



FOOTNOTES

FOOTHILLSARTASSOCIATION.COM

JUNE 2023

FOOTHILLS ART ASSOCIATION UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY 2023

**R.J. Pinner Workshop
"Experiencing Abstraction"**
Saturday, May 27
1:00 – 4:00pm
See "Member Highlights" page
for sign-up information

JUNE 2023

Take-down & Take-in for June
Thursday, June 1
2:30 – 5:30pm

**Members' Meeting &
Plein Aire Demo by Kris Finch**
Thursday, June 1
5:30 – 7:30pm

FAA Board Meeting
Monday, June 5
12:00pm – 1:30pm

**Plein Aire Workshop by
Kris Finch at Lake Murray**
Saturday, June 10
Contact Linda Morton at
lm@cwsu.edu to sign-up

NOTE: No meetings in July, Aug. or Dec.

**FAA Gallery at Porter Hall
4910 Memorial Drive
University & La Mesa Blvd.
(619) 464-7167**

Open Tuesday-Saturday
11:00am-4:00pm

FAA Mailing Address:
P.O. Box 794, La Mesa, CA 91944
Visit our website for more info:
FoothillsArtAssociation.com



Featured Artist

RACQUEL GABUYA



Racquel Gabuya is a highly talented and skilled Filipino artist who has made her mark on the international art scene. Based in San Diego, she has showcased her stunning artwork in a variety of locations around the world, including Oregon, Illinois, San Diego, and the Philippines.

Racquel's artistic journey began when she matriculated at the University of Oregon, where she earned a Master of Fine Arts in Visual Communication and a degree in Graphic Design. With her extensive knowledge and expertise in the field, she went on to teach graphic design for 15 years, sharing her passion and skill with others.

In addition, Racquel is an accomplished painter and illustrator. Her artistic style is deeply rooted in her childhood memories of the Philippines, where the natural beauty of the mountains, the hustle and bustle of the city, and the serenity of the seaside surrounded her. Her paintings and illustrations capture the essence of these memories, celebrating the vibrant culture and heritage of the Filipino people.

Now semi-retired, Racquel is focused on pursuing her passion for fine art and exploring new projects. Her dedication to her craft and her deep love of storytelling are evident in every piece she creates. Her work has been praised for its emotional depth, stunning beauty, and captivating storytelling.



"My art reflects my longing for the beauty and simplicity of life in the Philippines. Through my paintings, I capture moments that remind us of a time gone by, and celebrate the resilience and cultural heritage of Filipinos. Join me on this journey of exploration and fantasy as we cherish the everyday moments that make life beautiful." - Racquel

As an artist, Racquel is always looking for new ways to express herself and to connect with her audience. Her art invites viewers to step into a world of fantasy and imagination, where the beauty of the everyday is celebrated and cherished. Through her paintings and illustrations, she shares the rich cultural heritage of the Philippines and reminds us of the importance of preserving our memories and traditions for generations to come.

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PRESIDENT

Peggy Connolly

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TBD

2ND VICE PRESIDENT

TBD

3rd VICE PRESIDENT

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Roz Oserin

SECRETARY

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GALLERY COORDINATOR

Michelle Barbour

FEATURED ARTIST COORDINATOR

Judy Sawyer

**HISTORIAN &
SOCIAL MEDIA**

TBD

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Dawn Ivy

SHOW HANGING COORDINATOR

Barbara Drews

WEBSITE COORDINATOR

R.J. Pinner

To contact a Board Member,
please call the Gallery
during open hours at
(619) 464-7167 or email:
foothillsartassoc@gmail.com



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Hello Everyone,

I hope this message finds you healthy and happy!

Our gallery is experiencing some significant changes as we roll into summer. We have two board members who are stepping down after many years of service. I would like to say a huge thank you to Bonnie Owen who was on the board for three years and was our fabulous designer and producer of our newsletter *Footnotes*. *Footnotes* takes a lot of time and energy to produce, and Bonnie always did her work with diligence and a smile on her face. Thank you so much Bonnie for your time and effort, we truly appreciate what you have done for us! We are so glad you will continue to be a member and now have some real time to paint!

Renee Ciufu will also be stepping down as a board member. Renee has been on the board for more than five years and performed the role of Historian. Additionally, Renee was our Gallery Coordinator, a time-consuming job that requires a lot of time on the phone, checking the website and more. Renee would often fill in sitting at the gallery when someone couldn't make it and gave of her time generously. She started our social media campaign, which again requires an enormous amount of time and energy. Social media has given us more exposure to the outside world. Renee, you have done so much for the gallery, so thank you, thank you, thank you! Hopefully you will also have more time to paint! You will both be sorely missed.

I am happy to report that some new members have stepped up to the plate and will be joining the board in different capacities. Elections for new board members will take place at our meeting in June, and I can't wait to announce them as part of our team!

We will be raising our membership fee by \$10 dollars across the board except for our youth price, which will remain at \$20.00. Dramatic increases on our electric bill, WiFi expenses, and increased costs of supplies have impacted our overhead to run the gallery. Foothills Art Gallery is still the best deal in town with the best member benefits in San Diego! The gallery is thriving and we now offer four painting groups each week and our new WiFi makes running the gallery much easier. I hope you will except this price change and continue to embrace our gallery, the best little gallery in town!

Please remember we will not have members' meetings or art demonstrations for the months of July and August, but we will still have artists of the month. Jo Ann Bray will be our artist of the month in July, and we will have our special Octogenarian show in August.

That is it for now. All the best to you, I look forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely,
Peggy Connolly
President

FAA MEMBERSHIP NEWS

We are very pleased to have you as a member of the Foothills Art Association, and look forward to another wonderful year together. We hope you are enjoying the many benefits of Foothills membership.

Please note that rising overhead costs have necessitated increasing dues by \$10 at every level except the junior level. Thank you for understanding.

Please keep in mind that we have four levels of membership: Junior membership is for members 12-18 years old (\$20); Associate members (\$35) can attend meetings and receive the newsletter but may not display their artwork in the Gallery; Regular membership (\$45) adds the ability to hang artwork in the monthly shows; Enhanced membership (\$55) includes the above privileges plus a gallery on our website to display their artwork. **Changes in dues amounts are effective immediately.**

Upon consideration, the Board has decided that given the resources currently available, it is not feasible to change the renewal process at this time. Therefore, we will continue with the current process.

Renewal is encouraged in June. For those who joined in other months during the year, you will receive a reminder letter the month before your renewal is due.

Membership dues for 2023-2024 will assume that you wish to renew at the same membership level you currently enjoy. If you have questions or wish to change your membership level for 2023-2024, please email me ASAP at sgmeng@gmail.com.

Sharon Meng, Membership and the FAA Board

FOOTHILLS ART ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP/DONATION FORM

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

New Member **Renewal (Due in June of each year)** **Updated Info** **Donation only**

Enhanced Membership (includes hanging/selling + website gallery) \$ 55.00

Active Member (includes hanging/selling privileges) \$ 45.00

Associate Member (excludes hanging/selling privileges) \$ 35.00

Junior Member (under 18-years old) \$ 20.00

I would like to include a Tax Deductible Donation in the amount of \$ _____

Total Enclosed _____

Are you interested in volunteering to help with activities at FAA? 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 form and mail it with your check to:
Foothills Art Association, P.O. Box 794, La Mesa, CA 91944-0794**

Did you know that Foothills Art Association is a not-for-profit organization?

If you would like to support the arts in your local community, please consider making a tax-deductible donation to the Foothills Art Association. Your donations help tremendously with our increased operating costs and support the basic needs of the gallery.



Demonstrating Artist

K R I S F I N C H



Kris Finch studied at Watts Atelier in Encinitas from 2003 to 2006 and began teaching Painting and Drawing in 2009. His paintings have been in the Oil Painters of America shows all over the United States. Kris is a renowned portrait artist who also specializes in and teaches Plein Aire. He currently teaches Portrait Painting and Plein Aire out of his home studio in Chula Vista. You can see more of his outstanding work at krisfinchart.com.

We are very excited to have him at the Foothills Gallery for the Plein Aire Demo on June 1 and at Lake Murray for the Plein Aire Workshop on June 10.

Space is limited. If you are interested in attending the workshop at Lake Murray, please contact Linda Morton at lm@cwsl.edu.



Plein Aire Demo with Kris Finch

Foothills Gallery

Thursday, June 1 (during Members' Meeting)

5:30pm – 7:30pm



Plein Aire Workshop with Kris Finch

Lake Murray

Saturday, June 10

8:30am – 11:30am

MATERIALS LIST

Acrylic / Oil Paints:

White

Burnt Sienna

Ultramarine Blue

Cad Red Light

Cad yellow medium

Other materials:

Brushes, odorless turpenoid, palette paper, paper towels, 5x7 canvas board

ART & ABOUT

ARTIST RECEPTION

Saturday, May 20

12:00pm – 2:00pm

San Carlos Branch Library

7265 Jackson Drive

San Diego, CA 92119

Each month, the San Carlos Friends of the Library sponsors artists who show their works in the San Carlos Branch Library's Winer Family Community Room & Art Gallery.

The artwork of Luz Shepard and Judi Burnett will be on display there during the entire month of May with a Reception on Saturday, May 20 from 12:00pm to 2:00pm.

The gallery is located through the double doors in the Children's area or the doors just inside the left side entrance to the library.

ARTIST RECEPTION

Saturday, June 24

5:00pm – 7:00pm

Nainsook Framing and Art

8130 La Mesa Blvd.

La Mesa, CA 91942

Nainsookframing.com

Roz Oserin would like to invite all members to an Artist Reception "Multi-Faceted" to be held at Nainsook Framing and Art on Saturday, June 24 from 5:00pm to 7:00pm.

Wine and hors d'oeuvres will be served. Feel free to bring a friend.

If you would like to share upcoming Art Events in the Footnotes newsletter, email Foothills.Footnotes@gmail.com

NOTE: "Footnotes" is sent out on the 15th of the month prior to the issue month. To allow time to format the newsletter, all content is due by the 10th of the month prior to the issue month.

FOOTHILLS ART ASSOCIATION May 2023 Board Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 12:00pm on May 1st, 2023.

Attendees: Peggy Connolly, Sharon Meng, Gary Dyak, Dawn Ivy, Lorna Farmer, Barbara Drews, Bob Pinner, Judy Sawyer, Roz Oserin, and Bonnie Owen.

1. April's Minutes were reviewed and Approved.
2. The Treasurer's Report was reviewed and approved. Roz reported with the increases in utilities, WiFi, Website and rent we are currently paying out more than we are taking in. She motioned to change Article VIII - Dues, in the By-Laws so that Membership dues would be increased as follows: Enhanced - \$55.00, Active - \$45.00, Associate - \$35.00 and Junior Membership will remain at \$20.00. Peggy seconded the motion and it was unanimously passed. Peggy will bring the motion of change to the Members' Meeting to be voted on.
3. Roz also requested that we re-institute the practice of requesting that the Demonstrating Artist donates a piece of artwork to be raffled off at the meeting. It was agreed upon by the board.
4. Lorna Farmer presented her credentials and expressed her desire to become the Social Media Director. Dawn Ivy also expressed a desire to become our new Newsletter Editor. Peggy made a motion to accept Dawn and Lorna into those positions and Roz seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
5. A discussion of reorganizing the responsibilities of the board and committees was tabled until next month.

The next Board Meeting will be held June 5th, 2023 at 12:00pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30pm.



WANT TO BE MORE SOCIAL?

Do you have an Instagram profile and want to learn more? Check out these easy tips and be more social.

- Make your profile bio reflect your personal style or art process.
- Follow the FAA profile on Instagram: @foothillsartassoc2020
- Check out the @foothillsartassoc2020 profile and click on "following" and "followers" at the top of the bio page. Follow the profiles that peak your interest.
- Build your community (followers) by following your friends and members of FAA.
- Create a post by clicking the plus sign in the middle of the bottom line.
- Post high-quality pictures with a short caption followed by a couple hashtags. Using hashtags will include you in a larger conversation. For instance, a fellow artist may follow #watercolorart and they might see your post if you include this hashtag.

Please know that following, liking, tagging, and/or commenting on FAA posts increases the exposure for our wonderful organization. While you're having fun being social, you are also helping to spread the word of what FAA has to offer.

MEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

*"You can't use up creativity.
The more you use, the more you have."*

- Maya Angelou



Congratulations to **Gary Dyak!**

This wonderful drawing has been accepted into the International Colored Pencil Society of America's 2023 Exhibit. The exhibit will take place in Cincinnati, Ohio this July.

Congratulations to all the artists that showed in the Annual Members' Juried & Judged Show in April. Special congratulations to **Lyle Rennick** for winning First Place with his exceptional "Jazz Guitarist" painting!



R.J. Pinner shared his abstract art techniques at a Mini-Workshop and Demo on May 4.

May 27, 1-4pm: "Experiencing Abstraction" is a workshop for artists of all abilities/media.

R.J. Pinner will provide prompts to guide participants in exploring different abstract compositions and techniques. Artists will refer to historic design principles and known masters in improvising their work.

Bring your usual art materials and at least 3 paper/canvas substrates. If you attended the demo, please bring your preliminary drawings.

Register by emailing foothillsartassoc@gmail.com. Limit of 20 participants.

Cost is \$10 per artist and all proceeds will be generously donated to FAA.



Beached Boats
(1915) J. Sorolla

Glenn Osga participated in the Members' Old Masters Show in February. This year he selected a Joaquin Sorolla piece called "Beached Boats" that was originally created in 1915.

"I really enjoyed painting this piece in particular the sails were so fun! I held off and painted them last to savor the experience! I cut and prepared the painting board to match a lovely frame giving it a classic museum quality. I am happy to say I won the People's Choice Award at Foothills at this year's show!" ~ Glenn

View more of Glenn's work by visiting: glennieartist.com



Beached Boats
(Glenn Osga d'apres Sorolla)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MONTHLY SHOWS

- JANUARY: Members' Show (no specific theme, no entry fee)
- FEBRUARY: Members' OLD MASTERS Show (no entry fee, but some awards)
- MARCH: Members' EXPANDED MEDIA Show (no specific theme, no entry fee)
- APRIL: Annual Members' Juried & Judged Show (no specific theme, entry fee required; prizes awarded)
- MAY, JUNE, & JULY: Members' Show (no specific theme, no entry fee)
- AUGUST: Show Honoring Octogenarian Members
- SEPTEMBER: Members' Small Image Show, no larger than 7" x 7" (judged show with entry fee and prizes awarded)
- OCTOBER: Members' Show (no specific theme, no entry fee)
- NOVEMBER: Wildlife in Art Show (juried and judged show with entry fee and prizes, open to all artists)
- DECEMBER: Members' Show (winter/holiday theme suggested but not required)

ART GROUPS

- Wordell Critique Group: Second Monday of the Month, 10:00am-12:00pm
- Life Drawing Group: Second and Fourth Monday of the Month, 1:30pm-3:30pm
- Colored Pencil Group: Wednesdays each week, 10:00am-2:00pm
- Oil and Acrylic Group: Second, Third, and Fourth Thursdays of the month, 1:00pm-4:00pm
- Watercolor Painting Group: Fridays each week, 10:00am-1:30pm

Take-in for Members' Monthly Shows: First Thursday of the Month, 2:30pm-5:30pm,
 Open Meeting and Demo: First Thursday of the Month, 5:30pm-7:30pm (no meeting in July, August or December)

For more information or to confirm the above dates and details, please visit our website at FoothillsArtAssociation.com, email foothillsartassoc@gmail.com, or call the gallery during open business hours at 619-464-7167.

FOOTHILLS ART GALLERY IS OPEN Tuesday-Saturday 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW BEFORE YOU SHOW

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 and ink."

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

When you are entering your work in a show at FAA, please pre-register your piece(s) on the website. When you pre-register your work is also placed in the online show.

When you bring your work to the Gallery on take-in day, you will need two entry forms for each piece you are submitting. Please print and fill out the Entry Forms below or create your own. Attach one to the back of each piece, and give one (for each piece) to the volunteer accepting the work.

Foothills Entry Form

Show: _____

Month: _____

Title _____

Name _____

Phone _____

Price _____

Foothills Entry Form

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Name _____

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