



FOOTHILLS ART ASSOCIATION

Upcoming Events

MARCH 2023

Expanded Media Show

March 25
Bonnie Owen Reception
3:00pm-5:00pm

APRIL 2023

Annual Member's Juried Show

April 3
12:00-1:00am Board Meeting

April 6
2:30-5:30pm Take-down, Take-in
Members Meeting
5:30-7:30pm
Minnie Valero Demo
5:30-7:30pm

April 8
Minnie Valero Workshop
10:00am-1:00pm

April 15
3:30-5:30pm
Gary Dyak & Sharon Meng &
Awards Reception
Artist Reception

May 2023

Gallery Members Show

May 4
2:30-5:30pm Take-down, Take-in
Members Meeting
5:30-7:30pm
RJ Pinner Demo
5:30-7:30pm

May 13
1:00-3:00pm
Glenda Richter Reception

May 27
1:00-4:00pm
RJ Pinner workshop
"Experiencing Abstraction"

Gallery at Porter Hall
4910 Memorial Drive
University & La Mesa Blvd.
(619) 454-7167

FOOTNOTES

APRIL 2023

<https://foothillsartassociation.com>



Leopard by Gary Dyak



Bird of Prey by Sharon Meng

The Featured Artists April are Gary Dyak and Sharon Meng

Gary Dyak

Gary Dyak was born in Johnstown, Pennsylvania. He joined the Army and was stationed in Turkey for three years. Moving to San Diego in 1976, Gary worked for General Atomic producing fuel for nuclear reactors. Gary began his medical career in the Army Reserves. He received his nursing degree through Grossmont College and worked in the medical field for 30 years; primarily in virology research at UCSD.

At the age of 50 Gary began taking evening classes at City College and earned an Associate degree in Fine Art. Gary works in several mediums including, graphite, colored pencil, ballpoint pen, and acrylics. He has exhibited in several San Diego venues which include City and Mesa College, the Del Mar fair and the William D. Cannon Art Gallery Biennial Exhibits. He has also exhibited in Los Angeles and Las Vegas.

Mr. Dyak is a member of the Colored Pencil Society of America, West Coast Drawing, San Diego Drawing Guild, and is a board member of the Foothills Artist Association.

Sharon Meng

Sharon Meng was born in New York and raised as an Army brat. She attended nursing school, worked in an IVF program as well as in Labor and Delivery and eventually went back to school to obtain a degree as a Nurse Midwife. While raising a family and pursuing a career in midwifery, she created small works in fiber and beads. Once she retired, she began to draw in colored pencil. Recently, she has been exploring watercolor.

Sharon is primarily self-taught but has attended a number of workshops in colored pencil techniques. She is a member of the Foothills Art Association, which she serves as Membership Chair, and a member of the Colored Pencil Society of America. She has exhibited in a number of shows and has had her art recognized in the Doggone Dog Show as well as the Cypress Art Gallery. She has also had a piece published in "CP Treasures, Volume 8".



Message from the President

Hello All-

I hope that everyone is doing well. Hopefully as we spring ahead, we will find Spring right around the corner. I have been feeling a bit uninspired lately but then I stopped into our little gallery. It was pure joy to see the different works of art the Expanded Media Show brought in.

Playful, fun, interesting 3D pieces, collages and of course paintings round out the show. If you haven't seen it, you should, it's uplifting! I am always amazed and delighted by the amount of talent that displays in the gallery, it is truly the best kept secret in La Mesa.

Please bring your lovely paintings to next month's show! It is a juried show, and you must have hung in 3 shows prior to this April show to submit. Big prizes are awarded, as this show continues to confirm our members commitment to their art.

I look forward to seeing everyone soon, and now it is time for a bit of sunshine!!

Best to you,
Peggy Connolly
FAA President

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3rd VICE PRESIDENT

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TREASURER

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Renee Ciufu

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Sharon Meng

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Bonnie Owen

SHOW HANGING COORDINATOR

Barbara Drews

WEBSITE COORDINATOR

R.J. Pinner

Contact all above by email:
foothillsartassoc@gmail.com

or call during Gallery hours
Gallery (619) 464-7167

April Member's Juried Show

The April Member's Show will be juried by Rise Parberry. Members may submit up to 4 pieces but only 2 will be juried into the show. Take-in is April 6th 2:30- 5:30, Jurying will be on April 7th.

Workshops at Foothills Art Association are fun!



Sarah Sullivan's workshop was a big success!

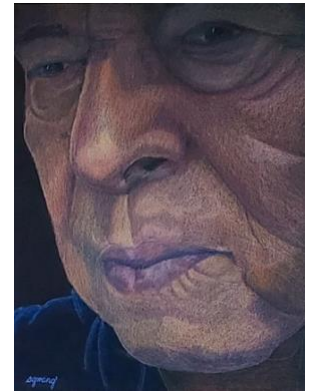
The Featured Artists for April are Gary Dyak and Sharon Meng (Continued from Page 1)



Cactus Dream by Gary Dyak



Toucan by Sharon Meng



Resolute By Sharon Meng

**FOOTHILLS ART ASSOCIATION
MARCH 2023 BOARD MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order at 12:30 March 13th, 2023.

Attendees: Peggy Connolly, Sharon Meng, Gary Dyak, Barbara Drews, Bob Pinner, Bonnie Owen, Roberta Labastida and Roz Oserin.

1. The minutes from February 2023 were reviewed and approved.
2. The motion to amend the FAA Bylaws to read: Standing Rules For Exhibits, Section I / Rules Governing Monthly Exhibits / Acceptable Work / Paragraph C to read; No craft including metal work, rock work, glass work, fiber work, paper sculpture, ceramics, reprints or reproductions of original artwork, or photography are permitted. These are permitted in the Expanded Media Exhibit in March. The Exhibits Department will be the final judge as to the acceptability of all media, including mixed media work employing one or more of the aforementioned craft media. The motion was approved at the February Board meeting. The motion was voted on and passed at the February General Members meeting.
3. Roz motioned that members submit up to two pieces of art for the members general meeting. Two pieces of artwork may be submitted for the Old Masters Show and a reference photo of the Masters artwork will accompany the members' representation of their work. For Juried shows, the following will apply; The Annual Juried Member Show (April) 4 pieces can be entered but the judge can only accept two artworks. Small Image Show (September) members may enter up to 4 art pieces. Wildlife in Art show (November) 4 pieces of art can be entered online only and the judge can choose 2 pieces per member. Bonnie seconded the motion and the motion passed. A Prospectus for each juried show will be sent to all members two months prior to the show.
4. Training for the members to understand and use Google Drive, Calendly for Gallery sitting, how to take and ready photos for shows will be offered. Dates and times for training will be forthcoming.
5. The Board will look into the best way to repair or replace the chair and table rack
6. Sharon is in the process of revamping membership renewal and prorating dues.
7. Roberta is retiring from the Take-in committee. Bob motioned that she be given Emeritus status. Gary seconded the motion and it was approved.

The next Board meeting will be held on April 3rd, 2023 at 12:00.

8. The meeting was adjourned at 1:30

Join the Fun and Volunteer!

Volunteers are what makes the Foothills Art Association great. Friendly people coming together to support each other in their artistic journey is fulfilling and fun! We hope you will join us in volunteering. Opportunities listed below:

Description of Committees & Volunteer Opportunities

Take Down/ Take in for Change of Shows

Committee Leads: Jo Ann Bray - jobray08@att.net

Co-Lead- Toby Scriba- TARTS2000@aol.com

Responsibilities include:

Arrive 15 minutes early to prepare gallery.

Complete intake document on the computer, print cards, number paintings, carry all paintings to and from gallery area

Sign up gallery sitters on computer.

General cleanup / putting away tables and chairs etc.

This is usually done on the first Thursday of every month and the time is determined by the time of year.

- 2-3 volunteers needed (training provided)

Hangin Committee: Barbara Drews/ Committee Lead - sdsailorgirl@yahoo.com

Responsibilities include:

Under the direction of the committee lead, paintings and cards are placed appropriately for design purposes. Any residual paintings need to be placed on the back rack with cardboard in between for safe keeping. A list of all residual paintings should be made for the back rack and once every two months those people should be called and reminded to pick up their paintings. A full membership list with phone numbers is available in a book at the front desk.

- 2-3 volunteers needed (training provided)

Sitting the Gallery: Renee Ciufu / Committee Lead - reneeciufu@gmail.com

As a member of the Foothills Art Gallery, it is a requirement that all members sit the gallery for one shift once a month, and if you are the Artist of the Month, you need to sit two Saturdays during the month. There are two shifts per day- 11:00-1:30pm, 1:30-4:00pm Tuesday thru Saturday. (There are some caveats to these dates)

Responsibilities include- helping to sign up members on-line through our website for sitting the gallery, updating the calendar etc. (Training provided).

- *All members are expected to sit the gallery*
- *You can sign up for gallery sitting on our website-<https://foothillsartassociation.com/>*

Artist Demo & Workshop Committee: Linda Morton/Committee Lead- lm@cwsf.edu

Foothills Art Association arranges monthly Demos and Workshops by well-known artists for all interested members. Service on the Demo Committee is a great way to meet and get to know a variety of accomplished artists in San Diego County.

Responsibilities include coordinating with committee members to create a roster of potential artists to invite to demonstrate and teach a workshop. Volunteers will set up demos and workshops.

- 1-2 Volunteers needed (training provided)

Hospitality Committee: Carole McClure/ Committee Lead - wobbles1942@yahoo.com

Responsibilities include- Bringing a small food item to share and help with set up and tear down of the kitchen for our members meeting. Make coffee, set out plates, cups, make sure there is enough water in the refrigerator etc.

- 3 Volunteers needed on and off to fill in

Volunteer Coordinator- General – send email to Peggy at clearlightprod@gmail.com

Responsibilities include:

Compiling a list of all volunteers, supplying volunteers to the gallery when needed to fill in where needed. 1 Volunteer needed

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Social Media Volunteer- send email to Peggy at clearlightprod@gmail.com

Responsibilities include:

Posting to our social media sites with any Foothills news, receptions, and exciting dates that come up throughout the year.

- 1 Volunteered Needed

Wildlife In Art Committee- We would like to find a Committee Lead for The Wildlife in Art Show which takes place in November. Send email to Peggy at clearlightprod@gmail.com

This is our largest show and requires a fair amount of help, various time commitments depending on volunteer positions.

Responsibilities include-

- Writing letters and other various communications to sponsors
- Reaching out to the list of compiled artists in our database to send show prospectus and reminder letters about submissions
- Marketing Volunteer- find new ways to market the Wildlife in Art Show to create broader awareness of the show and for Foothills gallery in general
- Graphic designer to create video for reception
- Create Awards etc.
- Many volunteers for set up and tear down of the show itself
- Thank you letters to sponsors

All Training provided

Accepted Media For Shows

Our Rules for Entry for all shows **except** the Expanded Media Show are stated as:

“Accepted Media: Oil, acrylic, pastel, watercolor, Scratchboard, graphics (etchings, wood, and line-block prints), serigraphs, pencil, pen & ink.”

The Expanded Media Show is the only show that accepts prints as well as original art.

Below are 2 Entry forms to be filled in for the Expanded Media Show. When you bring in your work please attach one to the back of your piece, the other to be given to the volunteer accepting work.

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| Foothills Entry Form Expanded Media Show March 2023 | |
| Title_____ | |
| Name_____ | |
| Phone_____ | |
| | Price _____ |

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FOOTHILLS ART ASSOCIATION
P. O. Box 794
La Mesa, CA 91944-0794

THE FOOTHILLS ART ASSOCIATION WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

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| <u>Enhanced Membership</u> (includes hanging/selling + website gallery) | \$ 45.00 |
| <u>Active Member</u> (includes hanging/selling privileges) | \$ 35.00 |
| <u>Associate Member</u> (excludes hanging/selling privileges) | \$ 25.00 |
| <u>Junior Member</u> (under 18-years old) | \$ 20.00 |

New Member

Renewed

Updated Info

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

My signature below releases the Foothills Art Association and all persons connected with the exhibiting and handling of works of art submitted by me from any responsibility for the loss or damage by fire, theft or other hazards connected with the exhibiting and handling of those works.

Signed _____ Date _____

Print and complete this renewal form and mail it with your check to:
Foothills Art Association, P.O. Box 794, La Mesa, CA 91944-0794