

# PAL

## Placer Artists League

### February 2010 Newsletter

*Placer Artists League, promoting professional camaraderie, artistic support and exhibit opportunities in partnership with PlacerArts [www.placerarts.org/pal](http://www.placerarts.org/pal)*

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#### Roseville Arts- 33rd Annual Open Show at Blue Line Gallery

Stop by the Blue Line  
 Gallery to see the  
 show - February 20 -  
 April 9,  
 2010. Visit website  
[www.rosevillearts.org](http://www.rosevillearts.org)

for more information.

#### Auburn Art Walk Orientation Meeting

Feb 3 from 6:30 -  
 8:30 PM at The Arts  
 Building 808 Lincoln  
 Way, Auburn.

The Auburn Art Walk  
 committee will be  
 hosting an

#### PAL Members,

We had fun at our last PAL meeting with George Durkee. Who knew that junk yards could provide such inspiration for paintings?

It is now time to finish up your paintings and bring them to the PAL membership show at the Auburn City Hall for the Auburn Art Walk. See below for more details.

Also for our March PAL meeting we will be having our own "Art Critique". Bring your artwork to the meeting and it will be critiqued in a friendly, caring, artist environment.

Our February PAL Meeting is Tuesday, February 2 at The Arts Building at 808 Lincoln Way, Auburn. Juan Peña will be doing a watercolor demonstration. See below for more information.

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orientation meeting for prospective artists and venues at The Arts Building. The evening will be spent giving an overview of the artist application process in addition to answering many other frequently asked questions. This event is free to attend.



"Junk" an Oil Painting by George Durkee  
Our demonstrator at last month's meeting

### February Steering Committee Meeting

The February PAL Steering Committee meeting will be held on Monday, February 8 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.

### 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](mailto: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.

### Featured Artist at February PAL Meeting is Juan Peña Watercolor Demonstration

Noted local artist Juan Peña will be our presenter for the PAL monthly program where he will put on one of his wonderfully instructive watercolor demonstrations at the The Arts Building, 808 Lincoln Way in Auburn. The time will be 10 AM , Tuesday, February 2. PAL members are encouraged to bring along a friend.

Juan has for years been a proponent of Plein-Air painting which is painting outdoors on location. Juan says on his website, "As a student in the 1960's, my goal was to be the best out-door painter I could be. Back then I had no idea that forty-six years later 'Plein-Air' would be such big stuff." Today galleries are full of Plein-Air work.

Peña attended Pacific Union College in Angwin, California, majoring in fine art, commercial art, and printing. It was there that he studied under artist Vernon Nye. Peña went on to study portraiture with Thomas Leighton in San Francisco, and watercolor and design with Jade Fon Woo. In the 1960's Peña began on-location pencil drawings and watercolor paintings and has been painting Plein-Air ever since.

"I paint from life, on location, for the most part, or sometimes from my imagination." Juan explains. One of



Kathy Randall and Pat Lucas enjoying the PAL Holiday Potluck.

### Quick Links...

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[Call to Artists Calendar](#)  
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Juan's paintings was internationally published in 2004. He is artist number 96 in the book "100 Ways to Paint a Landscape" published by International Artist. "The painting 'No Power No Phone' was entirely from my imagination.", Juan concludes. In 2007, Juan had a pencil drawing published in "Strokes of Genius", by North Light Books.



For more information about Juan and to view his work you may look at his website [www.paintingsbyjuanpena.com](http://www.paintingsbyjuanpena.com).

Juan's studio is in Auburn and is open to the public by appointment. The studio telephone number is 530-887-0312.

### [PAL Artist Exhibit at Latitudes Restaurant](#)

Patricia Pieropan Dong is one of three artists who is exhibiting her artwork at the Latitudes Restaurant until February 6. If you get a chance, stop by to see her work.

### [PAL Membership Show at the Auburn City Hall](#)

Join your fellow PAL members for a PAL membership show at the Auburn City Hall during the Auburn Art Walk.

Drop Off work: Monday, March 1 from 9:15 AM - 10:30 AM at Auburn City Hall

Hang work: Monday, March 1 from 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM

Theme: "Springtime"

Reception: April 8 from 6-9 PM during the April Auburn Art Walk

Exhibition Dates: March 2 through April 30, 2010

Artists must fill out PAL forms, plus a form for the Auburn Arts Commission. A table and chairs will be set up in the lobby, but members are encouraged to download and fill out the PAL forms in advance to save time. Download at [www.placerarts.org/pal/PALArtistEntryForm.pdf](http://www.placerarts.org/pal/PALArtistEntryForm.pdf)

Fee: \$3 per entry.

Pick Up Work: Wednesday, April 28, 9:15 AM to 10:30 AM

Call Pat Lucas at (530) 888-1440 if you have questions regarding the show.

### [Mat Cutting and Art Presentation Workshop](#)

Instructor: Artist-in-Residence Terrie Rockwell

- \* Learn how to present your original artwork in a professional and archival way.
- \* Learn how to choose colored mats to enhance your art!
- \* Learn how to measure and cut mats accurately and neatly!

\$25 per session fee includes all materials needed to mat and bag two pieces 18"x24" or three pieces 12"x14" or 16"x20" (finished size)

First Tuesdays: 6:30 to 9 PM

Feb 2, March 2, April 6 and May 4

The Arts Building

808 Lincoln Way, Auburn, CA 95603

Contact: TerriRockwellArt.com (530)392-3950

tbrockwell456@yahoo.com (530)889-8570

### [Professional Art Shoot, Friday, February 5, 2010](#)

PlacerArts offers an opportunity for artists to have their work photographed by noted Auburn photographer Keith Sutter on Friday, February 5. Professional quality images are the best marketing tool an artist can use. High quality images convey professionalism, and present an artist's work in the most positive way possible. PlacerArts invites all artists to make a small investment in professional quality photographs that will greatly enhance their marketing efforts. Both two-dimensional and three-dimensional work may be submitted. The cost is \$20 per 2-D piece and \$30 per 3-D piece, with some optional fees for additional views. Work may be dropped off at The Arts Building at 808 Lincoln Way in downtown Auburn on Wednesday, February 3 from 10am to 6:30pm (prior to the Auburn Art Walk Orientation meeting) or Thursday, February 4 from 10am to 5pm. For more information, visit [www.placerarts.org](http://www.placerarts.org), email [office@placerarts.org](mailto:office@placerarts.org) or call PlacerArts at (530) 885-5670.

### [Other Opportunities for PAL Artists](#)

#### [Lincoln Arts and Culture Foundation - Feats of Clay](#)

February 5, 2010 Deadline - This is the 23rd year of "Feats of Clay" as one of the Nation's most prestigious and unique international ceramic contests now open internationally to Mexico and Canada. Lincoln, California, "Feats of Clay XXIII" (April 24th - May 30th), open to artists working in the United States and its territories Mexico, and Canada. Juried from slides and CD. Juror: William VanGilder : \$20 for 1 entry, \$25.00 for 2, \$30 for 3. Awards: approximately \$15,000 in place, merit,

and purchase. For prospectus, send # 10 SASE to Lincoln Arts, 580 6th Street, Lincoln, CA 95648; or visit [www.lincolnarts.org](http://www.lincolnarts.org) or call 916-645-9713.

## California Watercolor Association - 41st National Exhibition

Presidio Officers' Club Exhibition Hall, San Francisco

Exhibiting - July 14 to September 19, 2010

Reception - July 18

Entry Deadline - February 20, 2010

Juror: Christopher Schink is an internationally known painter, author and instructor.

Prospectus available on website [www.californiawatercolor.org](http://www.californiawatercolor.org)

For more artist opportunities, go to [PlacerArts.Org](http://PlacerArts.Org) and click on Call to Artists quick reference page.

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## Placer Artists League Calendar

- Feb 2 Feburary PAL Meeting, 10 AM, Juan Peña, Watercolor Demonstration
- Feb 8 PAL Committee Meeting, 2 PM Newcastle Packing Shed Art Studios
- Mar 1 PAL Membership Show - Drop Off paintings at Auburn City Hall 9:15 AM to 10:30 AM
- Mar 2 March PAL Meeting, 10 AM, Margo Schulzke - Art Critique
- 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
- Apr 28 PAL Membership Show - Pick up paintings at Auburn City Hall 9:15 AM to 10:30 AM
- May 4 May PAL Meeting at 6:30 PM, Rudy Browne - "Art Odyssey"
- May 11 PAL Membership Show at Umpqua Bank - details to follow

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