

Happening at Foothills

The Foothills Gallery is closed at least through April in accord with the precautions advised by the CDC to prevent the spread of the Covid-19virus.

Visit the Foothills website
www.foothillsartassociation.com
to see our virtual
EXPANDED MEDIA SHOW
and our unique
ISOLATION SHOW

Thank you for your continued support during these stay-at-home days. So, stay home, paint and share pictures of your paintings with us.

Gallery at Porter Hall
4910 Memorial Drive
University & La Mesa Blvd.
(619) 464-7167
Gallery Hours
11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Tuesday thru Saturday
(Closed Sunday and Monday)

Roz Oserin

June Featured Artist



In 2011 I began painting with the encouragement of an artist friend. I took private oil painting classes for two years and then joined two local art associations. This gave me the opportunity to meet other artists and experience a variety of mediums. I've continued my journey by taking private classes, workshops and lots of practice.

I'm currently working in watercolor with some mixed media, however I paint in oil and acrylic as well depending on the subject matter.

I'm a member of the Foothills Art Association, East County Art Association and The San Diego Watercolor Society, and regularly submit my work for juried shows.

In 2016 my husband and I opened Nainsook Framing + Art, a custom framing shop and art gallery. It is here that I teach introductory watercolor and other mixed media classes. Videos are available on my website: <https://www.rozoserinfineart.com>.

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Message from the Chair...

When I first heard of the Corona Virus I had no idea on how deeply disruptive it would be to us all. I'm truly looking forward when a level of normal is back in our lives. I'm sure you are too. Like you, miss seeing, greeting and chatting with you all, and especially getting a first-hand look and admiring your wondrously creative, expressive artworks. Something I've also learned is that we are an amazing group of like-minded artist friends who see these times as windows of opportunities for creating our best works. Looking at our monthly on-line art shows posted on our website easily convinces me. If you haven't had a chance to enter your works yet, no worries, just email me (at ffht13@gmail.com) a picture of your piece(s) with the usual label information (title, media, size and price [or not for sale - NFS if you prefer for our on-line shows]), and you'll soon have your work(s) displayed in our fantastic Foothills Art Association website shows.

As noted previously, we'll jump back into things as soon as feasible (but with a bit of caution and reserve) following the local, state and national guidelines to safeguard all of us, and our friends and visitors to Porter Hall. Specifically we will monitor and take into consideration the re-opening steps and lessening of the social gathering restrictions introduced and used by the City of La Mesa Recreation Department, our local Adult Education

Administration and Leadership, and announced by other local art groups. When it is judged to be safe and appropriate to proceed, we will likely be greeting each other socially distanced and with our individually adorned and embellished facemasks. Maybe we'll have a contest for the best mask designs... ;o)

Normally we would have had our annual election of our Foothills officers at our Member's meeting in May. Since we did not have our Member's meet in May, we will let you know this month of the nominated folks for our officer positions. Next, when we are able to return to the Porter Hall Gallery for our first monthly show take-in day, we will have you vote for the officer elections at the time you turn in your new work(s). This seems to be the most practical way of handling the elections in these unusual times. Until such time that it is safe to socially gather (via either an effective vaccination or the virus contagious stage truly lapses), our usual normal events like the Member's meetings, receptions, and our regular art group workshops and meetings will not be able to take place. While I truly wish it were different, Papa Scott says it's just the way it needs to be for now...

Well now on to more fun things...be sure to check out our monthly on-line art shows. By the helpful hands and minds of Bruce Burr (our member who also happens to be a professional artwork photographer) and Carol Kubie (our web master who manages and administers our website), we were able to keep our Foothills Art Association member's works 'alive' and visible on-line in our:

Expanded Media Show (March) [Link:<https://www.foothillsartassociation.com/expanded-media-show-2>],

ISOLATION Show (April)

[Link: <https://www.foothillsartassociation.com/soon-the-isolation-show>],

Expanded Media 2.0 Show (May)

[Link: <https://www.foothillsartassociation.com/expanded-media-2-0>].

It's been great to see these on-line shows get up and running, I hope you've enjoyed seeing and sharing them like I have with your family and friends. A big salute to Bruce and Carol a big thanks for all their efforts, it wouldn't have happened without them :0). We're thinking about having a 'No Gloom Here' show for June; so get your works ready and send your entries to me throughout the month.

Scott Trimlett, President

Art In Isolation

At this time the Foothills Art Association is still closed as we continue practicing safe distancing as suggested by health professionals. But many of us are still creating art in ways both new and old that reflect the times we live in.

Here are some of the thoughts and images from members about our time in isolation.

From Bob Pinner

“Being more confined at home gave me opportunities for painting without the distractions of going places. However, I really miss attending Foothills events and shopping for art supplies. These paintings are a synthesis of elements that I've been exploring for some time, but they are also energized by my frustration with the state of humanity.”



Dream World



Rage



12Bar20

Art In Isolation *Continued*

From Phebe Burnham

“Sure glad I have art projects during this virus period. I have completed four commissions. And, I will be having my 100th birthday in July. If this virus is over by then, my family is planning a celebration at the town hall in Descanso. Hard to believe I'm going to be that ancient and in reasonably good health, still painting, and still driving. I have such good care from my family, which includes five great grandchildren and a sixth expected in August! Hoping all is well for you, too.”

From Marlene Kolender Korey

“When we first got sequestered, I thought between the garage and my art room, I'll have so many paintings to finish and time to create from new ideas!! For a week or so I moved stuff from garage to art room: big canvases, garage; small work, art room. Cleaned and organized!!

Set up the table easel, worked on a painting from art class at The Studio Door. Ready, set, go!! After one week of anticipation, then another week, then,...well, without a class or friends to paint with, my self-esteem and ‘why am I doing this’, was questionable! Then guilt – at my age! Why am I not creating? I WANT MY MO-JO BACK!

Well, thank you for this chance to vent. I'm definitely worried about the person who wrote this, yes, me (ha-ha). Guess I'll have to up my antidepressant!!

From Rudolfo Labastida

“I've been joining a couple of virtual art shows. One really nice thing is they don't have to be framed to enter. That saves money and time. I've been sending in paintings to the virtual shows. San Diego Watercolor Society, East County Art Association and Foothills Art Association have accepted few the last couple of months” & “Gato Verde”.

Art In Isolation *Continued*



The Looking Glass



Strolling in Color



Gato Verde

From Scott Trimlett



“While my usual focus is a bit diverted these days (I only get to see my grandkids from afar or by video chats), I’m still having good times by jumping into creating works from what I see and think about – what’s around me in my daily life these days. For instance, I’m finding great pleasure in noting that my garden has no clue there’s a virus lurking and I like that... ;o)”

A Nice Gesture From East County Art Association Friends To Their Members

In these uncertain times, we are proud to see artists taking care of each other. We applaud The East County Art Association for reaching out to their members with words of encouragement and protective masks.



Dear ECAA member,
I never expected the new changes for an art organization to be so extreme so please accept this mask as protection in the new way of living. We have no way of predicting what is ahead in 2020. We can only stay safe and be creative at home. We may simply use a phone-in type system to conduct our meetings. We are checking out that possibility. In the meantime; stay safe, wash your hands, wear a mask and stay at least 4 easels apart from anyone.
The mask was not made by child labor in China but by the old RN in Dehesa.
Gloria Chadwick RN

Member News, Activities, and Event

From Chuck McPherson

Now that we have the Covid-19 stay at home provisions affecting our days thought I would send you an opportunity to keep abreast of what I'm doing art-wise!

You can sign up to receive email alerts when I create a new piece of art, see what's SOLD, or contact me.

Hope you're staying safe and not at the beach cavorting with the stupid people... hahaha! Thanks in advance!



Our Members Recognized

Our Foothills group was well represented and accepted into the San Diego Watercolor Society's "Beyond the Pale" online show in May. Congratulations! This exhibition was juried by award winning artist, Susan Keith, and art will be available for purchase on SDWS website until May 30, 2020.

Cluster of Flowers
by Roberta Labastida



Mixed Media

Colorful Days
by Gabriel Stockton



Watercolor

Pose
by Joan Merrick



Mixed Media

Spring in a Box
by Drew Baudish



Watercolor

***The Foothills Art Association invites you to Renew Your Membership
(Fiscal Year July 2020- June 2021)***

In spite of the interruption of our usual activities caused by the Covid 19, we hope that you have found your membership in the Foothills Art Association rewarding and that you will continue to be a member of our organization. It is now time to renew your membership for the coming fiscal year. (Exception: If you joined after April 1, 2020, your membership is current through June 2021.) To renew your membership, print and complete the form.

THE FOOTHILLS ART ASSOCIATION WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

<u>Enhanced Membership</u> (includes hanging/selling + website gallery)	\$ 40.00
<u>Active Member</u> (includes hanging/selling privileges)	\$ 30.00
<u>Associate Member</u> (excludes hanging/selling privileges)	\$ 20.00
<u>Junior Member</u> (under 18-years old)	\$ 15.00

New Member Renewal Updated Info

Are you interested in volunteering to help with Foothills' activities? Yes ___ No ___

Signed _____ Date _____

Send membership form and check to:
Foothills Art Association, P.O. Box 794, La Mesa, CA 91944-0794