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President's Message

"If you hear a voice within you say, `You can't paint,' then by all means paint, and that voice will be silenced."

– Vincent Van Gogh

June has been a delightful mix of sunshine and spring

weather but the Summer Solstice is fast approaching on June 20 with warmer weather. Although we will all have to manage our water consumption in line with this drought, we have much to look forward to as more and more of us are vaccinated and the ability to meet again in person may be a reality before winter sets in. I'm certainly looking forward to that! Until then, we must continue meeting on Zoom utilizing its benefits to get back to some sort of normalcy. Part of that is the return to our monthly competitions.

Monthly Competitions are Back! It is crucial for you to attend our June 26 Membership Meeting if you want to participate in our online monthly competitions. Awards Chairs Rob Kambak and Elton Glover will take us through the step-by-step procedure and answer any questions. Details of this procedure are available in on Page 3. Kudos to Elton for diving into the technology and creating an application to automate our voting process through a link with Zoom! The information and experience you gain from this process will also help you prepare for the annual art show which will also be online in October.

Introduction to Small Art Groups You will be receiving an email invitation to join us for a separate Zoom meeting on Saturday, July 10, for an introduction to our Small Art Groups. Many of you may find a small group inspirational in getting your creative 'mojo' back. During this meeting we will help you: 1) clarify the group guidelines; 2) identify members in each group; 3) identify an initial member to lead the organization of the group; 4) determine when, where, and how to initiate the first meeting; 5) confirm that all members have received their complete COVID-19 vaccination.

Annual Juried Art Exhibit The Guild is delighted to have Virginia Causton-Keene as our juror for the Annual Art Show in October. Virginia is Director of the Betsy Lueke Creative Arts Center and Program Specialist of the City of Burbank Parks and Recreation. As an art director of one of London's largest advertising agencies, Virginia spent several years designing and making costumes for a theatre group in the south of England. Her love of the three-dimensional form influenced her to become a freelance sculptor/designer working for many US and UK companies. This led to her emigration to America In California, Virginia studied photography and ceramics and developed her craft as a portrait photographer while fine-tuning her ceramic skills. Her passion for ceramics brought her to the Betsy Leuke Creative Arts Center where she is now the gallery director, curating the monthly gallery exhibits and managing the pottery studio for the City of Burbank. Save the date of October 16 for the online reception!

Hope to see all of your happy faces at the June 26 Membership Meeting!

President Diann Klink

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Upcoming Demonstrations via Zoom @ 1:00 p.m.

June 26 Jaya King

July 24Jeff Bramschreiber

August 28
Preston Metcalf
(Meet at the Triton!)

September 25Jessica Shipman

October 23 President Diann Klink

Summer Aspens in Acrylic with Jaya King · June 26 Demo

Tree species have very individual personalities and Aspens are perhaps one of the most distinctive. This virtual "Summer Aspens in Acrylic" landscape demonstration will showcase how to capture the beautiful characteristics of Aspen trees:

- their luminescent leaves,
- linear shape,
- singular white and black bark.

In this demo, watch limited color palette mixing techniques, subtle glaze application, as well as how to navigate negative space and positive shape. Rejuvenate your color sense with these beautiful trees and hot, summer colors.



Members were wowed by artist Judy Gittelsohn's acrylic demonstration on May 22 via Zoom.





Monthly Competitions Are Back!

The Guild will restart its monthly Artist-of-the-Month (AOM) and Blue Ribbon Gallery (BRG) competitions in July 2021, followed by the Artist-of-the-Year (AOY) competition in January. Since we cannot yet meet in person, the competitions will be held online. The rules regarding eligibility to enter these competitions are established in the Bylaws and remain the same:

- 1. The artist must qualify by being a paid Active member and attend at least one meeting in the past three immediately prior to a competition.
- 2. The artwork must qualify by being original and completed within the last five (5) years.

The difference between online competitions and in-person competitions is in how the member enters the competition and how the vote is taken. It's the same rules but a different process. This is how it will work:

Invitation to Enter the Competitions:

Members will receive an email invite on the first day of the month to enter the appropriate competition. If you are a winner of first place in AOM from 2020, you may now enter the BRG. Everyone else will be invited to enter the AOM. *Follow the email instructions on how to enter.*

Entering the Competition:

- 1. All entries must be received by email no later than the 15th of the month.
- 2. Awards Chairs check for compliance with the Bylaws and enter the art into the voting system.
- 3. A member's entry will be removed from competition for that meeting if that member does not attend.
- 4. A Preview Link will be provided in the email invite to view the art submitted.

Voting:

- Competitions are held during a Zoom Membership Meeting.
- 2. Attendees vote through a link provided through the Zoom Chat icon.
- 3. Each attendee casts one vote for AOM one vote for BRG.
- 4. Up to 10 minutes is allowed for viewing entries and voting.
- 5. Votes are automatically tabulated by the database and winners are announced at the end of the meeting at which time, all artists in the competitions are invited to give a brief talk about their art.

After the Competition:

- 1. Members receive via email an updated competition tabulation.
- 2. Ribbons will be mailed.
- 3. Information and images will be archived from the competition.

Schedule -

- June 26 Membership Meeting: review and demonstrate the rules and process. All questions will be answered.
- July 1 Members receive email invite for the July 24 competitions
- **July 15** Deadline for entries
- July 24 Membership Meeting
 Voting and awards given for AOM and BRG
- August 28 No competitions. Meeting to be held at Triton Museum of Art, Santa Clara
- **September 25** Competitions resume

One Final Comment -

The Bylaws state:

"Active members who have attended at least one of three meetings immediately prior to any competition are eligible to enter one piece of art to be voted upon."

If you have not been in attendance at the Membership Meetings on Zoom this year and you want to compete on July 24, you must meet the requirement above by attending the June 26 Membership Meeting.

Artist Judy Gittelsohn · May 22 Demonstrator

Judy spoke to us via Zoom about her many processes in which she creates her art. It's an emotional thing – and may start with an idea or a single word that soon morphs emotionally into finding areas to delight and surprise the viewer. Her art is created using Golden® Acrylic Paints inclusively (both heavy body and fluid) along with the brand's numerous mediums. She demonstrated quickly with a large white bristle filbert brush on a painting she had already started. For this particular demonstration, Judy introduced and demonstrated Golden® "Interference Green," "So Flat," and "Satin Glazing Liquid." Judy shared many of her recent works (below) explaining along the way how they came to fruition. Visit her website www.judyg.com to view more of her thought-provoking art.



"Concave"



"Growth"



"Convex"



"Diptick"



"Portrait"



"She"



"You"

Special Announcements

"Whoo-Hoo!" Awards

Congratulations ...

... **to Diann Klink** whose art "Advice from a Fish" and "Waterfall" (right and below) were accepted into the Colors of Humanity Art Gallery's June 2021 online exhibition entitled "Water."



"Advice from a Fish"

Congratulations ...

... **to Smruti Kurse** on her Second Place win (below) with her pyrography art in TheArtList.com's Artist of the Month Contest in June.



... to Barb Overholt whose art entitled "Kooper" (right) was selected into Triton Museum of Art's Statewide 2D Art Competition and Exhibition entitled "Salon 2021."

Salon 2021 runs from June 26 – September 12. Everyone will be notified when a reception is planned.



"Waterfall"

"Kooper"



Denis Wik shares his first experimental acrylic Dirty Pour entitled "Dark Waters" created on a 48" x 36" canvas (left) and hangs on the wall over his gas fireplace. Fabulous!

Your Executive Board working for YOU!





Attention Artists

For those members who have websites, the Guild would like to extend an invitation to list your website in the Guild's monthly newsletter. Please contact the Membership Chair if you are interested.



Business Meeting Minutes June 11

The Executive Board met online via Zoom and the meeting called to order at 2:10 p.m. In attendance were: President Diann Klink, Vice-President Marlene Bird, Treasurer Sharon La Bouff, Secretary Kris Rogers, Membership Chair Barb Overholt, Programs Chair Mary Kahn.

Small Art Groups – A Zoom invite to those currently signed up will be sent out by Barb after Board review/input. The Zoom's accompanying text will state that members of any group are required to rotate a leadership role. The Zoom Small Group Launch Meeting was set for July 10, 2021 @ 1:00 p.m.

Treasurers Report – Our bank balance is sufficient for the year's remaining expenses for demonstrators, Zoom, and annual website costs. Art show costs will be covered by participants.

Annual Art Show

- Award Ribbons Ribbons Galore is no longer fabricating the rosette ribbons we've used in the past. Our prior purchase was for \$328 for a three-year supply. Ribbons Galore referred Barb to a vendor which has an unfriendly user interface. Barb is searching for another vendor. Diann will ask the Los Gatos Art Club president, Jane Loomis, what vendor they are using and her experience with them.
- Art and entry fee must be submitted by September 11. Barb will provide Awards Co-Chair Elton Glover with the entries who will then place the images online in their respective categories for juring. Checks will be sent to Sharon.

Monthly Art Competition – Rob and Elton are working hard to make the online entry and voting seamless. Members must plan to be present at the meeting if entering work in the competition. Marlene suggested that a requirement be made that members appoint a proxy if they are too ill to attend. Board was in agreement. Rob will mail out ribbons to the winners.

Demonstrators – June 26, Jaya King returns and will demonstrate "Summer Aspen Trees" using a limited acrylic palette.

The following demonstrators have been secured through the end of the year:

- July 24, Jeff Braumschreiber
- August 28, Preston Metcalf speaking to us at the Triton Museum
- September 25, Jessica Schiffman (found by member Lynn Rogers) -Mary waiting to hear back
- October 23, Diann Klink will host a workshop on Abstract Art.

Future demonstrations by Guild members were discussed including Smurti Kurse (pyrography), Barbara Neeman using Yupo paper, and possibly have Barbara demonstrate the yard art that she creates.

"Beyond Van Gogh: The Immersive Experience" is coming to the San José McEnery Convention Center in September which could be a perfect field trip opportunity. Board members are buying their tickets.

Our next Business Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 8 out on the covered patio amongst the wildlife at Barb Overholt's home.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:10 p.m. for enjoying festive libations and conversation on solving the world's problems.

Respectfully Submitted, Kris Rogers • Secretary

GET READY for the 23rd Annual Online Art Show!

- Entry Fee \$20 Each artist may submit up to three (3) pieces of their best art.
- Deadline September 11
 - Submission information, Images, payment must be received by the deadline. Additional information coming.
- Email your high quality JPEG images to
 Annual Art Show Chair

Make your check for \$20 payable to

"Campbell Artists' Guild" MEMO – Art Show

Mail check to:

Guild Treasurer

- Slideshow will go live on YouTube.com
 Friday, October 15
- Virtual Reception & Ribbons Awarded via Zoom • Saturday, October 16
 - Virginia Auston-Keene (Juror)

Zoom Meeting Limited to 100 Attendees!

All exhibitors, their friends, families, and Guild members are invited to join the Virtual Reception.

Please provide the names and email addresses to the Art Show Chair of those who are not Guild members and would like to attend in order to receive a proper Zoom invite.

Admittance to the Virtual Reception is on a first-come, first-served basis.