



May 2009 Newsletter

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

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APRIL 30TH TAKE-DOWN OF ART FROM AUBURN CITY HALL 1-3 PM

Joyce Williams and Pat Lucas will be on hand at *Auburn City Hall* on **Thursday, April 30, from 1-3 PM** for PAL artists to pick up their paintings from the exhibit that's hanging there. If you're unable to pick up your artwork, please give someone else a note, authorizing them to pick up your artwork for you.

Member News

Patty Pieropan Dong is starting up her annual summer art classes for children.

Dear PAL members:

The May Program at 6:30 PM on Tuesday evening May 5th has been changed. Janet Joslyn, who was originally scheduled, will now be our Aug 4th speaker. In place of her program, we will have another "Friendly PAL Critique" session among our membership. Bring one or two pieces of art you would like to be viewed and critiqued by your PAL friends and be prepared to offer your friendly critique. We're always interested in the "story behind the painting," so come prepared to discuss your artwork, the way your style has evolved to this point, and the story it tells.

You may also think of it as a social event, so bring snacks for others to share if you can. Remember that our PAL programs are now back in the evenings during the long daylight hours.

- Ernie Kleven

PAL co-chair
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Six different classes will be offered: Drawing & Painting I & II, Art With the Masters, Art Around the World and Intermediate and Advanced Painting Techniques. Classes begin June 15. For more information, go to www.pepdart.com or contact Patty at: (530) 823-1963.

In May, **Bob Fera** will be giving all-day workshop for astrophotographers in Big Bear, CA as part of the 41st annual RTMC Astronomy Expo. For more info, go to: www.rtmcastronomyexpo.org/-general.html

Kathy Ryan, co-curator of the Auburn Library's Beecher Room, is planning a show there in June featuring artists' renditions of the famous Auburn Courthouse. Interested artists should plan to attend the May PAL meeting on May 5, where Kathy will hand out entry forms.

Patty Pieropan Dong is participating in two upcoming open studio events: The North Auburn Art Studio Tour, May 9-10: www.northauburnartists.com and the Salmon Creek Art Walk on Friday, May 1: www.salmoncreekartwalk.com.

New member **Anita Posey Lowe** is also participating in the North Auburn Art Studio Tour: www.northauburnartists.com.

Ann Ranlett is teaching an Ink on Scratchboard Workshop on Saturday, May 23rd. It will be at her place in Newcastle from 10 AM to 3:30 PM. Cost is \$50, scratch-board supplied. Please contact her for more information and to sign up. (916) 663-0322 or annranlett@gmail.com.

Rudy Browne is featured at The Mowen Solinsky Gallery, 225 Broad St., Nevada City. The Faces of Jazz, Saturday, May 9th, Opening & Reception 4-6:30 pm, Art Talk 7:00 PM. This is Rudy's tribute to his favorite musicians from the Golden Age of Jazz. For more information go to: <http://www.mowensolinskygallery.com/gallerynews.html>.

California State Fair Juried Show

Pam Cushman, who is an old hand at winning awards in the Fine Arts competition at the California State Fair encourages her fellow PAL members to give it a try. Entry deadline is Friday, May 29. Fees: \$20 per artwork. Entry divisions include: painting, other 2-D artwork, sculpture, photography, fine craft, and themes. Go to www.bigfun.org



MAY PAL MEETING:

Member Show-and-Tell is a PAL Social Occasion

As mentioned above in Ernie Kleven's greeting, our May PAL meeting will be an opportunity for all PAL members to show off their artwork and receive friendly critique from your fellow artists.

The meeting/social will be **Tuesday, May 5 at 6:30 PM** at The Arts Building, 808 Lincoln Way, Auburn. Plan to carpool with your PAL friends, so no one will miss this great opportunity to see the latest work from your PAL friends.

Bring 1-2 pieces of art for the meeting. PAL will furnish drinks, and members are encouraged to bring snacks and munchies.

Kathy Randall is Retiring as PAL Co-Chair

At the April PAL Steering Committee meeting, Kathy Randall (pictured above, on the right) announced that she has decided to retire from her position as Co-Chair. We received the news sadly, but are grateful for the wonderful guidance that Kathy has provided PAL the past several years. "The position of Co-Chair has been a very rewarding experience for me," she said. "As you may or may not know, I had never held an office in any group before, so I learned a lot about myself by working way outside of my personal comfort zone! I'll treasure the great friendships which have evolved."

"I'm convinced that we may not have successfully navigated the transition from independent organization to living under PlacerArts umbrella if it hadn't been for Kathy's guidance, foresight and perseverance," said newsletter editor, Pat Lucas. Others on the committee agreed.

"We're asking everyone in the PAL organization to consider taking the open Co-Chair slot," said PAL's other Co-Chair Ernie Kleven. "I have a list of the position's duties which I can share with anyone who is interested. Having two people share the Co-Chair position means that the work can be done very flexibly, to accommodate even the most active schedule." Ernie will detail more about the

to download the Fine Art Competition handbook and to learn more details.

Welcome New PAL Members

- Nikki Totten Mack
- Anita Posey Lowe
- Emilie Righetti
- Susie Thompson
- Elizabeth Williams
- Lana Grace

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 pcushman@vfr.net or call her at (530) 878-2070.

Quick Links...

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Co-Chair position at the May 5 PAL meeting. Contact him directly for questions (916) 205-2195.

Roll Up Your Sleeves to Help Out at the PAL Open Juried Show

We're working this coming week (the week of April 27) to receive artwork, manage judging and hang PAL's one big fund-raiser for the year, the PAL Open Juried Show at the new *Twelve Bridges Library in Lincoln*, 485 Twelve Bridges Drive, Lincoln.

If you're not already scheduled to help, contact Linda Baugh at (916) 645-8714 or [email her](#) to offer assistance. Paintings are being dropped off on *Wednesday, April 29 from 4-7 PM* and *Friday, May 1st from 1-3 PM*, with judging taking place from 3-5 PM on May 1st.

We need help with:

- Cashiers
- Artist Signup
- Judging Assistants
- Hanging Assistants

If you need more information for your own entry in the competition, see last month's [PAL newsletter](#), or [click here](#) to download a flyer.

Awards Ceremony and Artist's Reception

Also plan to attend the PAL Open Juried Show's artists' reception and awards ceremony on *Saturday May 16, 6:00-7:30 PM*. Plan to be there to represent PAL to the winning artists and the public at large. Bring snacks and munchies to help enliven the party atmosphere of the event.

PAL "Spring Fling" Show to Blossom at the Umpqua Bank Gallery

Start preparing to assemble 1-3 pieces of 2D and 3D artwork for the PAL "Spring Fling" show at *Lincoln's Umpqua Bank Gallery*. 571 5th Street, Lincoln. Please choose artwork that best exemplifies springtime, to go along with the theme.

Drop-off of artwork will be on Tuesday, May 12 from 1:00-3:00 PM. A fee of \$3 per piece of artwork will be collected. This is a great opportunity to showcase your flowers and landscapes -- as well as other spring-themed artwork.

May Steering Committee Meeting

The May PAL Steering Committee meeting will be held on *Monday, May 11, 3:30 PM* at the Newcastle Packing Sheds, 455 Main St., Newcastle. All PAL members are welcome to become more involved and help us plan our activities.

Tell Your Artist Friends About PAL



Placer Arts League Calendar

- April 29 Drop off artwork for 2009 PAL Juried Show, 4-7:00 PM
- April 30 Pick up artwork at Auburn City Hall, 1-3 PM
- May 1 Drop off artwork for 2009 PAL Juried Show, 1-3:00 PM
- May 2 Pick up of unselected PAL Juried Show artwork, 1-4:00 PM
- May 5 May PAL mtg., 6:30 PM. Program: Member "Show-and-Tell"
- May 11 PAL committee mtg., 3:30 PM, Newcastle Packing Sheds
- May 12 Drop off artwork-PAL "Spring Fling" show at Umpqua Bank, 1-3 PM
- May 16 PAL Open Juried Show Awards & Artists' Reception, 6-7:30 PM
- June 2 June PAL meeting, 6:30 PM Karen Calden Fulk, caricaturist
- June 8 PAL committee mtg., 3:30 PM, Newcastle Packing Sheds
- June 26 Pick up artwork from PAL Juried Show, 1-3:00 PM
- June 27 Pick up artwork from PAL Juried Show, 1-3:00 PM
- July 7 No PAL meeting this month.
- Aug. 4 August PAL meeting, 6:30 PM. Program: Janet Joslin, Encaustic

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