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Placer Artists League

January 2010 Newsletter

Placer Artists League, promoting professional camaraderie, artistic support and exhibit opportunities in partnership with PlacerArts www.placerarts.org/pal

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PAL Membership Show at Umpqua Bank

This is a reminder for the artists who participated in the Umpqua Bank show to pick up their paintings on January 12 from 10 AM to noon.

The Umpqua Bank is located at 571 Fifth Street in Lincoln. Gallery Hours will be 9 AM to 5 PM Monday-Thursday and from 9 AM to 5:30 PM Friday, Closed Saturday and Sunday and Holidays.

Holiday Potluck

Our holiday potluck held December 1 at the Newcastle Packing Shed Art Studios was a wonderful event for all

Happy New Year!

As a new year approaches we at PAL hope you will join us for the activities we have planned for you throughout the year. Stay informed by reading the newsletter, join us for the monthly demonstrations from fabulous artists and get those artistic juices flowing by participating in the art shows especially the Annual Juried Show in June.

We look forward to seeing you at our January PAL meeting.

Have a healthy, happy, creative 2010!

Pat Lucas and Ernie Kleren

Diane Friedberg
 Newsletter Editor
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January PAL Meeting features George Allen Durkee

George Allen Durkee will be doing an oil demonstration at the PAL meeting which will be held **Tuesday, January 5, at 10:00 AM** in The Arts Building, 808 Lincoln Way, Auburn.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO STREET ARTIST to PAINTING JUNKYARDS

George Allen Durkee gave up a successful career painting streetscapes in San Francisco to, as he put it, ".....to keep his work fresh." He needed a new challenge which he found in junkyards. Even his streetscapes were kind of funky but he really

the PAL members who attended. The food was great and everyone enjoyed catching up with each other.

Update Your Contact Information

Help us to keep your PAL information coming. If you change your phone number, home address or email address, please contact Pam Cushman at Email or call her at (530) 878-2070.

PAL Membership

If you are new or renewing your PAL membership, make sure you select your membership level (which is your PlacerArts Membership) as well as the supplementary participation fee - \$20 - Placer Artists League. Both boxes need to be selected.

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went wild in junkyards. He even went so far recently as to have "40 or so collectors" over to his first Annual Junkyard BBQ. It was a huge success.

George recently authored a new book Expressive Oil Painting-An Open Air Approach to Creative Landscapes which is published by North Light Books, a well known and respected publisher of art books. He has had articles published in "The Artist Magazine" and "The American Artist" magazine. He is co-owner of an Art Gallery in Murphy, CA with his artist wife, Sharon Strong.

George says he was no child prodigy, "I didn't get into painting until I was twenty-five". There was no art school available so he signed up for a mail order course. "You're just kidding yourself," someone told him, "You'll have to wait 'til your dead before your paintings will be worth anything." "So began the unorthodox career of this accomplished California artist." His paintings are worth plenty and he isn't dead.

You can visit his website at www.gadurkee.com

January Steering Committee Meeting

The January PAL Steering Committee meeting will be held on **Monday, January 11 at 2 PM** at the Newcastle Packing Shed Art Studios, 455 Main St., Newcastle. All PAL members are welcome to become more involved and help us plan our activities.

2010 PAL Annual Juried Show in Cooperation with Lincoln Arts

PAL is happy to announce the information for the 2010 PAL Annual Juried Show in cooperation with Lincoln Arts. PAL would like to thank Lincoln Arts for the use of their beautiful gallery for our show.

Dates: **June 15, 2010 to July 30, 2010**
 Place: **Lincoln Arts Gallery, 580 Sixth Street, Lincoln, CA**
 Reception: **June 24 from 5 to 9 PM**
 Submission Fees: **\$15 (for 1 piece) \$25 (for 2) and \$35 (for 3)**
 Judge: **TBD**
 Size Limits: **Pieces limited in size to 36" x 36"**

Good news: There will be no commission on artwork sales.

Opportunities for PAL Artists

Roseville Arts! - 33 Annual Open Show at Blue Line Gallery

Open to all original works of art including paintings, sculpture, works on paper, and craft media; prints such as etchings, aquatints, lithographs, photographs, manipulated digital images, etc.

NOTE: Reproductions after original works in other media (such as giclées) WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

Exhibiting February 20 - April 9, 2010

Entry Deadline January 8, 2010 at 5 PM

Juror Shelley Willis, Public Art Administrator, Sacramento Metropolitan Arts Commission

Cash Awards totaling \$2,000

Visit the website www.rosevillearts.org for more information.

For more artist opportunities, go to PlacerArts.Org and click on Call to Artists quick reference page.

Placer Artists League Calendar

Jan 5 January PAL Meeting, 10 AM, Demonstration of Oil Painting by George Allen Durkee
Jan 11 PAL Committee Meeting, 2 PM Newcastle Packing Shed Art Studios
Jan 12 Pick Up paintings from Umpqua Bank from 10 AM to noon
Feb 2 February PAL Meeting, 10 AM, TBD
Feb 8 PAL Committee Meeting, 2 PM Newcastle Packing Shed Art Studios
Mar 2 March PAL Meeting, 10 AM, TBD
Mar 8 PAL Committee Meeting, 2 PM Newcastle Packing Shed Art Studios
Apr 6 April PAL Meeting, 10 AM, Joyce Williams, Pastels
Apr 12 PAL Committee Meeting, 2 PM Newcastle Packing Shed Art Studios

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