.5 hour demonstration.

I look forward to seeing everyone at our next meeting!

*Denis P. Wik, President*

## Membership Renewals Due by January 27, 2018

Paid dues for fiscal year 2017-2018 (April–March) will be carried over into 2018 where Active members will pay \$22.50 and Associate members pay \$11.25 for the remainder of 2018.

Membership renewals **must** be paid in full to Treasurer Sharon La Bouff before or at the January 27 General Meeting to be eligible to participate in competitions and exhibitions.

### **Please mail your check to:**

Sharon La Bouff  
1109 S. Daniel Way  
San José, CA 95128-3112

Beginning January 2019, annual dues will be \$30 (Active) and \$15 (Associate) and must be received by the Treasurer on or before January's meeting to be eligible to participate in competitions and exhibitions.



Many members fell in love with this deliciously cool and refreshing salad at our Holiday Potluck. Member Barbara Niemann was gracious to compliment us in sharing the recipe (see below). Thank you Barbara!

### **PISTACHIO NUT SALAD**

- 1 small box pistachio pudding
- 1 20-ounce can crushed pineapple with juice
- 1 Cup chopped walnuts or pecans
- 1 Cup mini marshmallows
- 5-ounce Cool Whip®

### **Directions:**

- Mix pudding with pineapple juice and pineapple; add nuts, mini marshmallows and Cool Whip®.
- Chill until set.
- Decorate with mint leaves and cherries if desired.

# Final Artist-of-the-Month for 2017

Thanks to our talented artists who participated in our final Artist-of-the-Month competition in December and congratulations to the winners. The first place ribbon recipient is eligible to enter into the Blue Ribbon Gallery in February 2018.



**First Place**  
Annie Olander  
*"Garden Path" • Acrylic*



**Second Place**  
Denis Wik  
*"Jackson Pollock Meets Einstein" • Acrylic*

## Blue Ribbon Gallery



**Faranik Sinai**  
*"Persimmons" • Oil*

**WELCOME** New Members!

**Patricia Dennis**  
**Patricia Pierce**



**Business Meeting Schedule**  
**Coco's Restaurant at 1:00 p.m.**  
150 E. Hamilton Avenue • Campbell

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February 8 • March 8 • April 12 • May 10  
June 14 • July 12 • August 9  
September 13 • October 11 • November 8  
No meeting in December

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Members are welcome.  
Please notify President Wik if you plan to attend.

# Festive Holiday Party Enjoyed by Members



With holiday music in the background, 21 members enjoyed sharing a delicious array of home-cooked delicacies at our December 2 holiday party. Each participating artist presented their interpretations of the Autumn Group Project. The art was amazing as you can see by the photos below. Members created art in a variety of mediums: collage, oil, acrylic and watercolor, and to hear of their process was educational and informative. What talent we have among us! To those who attended, thank you for making the afternoon a fun one! I know I had a great time with you.

– Editor



## Autumn Group Project



Original photo.



Original photo.



# Calendar of Events



All meetings begin at 1:00 p.m. Submitting art for competitions begin at 12:45 unless otherwise noted. The events on this calendar are subject to change.

**Please help your fellow artists by acquiring demonstrators for 2018!**

## January 27, 2018

- Membership Renewals Due (Active: \$22.50, Associate: \$11.25)
- 2017 Artist-of-the-Year Competition
- *BEGIN* 2018 Artist-of-the-Month Competition
- Spring Theme Project: *Still Life*
- **Demonstrator: Jane Ferguson, encaustic**

## February 24

- *BEGIN* 2018 Blue Ribbon Gallery Competition
- Artist-of-the-Month Competition continues
- **Demonstrator: TBD**

## March 24

- Competitions continue
- 20th Annual Art Show Postcard Competition
- **Demonstrator: TBD**

## April 28

- Competitions continue
- Celebrating Our 53rd Birthday!
- Members' Potluck Party

## May 26

- Competitions continue
- Share Spring Theme Project
- **Demonstrator: TBD**

## June 23

- Competitions continue
- **Demonstrator: TBD**

## July 28

- Art show drop off 11:30–noon
- Plein air event and brown bag lunch

## August 25

- Competitions continue
- Autumn Theme Project Announced
- 20th Annual Art Show in process
- **Demonstrator: TBD**

## September 22

- Competitions continue
- **Demonstrator: TBD**

## October 27

- Nomination of Officers for 2019
- Competitions continue
- **Demonstrator: TBD**

**November** – No meeting. Happy Thanksgiving!

## December 1

- *Final* Artist-of-the-Month Competition for 2018
- Membership Renewals Due
- Election of Officers for 2019
- Holiday Potluck Party
- Share Theme Project

## Introducing “Themed” Projects

As a means of keeping our group projects fresh and innovative, we are no longer requesting that members submit photos. The new format for this activity will be based on a theme chosen by the Executive Board from a list of eleven categories. Those electing to participate are to work from their own creative set up or reference photo that pertains to the selected theme (e.g., using still life photos from other artist works is prohibited).

When sharing your art with members, please bring your reference photo to work concomitantly with your finished creation. Starting in January, the Spring theme will be *Still Life*.

**Please note:** your theme project(s) may be entered into our competitions!



# Executive Board Meeting Minutes

## January 11

The meeting was called to order by President Denis Wik at 2:05 p.m. In attendance were: Vice President Marlene Bird, Treasurer Sharon La Bouff, newly elected Secretary Susanne Koga, outgoing Secretary Mary Kahn, and Membership Chair Barb Overholt.

### Discussion and Docket items:

- The Guild's 2018 Calendar of Events was presented for discussion and adjustments were made.
- **Demonstrators Needed** – Members are again reminded that it is everyone's responsibility to acquire demonstrators. A variety of resources are available to all: Open Studio catalog, online art sites, workshops and classes you are taking, online art organizations. The Guild pays its demonstrators \$100 for 1.5 hours of demonstration time. Members are encouraged to demo as well.
- Members are reminded that art created for the Group Theme Projects may be entered into the Artist-of-the-Month and/or Blue Ribbon Gallery competitions.
- **20th Annual Art Show** – This year's show is in the process of being scheduled with Triton Museum of Art and is tentatively scheduled to run for five weeks starting August 4. The entry fee this year has been raised to \$50 and Treasurer Sharon La Bouff will present the rationale for this increase to membership. The Executive Board will once again host the Opening Reception. Since our talented music man Jim Rogers is no longer with us, Art Show Chair Barb Overholt will inquire with Jim's family to acquire a copy of his music CD for the show. If any member plays a musical instrument or knows of a talented musician willing to entertain our guests at our Opening Reception, please contact Barb. Having live music brings a very special ambiance to the reception.
- **2017 Finances** – Sharon presented the Guild's revenues and expenses. Some of the expenses were long term (i.e., the cost of three years worth of art show award ribbons). Some of the artists who provided demos would not accept the \$100 for their time. Costs for the newsletter will be much lower in 2018 due to free printing from Barb's church; the Guild pays for the paper.
- **Campbell Art Box Project Phase IV** – As many of you know, for the last couple of years the Guild has been involved with the City of Campbell's *Art Outside the Box*. Guild Treasurer Sharon La Bouff has been representing the Guild in helping the City to evaluate and judge the submitted art and makes herself available to help prep the utility boxes for painting. Sharon and Jackie Bishop have been working together with the City which has scheduled an additional six utility boxes to be painted. Over the past three years, 29 boxes have been painted. An honorarium is paid to the participating artists depending on the size of the job. The *2018 Call to Artists* goes out mid-February, the deadline for submitting art is mid-March and painting commences in late May and June. The City has also developed a rating sheet that takes into consideration the quality of presentation, historic aspect related to locations and other criteria. Guild members are encouraged to participate.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted by Susanne Koga, Secretary*