North County Times Wednesday, March 28, 2007

ENCINITAS ---- The developer of a major project planned in downtown Encinitas promised Wednesday that none of the 47 condominiums to be built would be available as short-term vacation rentals.

Bowing to pressure from an activist and some City Council members, developer John DeWald told the council he would write the restriction into occupancy rules for the proposed project at 687 South Coast Highway 101.

Last month, the Planning Commission approved "Pacific Station," a three-story complex of condominiums, stores, offices and a restaurant on 1.4 acres between E and F streets.

In an appeal to the City Council, activist Gil Foerster of Elfin Forest requested a prohibition of short-term rentals and parking restrictions in the two-level, underground garage.

"Like any project of this size, there are a few warts," Foerster told the council, adding that he generally supported DeWald's plan.

The council voted 5-0 to reject Foerster's appeal, although with DeWald promising to prohibit short-term rentals, the longtime nursery operator in Encinitas received half of what he asked for.

Before the meeting, Foerster said that renting the planned condominiums to vacationers would disrupt the tranquility of full-time residents.

Some council members had reasons of their own for objecting to the condominiums' use as vacation rentals.

Councilwoman Maggie Houlihan said the project has been sold to the community as

one where residents would ride the train to work, and therefore reduce freeway traffic.

"Short-term rentals in mixed-use projects are not smart growth," Houlihan said.

Councilman Dan Dalager added, "I look at short-term rentals as a lack of stability in downtown"

Dalager and his colleagues agreed that De-Wald should tailor a parking management plan to the needs of tenants and their customers once the project is finished.

DeWald must provide the city with operational and management plans for the residential and commercial components of the project and update those plans annually for five years.

The project needs flexibility in its early days, he said, to establish whether certain parking restrictions would or wouldn't work.

If parking becomes a problem, the sort of businesses that operate at the project may be restricted, planner Kerry Kusiak said.

With 51,600 square feet of floor area, Pacific Station would be the largest development in downtown Encinitas since 1980, when the 80,000-square-foot Lumberyard shopping center opened on the Coast Highway.

DeWald said he expects to break ground on the \$20 million project in six months, and construction would last 18 months.

He said 650-square-foot flats are estimated to sell for \$450,000 and townhomes would sell from \$700,000 to \$800,000.

-- Contact staff writer Adam Kaye at (760) 943-2312 or akaye@nctimes.com.

Get ready for the summer tourists!

March's SDAG general meeting will focus on critiquing your work.

Dot Renshaw will run this fast paced critique session.

Instead of a raffle, participants will bring one dollar for the guild for each painting they bring in to be critiqued.

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It's time to grow and look at your work with a fresh approach. See you there.

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	Photography	
1 st Rebecca Grohowski	Shiner	Beautiful nuances.
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3 rd Walter Lily	Flap Jack	Strong complimentary color composition juxtaposed with repetitive in curves & squares.
	Other Media	
1 st Joan Grine	Lake Sabina	Loads of depth & interesting rocks.
2 nd Agnes Lochte	Rainforest	Delicate contemporary – love to see 3 x 4 ft!
3 rd Laura Lowenstein	Sycamore Canyon	Dramatic composistion.
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Hint from Dot Renshaw March Judge/Demonstrator

by Barbara Magdlen

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- The entire gallery changes every month. If you had art in the Mar. show you need to bring in a replacement. Take-in day is Tue. Mar. 27, 2007, 9:30-12 Noon.
- Bring your calendar with you so you can sign up for future sitting dates. If you have one piece of wall art in the gallery for the month of April (or if you have just cards) you will need to sit one shift. If you have 2 or more pieces you must sit 2 shifts per month. There is a list of paid sitters available if you should need one.
- If someone else needs to bring in your artwork for you on take-in day, you must have your sitting dates already arranged for April by calling Grace Swanson at to choose or verify your dates. Your helper must arrive at take-in with your sitting dates listed on your take-in sheet.
- Each artist is limited to 3 pieces of wall art. If you are already on the 3- month plan for less then 3 pieces, just tag your 3rd piece as an add-on and your fee is \$10 for that piece. If you are paying month-to-month your fee is \$15 x 3. If you have one piece in the show you must sit one shift per month. If you have 2 or 3 pieces in the show, you need to sit 2 times.
- For the month of April show, the maximum dimension of your wall-hung art cannot exceed a total of 84 inches measured on the diagonal for 1 or 2 pieces and not more than 126 for 3 pieces.
- When you come to the Gallery on Tue. for take-in please have your temporary Take-in Tag and the Take-in Sheet (Pages 7 and 8 of the PDF file sent along with The Paint Rag or inserted into your Paint Rag if mailed to you) filled out
- You must have a multi-strand wire (not the saw-toothed hanger typical of ready-made frames) attached securely approx. 1/4 of the way down from the top of the frame and slack enough to come up to approx. 2 inches from the top of the frame, please tape the ends of the wire.
- Your art from the month of March will still be hanging on the wall. Leave it there until you are all finished with the take-in paper work. Pick up your art just before you plan to leave the building.

Off Track Gallery Awards March 2007 Judge, Dot Renshaw Artist Title Comments

Best of Show - Best of Show artist receives check for \$25

Charlene Bonney Rice Patty

Oil & Acrylics
1st Charlene Bonney Rice Patty Not heavy looking,

wonderful

translucent rich darks.

2nd Mary Beck Market Bok Choy Risk taken - interesting subject with drama.

3rd Toni Williams Penasquitos Ranch Depth, nice focal point.

Honorable Mention

Elisabeth Nicholson Reds Wonderful paint application contemporary.

Honorable Mention

Ellen Cramer A Distant Tree Serene and full of atmosphere.

Water Media & Pastel

1st Sue Kessinger Bamboo Garden Great texture & complimentary color scheme.

2nd Alison Christler Moonset Granulated colors add to serenity.

3rd Shirley Pentoney Oceanside Cottages Realistic picture with dramatic abstract design quality.

Honorable Mention

Harriet Shoup Green Pastures Nice mood.

Photography

1st Rebecca Grohowski Shiner Beautiful nuances. 2nd Morgan Janis Road to Dingle Strong composition. 3rd Walter Lily Flap Jack Strong complimentary color composition juxtaposed with repetitive in curves & squares.

Other Media

1st Joan Grine Lake Sabina Loads of depth & interesting rocks.

2nd Agnes Lochte Rainforest Delicate contemporary – love to see 3 x 4 ft!

3rd Laura Lowenstein Sycamore Canyon Dramatic composistion.

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Membership Info Contact Mary Beck with any address changes, at 760.630.9518 or e-mail changes to: higgbeck@cox.net.

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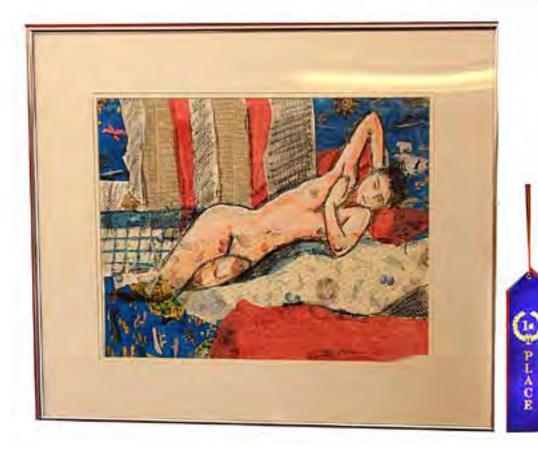
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MOTHER'S DAY ---- The San Dieguito Art
Guild will offer its annual Mother's Day Art
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p.m. May 13 ---- Mother's Day. The guild
will have its Offtrack Gallery open for extended hours and will feature seven homes
for tours that are self-guided through garden studios in Encinitas and Olivenhain.

Tickets cost \$20. Many of the homes are

award-winners.



















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Remember; take in for both the Monthly Show and Wall Renters is the same, on Tues. April 24, 2007 from 9:30am-Noon.

Happy Spring! Laura Lowenstein llowenstein@roadrunner.com

Card Rack **Members**

Did you miss April 1 take-in?

If so your cards have been removed from the paid reserved racks. New reserve space is available.

Requirements are:

- \$15.00 for (4) space rental with name: April-August 2007. Make check payable to SDAG.
- Put check in Barb Millé file folder in office and she will place your cards on the rack.
- If you are not currently a wall or floor renter you are required to do one gallery sitting a month.
- Free: spaces for up to 10 cards will be available in Gallery#2 for any member. All cards will be in a mixed format with no name or reserved spaces.
- If you don't participate in either of the above options please pick your cards up by the end of April. They are being stored behind the door in a Bankers Box in Gallery #4, the Oil & Acrylic Gallery. Contact **Barb Mille**', Card Rack Coordinator with any questions.

Member **Announcements**

Stan Weber & Char Cee Colosia are being featured during April at the Off Track Gallery, 687 S. Coast Hwy. 101, Encinitas. Weber sculpts metal works and Colosia paints in a representational style. 760.942.3636.

April exhibit to feature painting, photography of Isabella **Breasted** Local artist Isabella Breasted exhibit her work of photography and painting called "Encinitas: Scenic Moods" at the Encinitas Civic Center Art Gallery in April. A reception will be held on Wed., April 11 from 5 to 7pm at the Civic Center Gallery. The public is invited to attend. The Civic Center Gallery is at 505 S. Vulcan Ave. For more info call 760.633.2746.

A Call to All Artists Artist Richard Margolis will soon be homeless and artless. His art — The Rock 'N' Roll House & place of residence, next to 101 Artist Colony on A St. Alley, will be demolished next month. If you haven't seen the house, do so soon. If you would like to join in on a goodbye party, stop by between 4-7pm on Sunday, April 15, 2007. Show up with a bottle of wine, cheese/ munchies, bring a friend, and celebrate an original piece of art that will soon be destroyed. Fence art and other pieces of the "shrine" will be for sale on Sat. April 14-15. Contact Joan Sebastian for more info: 760.4871644 or joansebastian@cox.net Elaine Harvey will teach Painting Light, a watercolor and mixed media workshop at the Studio of Art and Design on April 21 and April 22, 9:30am-3:30. The workshop will explore all facets linking whites and lights in watermedia. The cost is \$180 for both days. Class size is limited. apply early. The workshops will be held at 616 Stevens Ave., Suite C, Solana Beach. Contact the Studio at 858,755,6202 or visit rikki**studio.com** for more information. **Arts Alive 2007 Banner Auction** Sun., May 20, 2007 at 2pm in Cardiff Towne Center. View banners at www.encinitas101.com. 101 Artist Colony is leaving its digs by the end of April 2007. Join in for a going out of business sale two weekends on April 14 & 15 and April 21 & 22 from 9am-2pm when everything will be for sale. Art pieces, plants, landscape sculptures, doors, windows and much more. More info at www.101acevents.com **Events at the 687 Gallery Building** The Helen Woodward Animal Center 's fundraiser of the large Garfield Cat statues will be taking place in our own gallery in the warehouse May 11-18 with an

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This past year in our current space has been a wonderful growing time. Many things have been tweaked along the way and now we are going to try a new way of taking in art for the walls. I should say it's an old way, as it's the system that was used at the Pannikin and the Leucadia location successfully. We'll now have a Monthly Show in just part of the gallery. The rest of the wall space will be for Wall Renters who will show more art and staff the gallery. Check out the information on pages 4 and 5, which can be conveniently clipped for future reference. Remember; take in for both the Monthly Show and Wall Renters is the same, on Tues. April 24, 2007 from 9:30am-Noon. Happy Spring! Laura Lowenstein

Card Rack Members Did you miss April 1 take-in? If so your cards have been removed from the paid reserved racks. New reserve space is available.

Requirements are:

- \$15.00 for (4) space rental with name: April-August 2007. Make check payable to SDAG.
- Put check in Barb Millé file folder in office and she will place your cards on the rack.
- If you are not currently a wall or

floor renter you are required to do one gallery sitting a month.

- Free: spaces for up to 10 cards will be available in Gallery#2 for any member. All cards will be in a mixed format with no name or reserved spaces.
- If you don't participate in either of the above options please pick your cards up by the end of April. They are being stored behind the door in a Bankers Box in Gallery #4, the Oil & Acrylic Gallery. Contact Barb Mille', Card Rack Coordinator with any questions.

Member Announcements Stan Weber & Char Cee Colosia are being featured during April at the Off Track Gallery, 687 S. Coast Hwy. 101, Encinitas. Weber sculpts metal works and Colosia paints in a representational style.

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A Call to All Artists

Artist Richard Margolis will soon be homeless and artless. His art — The Rock 'N' Roll House & place of residence, next to 101 Artist Colony on A St. Alley, will be demolished next month. If you haven't seen the house, do so soon. If you would like to join in on a goodbye party, stop by between 4-7pm on Sunday, April 15, 2007. Show up with a bottle of wine, cheese/ munchies, bring a friend, and celebrate an original piece of art that will soon be destroyed. Fence art and other pieces of the "shrine" will be for sale on Sat. April 14-15. Contact Joan Sebastian for more info: 760.4871644 or joansebastian@cox.net

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Arts Alive 2007 Banner Auction Sun., May 20, 2007 at 2pm in Cardiff Towne Center. View banners at www. encinitas101.com.

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- A special Docent Show at the Gallery during the month of June (that means you get to put a piece of art in the gallery for free with no extra sitting duties).
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Membership Info Contact Mary Beck with any address changes, at 760.630.9518 or e-mail changes to: higgbeck@cox.net.

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Paid Sitters available at \$30 per shift:

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10am - 4pm
7 studio/gardens & Off Track Gallery
Multiple artists at each location

Admission \$20

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San Dieguito Art Guild's Annual Mother's Day

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Gallery opens at 8:30am



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Driving Directions

SDAG Mother's Day Artists' Studio & Garden Tour — 2007

Off Track Gallery open 8:30am - 4:00pm. Homes open from 10:00am - 4pm.

1. To drive to the Off Track Gallery

687 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas **760-942-3636**

Take Hwy. 5 and get off on the Encinitas Blvd. exit. Go West (toward the ocean). Make a left on Encinitas Blvd. Go about 4 blocks. Look for the huge gray metal building on your left and turn into the parking lot.

2. To drive to the home of Cris Weatherby

1246 San Dieguito Drive, Encinitas

Drive time: 3 minutes, less than 1 mile
Turn right out of the Off Track parking lot
on to South Coast Highway 101.
Turn right at the stop light -- E Street.
Turn right at the stop sign -- Vulcan Ave.
Turn left at first stop sign -- Santa Fe Drive
Turn left onto San Dieguito Drive and park.
Note that the street to the right side of
Santa Fe at San Dieguito is called
Belleview.

3. To drive to the home of Diane Smith

1523 Crest Drive, Encinitas, 760-944-4594

Drive time: 6 minutes, about 2.5 miles

Go back to Santa Fe Drive and make a left. Continue on Santa Fe Drive going east for 1.4 miles

You will pass under the freeway and go past the High School.

Watch for Lake Drive and take the very next right -- Crest (street sign is on left hand side of street).

Continue on Crest about a half mile. Home is on the left.

The mailbox will have numbers 1497 (shared driveway).

You may park on the long driveway.

4. To drive to the award-winning home of Bobbi Hirschkoff

3365 Calle Margarita, Olivenhain, 858-525-1482

Drive time: 14 minutes, about 6 miles

Make a right onto Crest Drive. Turn right onto Santa Fe Drive.

Turn left at the light -- El Camino Real Turn right onto Encinitas Blvd. and continue

for about 1 and a half miles.

Turn left onto Rancho Santa Fe Road and continue for 1 mile.

Turn right onto Lone Jack Road and continue for 1.8 miles.

Turn left onto double LL Ranch Road. (Note that street to the right is called Dove Hollow)

Go through gate. Drive to top of hill and turn left at stop sign onto Calle Margarita and continue to the end.

5. To drive to the home of Darlene Katz

7987 Paseo Esmerado, South Carlsbad, 760-635-3557

Drive time: 11 minutes, 4 and a half miles.

Go back down Calle Margarita and turn right on Double LL Ranch Road.

Turn right onto Lone Jack Road and continue on for 1.8 miles.

Turn right onto Rancho Santa Fe Road and continue on for 0.8 miles.

Turn right onto Calle Acervo (first stop light) and continue on for 0.6 miles.

Turn right onto Avenida Pantera and continue on for 0.3 miles.

Turn right onto Paseo Esmerado. Keep going past a canyon. House is on the right.

To walk to the home of Darlene Katz Walk time: 6 minutes

Drive down Calle Margarita and park at fire road (look for sign) on the left. On foot, walk down gravel fire road and turn left on Paseo Esmerado. House is second on the right.

6. To drive to the home of Carole Mayne

345 Sanford Street, Encinitas

Drive time: 12 minutes, 5 and a half miles

Go back down Paseo Esmerado and make a left onto Avenida Pantera.

Turn left onto Calle Acervo and continue for 0.3 miles.

Turn right onto Rancho Santa Fe Road and continue for 0.6 miles.

Turn left onto Olivenhain Road and continue for about a mile.

Olivenhain Road becomes Leucadia Blvd. Continue on for another 2 miles.

Cross over the freeway and turn right onto Hygeia Ave (4-way stop). Continue for 0.6 miles.

Turn right onto Sanford Street.

7. To drive to the home of Wanda Olson

220 East Jason, Encinitas

Drive time: 1 minute, about 1/3 mile

Go back down Sanford Street and turn left on Hygeia Ave.

Turn right onto East Jason Street.

8. To drive to the home of Charlene Bonney

235 Fifth Street, Encinitas

Drive time 5 minutes, about 2 miles

Go West on East Jason Street.

Turn left onto Hermes Ave. Continue for .4 miles. Turn right onto Leucadia Blvd and continue for 0.1 miles crossing over the railroad tracks.

Turn left onto Coast Highway 101 and continue for 1.1 miles.

Turn right onto A Street. Turn left onto 5th Street. There is a cul-de-sac at bottom of 5th for easy turn-around.

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Continue on for about a mile, bear to the right at the Y in the road and turn right onto Rancho Santa Fe Road. (If you miss the turn at the Y, make a right hand turn at the next light.)

Continue on for 0.6 miles

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PLEASE NOTE: if you try going north (right on Crest heading toward Santa Fe), you will NOT be able to make a legal left turn onto Santa Fe.

Make sure that you go south (make a left out of the driveway) onto Crest Drive.

Make a right onto Birmingham.

Make a right on Lake.

Make a left onto Santa Fe.

Go past the High School, under the freeway and turn right onto San Dieguito Dr. (at top of hill when you see the ocean).

Docents

Tour Tickets & Credit Card Sales Instructions

VISA & MASTER CARD ONLY (no debit sales)
Make sure credit card numbers, name on card & exp. date are legible.

Tour ticket sales:

Fill out sales slip. **Keep white copy**, give customer yellow. Tour tickets \$20. No tax. Underage of 17 or 18 is free.

- ◆ Cash: Paper clip cash to white copy of sales and put in blue bank bag,
- ◆ Check: Write phone number and driver's license number on check and paper clip white copy to check, put in blue bank bag,
- ◆ Charge: fill out charge slip with total number of tickets, total amount and customer phone number. Give customer yellow copy of sales slip & charge slip marked "Customer Copy". Attach white copy of sales slip to remaining charge slip copies and put in blue bank bag.

Art work sale (for credit cards only):

Artists will write up sales slip(s) for Docent

Art sales will be handled by each artist unless customer wishes to purchase art from multiple artists or artist does not have a credit card machine of their own. Then sometimes the docent needs to handle this. On large \$\$ amount sale, the artist should be there beside you checking on sale.

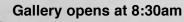
- Write each artist's name(s) on credit card slip and all items sold (if you have room)
- ◆ Write in total amount of sale plus sales tax (7.75%) to the entire amount
- ◆ Have customer sign credit card slip (get phone number if possible)
- ◆ Give customer yellow sales slip copy(s) and 2nd charge slip copy (marked "Customer Copy")
- ◆ Attach charge slips (2 copies should be left over) to white sales slip(s) and put in blue bank bag.

Last Docent of the day gives blue bank bag to host.



Artists' Studio and Garden Tour

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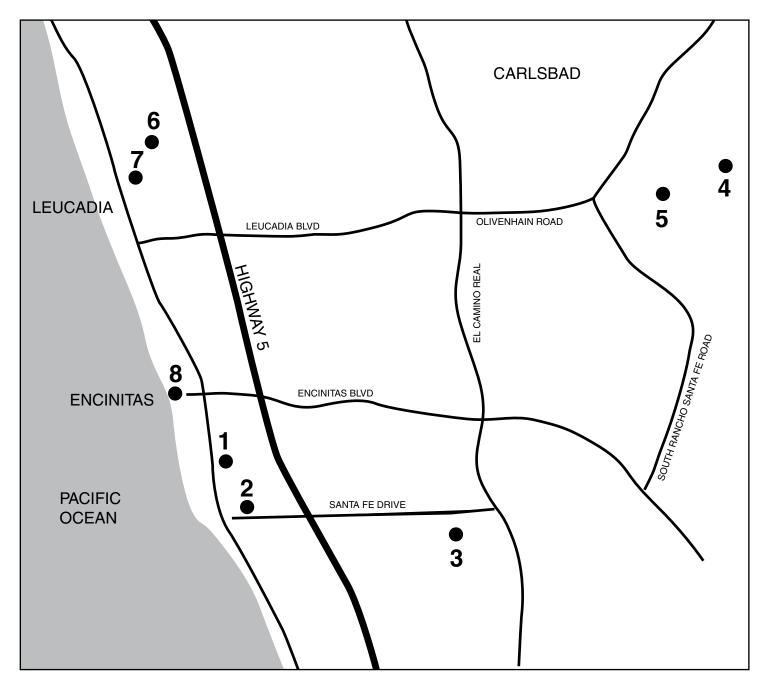
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ADMIT ONE

San Dieguito Art Guild's Annual

Mother's Day Art Studio and Garden Tour

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Begin at the Off Track Gallery (open at 8:30am) 687 S. Coast Hwy 101, Encinitas 760.942.3636 www.offtrackgallery.com

NAME
ADDRESS
EMAIL
PHONE

Leave this at the last house that you visit.

To enter drawing for restaurant certificate:





Bobbi Hirschkoff's house



























ART STUDIO & Garden Tour

May 13, 2007 10 am to 4 pm

Off Track Gallery

687 S Coast Highway, Encinitas 92024

Permit/ stamp info

You are invised to pen us for the annual Open Art Studio and Garden Tour. Tokett are \$20/ available by phone at 760.9423636. or on the at www.offtratkgallery.com.

Host artiste Cni Weatherby Darker Kate, Charlere Bonney, Carole Mayne, Diane Smith Wanda Olaon and Bobbs Hirschkoff. This self guided your will feature guest artists att for sale and refreshments. Be sure to entry the drawings. Address correction requested

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Sunday May 13. 2007 10 am-4 pm begin at Off Track Gallery

687 S. Coast Hwy 101. Encinitas (760)942-3636



To enter drawing for restaurant certificate:	
	Name
	Address
	E Mail

ADMIT

Selling Tour Tickets at the Gallery

- 1. Write up sales receipt with ticket number
 - \$20 per ticket

No tax

Under 18 free with mom

- 2. Put WHITE receipt with ticket numbers in cash drawer with check, charge or cash.
- 3. Give customer yellow receipt, 1 map (per group if possible) and the tour tickets. Put all in purple envelope for customer
- 4. Any questions, phone Joanne 760-943-0986

You may take charge for ticket over the phone. Use the blank charge slips. Write in VISA or MASTERCHARGE (only), the charge card number, the exp. Date and the customer's phone number and mailing address. We will mail the customer the tickets (up until May 6) or they may pick them up at the Gallery on the morning of the tour.

Mothers' Day Studio and Garden Tour

Website/ page specs:

tour itinerary with maps or links to maps

pictures from houses on the Tour

pictures of artwork of the artists on the Tour

ticket purchasing information & list of outlets to purchase them (they will be "real", recognizable tickets this year-- separate from the tour itinerary)

the poster design (& info on how to purchase it)

articles and press releases

list of sponsors w/ logos and links to their websites

links to ArtWalk site, SignonSanDiego, etc.

links to other art organizations' websites (similar

to ArtWalk's)

metatags:

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San Dieguito Art Guild Off Track Gallery

gallery exhibition art show studio tour beads textiles scarves art glass glasswork greeting cards North County Encinitas Carlsbad Del Mar Solana Beach

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For immediate release

Press release/ Potential Story

Annual Mother's Day Artist Studio and Garden Tour

Who: The San Dieguito Art Guild is offering their annual Mother's Day Art Studio and Garden Tour. The Guild will have their Offtrack Gallery open for extended hours and will feature seven homes on the tour.

When: Sunday, May 13^{th,} 2007. Gallery will open at 8:30 and the homes will be open from 10:00am to 4:00pm.

What: This is a self guided tour of garden/studios. Tickets are \$20.00. Each home will feature several artists and will offer refreshments. Some homes will also have entertainment.

Where: All of the studio homes are in the Encinitas /Olivenhain area so as to be easily accessible in one day.

Many of the homes on this tour are award winners for their gardens or design. The art will all be for sale and will include paintings, prints, ceramics, sculpture, glass, textiles and jewelry.

The San Dieguito Art Guild has been a community organization since 1964. The Guild is a showcase for a wide variety of artists of all levels and mediums. This tour has been a great success for over 10 years and is a wonderful way for families to spend Mother's Day.

A portion of the proceeds from this tour will be donated to a local charity.

Photos are included, but more can be provided.

For more information: www.offtrackgallery.com Cris Weatherby 760-815-0918

Mark Your Calendar

Take-in for June

- Floor artists: By appointment only, contact Floor Manager Barb Millé 760.942.3595
 Monthly Show for Wall artists:
 - **Monthly Show for Wall artists:** Tue. May 29, 2007, 9:30-12 Noon
- Next Wall Renter's Take In: Sun., June 24, 2007, 10am-6pm. Contact Dot Renshaw ahead, with arrival in am or pm at 858.692.6478
- Board Meeting: Mon., May 21 2007, 9:30am, Off Track Gallery
- General Meeting: Sun., June 3, 1:30-2:00pm, Off Track Gallery
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June 5 & 12, Swami's, Encinitas, meet at the parking lot just south of the SRF on Hwy.101.

Call Joan Grine 858.481.8783 or Janet Finney 858.755.7206 for more info.

Judge for June Show

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Grace Swanson "Sunlit Lilies"

Mother's Day Artists' Studio & Garden Tour



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JUNE 2007

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President's Message

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Getting to Know You

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www.cafepress.com/artbysusan

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http://klinskyceramics.com/

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Dot Dodds "The Red Pillow" Photo by Grace Swanson

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Notice to Off Track Gallery Staff

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Thank you, Joanne Chambers. Treasurer



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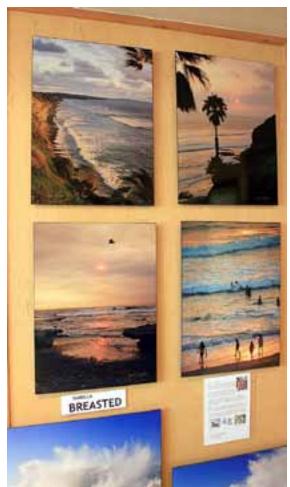
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