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NEWSLETTER

Holiday Dinner Party - December 12, 2011

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Holiday Greetings,

Please notice that we will not be having a general meeting in December, nor will we be having a demonstrator. Our next demo presentation then, will be David Darrow (oil) in January 2012. Jean Franco has done a great job in procuring our demo artists during the year, and we appreciate all the hard work it takes to do so. Thank you, Jean.

While we are on the subject of gratitude, it is important for all of us to thank our dedicated volunteers: Leslie Grimm (Webmaster); Jane Saltman, Anna Briggs, Germaine Decker, and all the library helpers who are there every month to take care of our lending library; Nance Wheeler (Refreshments); Harlan Howard (for videotaping demonstrations); Daniela Friedmann and all her assistants (monthly competitions and art shows); My Xuan Ho (Venues Coordinator); Mike Collins, for the grand round table. As you can see, we have some fine and dedicated workers, who keep our meetings and activities running smoothly. We could not do this without all of you.

Many thanks also to our Board members, who meet every month before the general meeting on your behalf, and especially to you, our members, for your participation, support and creative ideas throughout the year. New members, your volunteerism is important too, so if you have interest, please contact Kathy Sartain.

Back to business: Sunnyvale Art Gallery wants to be a location for Silicon Valley Open Studios. The idea is that you pay them to rent a space, and they pay SVOS for the location and for publicity. Also, your work may stay in the Gallery for the entire month of May. See page 5 for more info. If this is something you are interested in, contact the Gallery.

Rengstorff House (3070 N. Shoreline Blvd. in Mountain View) is having a free Holiday Open House on Tuesday, December 6th, from 7 pm to 9 pm. Dressed in holiday finery, the House is offering up a festive array of refreshments, holiday songs, etc.

Jim Kohn, docent from the de Young Museum in San Francisco, will be giving an art lecture at Los Altos Library on December 7th at 7:30 pm: "Masters of Venice, Renaissance Paintings of Passion and Power" (from Kunsthistorisches Museum, Vienna).

Esther Weber

NO MEETING OR DEMONSTRATOR IN DECEMBER

Instead...we will be celebrating the season with a holiday dinner party.

Place:	Restaurant Bella Vita, 376 First Street, Los Altos
Arrival Time:	6:00 pm
Dinner Served:	6:30 pm
Cost:	\$30.00 per person (must reserve before deadline)
Sign-up Deadline:	Thursday, December 8th



Notice of Board Meeting - Members are welcome to attend.

Wednesday, December 7th at 10:00 a.m.

Home of Roberta Bell

1830 Austin Avenue, Los Altos

CLUB NEWS

Election of Officers - At the November general meeting, the following members were voted in as our Officers and Board for the year 2012. Thank you all for your support, and congratulations to the newly elected Board, who have also worked tirelessly on your behalf during 2011.

President: Roberta Bell
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December Holiday Dinner: Last chance to sign up for our very nice holiday dinner in the new location, Restaurant Bella Vita in Los Altos. Since there will be no meeting in December, please contact Esther or Isao if you (and your guests) want to attend. Remember, the deadline to reserve is Thursday, December 8th.

Rosa Farinas is the featured artist at the Gallery Saratoga, 14435A Big Basin Way, Saratoga. The show runs from December 6th to the 31st. An artist's reception is scheduled for Saturday, December 10th, from 1-5 pm.

Venues (announcement from My Xuan Ho): "Due to the demand of the "hot venue" Brian's Restaurant, starting January next year, we will have two artists sharing for this venue." Check the calendar on page 4 of this newsletter to see what rotation months are available to share, and contact My Xuan if you want to exhibit.

ART SHOWS, HOLIDAY EVENTS and UPCOMING CLASSES

Sunnyvale Art Club: Is having their group art show at the Sunnyvale Art Gallery during the month of December. An artists' reception is scheduled for Saturday, December 10th from 2-5 pm. All are invited.

Los Gatos Museums Art Gallery: Is having an ongoing art exhibit through January 28, 2012 (24 N. Santa Cruz Ave., Los Gatos). Gallery hours are Tue.-Fri. 10 am-5:30 pm/Sat. 10 am- 5 pm and Sun. 11 am-3 pm. There will be an artists' reception on Thursday, December 1st, from 6-9 pm. You are all invited to attend.

Holiday Open Studios: December 3rd from 1-5 pm - The Cubberley Artist Studios will be having their annual Holiday Open House in conjunction with the Palo Alto Art Center Holiday Family Day. It will be a festive affair with food, music, creative holiday craft-making and lots of great art, of course!

University Art Store (456 Meridian Ave., San Jose): Now carries Daniel Smith watercolor paints in the store, so you don't have to order them online.

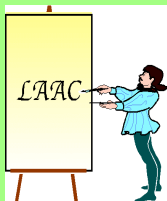
Silicon Valley Open Studios (for May 2012): Registration is now open.

Santa Clara Valley Watercolor Society: The new lineup of free demonstrations and workshops hosted by SCVWS for 2012 should be out soon. Stay tuned.

Anna Lee Steed: will be teaching a painting class for oil or acrylic at the Quinlan Center in Cupertino starting January 9th. The classes will be on Monday mornings from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Students will paint abstracts, still life and landscape. As always, Anna Lee's lessons will have a strong focus on color. Painters of all levels are welcome, with extra help for beginners. Cost is \$150.00 for 5 classes. Contact Anna Lee at (831) 662-8979 for more information. You can see Anna Lee's paintings on line at www.linstromart.com.

Happy Holidays, everyone!

COMPETITION CATEGORIES



Dec: - No Competition –
(Holiday Dinner)

2012

Jan: The Color of White
(white subjects on colored background)

Feb: Urban Scenes

March: The Color of Music -
(paintings inspired by music)

Event Calendar 2011

Wednesday, December 7th

Board Meeting -
Home of Roberta Bell
Time: 10:00 am

Monday, December 12th

LAAC Holiday Dinner at
Bella Vita Restaurant, Los Altos
(no general meeting)

2012

LAAC (group art show)

May 1st to 31st
Main Street Café and Books
In Los Altos

Congratulations!
Artists of the Month

November Theme:
“The Best of You Too”
(no theme)

1st Place:

Angela Sanders
“Lotus Flowers”

2nd Place:

Rosa Farinas
“Mystery Garden”

3rd Place:

Jan Spangler
“Ready for Market, Nepal”

ARTVENTURES FOR DECEMBER

Art Explorations in Media, Techniques and Art History.

We meet at Hillview Community Center, Room 12, from 9:30 am till noon.

COME JOIN US!

Kay Alexander is the Leader/Host for the month of December.

Her agenda for the month is as follows:

Wednesday, December 7th: Special Holiday Card - an antiqued crayon stained glass card. Bring a waterproof sharpie and your crayons.

Wednesday, December 14th: Marc Chagall fantasy - All about this almost-centenarian (98 years!) and his fantastic career. It's a film, a storybook, some big pictures and...an opportunity to paint like Chagall. Bring oil pastels if you have them, or your paints.

Wednesday, December 21st: Art Studio - A morning to share art and ideas with other creative people. Bring one or several examples of your work for a gentle critique.

Wednesday, December 28th: There is no class. The Hillview Senior Center is closed for the holidays till January 3rd. The next class will be Wednesday, January 4, 2012.

Kay Alexander

Natasha Foucault, an amazing artist, invites you to...

...a fabulous group Art & Fashion Show of original designs, shimmering floral displays, tasty hor d'oeuvres, mellow wines and live music. The party will be at Sheldance Orchid Gardens on Saturday, December 3rd from noon to 5 pm. The artists will be displaying a cornucopia of beautiful and affordable art pieces. This is the most festive way to view and purchase art & crafts for personal enjoyment and gift giving! And who would want to miss the great food and wine, gorgeous models, and the most spectacular collection of orchids in the Bay area! There is plenty of free parking (atop a hill with ocean views), a lottery, and at 3 pm, a fashion show of original designs. Don't miss this great event. The address is: 2000 Coast Hwy 1 in Pacifica. Please check out Natasha's website at: <http://www.natashasilkart.com>.



DECEMBER 2011

**TIME VALUE
FIRST CLASS**

Hillview Community Center
Hillview (Social) Hall
97 Hillview Avenue
Los Altos, CA 94022

Meetings held 2nd Monday
of the month at 7:00 PM

Los Altos Art Club Exhibit Venues: 2011 and 2012

<i>LOCATION</i>	No. of Pts.	Nov.-Dec.	Jan. / Feb.	March / April
Bean Scene Café , 500 Castro St. (MV Center for Performing Arts)	8-9 (small/med)	Jane Saltman Mary Hyodo	Kathy Kolluri	Diana Collins Nance Wheeler
Brian's Restaurant 680 Los Altos Rancho	13 (med/large)	My-Xuan Ho	Rosa Farinas one more needed	Jean Ohls one more needed
Family Chiropractic Center 949 Sherwood Ave Ste 100 LosAltos	5 (small/med/large)	Catherine Gross	Nancy Troup	
Los Altos Sr. Center – Room 11	6 (med)	Cathy Zander	Daniela Friedmann	Kay Alexander
Los Altos Sr. Center – Lobby	4 (med)	Cathy Zander	Daniela Friedmann	Kay Alexander
Original Pancake House 420 S. San Antonio Rd. Los Altos	8-9 (med/large) Restaurant	Shirley Prausa	Anil Sawe Charlene Sawe	Laurel Woodard
Original Pancake House 420 S. San Antonio Rd. Los Altos	11 (med/large) Bar	Daniela Friedmann	Nina Bricker (4) Cathy Zander (7)	Rose Hagan
Pilgrim Haven 373 Pine Lane, Los Altos	10 (med/large)	Rosa Farinas		
SimplyBeSalon and Spa 528 University Ave. Palo Alto	14 med/large (4 artists needed for waiting list)	Diana Collins Lei Yuan Ling Liauw	Cathy Zander Rona Foster Connie Kleinjans	Rosa Farinas Angela Sanders one more needed
U.S. Bank 1570 Grant Ave, Mtn. View	16 (med/large)	April Maiten Laurel Woodard	Isobell Vincent	Cathy Zander

Exhibiting Artists: About 10 days prior to your date, you will receive by mail info about your venue, including people to contact to exchange paintings. Questions? Ask My-Xuan Ho. Check your member directory for contact info. If unable to connect with My-Xuan, then you may contact Daniela Friedmann.

Sunnyvale Art Gallery

Sue Kim (owner) is partnering with Sarah Alvarez-Horine to host the first-ever Miniature Art Show and Raffle benefiting the Sunnyvale Community Services organization. The event will run from March 1st thru 30th, 2012 at the gallery.

They are soliciting donations of "miniature" works of art in all mediums from local artists. Contact sv.minishow@gmail.com for requirements and entry form if you would like to make an artwork to donate. There will be an opening reception on Saturday, March 3rd from 5-8 pm at the Gallery.

How it works: Visitors to the gallery will be able to purchase raffle tickets to bid on their favorite artworks. At the end of the show, there will be a drawing for each artwork. 100% of the proceeds from the raffle will go to the Sunnyvale community Services (a 501c3 nonprofit) whose mission is to prevent homelessness and hunger for low-income families and seniors facing temporary crises.

Maximum size for 2D art is 10" x 10" (framed or wraparound canvases). Smaller sizes are fine, and all mediums are welcome, but keep in mind that all art works must be ready to hang.

All entries must be received at the gallery with the art donation form no later than January 15, 2012. The gallery can accept up to 200 artists. This is your opportunity to do something for the needs of a community.

If you have questions, contact Sarah at sv.minishow@gmail.com. You can also find info at the websites: www.sunnyvaleartgallery.com and www.svcommunityservices.org.

SUNNYVALE ART GALLERY...

...is looking for artists to participate in a month long open studios event, held May 1-30, 2012.

- The artists will rent space at the Gallery (only 11 spaces are still available and prices vary, depending on the available footage). The exhibit will be for the entire length of the month (including weekends, excluding Memorial Day weekend).
- The Gallery will charge a 30% commission of any sales made during this event.
- The Gallery will have a general advertising bit within the SVOS booklet (listing only the names of participating artists). Individual artists will not appear listed in the SVOS booklet otherwise, unless you go through SVOS directly.
- Any media is welcome.
- Artists may bring their own tables, prints rack, cards, prints, any types of self advertising, etc.

Inquire at the Sunnyvale Art Gallery for more information, availability, prices, etc.

(408) 737-8188

251 W El Camino Real, Sunnyvale, CA 94087

Hangar One at Moffett Field is currently being "deconstructed"...

... and volunteers from the Moffett Field Historical Society and Museum recently organized a wonderful opportunity to capture a piece of local and national history by inviting many local artists to paint en plein aire on site. NASA gave all the artists permission to be present on the grounds. 30 to 40 artworks of Hangar One and the historic area surrounding it will be on display (and for sale) in the upcoming exhibit December 7 thru January 7, 2012. This is a "must see" exhibit.

There will be a reception on opening day, December 7th from 2 to 5 pm. No fee for the reception. The Museum's regular hours are Wednesday thru Saturday, 10 am to 1 pm. Admission is \$5.00.

Directions: Exit 101 at Moffett Blvd. You must show photo ID at entrance gate. Proceed straight ahead toward Hangar One, turning right onto Severins Avenue to the Museum.

