# **Annual Award Exhibit**

"Small Image Show" with over \$1000 in prizes.

# Recognition/Monthly Art Show

The Monthly Art Show is judged and ribbons are awarded in several categories (reproductions of original artwork are not eligible for ribbons or cash awards).

# Continued Learning

Members can attend free demonstrations three times a year by well-known artists. Please refer to the *Paint Rag* newsletter for the location of these free demos. These program are made possible, in part, by a grant from the City of Encinitas and the Mizel Family Foundation. The demos are open to the public.

### Information

You will receive a copy of our Membership Directory with complete contact information. You will also receive our monthly newsletter, the *Paint Rag*. The *Paint Rag* keeps you abreast of upcoming Guild events and member activities. It is also possible for you to place small advertisements in this publication.

### Paint Outs

A group of SDAG members, led by Joan Grine, meet to paint in such varied locations as Torrey Pines State Reserve, Del Mar, Quail Botanical Gardens in Encinitas, and Batiquitos Lagoon in La Costa. You can join them every Tuesday throughout the year (check the *Paint Rag* for location).

# Mother's Day Artists' Studio and Garden Tour

This is SDAG's big annual show/home tour and is a proven success as a local event and is a major sales activity. Members are encouraged to participate in a variety of ways.

# Community Liaison

It is the Guild's policy to be a good neighbor and to participate to the extent possible in civic events in the area.

### Featured Artist

An evening wine and hoer d' oeuvres reception is held every other month. This event features four artists on a rotating basis, a live demonstration and a children's art project. The reception provides publicity as well as social contact for clients and friends.

# **Membership Directory**

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SDAG Board Meeting Meeting Minutes January 25, 2009

Officers Present: Officers Absent: Assistants:

Patricia Eldon Joanne Chambers

Mary Beck Grace Swanson Wanda Olson

EllaBlanche Salmi

Laura Lowenstein Isabella Breasted

Ellen Cramer

Judy Salinsky
Bruce Stewart
Ricki Ungar
Cindy Gary
Judianne Shannon
Terri Oshrin for Dianne Dudek
Lisa Dunn

Meeting Minutes: Recorded by Cindy Gary. Meeting Location, Encinitas Library. Meeting called to order at 9:40 by Patricia Eldon. Minutes from November reviewed. Grace called to approve minutes at 9:45, seconded by Mary Beck, approved as corrected. Vote 11 yes,1 abstain.

- A. Upcoming Dates:
- 1. Thursday, February 5:
- o Demo by Toni Williams at Quail Gardens Ecke Building 1:30 to 3:30
  - 2. Monday, February 23:
- o Board meeting at Encinitas Library
  - 3. Tuesday, February 24:
- o Take-in for monthly show 9:30-12:00 4. Friday, March 13:
- o Featured Artist Reception at Off Track Gallery, 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.
- 5. Monday, March 23:
- o SDAG board meeting,
- 6. Tuesday, March 31:
- o Monthly show take-in at Off Track B. President: Patricia Eldon
- I .New Business:
- 1. Featured Artist reception –Discussion of previous and future Receptions
- o Patricia Should Featured Artist Reception be held same week as Mothers Day?
- o Patricia we only voted to have 3 receptions, was there a ROI? Is it worth it to have future receptions?
- o Bruce Public and Press have been very receptive.
- o Wanda and Judianne SD Backyard will not be able to have big feature articles due to lack of ad dollars.
- o Joanne expense was minimal considering the publicity.
- o Motion by Laura to continue Recep-

- tions every 2 months, seconded by Joanne Vote approved with 13 yes votes.
- o Grace Need to have someone in charge of raffle for next event.

  1a. Use of Evite:
- o Cheryl Ehlers is using Evites to invite members to reception and to track their responses.
- o Advise Cheryl to put more information in the subject Line of her Evite emails.
- o Wanda asked Lisa to do a write up about Evites in the Paint Rag
- 1b. Live Music at Receptions:
- o Bruce –Should we pay performers such as Clarinet player Benny, also should we then also pay our bartenders?
- o Most of the Board Members agreed that the performer can post sign and display business cards at receptions. We are not looking to pay for entertainment at this time.
- o Tip Jar Bruce asked if it was appropriate for a tip jar to be set out for performers. Many did not like this idea. Not sure if there was a resolution on this point.
- o Action Item (please advise who is responsible for this Action Item) Talk to Joan (Janet Finney plays the harp) about having a musician at future.
- EllaBlanche said that groups might perform for free and we should explore in this direction.
- 2. Categorizing photos and digital art.
  o Confusion about how to categorize/
  label and judge Photographs that have used
  Photoshop? Should they be classified as photos
  or digital Art?
- o It was decided that the label should read Digitally enhanced for photos where Photoshop is used.
- o Bruce checked with Morgan Janis she wants Artists who use photoshop to state that on the photo label.
- o Ricki take-in will have a separate question: Has the photo been digitally enhanced?
- o Patricia thinks that this change will affect awards
- o Laura let Patricia know that the change in category name would not affect the judging b/c in the past a Category there needed to be 5 pieces or more in a given category to be judged.
- o Grace digital art does not involve a camera
- o Mary Beck there is an ongoing debate in the Art World regarding terminology.
- o Motion by Mary Beck seconded by Grace– The monthly show category of "Photo's" will now include traditional photos and digitally altered photos. Photos must be labeled accordingly.

Vote: 12 yes, 1 abstain. Bruce added that "digitally enhanced" be defined for Guild purposes as: anything beyond standard darkroom techniques

- 3. Shrink Wraps
- The Gallery committee was asked to

- come up with policy, procedures and standards for Shrink Wraps.
- o EllaBlance typed document from Gallery Meeting. Document was distributed read, discussed and amended.
- o This document is needed as it will provide clarity and direction needed for Terri and Ricki.
- o Motion Mary Beck -make edits to shrink wrap document changes and document that the Matte total width should not exceed ¼ inch and that Shrinks have to fit in Gallery bin. Matte size should reflect size of current bin.
- o Mary –Motion to accept edited Shrink document.. Bruce and Laura seconded o Approced with a vote of – Yes -13. Lisa Dunn will add Shrink doc. to paint rag. 3a. How to better display shrinks in Gallery:
- o Ricki new member Lamont offered to make new bin for shrink wraps in exchange for sittings.
- o Bruce shared Lamont's ideas for changes to Gallery's wall setup and shrink wrap storage bins.
- o Bruce at the Gallery meeting encourage sitters to put bin outside. Put this in summary and/or Paint Rag.
- o Ricki new bin has to be easy to move.
- o Bruce will work with Ella and Ricki, to change the wall/floor space to incorporate new bins.
- o Laura Action Item for Bruce to speak to those affected by anyone involved in the changes made to floor plan.
- 4. Mothers Day:
- o Grace Invite Joann Johnston to next meeting
- o Grace We do not have enough member homes on the tour. Guild requires that homeowners on Tour be Guild members.
- o Laura said that we should use PR Budget to offer honorary membership to homeowners that participate.
- o Grace said that there are 2 people that would like to be on the Tour, but have no interest in the Guild. Both houses would be good for the tour. We need 7 houses plus Guild.
- o Laura stated that we have to be competitive and make sure our tour is good.
- o Bruce suggested free membership to all Homeowners on the tour.
- Mary add Music to our tour
- o Motion offer honorary (free for current year) membership to homeowners who participate in the tour. Also offer to those homeowners that are already members, free membership. Terri seconds the motion. Vote Yes, 13.
- 4a. Additional Information:
- o Paint Rag -Lisa please update members on status of Mothers Day tour .
- o Terri San Dieguito Woman's Club members said they would be interested in being docents. Grace said that docents would be given 2 free tickets to the event in return for

their service.

- o Bruce –Make the gallery a special place to be that weekend. Treat and promote the Gallery as we would promote a house on the Tour.
- o Make gallery like a "house"o Advertise the gallery as part of the

tour.

- o Artist selection process discussed, it was decided that the process not be made available to members and should be considered for revision for next year in order to give more Artists an opportunity to participate.
  - 5. Soravia Paintings:
- o Terri presented the Soravia Sales agreement for Danny Pendlbury and Guild to sign.
- o Both Terri and Danny want to get this document approved/signed ASAP.
- o Terri told the Board Members that Danny wants to get work displayed at the Mingei Museum in Balboa Park and that Danny is also talking paintings to auction houses. Danny will do the marketing.
- o Motion by Wanda, seconded by Joann to accept agreement with Danny Pendlbury
- o Agreement reads as follows:
- Selling rights given to Danny Pendlbury for a period of 1 yr
- Rights to sell
- Commission 20% on first 6, 25 after
- Guild reserves the rt. Too increase price
- 20 pieces at anytime can be checked out.

5a.Advertising Flyer:

- o Motion by Bruce, Pat second to approve expense of \$90. For Soravia ad. Approved by yes vote of 13.
  - 5b. Library Display and Framing
- o 4 Additional Soravia's to be displayed in the Library. Still need to get signs from Jim Gillian.
- o Mary Beck makes a motion to budget of \$300.00 to frame Soravia, seconded by Bruce. And approved by a vote of 12 yes.
  - 6. Rack Cards:
- o Rack cards distributed by Morgan Janis to all hotels on the list.
- F. Reports from Chairpersons:
- 1. Treasurers' Report: Joanne Chambers: 1a. Sales:
- o January 2853.00
- o Still has 2 checks for small image show
- 2. Membership Chair Laura Lowenstien:
- o 162 current members, 2 renewals, 10 new members

Accept checks, cash for membership, if a credit card is used \$5.00 extra charge for processing.

- 3. Publicity Chair Grace Swanson:
- o Buy local Program Offers participants in program 10% off . What do we want to do? Do we want to participate in this program?

- o Yes –Guild will participate by offering 10% off the shrink wrap/bin art.
- o I do not show a motion and/or vote on this, please let me know if this topic came to a formal vote.
- 4. VP Programs, Diane Dudek/Terri Oshrin:
- o Toni Williams Art Demo received write-up in the Coast News.
- o Plant Sale at Quail Terri Oshun will take over the responsibility. Grace will find out how many tents we can have.

Laura thought we might be able to have Mothers Day tickets available at event.

- o Encinitas Garden Festival Terri will take over with help from Grace (email blasts etc). One booth at 65.00. Open to 4 people.
- 5. Offsite Chair- Wanda Olson:.
- o Revenue from Offsite show in Solana Beach \$370–37 pieces
- o Working on Rhino Art Show in July
- 6. Gallery Chair Bruce Stewart:
- 6a. Conversations with Landlord Roof and Rent
- o Landlord Keith contacted Bruce about roof. Keith explained that the roof is not leaking; the problem is in the vent.
- o For sitters, anytime it is raining (put note in Daily book) to let Bruce know about any leaks.
- o Bruce asked Keith about rent. Keith said that he will be fair with us, but no rent reductions at this time. Rent will not be raised.
  - 6b. Artist Request:
- o Paul Richter wants to have additional signage on wall, describing work etc.
- o Wanda said that will cause chaos, no uniformity and does not look professional. Put information on Bio. Sheet.
- 6c.Signs for Gift Certificate and Additional Art
  o Laura Gift certificates available
- sign and prints available.
- o Bruce Unframed prints available. Not involving storage at gallery. Bruce will work with Grace on sign.
- Chair EllaBlanche Salmi –
- o Created document showing all current floor renters, monthly fees and # of sittings.
- o The document reflects an increase in some prices for sake of consistency Motion to approve document by Joann seconded by Mary Beck.Approved Vote 10 yes.
- o Also discussion about towers and display cases. Lisa Dunn, an Artist who display's jewelry, would like to see more display cases. EllaBlance will volunteer to look at wholesale prices on display cases.
- o Bruce –If we purchase/acquire additional display items. Items could be stored in Judys' Mom's garage
- 8. Judianne Shannon, Calendar chair.
- o Sitting –Coal has a policy, we should review their policy.
- o Monthly show people not having to sit Feb. ONLY

- o For February only 4 sessions that are not filled.
- o Floor wall and room 80 always covered.
- o Some have wanted a double sitter.
- o Some would rather sit alone.
- o Motion (by ?) Feb. monthly show exempt from sitting, approved vote 10 yes.
- 9. Ricki Ungar, Monthly show chair-
- 10. Judy Salinsky. Judy's mother has offered the use of her garage for gallery/guild storage. Judy will arrange the details.

#### Action Items:

1.Action Item – (please advise who is responsible for this Action Item) Talk to Joan (Janet Finney plays the harp) about having a musician at future

2.Action Item Regarding new bins and changes to floor plan. Bruce will speak to those Artist affected by any future changes made to floor plan.

Motion to adjourn: called by Laura, 2nd Patricia, unanimous at 12:50

Please review and send any additions and or corrections to Cindy Gary at cingary@yahoo.com

In an effort to start the meetings on time and keep the meetings to 2 hours, the meeting minutes will be approved via email and will not be reviewed at the start of future Board Meetings.

# ARTISTS SHOWCASE TALENTS



Alison Christler stands with her Blue Ribbon-winning watercolor "Lightfall" at the San Dieguito Art Guild's show this month at Off Track Gallery, 500 Second St., Encinitas. The nonprofit guild promotes interest, education, knowledge and skills in the visual arts. Also receiving first-place ribbons in their categories: Toni Williams (oil/acrylic), Paul Richter (photography), Bruce Stewart (mixed media), and E.G. Brennan (other media). Call (760) 942-3636 or visit offtrackgallery.com.

JAN. 36, 2009

THE COAST NEWS

# FEBRUARY 5

ON A JOURNEY Join artist Tions Williams in her journey to capture the solutie numbers of the color, tone and

imagery of the Southern California landscape from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Feb. S. Ecke Building, Quail Beranical Gardens, 230 Quail Gardens Drive, Encinitas Visit www. ToniWilliamsArt.com to learn more.

The San Diego Union-Pribling | NORTH COUNTY | Sunday, February 1, 2009

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#### EVENTS

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The San Diego Union-Diffuse | NORTH COUNTY | Thursday, February 5, 2009

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# community highlights (cont'd)

# Five local artists take first place

the San Dieguito Art Guild and Off Track Gallery announced the winners of this January's show.

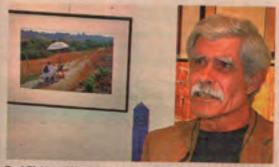
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The Off Track Gallery, 500 Second Street in downtown Encinitas features the work of over 150 members of the San Dieguito Art Guid. The Guild, established in 1965, is a nonprofit fistering artistic growth of members and the community.

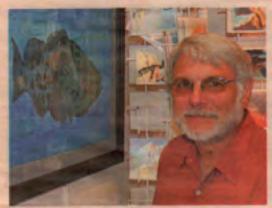
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Paul Richter. / Photos provided by sdBackyard.com member Off Track Gallery



**Bruce Stewart** 



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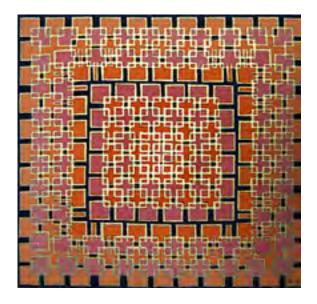
# Off Track gallery's winners

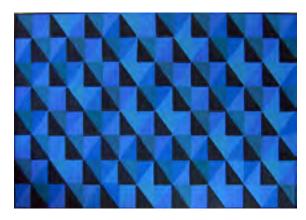
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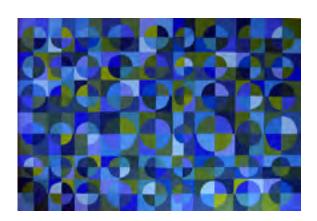
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# Oil painting demo

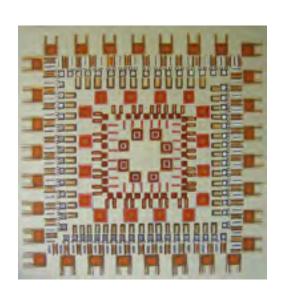
Artist Toni Williams will give an oil painting demonstration 1:30-3:30 p.m. in the Ecke Building at Quall Botanical Gardens, 230 Quall Gardens Drive, Encinitas. The event is sponsored by the Off Track Gallery and San Dieguito Art Guild. Information: (760) 942-3636 and www.offtrackgallery.com.













#### For Immediate Release

## Roy Soravia Collection

Both Roy and his late wife, Irene were painters. They moved to Leucadia in 1949 from Chicago, where Roy had directed the Parnassus Gallery. As a painter dedicated to the Op Art movement of the 1950's and 60's much of Soravia's work has been recognized by experts to be reminiscent of the paintings of highly regarded Victory Vasarely and Yaacov Agam. His belief that the use of line, color and form is more important than the representation of a given subject. His paintings are optical art — a study of shapes and color.

The paintings are very well executed. They are either acrylic or casein (which is a from of watercolor using casein as a binder). In some paintings, metallics such as gold and silver are used. The paper is a heavy grade watercolor paper. Soravia's painstaking methods and great attention to color variations yielded works that are not only pleasing to behold but have the magical quality of changing before the viewer's eye.

Soravia's paintings have been exhibited in Chicago, Omaha, Davenport Museum and in California at the San Diego Museum of Fine Arts, the La Jolla Museum of Contemporary Art, La Jolla Atheneum Gallery at the University of California at San Diego and the Coronado School of Fine Arts. Roy's last painting was dated in the year 2000 and he died four years later at the age of 100. After he died, the collection became the property of the San Dieguito Art Guild.

The San Dieguito Art Guild, established in 1965, is an 501(c) 4 organization dedicated to furthering artistic understanding and fostering artistic growth of members and the community at large by promoting interest, education, knowledge and skills in the visual arts.

Part of the Roy Soravia collection may now be seen at the new Encinitas Library on 540 Cornish Drive. These 15 paintings, most measuring about 3 feet square, are executed on wood and at this time are not for sale.

In addition to these paintings on wood, is an extensive collection executed on paper. These paintings, most measuring about 10 inches or 18 inches square are available for purchase. The Soravia paintings are sold un-framed with the original, vintage matting and backing. These original paintings may be purchased through the San Dieguito Art Guild's representative: Danny Pendlebury, 858-232-5585, deepblue@dslextreme.com.

# Roy Soravia Collection

in the Encinitas Library

This collection is on loan from the San Dieguito Art Guild.

The works that you see on board at the library are not yet for sale.

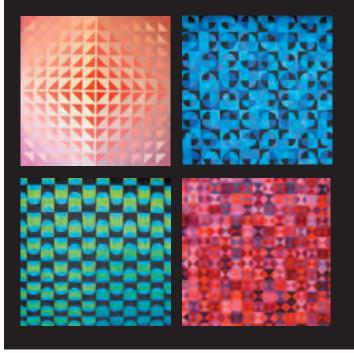
However, selections from the Soravia collection (on paper 18 x 18 and also 10 x 10) can be seen at www.OffTrackGallery.com

These works on paper may be purchased through the Guild's representative:

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Please call or email Danny to view the entire collection.



Need a gift or a new look for your home? Looking for a hand-crafted memento of your trip to our beautiful California coast? You will find it at the Off Track Gallery.

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Off Track Gallery shows only original art produced by the over
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To become a member stop by the Gallery or go to www.OffTrackGallery.com

Send membership form with check to: PO Box 235853, Encinitas, CA 92023. Adult \$65, Family (two relatives per household) \$75 Youth (age 15 to 18) \$30

#### For Immediate Release

**What:** The San Dieguito Art Guild is very pleased to announce their newest member — with enough talent to fill an entire room of the Off Track Gallery.

Deborrah Henry is a fiber artist who has authored "The Simple Art of Ribbon Design". She works in a variety of mixed media, but her favorite medium for expression is fine art photography and digital art. She loves creating photographic books. She has also been a psychotherapist and children's art teacher.

In Deborrah's own words, "Thoughts on photography and spirituality: Looking beyond the surface and past the physical can be a spiritual experience. As with photography, when an image expresses beauty, friendships between elements are crucial. Line, form, rhythm, color, shape and size are all important elements in art and photography. The patterns of unfoldment seen in a close-up image of a flower reveal natural beauty and its developing heart. Whether it is specific patterns revealed in nature or minute detail in the tiniest of spaces, the Creator has an amazing awareness to be able to run the world and create such beauty at the same time. This belief compels me to try and see the true, natural beauty in nature and the world."

**When:** During the month of February Deborrah's room will feature works from India including her book "Simply India", photographs and mixed media. Next month look for her florals and

**Where:** The Off Track Gallery is located downtown Encinitas, one block off of Highway 101 at the corner of D Street and Second.

**Who:** The San Dieguito Art Guild has been a community organization since 1965. The Guild's Off Track Gallery is a showcase for a wide variety of artists of all levels and mediums. For more information call the Gallery at 760-942-3636 or go to www.OffTrackGallery.com.

# **Environmental Painters**







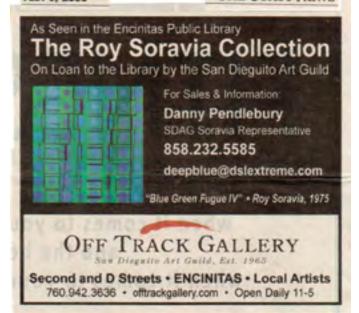














# HOMETOWN HISTORY

Susan Hays, left, president of Friends of Cardiff-by-the Sea Library, received a copy of recently published "Encinitas Insight" from Councilwoman Teresa Barth during the Friends recent annual meeting. The book contains a large number of color photographs taken by Encinitas resident Karla Ogilvie and is now available at Downtown Encinitas MainStreet Association. Barth also donated a copy to the Encinitas Library. Courtesy photo

### Soravia art at library ENCINITAS — Part of

VISTA / SAN MARCOS NEWS

artist

Leucadia Soravia's collection is now on display at the n e w Encinitas Library, 540 Cornish

These

15 paint-

Drive.

ROY SORAVIA

ings are not for sale, but additional paintings are being sold from the Soravia collection to directly benefit the nonprofit San Dieguito Art Guild. Call San ENCINITAS — Dave Ombrello is the artist for the month of February at St.Tropez Bakery & Bistro at 947 S.Coast Highway 101 in

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Lumberyard.
A portion
of all sales
will go to
Photocharity,
which supports The
Storefront



DAVID OMBRELL

shelter for homeless teenagers in San Diego.

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# out and about (more on p. 6)

# 101 Arts Alive Banners unfurled

Several hundred people packed into the former Cabo Grill in Leucadia to be the first to see the 2009 Arts Alive Banners unveiled on Feb. 7 before the art was hung on lamp posts along Highway 101 in Encinitas, Leucadia and Cardiff.

# community highlights

# Roy Soravia, late Leucadia resident, leaves artistic legacy

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Asti II. painted in 1971 by Soravia. Photo provided by sdBackyard.com member San Dieguito Art Guild

#### FEBRUARY BEST OF SHOW

The winners of the monthly show at the Off Track Gallery have been announced. Rita Hohweiler-Cecil took the Best of Show with her photograph "Motel Arrow" captured at the Salton Sea. Rita is no stranger to photography; she graduated from Brooks School of Photography in 1982 and successfully exhibited her work throughout Ventura, Los Angeles and Santa Barbara counties in the 80's and 90's. She has recently returned from a hiatus of child rearing to join the San Dieguito Art Guild. Rita explains "given that the mantra at Brooks was 4x5 negatives and perfection, it is somewhat refreshing to see the same imagery evolve with greater simplicity, without compromising the integrity of the work."

You can see Rita's work along with the rest of the show at the Off Track Gallery located on 2nd and D Street in Encinitas. The first place winners include Ellie Havel Wagoner in oil paintings, E. J. Nicholson in Watercolor, Basia Koenig in mixed media and Paul Richter in Photography. The show will be on exhibit until February 24, 2009. Contact the Off Track Gallery for more information at (760) 942-3636 orhttp://www.offtrackgallery.com/ on the web.



# The Paint Rag

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# Toni Williams— February Art Demonstration



The San Dieguito Art Guild is honored to announce that Toni Williams will be the demonstrator for February. The art demonstration, free to SDAG members and the public, will take place on February 5th from 1:30 to 3:30 in the Ecke Building at Quail Gardens. In addition, Toni will also judge the February Monthly

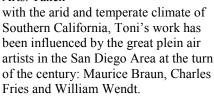
Show at the Off Track Gallery.

Toni's art is featured at the San Diego Historical Society Gift Shop in Balboa Park, Rancho Santa Fe Art Guild, Cedros Village Fine Art Gallery, & the Randall M. Hasson Gallery in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Though a native of New York, Toni moved to San Diego in 1972 to finish her Education at UCSD in La Jolla with a Bachelor's Degree in Visual







In the pursuit of gaining experience in painting the human form, Toni has studied with Marileigh Schulte and Peggi Kroll-Roberts.

Memberships & accomplishments:

- Southwestern Artists' Association
- Rancho Santa Fe Art Guild
- San Dieguito Art Guild
- American Impressionist Society; Juried in to participate in the 2007 Show
- California Art Club
- Oil Painters of America.

The art demonstration is funded in part by a grant from the City of Encinitas and the Mizel Family Foundation.



# ENVIRONMENTAL PAINTERS

Contact Joan Grine, grine@roadrunner.com or 858-481-8783

January 6
Quail Gardens
January 13 and 20
Oceanside Harbor
January 17 and February 3
Fletcher Cove

February 10 and 17
Batiquitos Lagoon, off of Gabiano.
February 24 and March 3
San Elijo Lagoon, north end of
Rios, Solana Beach,
off Lomas Santa Fe

Call Joan for more directions



## Calendar of Events

**January 9, 2009** 5 to 8 p.m. **Featured Artist Reception** Off Track Gallery

**January 26, 2009** 9:30 a.m. **SDAG Board Meeting** Encinitas Library

January 27, 2009 9:30 a.m. to noon Monthly Show Take-In at the Gallery

**February 5, 2009** 1:30 to 3:30, demo by Toni Williams at Quail Gardens Ecke Building

**February 23, 2009** 9:30 a.m. **SDAG Board Meeting** Encinitas Library

**February 24, 2009** 9:30-Noon Take-in for monthly show

March 13, 2009 Reception at Off Track Gallery, 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.

March 23, 2009 9:30: SDAG Board Meeting

March 31, 2009 9:30 a.m. Monthly Show Take-in at Off Track Gallery



# The President's Corner

Hi, Members of San Dieguito Art Guild!

I hope that you all enjoyed happy holidays and that we will all have a prosperous, healthy, and creative new year.

I also hope that you attend and bring your friends to our next reception, which will be on Friday, January 9, 2009, from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Off Track Gallery (corner of 2nd and D Streets in Encinitas). Joan Grine, Cheryl Ehlers, Grace Swanson, Darlene Katz, Bruce Stewart, and many others worked hard to produce an attractive, well-attended reception in November. Let's repeat our success!

Joann Johnson has already begun plans and chosen houses for our next big fundraiser, our 2009 Mother's Day Weekend Studio and Garden Tour. Please contact her at JohnnynJo@earthlink.net to help with this fundraiser, or attend the meeting at her house on Wednesday, January 14, at 1:30 p.m.

San Dieguito Art Guild member Kirk Van Allyn, known as Kirkos, provided our community with a spiritually uplifting and unifying experience by creating a New Year's Day labyrinth at Stone Steps Beach and allowing visitors to walk through, meditate, and build their own art projects within it. This event also provided our guild with a lot of publicity, which is so important for artists. Thank you, Kirkos.

In spite of the economic problems of our nation, our gallery sales were very high in December during our Small Image Show. Keep up the good work! You can be proud of the high quality of the artwork in our gallery, and we can all be thankful to our friends and community members who have supported us by buying our artwork or by simply visiting the gallery.

— Patricia Eldon. president of San Dieguito Art Guild

### **Welcome to New Members!**

Katie Jablonski Leon Levy Laura Stearn Linda Meeker Joyce Nash

Sculpture, bronze Watercolor Jewelry Oils & oil pastels Acrylics

# **SDAG Board of Directors**

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# SDAG history

The San Dieguito Art Guild was founded in 1965 with Sue Beere elected as the first president (the guild was her idea). The president for the next term (1966-1967) was Olivia C. Walker.

In December of 1966 the old Saint James Church on the corner of 13th Street and Camino Del Mar was obtained and served as Guild headquarters thru September of 1969. This fine old building provided ample room for regular meetings and art classes. Monthly membership and one man shows were on display to the public seven afternoons a week during the entire year. The gallery was held open on a volunteer basis. This building is currently the Del Mar Library. While the outside looks much the same you would not recognize the inside if you had belonged to the guild in 1966. The inside has been totally gutted and remodeled having been the Albatross Restaurant before it was the Library.

The big discussion that year was whether to purchase that building. What a difference that would have made to our nomadic existence had this come about. SDAG member, Vilma Malmberg, was active in the Guild at this time and was VERY much in favor of the purchase (even willing to put up a substantial amount of money up front



to be paid back during the following years as the guild grew). Unfortunately another very vocal member persuaded the board that the Guild was a non-profit entity and could not possibly go into the business of real estate. Our loss. I wonder what the asking price was at that time!

# Off-Track Gallery & SDAG News Items

# 2009 began with a Special Event



irk Van Allyn ("Kirkos") again created a special, sacred space where the North County community could gather, celebrate, meditate & contemplate their hope for the coming year.

The event was the creation of a meditation labyrinth on the beach below Stone Steps in Encinitas. Like the Tibetan Sand Mandala, it was temporary and the good energies were swept out to sea. But the memories of the children and adults alike walking and decorating the labyrinth will be with us for the year. We hope Kirkos will be persuaded to make this an annual event for the benefit of all.



## **Arts Alive Banners**



2008 banner by Dot Renshaw

Ten SDAG members are painting banners for the 2009 Arts Alive Banner Program.

On Saturday, February 7th, 2009 from 2pm-5pm in Encinitas (Location TBD), the 101 Arts Alive Banners will be unveiled. After the unveiling the Banners will be on display on the lamp posts along Hwy 101 in Downtown Encinitas, Leucadia and the Cardiff Towne Center where they will remain until May. The live auction will take place in May (Date, Time, & Location TBD).

DEMA spearheads the Arts Alive Banner program that is presented by the 101 Artists' Colony, Cardiff 101 Chamber of Commerce and Leucadia 101 MainStreet. The proceeds of the banner auction are split 50/50 between the artists and the three presenting groups.

The optional theme this year is anything to do with the number 10. (Pretty

cool that we have 10 artists participating!). See last year's banners at:

 $http://www.encinitas101.com/news\_events-banners.html$ 

# Banners that will be displayed in Leucadia:

Wanda Olson

## Banners that will be displayed in Cardiff:

Jane Spencer, Artie Mattson, Cheryl Ehlers

#### Banners that will be displayed in Encinitas:

Grace Swanson, Bruce Stewart, Dot Renshaw Laura Lowenstein, Toni Willilams, Diane Dudek

# **Membership Directory**

The 2009 Member Directory is printed and available at the Off Track Gallery. The directories will not be mailed out this year unless necessary, so don't forget to pick one up the next time you're at the Gallery.

The Directory includes a list of all SDAG members as well as information about membership obligations and benefits, Mission Statement, Rules for Artwork & Board of Directors for 2008/09.

If you can't pick up your copy at the gallery, send a self-addressed stamped manila envelope (big enough for the booklet) to Laura Lowenstein, Off Track Gallery, 500 2nd St. Encinitas.

# **Mothers Day Garden Tour Fundraiser**

Joann Johnson is doing a great job of the initial coordination for this major SDAG fund-raising event. The next meeting is scheduled for January 14. Contact Joann if you are interested in attending the meetings and/or helping with this very fun fund-raiser! Some of the volunteers:

Wanda Olson – Map route narrative for distribution Dot Renshaw – Database of houses & Guest Artists Cindy Gary – Digital photos of houses and art of hosts Grace Swanson – Press release information Lisa Dunn – Printed material design Diane Goodman - Docents

If you are interested in helping to secure sponsors for our event and/or participating as a guest artist, contact Joann Johnson (720) 839-4244 or e-mail: johnnynjo@earthlink.net

# Upcoming Off Site Shows for SDAG Members

#### **Solana Beach City Hall**

635 South Highway 101, Solana Beach, Ca 92075 Show Theme: "Beauty & the Beach"

Take In: January 15th, 11:30-12:30; Take Out: March 2nd, 9:30-10:30 \$10.00 per painting

### **North County Oncology Medical Clinic**

3617 Vista Way, Oceanside, Ca 92056 (between El Camino Real and College Blvd off 78 on the frontage road).

Take In August 4th 9:30-10:30 Reception date to follow Take Out 1st or 2nd week in January 2010 (exact date to follow) Show Theme: "Art & Healing"

If you have any questions about these shows call Wanda Olson, Off Site Chairperson, (760) 753-6807

#### **Member Exhibits:**

**Darlene Katz:** Solo Exhibit at the Solana Beach Library now through February 5, 2009.

**Artie Mattson** & Family Art Exhibit: Encinitas Civic Center through January 31, 2009. Join Artie for the Reception on January 16 from 5 to 7 pm.

# Featured Artists for January, 2009

### Lynn Ely



Lynn Ely received her B.A. degree from

Featured
Artists
at the
Off Track
Gallery

Calif. State Univ. at Northridge included a specialization in art. Her continuing studies in art include: design, ceramics, leaded stained glass, silver wire wrap jewelry, several different types of loom weaving, pine needle coiling, drawing, painting, collage, printmaking & composition.

Reception: January 9, 2009

5 to 8 p.m.

Wine and hor d'oeuvres.

Young Artist's area and a live art demonstration by Alison Christler

She has authored the Criteria for Fine Arts in a San Diego County school district. She was also chosen to be a school district mentor designing the mentorship "Art in the Classroom," and "Art integrated into the Curriculum." Lynn mentored many students and teachers and taught art classes in drawing & mixed media.

Since 2001 Lynn has focused her time on mixed media & fiber arts. She works constantly to hone her techniques and experiment with various new media.

#### **Grace Swanson**



"I love to paint flower "portraits". What attracts me first is the color. Then the structure and the delicacy. Although I try usually to paint realistically, I love to enhance, change, and simplify the configuration and color of the flowers and leaves.

Watercolor is my medium of choice. I love the way the colors just flow onto the paper. I also paint in acrylic thinned way down to act like watercolor.

I was born and raised in Nigeria. When I first moved to San Diego, I was thrilled to find many of the same flowers and trees that I remembered from my childhood in Africa—bougainvillea, hibiscus, plumeria, African tulip tree, palms, lilies, acacia, euphorbia—to name a few! These are my favorite subjects".

### **Darlene Katz**

A scientist by training, Darlene Katz believes that identical skills are necessary for

both art and science.
"Art requires a knowledge of technical information and science requires creativity.
Often you find that people who are scientists are also accomplished artists because the same skills are



necessary in both endeavors; enhancement by both the 'right' and 'left' brain is necessary to be successful in either field.

"In my own paintings, I look for value, composition, color, and simplicity. Subject



matter is also important, but the power and resulting statement of my paintings comes from the technical interpretation of the work.

My goal is to create an everlasting body of work that has an impact on others. I feel a connection with complete strangers who own my paintings and it gives me great incentive when I think my clients feel the same emotion when they look at my paintings as I felt when I created them." Darlene's website: www.studiokatz.com

#### Ellen Cramer

Ellen Cramer has tried all mediums but her main love is oil. In her words, "the colors

are so rich and luscious, I just keep coming back."

Originally from Kansas, Ellen began painting 10 years ago in a local studio in Oceanside, California shortly after she moved to Fall-



brook. She is studying now with Rich Stergulz and has studied with Carol Lindemulder, Martha Matthews, Jerry Freesia, Pam Sarkisian, Chen Khee-Chee, and Celli Herrman. Visit Ellen at her website: http://sites.google.com/site/ellencramerart/

# Winners of the January Monthly Art Show at the Off-Track Gallery

## Judge: Herb Dockham

#### Oil/Acrylic

- 1 Toni Williams "San Clemente Canyon"
- 2 Alison Christler "La Jolla Coastline"
- 3 Kate Whitley "View from San Dieguito" Honorable Mention:

Patricia Eldon "Quiet Reflection"

#### WaterColor

- 1 Alison Christler "Lightfall"
- 2 Wanda Olson "Brass Band"
- 3 Dot Dodds "Two Heades Talking" Honorable Mention:

Wesley Farmer "Green Lynx Spider" Grace Swanson "Iris"

#### **Photography**

- 1 Paul Richter "The Painter Preserve"
- 2 Diane Goodman "Croation Scarves"
- 3 Steve Bartram "100 Acre Wood" Honorable Mention:

Deborah Henry "Varanasi"

#### **Mixed Media**

- 1 Bruce Stewart "Curious Grouper"
- 2 Diane Burch "Invention I" Honorable Mention: Lynn Ely "Fragrance"

# Other Media

- 1-E.G. Brennan "Echoes in the Mist"
- 2—Basia Koenig "Whimsical"



Toni Williams "San Clemente Canyon"



Alison Christler "Lightfall"



Paul Richter "The Painter Preserve"



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# **Monthly Show Rules**

- There is 10 % commission on wall and floor art and shrink wraps. There is no commission on cards. An approximate 5% is charged for credit card sales
- All work must be original (or prints made from your own original) and for sale
- TAKE-IN IS THE LAST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH from 9:30 am – Noon. (Holidays may change this date, so check the calendar on the cover of the Paint Rag.)
- Please have your take-in sheet and take-in tags (found in the Paint Rag) already filled out for take in day.
- Work must be framed unless you use wrap-around canvas stapled on the back (no staples on the sides).
   Frames must be attached professionally (check the guide-lines posted in the gallery or on the SDAG website). No bent-over nails or staples to hold the frame.
- The wires should be attached to wall art 1/4 to 1/5 of the way down from the top of the frame.
- You must have your name and the title of your piece on the reverse of your work.
- Do not bring wet paintings.
- You must have a multi-strand wire (please do not use the saw-toothed hangers that usually come with ready made frames) attached securely approximately ¼ of the way down from the top of frame and slack enough to come to approximately 2 inches from the top of the frame. Please tape the ends of the wire (loose wire ends can cut the hands of those doing the hanging).
- Be sure your work looks as nice as it can, well puttogether frame, clean well-cut mat.
- The Guild reserves the right to refuse entries that do not meet SDAG standards.
- Prints made from original art (such as Giclees) must clearly be identified as reproductions/prints (this includes those in the shrink wrap bin). California state law requires all reproductions to be numbered editions. Buyers deserve to know the number of copies available. Signed editions are generally thought of as more valuable to collectors. NOTE: Giclees are not included in the judging.
- Calligraphy as part of the art piece is acceptable.

#### SHRINK WRAPS

Each SDAG member may show 2 large and 5 small shrink–wrap pieces. There is no charge for showing shrink-wraps. Shrink-wraps have 10% commission on them. They must be enclosed in crystal clear envelopes with the artist name, the title and the price of the art piece clearly readable and in a place that it can be seen from the outside of the envelope. Full size shrinkwraps should not be any larger then the art bin. Small size shrink-wrap should be 9"x12" or smaller. All shrink-wraps should have a 1/8" matt-board or formcore on the back of them. Please no thick backing since it takes up to much room in the bins. All shrink-wrap art must be clearly marked as an ORIGINAL or as a PRINT

#### **CARDS**

Every member can show cards and use 2 card slots if there is room on the rack. Artists do not pay commission on cards and there is no charge for displaying cards. All card requests must go through Barb Mille'.



San Dieguito Art Guild **Off Track Gallery** PO Box 235853 Encinitas CA 92023

Www.OffTrackGallery.com

February 2009

# The Paint Rag

#### **SDAG Paint Rag Newsletter**

Contact Lisa Dunn: LpDunn9@hotmail.com Newsletter info due by the end of each month.

#### **SDAG Membership Info**

Contact Laura Lowenstein (760) 753-3254

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"A lot of you could paint better, but you're too afraid of ruining a good painting to get a great one"

— Skip Lawrence

The San Dieguito Art Guild, established in 1965, is an 501(c)4 organization dedicated to furthering artistic understanding and fostering artistic growth of members and the community at large by promoting interest, education, knowledge and skills in the visual arts.

# February Demo











Toni Williams has been a professional artist, muralist and faux finisher for 15 years. She is a member of the Rancho Santa Fe Art Guild, San Dieguito Art Guild, Oil Painters of America, California Art Club and the American Impressionists Society. Her work has been in the Randall M. Hasson Gallery in Santa Fe, New Mexico. Her work is currently on display at the San Diego Historical Society's Gift Store in Balboa Park and the Rancho Santa Fe Gallery.

Though a native of New York, Toni moved to San Diego in 1972 to finish her Education at UCSD in La Jolla with a Bachelor's Degree in Visual Arts. Taken with the arid and temperate climate of Southern California, Toni's work has been influenced by the great plein air artists in the San Diego Area at the turn of the century, namely Maurice Braun, Charles Fries and William Wendt. In the pursuit of gaining experience in painting the human form, Toni has studied under the tutelage of Marileigh Schulte and Peggi Kroll-Roberts. Taking advantage of the San Diego climate, Toni has participated in the Coronado Art Walk, Ranch Santa Fe's Art Affaire and other local venues. Painting "en plein air" has always been an important tool and she has participated in 'paint outs' with the California Art Club. She has attended workshops with Ray Roberts, Pat Kelly, Calvin Liang and The Sage Group in Rancho Santa Fe.

Join Toni n her journey to capture the subtle nuances of the color, tone and imagery of the Southern California landscape, the human form and the quiet place of still life imagery.

www. ToniWilliamsArt.com

#### For Immediate Release

**What:** Oil painting demo by Toni Williams. Toni has been a professional artist, muralist and faux finisher for 15 years. She is a member of the San Dieguito Art Guild, Rancho Santa Fe Art Guild, Oil Painters of America, California Art Club and the American Impressionists Society. Her work has been in the Randall M. Hasson Gallery in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

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When: Thursday, February 5, 2009, from 1:30 to 3:30pm

**Where:** Ecke Building at Quail Botanical Gardens, 230 Quail Gardens Drive, Encinitas, CA

**Who:** The San Dieguito Art Guild offers this free demo, which is open to the public. The Guild has been a community organization since 1965. The Guild's Off Track Gallery in downtown Encinitas is a showcase for a wide variety of artists of all levels and mediums. The demo is funded, in part, by a grant from the City of Encinitas Community Grant Program and the Mizel Family Foundation.

#### THE COAST NEWS

FEB. 20, 2009

#### New face

ENCINITAS — The San Dieguito Art Guild has announced its newest member with an exhibit at the Off Track Gallery.

Deborrah Henry, a fiber artist who has

authored
"The Simple
Art of
R i b b o n
Design," is
the The San
Dieguito Art
G u i l d's
newest member. She also
works in a
variety of
m i x e d



DEBORRAH HENRY

media, but her favorite medium for expression is fine art photography and digital art. She loves creating photographic books.

#### NORTH COUNTY TIMES

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# COMMUNITY NE

# 'MOTEL ARROW'



COURTSY BUTTO

Rita Hohweiler-Ceci, a member of the San Dieguito Art Guild, stands with her photograph "Motel Arrow," taken at the Salton Sea, which won Best of Show at the recent monthly art show held at Off Track Gallery, 687 S. Coast Highway, Encinitas, First-place winners were Ellie Havel Wagoner in oil paintings; E. J. Nicholson in watercolor; Basia Koenig in mixed media; and Paul Richter in photography. Hohweiler-Ceci's work, along with the rest of the show, will be on exhibit until Feb. 24. Call (760) 942-3636 or visit offtrackgallery.com.



# out and about: The unfurling of 101 Arts Alive Banners



A crowd gathered to see the Arts Alive Banners unveiled. /Photo-provided by schaolyand.com member Dave Ombrello

Survival hundred people packed into the former Cabo Erill in Leucadia to be the first to see the 2009 Arts Alive Banners on Feb. 7 before the art was hung on tump posts along Highway 101 in Encinitas, Leucadia and Cardiff. The banners will be up until May 31 when a live auction will be held for their purchase at the Cardiff Town Center Courtyard. Place your silent bid at the Downtown Encinitas Mainstreet Association: (760) 943-1950.



Banners unfurled! / Photo provided by scBackyard.com member Linda Michitish



Grace Swanson and "Orchids with Cloisonne." / Photo provided by scilladyard. commember Dave Ombreto



Danny Salzhandler and Encinitas Mayor Maggie Houlihan start the unveiling. / Photo provided by sdBackyard.com member Dave Ombrelio



Banners by Kay Colvin and Karen Chin (right). / Photo provided by sdBackyard.com member Robin Shook



Rebecca Gonzales and Elvia Martinez, Capri Elementary teachers and Paola Gjata with Capri's banners. / Photo provided by scBackgard.com member Dave Ombrello



A QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER PUBLISHED FOR THE RESIDENTS, BUSINESSES AND FRIENDS OF THE CITY OF ENCINITAS

# Upcoming Grant-Funded Events

The Encinitas Community Grant Program, which funds arts and civic programs that enrich the lives of Encinitas residents, offers numerous free activities for residents. Here are a few upcoming events. For more information on events and on the grants program, please contact igilliam@CityofEncinitas.org.

- Yoga For Seniors: Wednesdays, 3:00 p.m.; Cardiff Library Community Room.
- San Dieguito Art Guild Visual Art Lecture/Demo: February 5th, 1:30 p.m.; Quail Botanical Gardens Ecke Building.

# SDAG Board Meeting Meeting Minutes February 23, 2009

Officers Present: Officers Absent: Assistants:

Patricia Eldon

Joanne Chambers

Mary Beck Grace Swanson Wanda Olson EllaBlanche Salmi Laura Lowenstein Isabella Breasted

Ellen Cramer

Judy Salinsky

Bruce Stewart

Ricki Ungar

Cindy Gary

Judianne Shannon

Terri Oshrin for Dianne Dudek

Lisa Dunn

**Meeting Minutes**: Recorded by Cindy Gary. Meeting Location, Encinitas Library. Meeting called to order at 9:35 by Patricia Eldon.

### A. Upcoming Dates:

- 1. Monday, February 23:
  - o Board meeting at Encinitas Library
- 2. Tuesday, February 24:
  - o Take-in for monthly show 9:30-12:00
- 3.Monday, March 2:
  - o 9:30-10:30, Beauty and the Beach pick-up, Solana Beach City Hall.
- 4. Friday, March 13:
  - o Featured Artist Reception at Off Track Gallery, 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.
- 5. Saturday and Sunday, March 21 and 22:
  - o Quail Gardens plant sale and SDAG art booth.
- 6. Monday, March 23:
  - o SDAG board meeting, Encinitas Library
- 7. Tuesday, March 31:
  - o Monthly show take-in at Off Track
- 8. Saturday April 25:
  - o Encinitas Garden Festival, SDAG booth 10:00-4:00.
- 9. Monday, April 27:
  - o Board meeting, Encinitas Library.
- 10 Tuesday, April 28:
  - o Monthly take-in, Off Track Gallery.
- 11 Friday, May 8:
  - o Featured Artists reception, 5:00 to 8:00.
- 12. Saturday and Sunday May 9 & 10:

Mother's Day Tour.

- 13. Thursday June 4:
  - o Artist Demo at Quail Gardens, 1:30 to 3:30
- 14. Friday, June 12:
  - o Reception for studio renters ,5:00 to 8:00

#### B. President: Patricia Eldon

#### I .New Business:

# 1. Featured Artist Reception discussion—Should there be additional Receptions? For Studio Renters?:

- EllaBlance suggested that we could have more receptions if they were by invite only
- Mary Beck commneted that we should keep fewer receptions and make each reception special
- Bruce commented that events are successful and we should consider having more receptions.
- Grace pointed out that rack cards have been distributed with dates and times for receptions and that we should "leave things as they are".
- Laura said that we should still try to pair up with local businesses and "make it a happening.
- Patricia expressed concerns about guests drinking at Reception. Bruce and Grace reassured her that this was not currently a concern.
- Decision made, not put to vote, to not to have more receptions with the exception of the extra one in June (for Studio renters).

### 2. Promoting Second Street:

- O Patricia wants to explore promoting Second Street. Patricia suggested that we look into holding a portion of the street fair on Second Street
- o Laura said that it is not a good time to try to organize, especially with the recent passing of Bob Nanniga, who would have been a big part in this effort. Perhaps in the future the Guild can look into partnering with other merchants to purchase a few Art Banners to define the block. Laura also added that: "It takes lots of money and time to do this right, not time to put energy and effort into". Isabella agreed.
- Bruce said that we should include the "Promotion of Second St." as part of a Strategic and build into Master Plan.

#### 3. Yellow Book/ Entertainment Book - Advertising

- Bruce mentioned that an Entertainment Book salesperson came into the Gallery and spoke to Bruce about the Coupon book. Does the Art Guild want to be in a coupon book?
- Graced said to get contact information and give it to her.

### 4. Seeking Donations for Receptions:

 Bruce had mentioned previously that he had a friend (at I believe AT&T) who had mentioned that his company might be interested in

- sponsoring/contributing money for future receptions. Bruce will talk to his friend again. Bruce said that due to current economic conditions things might have changed since last time he talked to his friend.
- General discussion followed and it was agreed to that there needs be a person in charge of Solicitation of Donations etc.
- Action Item Patricia needs to find a coordinator for this job. She will put details of this position in the Presidents Corner.
- Action Item Cindy Put note in Summary about position.
- EllaBlance said that a rep. from Merrill Lynch said that her co. might be interested in sponsoring a wine and cheese event at the Gallery. Contact information given to Grace.
- Laura said that there needs to be a form letter for solicitation of donations. Grace said that she had a letter and will update it and send to Laura. Laura will then send to KI's restaurant.

#### 5. Mothers Day Tour:

- Joann Johnston is now working full time is doing her best to fulfill her role as Mothers Day chair.
- Will there need to be a new Chair? Grace will assign if needed.
- Mary Beck and Isabella volunteered to get descriptions of homes and driving directions.
- o Laura will be creating a "Save the date" flyer.
- Mothers Day Event will be promoted at the March Reception. A "Save the date poster" will be displayed at reception.
- o Grace will make the display and it will feature photos of the homes on the Tour.
- Mary will bring an easel.
- Action Item Cindy in the summary mention that at Reception in March the Gallery will be promoting the Mothers Day event.

# 5. Vista Art Show – Discussion about success of show, how can Guild do the same?

- Vista Art Show charged \$20.00 per entry and received 300 entries for 120 spaces in a juried show. This event was heavily promoted as was the prize money of \$1,000.00
- o Mary asked: "How can we do the same?"
- o Bruce Make July show open/juried.
- Could we use the Library for the space to jury?
   Grace said that we were turned down, letter from City.

# 5a. There is a need for space to Jury and store the Art work:

o Bruce said that we should close the Gallery to



#### City of Encinitas Civic Art Program

#### CALLE MAGDALENA GALLERY

Public Works Department and San Dieguito Water District 160 Calle Magdalena Encinitas, CA 92024 760-633-2819

TITLE

Native Color: The Landscape of Encinitas

**ELIGIBILITY** 

Open to Encinitas based professional artists.

THEME

Open to artwork that is nature or of Encinitas in theme.

**MEDIA** 

Two-dimensional: open to all media

Three-dimensional: a few table top pieces can be accepted

#### SELECTION PROCESS

The San Dieguito Art Guild will serve as curator of the exhibition. All work will be juried for acceptance into the exhibition.

#### EXHIBIT SPACE

Artwork will be on exhibit in the lobby, meeting rooms and hall ways of the public works facility. Artwork information and an Image will be on view for the public in a portfolio located in the lobby. Artists are required to provide an info. sheet (8.5" x 11" single sheet, one sided) with the following:

- 1) Digital image of the artwork (color, JPG, high resolution, 300 dpi)
- 2) title
- 3) year completed
- 4) media
- 5) artist name
- 6) price or NFS (not for sale)
- 7) artist phone number
- 8) artist email address (optional)
- 9) artist website (optional)

Artists are also required to place a copy of the info. sheet on the reverse of the artwork.

#### DURATION

Artwork is requested to be on exhibit for a minimum of 6 months. Work that is sold may be removed immediately. In this instance, artists are requested to replace the sold artwork.

#### ART SALES

All art sales are between the artist and the purchaser. The gallery does not receive a commission from the sale of art; the artist receives 100% of all art income. As such, the gallery requests that all exhibited work be reduced in price from the standard gallery/artist price point. It is our experience that affordably priced art sells well in civic galleries.

#### **HOURS**

The lobby of the public works facility is open Monday-Friday from 7:00am-6:00pm and is closed every other Friday.

#### INSURANCE

The artist exhibits their work at their own will. The City of Encinitas is not liable for artwork damage, loss or theft.

#### CONTACT

Grace Swanson, SDAG representative, (760) 942-6109, <a href="mailto:swanson121@cox.net">swanson121@cox.net</a>
Jim Gilliam, Arts Administrator, City of Encinitas, (760) 633-2746, <a href="mailto:jgilliam@cityofencinitas.org">jgilliam@cityofencinitas.org</a>

About the art work in the Encinitas Public Works Building

# The Calle Magdalena Gallery

The art work you see displayed in this building were submitted by 16 members of the San Dieguito Art Guild. The mediums range from sculpture, watercolor, photography, pastel, oil and acrylic.

This show will run for 3 months: from April 1, to July 1, 2009.



To purchase a painting please contact the artists directly to make arrangements for payment of cash, check or credit card.

The San Dieguito Art Guild has been a community organization since 1965.

The Guild is a showcase for a wide variety of local artists from "Emerging to Professional Artist". Our artists show the natural progession of all levels of their development. The Guild accepts artists of all mediums with opportunies to exhibit their work in many different types of venues.

To see more art by the members of the Guild please visit:

Off Track Gallery
500 Second Street
Downtown Encinitas
760-942-3636
www.OffTrackGallery.com



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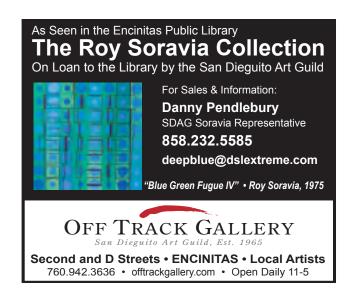
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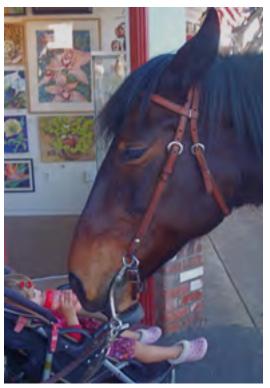
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# 'Coastal Treasures' Mother's Day Artist Studio and Garden Tour

Who: The San Dieguito Art Guild is

offering their annual Mother's Day Weekend Artist Studio and Garden Tour.

The theme this year is "Coastal Treasures". The Guild will have their Off Track Gallery open for extended hours and will feature eight Guild members' homes, gardens and art studios on the tour.

When: Saturday and Sunday, May 9th and 10th, 2009. The Off Track Gallery will open at 8:30 and the homes will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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. Tickets will be available at the Gallery or on-line starting in April.

Where: All of the studio homes are in the Encinitas coastal area

so as to be easily accessible in a day. A portion of the proceeds from this tour will be donated to a local charity.



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# Off Track Gallery Featured Artists

The Off Track Gallery is pleased to announce its four Featured Artists for March/April.

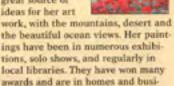
They are: Morgan Janis, Joan Grine, Jeffrey R. Brosbe and Lisa Dunn. They will be honored at a reception on March 13th from 5-8 at the Off Track

Gallery located at the corner of 2nd and "D" Streets in Encinitus.



been an active photographer since she received an old camera box from her father at the age of 8.

Joan Grine is a pastel artist living in North San Diego County. Grine's inspiration comes from the beauty of nature. Her love of natural subjects, their textures, patterns and atmosphere show in her paintings and drawings. San Diego County is a great source of ideas for her art



nesses around the world. Jeffrey R. Brosbe builds his photographic images around shape, light, and shadow. Jeffrey communicates his personal response to the world through the essences of his images.

Lisa Dunn has been making pottery since 1990. Her unique forms and

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# San Dieguito Art Guild New Member

The San Dieguito-Art Guild is very pleased to announce their newest member with enough talent to fill an entire room of the Off Track Gallery.

Deborrah Henry is a fiber artist who has authored "The Simple Art of Ribbon Design". She also works in a variety of mixed media, but her favorite medium for expression is fine art photography and digi-

tal art. She loves creating photographic books. She has also been a psychotherapist and children's art teacher.

When: During the months of February and March Deborrah's room will feature her India Series including her book "Simply India, a photographic diary", photographs, jewelry and



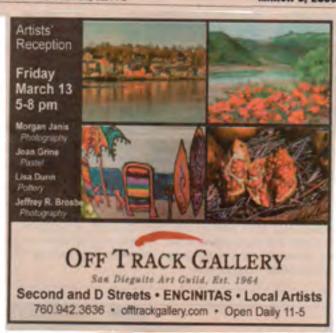
mixed media. Next, look for her Floral Collection, Beach Collection, Doors (in the Fall) and Moods (next Winter).

Where: The Off Track Gallery is located downtown Encinitas. one block off of Highway 101 at the corner of D Street and Second.

Who: The San Dieguito Art Guild has been a community organization since 1965. The Guild's Off Track Gallery is a showcase for a wide variety of artists of all levels and mediums. For more information call the Gallery at 760-942-3636 or go to www.OffTrackGallery.com.

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#### MARCH 13

FEATURED ARTISTS The Off Track Gallery is pleased to announce its four featured artists for March and April who will be honored at a reception from 5 to 8 p.m. March 13, Off Track Gallery, SOO Second Street, Encinitas. The artists include Morgan Janis, Joan Grine, Jeffrey R. Brosbe and Lisa Dunn. For details, call (760) 942-3636 or visit www.OffTrackGallery.com.

March 6 - 13, 2009 Cho Santa Fe . Solana Beach sdBackyard.com

#### Second Friday artist reception

Meet Off Track Gallery's featured artists for March and April, Morgan Janis, Joan Grine, Jeffrey R. Brosbe and Lisa Dunn, at a reception 5-8 p.m. at the gallery, 500 2nd St., Encinitas. Information: (760) 942-3636.

NORTH COUNTY TIMES / THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 2009

Offtrack Gallery — The San Dieguito Art Guild presents "Simply India, a photographic diary," an exhibit of photos, jewelry and mixed-media works by new member Deborrah Henry, through March 31; featured artists for March and April are photographers Morgan Janis and Jeffrey R. Brosbe, pastel artist Joan Grine amd potter Lisa Dunn; artists' reception, 5 to 8 p.m. March 13; gallery hours, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily; 500 Second St., Encinitas; (760) 942-3636.

Encinitas Library Gallery — The San Dieguito Art Guild is exhibiting 15 paintings on wood and other paintings on paper by the late Leucadia "Op Art" painter Roy Soravia; 540 Cornish Drive, Encinitas; call for hours; (858) 232-5585.

Night Day | The San Diego Union-Tribune | March 19, 2009

'Simply India, a Photographic Diary: Deborrah Henry' Off Track Gallery, 500 Second St., Encinitas; through April 30. 760-942-3636, offtrackgallery.com.

#### April 2009

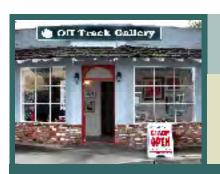
Bruce Stewart at the Off Track Art Gallery

The Off Track Art Gallery is pleased to announce that Bruce Stewart's work can now be seen on permanent display in the One Ocean Art Studio. The Off Track Art Gallery is located at the corner of 2nd and "D" Streets in Encinitas.

Bruce Stewart has enjoyed drawing and painting since early childhood. After studying Zoology and Art at UC Davis, Bruce worked as a graphic artist in San Francisco before enrolling in graduate studies in marine science at CSU's Moss Landing Marine Laboratories. After graduate school he joined the Monterrey Bay Aquarium as Program Curator.

His ocean experiences often find their way into his works of art. Bruce strives for a painterly quality of color, composition and light in his photographs. He often enhances this painterly quality on the computer to dampen the continuous tone found in most photos and printing on canvas or fine watercolor paper. "At first, my photos were tools to illustrate natural history lectures. Now I strive to promote awareness and conservation through my art."

Please visit the One Ocean Art Studio at the Off Track Gallery to enjoy Bruce's photography. For more information on hours and location, call 760-942-3636 or go to www. OffTrackGallery.com.



# The Paint Rag

500 Second Street, Encinitas, CA 92024

(760) 942-3636

OffTrackGallery.com

Hours: 11 a.m.—5 p.m. daily

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#### Featured Artists for March

lease join us for a reception for our featured artists. The reception will be March 13 from 5— 8pm at the Off Track Gallery in downtown Encinitas. There will be wine & hor d'oeuvres as well as the Young Artist's Area and a live art demonstration.

The featured artists will be: Morgan Janis, Joan Grine, Jeffrey R. Brosbe & Lisa Dunn.



# **ENVIRONMENTAL PAINTERS**

Contact Joan Grine, grine@roadrunner.com or 858-481-8783

February 10 and 17 Batiquitos Lagoon, end of Gabiano

February 24 and March 3 San Elijo Lagoon, north end of Rios, Solana Beach, off Lomas Santa Fe

#### March 10 and March 17

San Elijo Lagoon, meet at the NEW visitors' center, off of Manchester, west of I-5. It is beautiful. We can paint from the roof. (elevator).

Call Joan for additional information or for more directions



## **Environmental Painters Enjoy** Winter

The SDAG Environmental Painters are taking advantage of the beautiful winter weather

Kate Whitley

perience and paint the wonders of nature. Inspired by the enchanting local natural areas and haunting play of light, they enjoy capturing the immedi-

of Southern California. They meet every Tuesday to ex-

acy of the moment. Encouraged by, and learning from

each other, they become engrossed in the essence of the scene. What a great way to spend a winter day.

Sue Kessinger, Kate Whitley and Patricia Eldon at Fletcher Cove

#### Calendar of Events

February 23, 2009 9:30 a.m. SDAG Board Meeting **Encinitas Library** 

February 24, 2009 9:30-Noon Monthly Art Show take-in At the Off Track Gallery

March 2, 2009 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 Take Out for "Beauty & the Beac at the Solana Beach City Hall

March 13, 2009 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Featured Artist Reception at Off Track Gallery

March 21 & 22 Quail Gardens Plant Sale/Art Show

March 23, 2009 9:30 a.m. SDAG Board Meeting, **Encinitas Library** 

March 31, 2009 9:30 a.m. Monthly Show Take-in at Off Track Gallery

March 31, 2009 Cut-off for Submission to Paint Rag for April edition

April 25, 2009 **Encinitas Garden Festival** 

April 27, 2009 9:30 a.m. SDAG Board Meeting **Encinitas Library** 

April 28, 2009 9:30 to Noon Monthly Art Show take-In At the Off Track Gallery

May 8, 2009 5 pm to 9 pm Featured Artist Reception At Off Track Gallery

May 10 & 11, 2009 Mother's Day Garden Tour

#### The President's Corner

Hi, Members of San Dieguito Art Guild!

Thank you all for doing a high-classed job of producing our Featured Artist Reception on January 9! Joan Grine did a masterful job of coordinating the reception plans as a whole. Alison Christler, attracted newpaper photographers and a crowd of onlookers as she demonstated watercolor painting outdoors in the frigid night air.

With the guidance of chairpersons Ricki Unger, Ellen Cramer, Judy Salinski, and Ellablanche Salmi, and their teams of helpers, our participating artists filled the gallery with beautiful art. The featured artists, Grace Swanson, Lynn Ely, Ellen Cramer, and Darlene Katz, exhibited especially lovely work.

Grace Swanson, our publicity chairperson, designed and sent out hundreds of postcards and dozens of newspaper and magazine announcements. Thanks, Mary Beck, for sending e-vites. Many guild artists invited their friends. The happy result was that our gallery was so crowded with guests that it was difficult to walk through.

Cheryl Ehlers' dramatic, imaginative decorating included a spray of orchids with a garland of crystals spiraling down a tall black vase, and palm fronds adorned a burgundy tablecloth.. Cheryl made sure we had a variety of plentiful good food and drinks, which were contributed largely by our generous members. Cheryl's friends and family helped set-up the reception, a kind helper served the wine, and Paul Richter and Wes Farmer were among those who helped to clean up.

Children enjoyed the sponge-printing project that was organized by Bruce Stewart, with Joan Grine's assistance.

Bruce Stewart and Cheryl Ehlers arranged to have Bernard play richly beautiful clarinet music in Bruce's studio Bruce's wife, Roberta, helped out in his studio.

Thank you all for doing these jobs and for attending the reception and entertaining our guests. Thanks also to Judianne Shannon for being in charge of staffing and dealing with sales that evening. Terry Oshrin showed Danny Pendlebury, our Soravia salesman, around.

What a great group of people you are! Thanks again, especially to those whom I forgot to name.

Keep up the good work — creating imaginative artwork!

Patricia Eldon, President, SDAG

#### Welcome to New Members!

Erin Butson Mixed Media Suzanna Emry Photography Patricia Harman Jewelry

Rita Hohweiler-Cecil Photography & Oil
Eileen Silon Fabric, Fiber & Beads
BJ & CJ Simon Oil, Pastel & Photography

Vita Sorrentino Watercolor, Acrylic, Mixed Media

Sharon Sudak Oil

Ellen Speert Art Therapy Alicia Tirado Colored Pencil

**Please Note Correction** to the 2009 Membership Book: Patti Bean's Phone Number should be 808.428-3543

#### **SDAG Board of Directors**

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## San Dieguito Art Guild History

n the last two issues of the Paint Rag I mentioned that the Guild was started in 1966 by Sue Beere. They had a small store front gallery, the "Blue Lantern" for a short time somewhere in Del Mar on Highway 101. They moved in December 1966 into what is now the Del Mar Library. There they stayed until 1969.

Membership soared from 12 original artists to over 100 and at one point in 1968 it was mentioned that they were sending out 200 newsletters. That growth was absolutely astounding to me.

The Guild offered daily workshops for its members:

Monday: Seascapes by Bill de Shazo

Tuesday: Collage, acrylics, and knife painting by Marti Roi des Losiers

Wednesday: Oil pastel by George Hukar

Friday: Florals by Gary Jenkins

Saturday: Life drawing by George Hukar

It is not clear whether there was a charge for guild members. Yearly dues were \$5 and the usual hanging fee was \$1 per picture.

In 1966 the By-Laws were passed setting the number of Board Members at 15: Five Officers (President, Vice President, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secreatry and Treasurer). The other ten Board Members were listed as "Permanent Committees" (Parliamentarian, Historian, Membership, Hospitality, Publicity, Art, Editor, Gallery, Coordinating, and Program).

Articles of Incorporation and exemption from Federal tax were received in the Guild's third year, February, 1967. The president for the 1967-1968 was William Wicknick.

The SDAG members also showed their work on the lawns of the Old Del Mar Hotel. Once a year on these grounds they held the "Starving Artists Show" where no piece of art could be priced at over \$10.

The January newsletter (it was not yet called the Paint Rag) of 1968 lists Helen Wallace as getting a first place in oils. Helen is still a member of the guild!

# Off-Track Gallery & SDAG News Items

Current Membership: 162 January Sales: \$2,800

# Happy Valentines Day

## **Photography Category Defined**

There is an ongoing debate in the Art World regarding terminology for Photography. Should digitally altered photography be a separate category?

At their January, 2009 meeting, the SDAG Board of Directors' voted to approve the following criteria:

The monthly show category "Photography" will now include traditional photos and digitally altered photos. When digitally altered, photos must be labeled "Digitally Enhanced".

"Digitally Enhanced" is defined for Guild purposes as: anything beyond standard darkroom techniques.

Digital art, or art originating on a computer, will be judged under the "Other Media" Category.

### Mother's Day at the Gallery

The Off-Track Gallery is one of the locations on the Mother's Day Garden Tour. For those who are not showing their art at one of the homes on the tour, be sure to use the Gallery as your showplace for the weekend. Bring your best work, stop by to say hello to your admirers, meet new clients and SDAG members.



## All are welcome at the Off Track Gallery

Isabella Breasted warmly greets visitors to the gallery, aware that all sentient beings are inspired and uplifted by art.

#### **Call for Docents**

We need Docents for our Mother's Day Garden Tour Fundraiser in May. Anyone volunteering to be a docent receives two free tickets to the Garden Tour. If you haven't been a docent before, you don't know what fun you're missing! Please contact Diane Goodman at 760 753 6818 or email ddkaye1@cox.net

# Do you need professional photographs of your art?

Dave Ombrello, photographer, has offered to take photos of a member's artwork. Contact Dave and set a time to meet with him at the gallery.



Rack Cards have been distributed to many local hotels and B&B's in our area. On the back of the Rack Cards is a coupon. This coupon is good for the customer's entire purchase. Write up the sale as you would any other sale taking the 10% off the entire purchase and THEN adding on the sales tax. Please ask the customer at which hotel (or from which participating artist) they picked up the card so we can track where these cards are most effective. The 10% discount will NOT be charged to the artist whose work is purchased. Instead, the Guild will waive the 10% commission (for these coupon sales only) that usually gets charged to the artist.

#### Gift Certificates

Gift Certificates are located in the filing cabinet at the Gallery.

- 1. Charge tax on the sale of an item (just as usual). Do NOT add sales tax when selling a gift certificate.
- 2. Collect any money over the amount of the gift certificate (if any).
- 3. If they do not spend all of the gift certificate, do NOT give cash back; Issue a NEW gift certificate in the amount that they did not yet spend. Sign and date it.

#### **Credit Card Requires Additional Fees**

When submitting or accepting membership fees, checks are required. This is because Credit Card charges require additional fees.

#### **Membership Directory**

The beautiful new directory is available for pick up at the gallery. It's in the hall closet. Please sign your name when taking one. A big thank you to Lisa Dunn for compiling, designing and producing our new directory. The directory will be a quick & handy reference when contacting follow guild members.

— Laura Lowenstein, membership chair

# Toni Williams— contributing to SDAG and the community



The San Dieguito Art Guild wants to thank Toni Williams for her contributions this month.

Toni was the Artist demonstrator for the February, 2009 Art Demonstration held at Quail Gardens. Her style, grace and

talent were evident in the ease with which she created her painting and shared her insights. This free event, which is open to the public is a wonderful service to the community as well as to the artists of the area. The demonstrations are presented by the San Dieguito Art Guild and funded in part by a grant from the City of Encinitas and the Mizel Family Foundation. In addition to the demo, Toni also served as the judge for the February Monthly Art Show at the Off Track Gallery.

#### **Guild Publicity**

The Guild has been very fortunate lately with the amount of publicity we have received in the North County Times, the Coast News, the SDBackyard section of the Union Tribune and other local publications. In order to keep up the flow of publicity consistently going out about our guild new members have volunteered to assist the PR Chair.

Dave Ombrello (covering the Best of the Monthly Show), Joyce Nash (generating and labeling the Second Friday post cards), Deborah Van Huis (writing PR releases and submitting to newspapers and local websites) and Kay Colvin have joined the PR "team".

Remember, if you see a PR piece about the Guild in any newspaper or magazine, tear it out and bring it to the gallery and have the staff place it in the PR Chair file.

# What's an Evite and how does it help the Art Guild?

Cheryl Ehlers, Reception Coordinator Extraordinaire, uses Evite to send invitations to members.



computer program called Evite is helping to guide our hospitality Chairperson through every step of the planning process for our Featured Artist Reception. From deciding on the party

specifics and inviting guests to preparing the party to finalizing the menu and sending eCard thank-you notes after the event. All without paper invitations or postage.

In addition to keeping track of who is coming to an event, some of the planning tools included in the program are checklists, budget estimator, drink calculator and organizational notebook.

With these and other helpful tools, Cheryl is able to efficiently organize memorable receptions for our artists. We can all help her by responding to the Evite in a timely manner. If you're not receiving the invitations, or you have questions on how to reply to your Evite, contact Cheryl at (760) 519-1551 or CParrotise@yahoo.com.

# San Dieguito Art Guild will sponsor booths at the following two events:







#### **Quail Botanical Gardens Plant Sale**

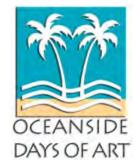
**Encinitas** 

March 21 & 22, 9am - 5pm \$80 to be split between participating artists

#### **Encinitas Garden Festival Marketplace**

Cardiff Elementary School Sunday, April 25, 10am - 4pm \$65 to be split between participating artists

For more information and to sign up for these events, please call or email Terri Oshrin: 760-942-3294 terrytulips@aol.com



#### **April 18 & 19, 2009**

The Oceanside Cultural Arts Foundation (OCAF) is presenting the

Seventeenth Annual

# **Oceanside Days of Art**

Application for the festival due February 20, 2009. Final deadline March 10, 2009

#### ART CATEGORIES:

Oils, acrylics, watercolors, pastels, drawing, printmaking, sculpture, ceramics, photography, glass and mixed media. NO craft or bazaartype items and no clothing.

More information & Application: www.oceanside-days-of-art.org

#### Artists:

Please be sure to mark you calendar for Sunday, Aug. 30th for the fifth annual LeucadiART Walk. For more info: Www.Leucadia101.com



#### Call for Leucadia101 Artwalk Coordinator

San Dieguito Art Guild needs a volunteer coordinator for the 2009 LeucadiART Walk. This is a great way to meet other members and help in the community! The coordinator for LeucadiaART Walk goes to a couple of the Leucadia 101 meetings. Then they put out a call for participants in the Paint Rag, by email, or phone and keep list of people participating. To break even, the Guild needs ten participants. In addition, the coordinator will get the artists' check, assign (or have them choose) their space (they need to have or make a map of the spots we are assigned), and be on location early on the day of event to help the artists make sure they are in the right spot.

#### **Member Exhibits:**

**Dave Ombrello** will display his photos mid-February to mid-March at St. Tropez in the Lumberyard.

**Julie Sauer** had a 10 day show of her jewelry designs at Quartzite Az. Jan 16th to the 25th.

**Diane Goodman** has her "Woodie" photos on display at St. Germain's Restaurant, Hwy 101, Encinitas.

**Doreen Long** will be one of four photographers in the "Seeing Through Light--Four Unique Visions Through the Camera Lens" exhibit January 24 to March 15 the Front Porch Gallery, 2903 Carlsbad Boulevard, Carlsbad. www.frontporchgallery.org

**Bonnie Maffei,** the Kenneth A. Picerne Foundation Senior Artist Grant Project recipient, presents an exhibition of paintings, drawings and collage created by developmentally disabled adults of Community Interface Services and William's Quest. The show runs through February 2009 at the COAL Art Gallery, Carlsbad.

# **Artist Opportunities**

**Reoccurring Yearly Art Events** 

- Art Walk in Little Italy April www.Artwalkinfo.com www.artwalksandiego.org
- Oceanside Days of Art April www.oceanside-days-of-art.org
- <u>Encinitas Street Faire</u> Last Saturday & Sunday in April www.kennedyfaires.com
- <u>Fallbrook Avocado Festival</u> Sunday, April 19, 2009 www.fallbrookchamber.com
- North Park Festival of the Arts May. North of Balboa Park in San Diego www.northparkmainstreet.com
- <u>Surfrider Foundation Art Gala</u> Del Mar May www.surfridersd.org
- <u>La Jolla Festival of the Arts</u> June. University of California, San Diego's East Campus in La Jolla www.lajollaartfestival.org
- Arts Alive Encinitas May/June Banners Auction, Downtown Encinitas. www.encinitas101.com
- <u>Vista Harvest Fair</u> June www.agsem.com
- Art Walk at the Forum, Carlsbad June
- Alley Cat Art Walk El Cajon July www.downtownelcajon.com
- Annual Glass show <u>Art Center at Fallbrook</u> July www.fallbrookart.org
- <u>Carlsbad Art in the Village</u> August www.kennedyfaires.com
- <u>LeucadiART Walk</u> August www.leucadia101.com
- <u>Fiesta del Sol San Diego</u> August www.fiestadelsolsandiego.org
- Art Splash Carlsbad Arts Festival, September www.carlsbadartsplash.org
- Art Festival of Old Town San Diego September www.oldtownartfestival.com
- Art Walk on the Bay September www.artwalkinfo.com
- <u>ARTWAVE</u> La Jolla October and November www.artwavelajolla.com
- <u>FALL FESTIVAL</u>— downtown Encinitas—Sunday before Thanksgiving www.encinitas101.com
- <u>San Diego Arts Festival</u> San Diego Convention Center November www.americanartfestivals.com
- Holiday Wonderland—Del Mar—December. Application due November 14th. Juried. www.delmarmainstreet.com



San Diego Visual Arts Network (SDVAN) in collaboration with Regional Exhibition Venues throughout SD County announce a

promotion of Sculptors creating Jewelry and Jewelers creating Sculpture in support of the Alexander Calder Jewelry Exhibition at San Diego Museum of Art (opening July 18, 2009 to early Jan, 2010).

For more information visit http://www.sdvisualarts.net/sdvan\_new/little.php

## Roadside California

Exhibit by Jim Respess



**The Park Center** 1 Fr. Junipero Serra Trail, San Diego, CA 92119

Past SDAG President, Jim Respess will be exhibiting a solo show of new work entitled "Roadside California" at the Mission Trails Regional Park Center. The exhibition will run from March 28 to April 24 with a reception held on Sunday April 5th from 1 to 4 PM.

# The Sky's the Limit at Little Italy's Artwalk

Suzie Joganic-Hill's and Julie Harris were accepted to this fundraising project for Artwalk's Silver Anniversary.

Suzie
Joganic-Hill's kite.

The kites will be featured in the Art-Walk Magazine, on the ArtWalk website, and at displays throughout the county in the months leading up to the ArtWalk in April. All kites will be on display and sold at a silent auction that will take place during ArtWalk, April 25 and 26 in Little Italy. All proceeds benefit ArtReach for children.



Julie Harris's Kite

# Winners of the January Monthly Art Show at the Off-Track Gallery

#### Judge: Toni Williams

#### **Best of Show**

Rita Hohweiler-Cecil, "Motel Arrow"

#### Oil/Acrylic

- 1 Ellie Wagoner "Cardiff Beach
- 2 Victoria Gist-Towner "Trees of Gold"

#### WaterColor

- 1 Betty Nickolson "First Spring Flowers"
- 2 Diane Burch "Fish Fry"
- 3 Grace Swanson "Cabbage"

#### **Photography**

- 1 Paul Richter "Hunter"
- 2 Paul Richter "Heading Home"
- 3 Dave Ombrello "Surf's Up"

#### Mixed Media

- 1 Basia Koenig "A Path"
- 2 Ellie Havel-Wagoner "Spaces VII"



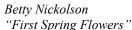


Ellie Wagoner "Cardiff Beach"



Diane Burch "Fish Fry"







Paul Richter "Hunter"



Basia Koenig "A Path"

# Poly Bags available at the Gallery

"Poly Bags" are the acid-free, archival clear "sleeves" that you need to use to protect your unframed art (or greeting cards).

#### Sizes of bags

Bag size	Art size	Cost
5-1/2 x 7-1/4	5 x 7 (card size)	\$1.50 for pack of 10
11-1/4 x 14-1/8	11 x 14	35 cents each
16-7/16 x 20-1/8	16 x 20	55 cents each
18-7/16 x 24-1/4	18 x 24	95 cents each

#### Mats (White, black or crème)

ı	Outside	Opening fits		
ı	Dimension	this size art	Width of Mat	Price
ı	11 x 14	8-1/2 x 11	1-1/4 x1-1/2 inches	\$2.20
ı	18 x 24	13 x 19	2-1/2 inches	\$4.25
ı	20 x 24	16 x 20	2 inches	\$6.00

To order, contact Terry Oshrin: TerryTulips@aol.com home: 760-942-3294, cell: 619-417-6169

Terry will deliver orders to the Gallery every Thursday. You will then pick up your order at the Gallery and leave her a check (made out to Terry Oshrin, NOT the Guild) in her file folder in the store room filing cabinet. Your orders will be in a large plastic bin in the computer area of the gallery.

## **Monthly Show Rules**

- There is 10 % commission on wall and floor art and shrink wraps. There is no commission on cards. An approximate 5% is charged for credit card sales
- All work must be original (or prints made from your own original) and for sale
- TAKE-IN IS THE LAST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH from 9:30 am – Noon. (Holidays may change this date, so check the calendar on the cover of the Paint Rag.)
- Please have your take-in sheet and take-in tags (found in the Paint Rag) already filled out for take in day.
- Work must be framed unless you use wrap-around canvas stapled on the back (no staples on the sides).
   Frames must be attached professionally (check the guide-lines posted in the gallery or on the SDAG website). No bent-over nails or staples to hold the frame.
- The wires should be attached to wall art 1/4 to 1/5 of the way down from the top of the frame.
- You must have your name and the title of your piece on the reverse of your work.
- Do not bring wet paintings.
- You must have a multi-strand wire (please do not use the saw-toothed hangers that usually come with ready made frames) attached securely approximately ¼ of the way down from the top of frame and slack enough to come to approximately 2 inches from the top of the frame. Please tape the ends of the wire (loose wire ends can cut the hands of those doing the hanging).
- Be sure your work looks as nice as it can, well puttogether frame, clean well-cut mat.
- The Guild reserves the right to refuse entries that do not meet SDAG standards.
- Prints made from original art (such as Giclees) must clearly be identified as reproductions/prints (this includes those in the shrink wrap bin). California state law requires all reproductions to be numbered editions. Buyers deserve to know the number of copies available. Signed editions are generally thought of as more valuable to collectors. NOTE: Giclees are not included in the judging.
- Calligraphy as part of the art piece is acceptable.

#### SHRINK WRAP SPECIFICATIONS

Each SDAG member may show 2 large and 5 small shrink—wrap pieces. There is no charge for showing shrink-wraps. Shrink-wraps have 10% commission on them. They must be enclosed in crystal clear envelopes with the artist name, the title and the price of the art piece clearly readable and in a place that it can be seen from the outside of the envelope. Full size shrink-wraps should not be any larger then the art bin. Small size shrink-wrap should be 9"x12" or smaller. All shrink-wraps should have a backing made from either 'backing board' or mat board, cut carefully to fit the size of the work. Total thickness of package must not exceed 1/4". Please: no ragged edges or thick backing or thick foam core since it takes up too much room in the bins. All shrink-wraps should be clearly marked: ORIGINAL OR PRINT.

#### **CARD RACK SPECIFICATIONS**

Every member can show cards and use 2 card slots if there is room on the rack. Artists do not pay commission on cards and there is no charge for displaying cards. All card requests must go through Barb Mille'.

A crowd filled the Off Track Gallery on March 13 to welcome Featured Artists Morgan Janis, Joan Grine, Jeffrey R. Brosbe and Lisa Dunn. Guests and Artists were treated to food and beverages, a duet of violin and clarinet and a pastel demonstration by Diane Dudek. Young Artists made souvenirs to take home. The Featured Artists were available for discussion and questions and spent the evening mingling with guests. Along with displays of work by the Featured Artists, works by other members of the San Dieguito Art Guild were shown.

This event is held every other month at the Off Track Gallery on the corner of 2nd and D Streets in Encinitas. For more information, please call 760-942-3636 or go to www.offtrackgallery.com.

### THE COAST NEWS

MARCH 13, 2009

# Gallery names featured artists

ENCINITAS — The Off Track Gallery will feature Morgan Janis, Joan Grine, Jeffrey R. Brosbe and Lisa Dunn during March and April. They will be honored at a reception from 5 to 8 p.m. March 13 at the gallery, at the corner of 2nd and D streets.

Janis has been an active photographer since she received an old box camera from her father at the age of 8. "Twe spent most of my life on a photographic journey, traveling the world to capture a mood, a face, a place," she said.

Grine is a pastel artist living in North County. Grine's inspiration comes from the beauty of nature. Her paintings have been in numerous exhibitions, solo shows, and regularly in local libraries.

Brosbe builds his photographic images around shape, light, and shadow. "Sometimes my response to the world is a wry, ironic smile, at others awestruck, and sometimes in a realm between these poles. I strive to have my images succeed both on their surface and after deeper consideration," he said.

Dunn has been making pottery since 1990. Her unusual forms and designs reflect the colorful, joyful appearances of life. She also uses clay to make mobiles for all ages.

For more information, call (760) 942-3636 or visit www.OffTrackGallery.com.

#### Off Track Gallery Announces Featured Artists for March/April

The Off Track Gallery is please to announce its four Featured Artists for March/April. They are: Morgan Janis, Joan Grine, Jeffrey R. Brosbe and Lisa Dunn. They will be honored at a reception on March 13th from 5-8 at the Off Track Gallery located at the corner of 2nd and "D" Streets in Encinitas.

Morgan Janis has been an active photographer since she received an old camera box from her father at the age of 8. "I've spent most of my life on a photographic journe, traveling the world to capture a mood, a face, a place," says Morgan. The world is her studio and the camera is her palette and every face, moment and place captured are her canvasses.

Joan Grine is a pastel artist living in North San Diego County. Grine's inspiration comes from the beauty of nature. Her love of natural subjects, their textures, patterns and atmosphere show in her paintings and drawings. San Diego County is a great source of ideas for her art work, with the mountains, desert and the beautiful ocean views. Her paintings have been in numerous exhibitions, solo shows, and regularly in local libraries. They have won many awards and are in homes and businesses around the world. Her work can be seen at the San Dieguito Art Guild's Off-Track Gallery in Encinitas and the COAL Gallery in Carlsbad.

Jeffrey B. Brosbe builds his photographic images around shape, light, and shadow. Jeffrey communicates is personal response to the world through the essences of his images. "Sometimes my response to the world is a wry, ironic smile, at others awestruck, and sometimes in a realm between these poles. I strive to have my images succeed both on their surface and after deeper consideration," says Brosbe.

Lisa Dunn has been making pottery since 1990. Her unique forms and designs reflect the colorful, joyful appearances of life. The goddesses reflect the beauty, talent, and emerging potential of all women. Earth, form, nature, spirit a all connected, all interrelated and all worthy of celebration. Lisa (also known as Pema) also uses clay to make joyful mobiles to delight all ages.

Lisa grew up as Lisa Hoff in Del Mar, California, a sagebrush canyon barefoot beachtown before the coming of the freeway. After retirement from State Parks Department, she and her husband lived in Costa Rica before returning to Del Mar.

Please join these featured artists at the Off Track Gallery Reception on Friday, March 13th from 5-8 pm.

The Off Track Gallery is located at the corner of 2nd and "D" Streets. For more information, call 760-942-3636 or go to www.OffTrackGallery.com.



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April 6, 2009

#### Dear Community Organization:

Applications are now available for the **FY09/10 Community Grant Program**. The program is funded by an allocation from the City of Encinitas and a dollar-for-dollar matching grant from the Mizel Family Foundation. The purpose of the program is to assist not-for-profit and tax-exempt organizations accomplish projects or programs in Encinitas that provide community-wide benefit. The maximum grant amount is \$5,000.

The grant application is available for download on the City website <a href="www.cityofencinitas.org">www.cityofencinitas.org</a>. Look for the link on the home page, left column, under City News and Events. If you are unable to download the document, please call the City Manager's Office at (760) 633-2610. It is a fillable form that you can save to your computer. Fill it out and deliver in person or via U.S. mail. Hard copies of the application will also be available in the lobby of Encinitas City Hall.

Allocations will be determined by the Encinitas City Council at their meeting on July 8, 2009, 6:00pm.

First-time applicants must attend the New Applicant Workshop on Tuesday, April 21, 2009, 4:00pm at City Hall. To R.S.V.P., please call (760) 633-2610.

The deadline to apply is Thursday, May 28, 2009. Applications must be received by 4:00 pm and be addressed to:

Community Grant Program City Manager's Office City of Encinitas 505 South Vulcan Avenue Encinitas, CA 92024-3633

Should you need further information, please contact the City Manager's Office at (760) 633-2610.

Sincerely,

Jim Gilliam and Gina Zenns City Manager's Office



Please join us for a reception for our featured artists:

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#### **OUT AND ABOUT**

## Second Friday on Second Street



Diane Dudek demonstrates pastel painting.

#### By Dave Ombrello

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A crowd filled the Off Track Gallery on March 13 to welcome featured artists Morgan
Janis, Joan Grine, Jeffrey R. Brosbe and Lisa Dunn at the Second Friday on Second Street reception. Guests were treated to hors drouvers, and a duet of violin and clarinet. Young artists created an art souvenir to take home, and Diane Dudek gave a demonstration on working with pastels. The event is every other month at the Off Track Gallery, on the corner of Second and D streets in Encinitas. Off TrackGallery.com. Read more on sdbackyard.com.



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Jeffrey Brosbe shows his work.

The San Diego Union-Tribune - Sunday, March 22,

#### ARTIST STUDIO AND GARDEN TOUR IN ENCINITAS

The annual Mother's Day weekend tour has the theme "Coastar Treasures" with the homes, gardens and studios of the San Dieguito Art Guild members open to the public. Each home will feature several artists and will offer refreshments; some homes will also have entertainment. All of the art — which includes paintings, prints, ceramics, scuipture, glass, textiles and jewelry — will be for sale. Some of the homes are award winners for gesign or gardens.

Sponsor: San Dieguito Art Guild When: May 9-10, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Cost: \$20

Tickets: Available at the Off Track Gallery, 687 S. Coast Highway 101, Encinitas or at offtrackgallery.com starting in April

Information: offtrackgallery.com

Benefits: A local school's art department March 26, 2009 | The San Diego Union-Tribune | Night Day

"Simply India, a Photographic Diary: Deborrah Heary" Off Track George 500 Second St. Locinitis, Heaugh April 30, 766 942 4636, offfice against 200 Off Track Gallery Announces Featured Artists for May and June

The Off Track Gallery is pleased to announce its four Featured Artists for May/June. They are: Gaga Barnes, Bobbi Harrington, Isabella Breasted and Judy Salinsky. The four artists will be honored at a reception on May 8th from 5-8 at the Off Track Gallery located at the corner of 2nd and "D" Streets in Encinitas.

Gaga Barnes has a passion for art and it is an integral part of her. She uses the shapes, colors and textures in her jewelry and mixed media art to express things for which there are no words. "I see the natural world as a perfect and beautiful place that I respect and use as my inspiration," Barnes adds, "I deeply appreciate the existing harmony and incorporate it into my various art forms." Gaga is an artist, spiritual guide/life coach and Laughter Ambassador.

Even as a child Bobbi Harrington always loved art. Her first drawings and paintings were of horses and animals. She has her own unique technique of realistic painting. Bobbi enjoys all subject matter from portraiture to landscape, seascape and animals. In the mid-1990's she did a plate series for Lenox China titled "Just Cubs"; a group of 8 plates with baby animals.

Isabella Breasted is well-known for her scenic coastal photography. Her photos were featured in a DEMA (Downtown Encinitas Main Street Association) produced screen saver CD entitled "North County Coastal Naturally". Along with her sea and land scapes, Isabella also does pet and people portraits. "I'm a

realist and detail oriented with pets and people because so much personality shows in the detail of lines. With nature I am a little less restricted and somewhat bolder." Isabella is a past President of the San Dieguito Art Guild.

Award-winning artist Judy Salinksy strives to interject her positive, creative attitude and optimism into all her artistic endeavors. "I use my many of the principles I learned in dance training to incorporate movement into my oil paintings. The images explode off the canvas."

As an art instructor at Palomar Community College, Judy shares not only her knowledge but also her love of drawing with her students.

Please join the featured artists at the Off Track Gallery Reception on Friday, May 8th from 5-8 pm. The Off Track Gallery is located at the corner of 2nd and "D" Streets.

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