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GALLERIES

Afro-American Artists, through February 23, Grossmont College's Hyde Gallery will feature a group exhibition of contemporary art by African-American artists from Southern California. The show was organized in celebration of Black History Month. An artists' reception opens the show tonight, Thursday, February 1, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the gallery, located on the north end of campus, 8800 Grossmont College Drive, El Cajon. Viewing hours are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, 465-1700.

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Art Exhibit and Performance, Japanese artist Rocco Satoshi will paint a "live" mural at the Acevedo Gallery, 4010 Goldfinch Street, Mission Hills, on Friday, February 2, 6 p.m. to 11 p.m., during a reception/performance for his current show on display through February 17. Viewing hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. 296-8748.

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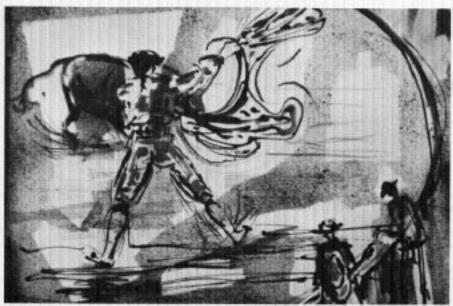
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COMING ATTRACTIONS

Scheduling for upcoming SDAG Membership Meetings:

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MAY: Cash Awards Show to be judged by Kathy Young Ross

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WATERCOLOR	OIL/ACRYLIC	OTHER MEDIA
 Millie Waelchli Hildegarde Stubbs Mary Morrell HM Bonney Park 	 Marge Rupert Tom Brochu Howard Cleary 	 Joan Grine Loretta Phoenix Ruth Dennis HM Richard Diaz
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