



Torrance Artists' Guild

P.O. Box 1494, Torrance, CA 90505

September 2019

Next Meeting is Tuesday, September 10, 2019 at 7:00 pm

Christina Ramos Demonstrator



Please join us on Tuesday, September 10th from 7-9pm for an acrylic still life demo by nationally recognized artist Christina Ramos.

Christina specializes in Figurative Realism and Candid Portraiture. She is the only acrylic painting instructor for the Los Angeles Academy of Figurative Art.

She is also a representative of the Golden Paint Company as one of their "working artists".

Originally from Southern California and raised in a family of artists, craftsmen, and musicians, Christina's talent was recognized at an early age. During college, she studied architecture and design, but not until she was at home raising her children did she begin focusing on her painting. She refined her skills in figurative painting at the Los Angeles Academy of Figurative Art. Her innovative use of acrylic has made her a much sought after demonstrator.

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Statement of Purpose

The Torrance Artist's Guild is a non-profit corporation organized to cultivate art skills, promote awareness and encourage appreciation of art in our community. It is chartered by the City of Torrance in cooperation with the Cultural Services Division of the Community Services Department. Meetings are held regularly on the second Tuesday of the month.

General TAG Meeting: Tuesday, Aug. 13th at 7:00 p.m. at the Ken Miller Recreation Center Auditorium, 3330 Civic Center Drive, Torrance
Board Meeting: TBA

Newsletter Deadline: Monday, Sept. 30th

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Christina was named by Southwest Magazine as an "Artist to Watch" in 2015 and as one of America's Great painters by American Galleries.

Her work has been shown in the Museum of Latin American Art, the San Diego Museum of Contemporary Art, the Pacific Asian Museum, and the Santa Paula Art Museum. Her paintings are held in many private collections here in the United States and Europe.

Check out her work at
www.christinaramosart.com

We hope to see all of you TAG members on September 10th.

U..R..G..E..N..T

The last date to enter our members show at Malaga Cove Library is Sept 15th. You should have received the information several weeks ago by email. Prospectus and entry forms are on the website also. Please send your checks and information to Sue Kuuskmae, kuuskmae@icloud.com, or bring completed forms to the meeting on the 10th. Bob Mackie will be the juror this year.

Madrona Marsh....those of you who entered will bring in your art on Sunday Sept 22 from 10 to noon. The reception is on the 28th from 1pm to 3pm City Cable will be filming the event. Thank you to Debbie Abshear for organizing the art and to Bobbie Davison for running the reception.

Panels

The Board has decided we should sell the display panels we have been storing at great cost to us. Let me know if you know anyone who would be interested in buying 38, 8'x 4' wire grids. Cost to be determined.

City Clerk's Office

Sylvia Smullen will be showing her work for the month of September.

President's Message

Penny For Your Thoughts....

We have been talking about improving our meeting demonstrations for a while, so finally took the plunge and right now I have a projector set up at my house waiting to be initiated at the next meeting. The idea is that the demonstration will be video-taped and directly projected onto a screen....the pastel artists group will be familiar already with this technique. Since the board members are pretty green at this, any help from techy people in our group would be appreciated immediately before the meeting. The equipment has also greatly depleted our funds, and we are asking for donations from the membership to help out. Any small amount will help. we have far more expenditure than income ...in fact our income relies solely on the members' dues... and our funds are rapidly vanishing. For some reason the membership has severely declined, and sadly, so has our income. Fund raising ideas are welcome.

Please take note of the notices in this edition for the members' show entries and the Madrona Marsh event. You will also see an ad for the panels which we have decide to sell. At the meeting there will be a sign-up list for help with the Malaga Cove show. We will also require artists to do a few hours gallery sitting at this venue. We have so many accomplished artists in our group . Every month the competition gets better and more competitive. It will be great to see some of these paintings on the wall of this beautiful gallery space.

Penny

Armstrong Theater

The three artists for September and October are:
Evelyn McKennon, Carol White and Penny Kastagir.

August 2019 Competition Winners



David Wolfram



Chandu Baheti



Doug Castleman



Kathy Reis



Gloria Hargrave



Pat Hershberg

Gold

1st Place: **David Wolfram**
"Madrona Marsh Pond"

2nd Place: **Doug Castleman**, "Zoom Climb"

3rd Place: **Kathy Reis**, "Cowboy"

Silver

1st Place: **Chandu Baheti**, "Dream"

2nd Place: **Gloria Hargrave**, "Peggy's Cove"

3rd Place: **Pat Hershberg**, "Donner Creek"

Honorable Mention: **Bobbie Davison**, "Koi Pond"

Honorable Mention: **Mercedes Guzman**, "Spring"

Honorable Mention: **Bonny Botello**, "Fishing Village at Twilight"

Popular Choice: **Kai Tanimoto**, "Sarong in the Wind"

Art Event News

The South Bay Watercolor Society Annual Juried Show is at the National Watercolor Society Gallery, 915 S. Pacific Ave., San Pedro. **Jan Godachy** won 1st Place with "Isle of Wight," **Debbie Abshear** won 3rd Place with "Falling Waters V," and **Alison Berry** won Honorable Mention with "She's a Lady." The show is open during NWS gallery hours: Thurs/Fri 10:00am-2:00pm, Sat/Sun 12:00noon-4:00pm.

The **Redondo Beach Art Group** will be having an art fair September 21 at the Greenstreet Commercial Center. For information contact Rosine Sorbom at rosine@rosinedesigns.com

The CA 101 2019 Show will be from October 4-13 at 112 Fishermans Wharf in Redondo Beach. For information contact: Sandra Dyer Liljenwall at Sandra@ca101artexhibit.com or 310.617.2840. Opening Reception is Friday, October 4 from 6:00-9:00pm. **Alvin Takamori's** "The Empty Space" was accepted into the show.

The Riviera United Methodist Church "Rejoice in Art!" Fine Art Fair and Exhibition will be the weekend of October 12-13. Located at 375 Palos Verdes Blvd., Redondo Beach, with an Awards Reception: October 13 3:00-5:00pm. The theme is "For the Beauty of the Earth".

The Gardena Valley Japanese Cultural Institute will be having an art show Saturday, October 26, 2019 from 11:00am - 6:00pm and Sunday, October 27, 2019 from 10:00am-4:00pm. This year's theme is "Japanese and Japanese American Food". Email entries to Nicole Sato: nsato@jci-gardena.org, or deliver or mail it to Nicole Sato c/o Gardena Valley JCI, 1964 W. 162nd St., Gardena, CA 90247 by September 27, 2019. For information contact: Alvin Takamori.

Vickie Myers became a Signature Member of **ISEA** with her 3rd acceptance into their show.

Watercolor West 51st International Exhibition Oct 12-Dec 15th. Reception is October 12th. It's at the Brea Civic and Cultural Center, 1 Civic Center Circle, Brea. **Jan Godachy's** "Boothbay Harbor" was accepted into the show.

Destination: Art The Founders Show
September 28, 3:00-6:00pm
5th Anniversary Party November 16

Destination: Art – Classes and Workshops

SEPTEMBER

Basics of Plein Air – Bernard Fallon
Sept. 13, 10-4:00 \$75

Landscape – Joe Mancuso Sept. 14, 9-3:00 \$95

Review of Liz Sullivan class – Fran Nichols Sept. 26, 9:30-2:00 (Fran took the 3-day workshop.)

We are planning a Beginner Series of Classes with Vickie Sekits on dates too to be determined. Check website.

OCTOBER

Roxy Calligraphy – Oct. 5, 9:30-3:30

Pastel & Oil – Desmond O'Hagan Oct. 9-11 \$375

Paint-In with Fran Nichols – Oct. 29

www.destination-art.net **Sign up on line.**

Destination: Art offers a variety of art classes and workshops to provide our community with quality instruction, a comfortable environment and support to improve technique and knowledge. Destination: Art continues to hold classes in pastel, oil painting, watercolor, mixed media and drawing.

Instructors are award winning artists, and classes are kept small, granting students the best learning opportunity. If there is an art skill you wish to learn please provide the information by contacting

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Sunday Noon- 5pm