



FOOTNOTES

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JULY 2023

FOOTHILLS ART ASSOCIATION UPCOMING EVENTS

JUNE 2023

FAA Board Meeting (July)

Monday, June 26
10:00am – 11:30am

JULY 2023

Take-down & Take-in for July

Thursday, July 6
2:30 – 5:00pm

PEOPLE IN PLACES

Art Reception Featuring Jo Ann Bray, Figurative Painter

Saturday, July 22
4:00 – 7:00pm
Light hors d'oeuvres, beer, and wine will be served.

AUGUST 2023

Take-down & Take-in for August (Octogenarians only)

Thursday, August 3
2:30 – 5:00pm

FAA Board Meeting (August)

Monday, August 7
10:00am – 11:30am

FAA Board Meeting (September)

Monday, August 28
10:00am – 11:30am

No member meetings in July, Aug. or Dec.

FAA Gallery at Porter Hall
4910 Memorial Drive, La Mesa
(619) 464-7167

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

JO ANN BRAY



Your Serve



Santa Fe Concert

Painting has been Jo Ann's passion from early on. Borrowing her father's paints, she completed her first oil painting when she was six years old. It was of the cartoon The Flintstones. Instead of yelling at her for creating a mess her parents supported her passion for art. Growing up she frequented galleries and art classes. Jo Ann has studied various mediums, but her favorite is working in oils. It allows her to work with greater creativity and has more vibrancy than acrylics and watercolors.

Jo Ann studied Fine arts at the California College of Arts and Crafts, University of Northern Colorado, and San Diego Art Academy. She continues to strive to improve and grow as an artist. Currently, she is studying painting with Stuart Burton at the Art Academy.

Early on, she was inspired by the paintings of John Sloan, Moses Soyer, and Edward Hopper. People and everyday scenes are her favorite subject matter. Their everyday moments, vulnerabilities, stories, emotions, and individuality are captured in her work.

She travels daily, searching for images with the right light, composition, and story. When viewing her work, you are invited to be a character in the scene and continue the story with your imagination.

She believes that painting comes first and the portrait comes second. One of her greatest compliments is that her painting is more admirable than the photo.



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ART TAKE-IN

Jo Ann Bray

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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,

Hello All! I hope this note finds everyone well and getting geared up for summer, that is if summer ever gets here! Hopefully we will see the sun soon.

Unfortunately, we will be saying goodbye to another wonderful board member this month, Gary Dyak. Gary has been on the board for six years as our secretary and on the take-in crew where he worked tirelessly for 72 months of take-in! WOW. I think many of you know Gary as a wonderful artist and as a wonderful person so if you see him, please send some thanks his way. Thank you, Gary, for all you have done for the gallery over your long reign as secretary! Gary is not leaving the gallery, but he will now have time to relax and do what he does best, create incredible ART!

We will be looking for someone to take Gary's place on the board as Secretary/Historian. If anyone is interested, please contact Celeste Schwartz at celesteschwartz@gmail.com and she can arrange to contact me.

I want to introduce a slew of new people that have been elected to the board or working as committee chairs.

1st Vice President - Lorna Farmer

2nd Vice President / Volunteer Coordinator - Celeste Schwartz

Footnotes Designer / Editor - Dawn Ivy

Gallery Sitting Coordinator - Michelle Barbour

Take-in Committee Chair - Jo Ann Bray

Gallery Supplies Coordinator/ Take in support - Lloyd Smith

I am so excited to be working with these wonderful people. Many are new members and as the saying goes - It Takes a Village! Thanks so much for stepping up to the plate to continue to make Foothills a fantastic art gallery. If anyone is interested in volunteering in any capacity, please contact Celeste Schwartz at celesteschwartz@gmail.com. Celeste will be creating a database of volunteers so we can reach out when we need a hand.

On another note, we have gotten a permit to serve wine at our receptions, so come and enjoy our receptions responsibly! Jo Ann Bray will be Artist of the Month in July and her reception is planned for July 22nd from 4:00-7:00pm, I guarantee it will be a wonderful show. And we cannot miss the OCTOGENARIAN show in August that reception is on August 12th. At this point I believe there are 36 painters signed up to show their work, which is thrilling and speaks to the joy of creating art as a lifelong journey. Go Octos!

Remember there are no members' meetings or art demonstrations planned for July and August.

I am heading out to the high seas again this summer but will be working on The Wildlife in Art Show and putting together a team to help me remotely.

Until next time, have fun and stay safe.

Sincerely,
Peggy Connolly

FOOTHILLS FUN FACTS

Did you know that Porter Hall is a designated Historical Landmark?



Porter Hall, located in MacArthur Park and owned by the City of La Mesa, underwent exterior restoration, interior tenant improvements, and accessibility upgrades in 2007.

The oldest, octagonal portion of the structure was constructed in approximately 1928 across the street (to the south) from its current location. It was once used as a flower shop and as a San Diego County Library from 1932 until 1957. In 1974, the widening of University Avenue precipitated the relocation to its current site.

Porter Hall is associated with the Porter family that settled in the area in the early 1900s. Henry Porter and his wife, Elizabeth Chapin Porter, had lived in China prior to settling in La Mesa, which likely explains Porter Hall's distinct oriental roofline and detailing.

The Foothills Art Association is proud to call Porter Hall home for our wonderful gallery with monthly shows, demos, meetings, art groups, and art receptions.



Visit the gallery at Porter Hall – the flowers are in full bloom and the windows are filled with prints of beautiful artwork created by Foothills Art Association members.



ART & ABOUT

CALL FOR ART

If you are interested in displaying your art in the La Mesa Branch Library, please email: LaMesaLibrary@sdcounty.ca.gov to request consideration. Cassie Koldewyn, (619) 469-2151 La Mesa Branch Library

PAINT & PAPER

A Unique Art & Craft Show
Saturday, July 8 & Sunday, July 9
Gallery 21, Spanish Village
 Featuring paintings by Bonnie Owen, paper craft by Janet Muller, and Found Object Bird Houses by Barbara Drews. Snacks will be provided. For more info, contact Bonnie Owen at bonniejowen@gmail.com

ART WALK

ArtWalk @ Liberty Station
August 4, 5 & 6, 2023
Liberty Station Arts District
 More than 150 artists will show and sell their artwork, including paintings, photography, glass, ceramic, jewelry & sculpture. Visit artwalksandiego.org for more info or tickets to the Friday evening preview pARTy!

ART WALK

SUMMER SERIES
 Shows are presented in Little Italy & Liberty Station. These intimate, easy-to-navigate events feature a wide variety of artists showing and selling work. FREE to attend.

Liberty Station Summer Series
Friday, July 7th
3pm – 8pm

Little Italy Summer Series
Sundays, June 25 and July 23
11am – 5pm

Visit artwalksandiego.org if you are interested in participating as an artist.

If you would like to share an Art Event in the Footnotes newsletter, please email information to:
Foothills.Footnotes@gmail.com

MEMBER HIGHLIGHTS



"Above and Below" by Lorna Farmer

"Great things are done by a series of small things brought together."

Vincent Van Gogh

Congratulations to the FAA members that were juried into the San Diego Watercolor Society's 43rd International Exhibition!

The San Diego Watercolor Society's 43rd International Exhibition is widely recognized for its high standard of excellence in water based media art. The Exhibition will be held from October 1 through October 31.

- **Roberta Dyer**, "Ruminating" (image not shown)
- **Lorna Farmer**, "Above and Below"
- **Joan Merrick**, "Blue Woman"

Joan also received a juror's commendation for her painting, "Three Vases," currently on display at the Foothills Gallery.

Congratulations to FAA members not listed as well.



"Blue Woman" by Joan Merrick



"Three Vases" by Joan Merrick

PEOPLE IN PLACES

ARTIST RECEPTION

Featuring

JO ANN BRAY

Figurative Painter

Saturday, July 22

4:00pm – 7:00pm

Foothills Gallery

Light hors d'oeuvres, beer, and wine will be served.

MEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

*"Make visible what, without you,
might perhaps never have been seen."*

- Oprah Winfrey



"The Big Melting" by Gloria Henderson



"Old Globe" by Gloria Henderson

Congratulations to the FAA members that were juried into the San Diego Watercolor Society's 2023 June "Color Scheming" Member Exhibition

- **Gloria Henderson**, "The Big Melting" and "Old Globe"
- **Roberta Dyer**, "Hiding in Plain Sight" Congratulations to Roberta for winning second place in the show!

Congratulations to FAA members not listed as well.



"Hiding in Plain Sight" by Roberta Dyer

Congratulations to **Rhonda Anderson!**

Her painting "Del Mar Tide Pools" was juried into a Fine Art Exhibition – "A Walk Through Nature" featuring Members from the San Diego Museum of Art Artists Guild. Keiko Tanabe juried the show.

The show will run June 17 - July 28 at the Mission Trails Regional Park Interpretive Center.

Meet the artists on Sunday, June 18, 2:00 -4:00 pm.



"Del Mar Tide Pools" by Rhonda Anderson

FOOTHILLS MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS



Figure Drawing Group meets the second and fourth Monday of every month, 1:30pm to 3:30pm. If there is a model, the cost is \$7.00. If not, the cost is \$2.00.

For more information, contact Jo Ann 619-251-5970 or call the gallery during business hours.

San Diego Drawing Guild meets every Wednesday, 10:00am to 2pm. This is an enthusiastic group for a friendly and helpful drawing session. The group is currently full. For anyone interested in colored pencil work or more information, contact Gary 619-578-9796.

Thursday Oil and Acrylic Group meets the second, third and fourth Thursday of every month, 1:00pm to 4:00pm. Join an enthusiastic group of painters for a friendly and helpful art session. The cost is \$2.00. For more information, contact Bob 619-390-0812 or call the gallery during open business hours.

Friday Watercolor Group meets every Friday, 10:00am to 1:30pm. This group is open to anyone and is informal. There is no instruction and the cost is \$2. For more information, contact Sharon 619-347-6892 or call the gallery during open business hours.

Wordell Critique Group meets the second Monday of every month, 10:00am to 12:00pm. Artists attend to show their work, get input from a group of experienced/beginning artists and discuss topics related to art. The cost is \$2. For more information, contact Joan 619-994-3348, Bob 619-390-0812, or call the gallery during open hours.

Art Groups & Demo Artists

Five different groups meet at the Gallery

Demos at every members' meeting

One of the wonderful benefits of membership in the Foothills Art Association is the ability to attend free monthly demonstrations by a well-known artist. The Demonstrating Artists share their talents with us at our scheduled members' meeting on the first Thursday of the month. Note: there are no members' meetings in July, August, or December.

An added benefit is the ability to sign up for workshops offered by the demonstrating artist for a reduced fee through the Foothills Art Association. See the next page for photos from our Plein Aire Workshop on June 10.

Our Demo Committee is in the process of determining our demo/workshop artists for next year, beginning in September. Please send names of any artists you would like to see considered as one of our monthly demo artists to Linda Morton. Also, our committee is interested in the type of art – both subject and media – you are interested in.

Please contact Linda Morton with any suggestions by email at lm@cwsl.edu or call 619-405-6311.

Many thanks,
Linda, FAA Demo Committee



A fun and educational Plein Aire Demo with artist Kris Finch at the June 1 Members' Meeting

WORKSHOP RECAP

A beautiful misty morning at Lake Murray
for the Plein Aire Workshop with
artist Kris Finch on June 10



Kris Finch starts with a quick demo reminding members of the steps to completing a Plein Aire painting. Kris was patient, encouraging, and pushed everyone to try new things.



A great time together braving the mist and wind...and creating some amazing artwork!



Jo Ann Bray making it look so easy!



Carol McClure with Kris Finch



Having Fun!



**YOU'RE INVITED TO AN ARTIST RECEPTION
FEATURING NEW WORKS BY ROZ OSERIN
"Above & Below"**

**Saturday, June 24
5:00pm – 7:00pm**

Nainsook Framing + Art

8130 La Mesa Blvd., La Mesa, CA 91942

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



LA MESA FARMERS MARKET

Get outside this summer and visit the weekly Farmers Market every Friday from 3:00-7:30pm in the La Mesa Village. Enjoy live entertainment and shop among 60 vendors each week, including everything from farm fresh fruits and vegetables, cheese, baked goods, fresh flowers, plants, and local artisans!

LA MESA CLASSIC CAR SHOW

The 29th Annual La Mesa Classic Car Show & Live Music Event rolls into downtown La Mesa beginning June 1st through August 31, every Thursday from 5 - 8pm. Visitors can stroll down La Mesa Blvd. to see beautiful pre-1974 cars, trucks, and vans and listen to live music!



SAN DIEGO COUNTY FAIR

June 7-July 4

The Exhibition of Fine Art at the San Diego County Fair is a highly competitive and extremely popular juried competition featuring both 2-D and 3-D artwork, including many variations of drawing, painting, mixed media, sculpture, ceramic, and more. Come visit and see if you spot any fellow FAA artists and learn some of the techniques and skills artists use to create their imaginative works of art.

A SPECIAL ART SHOW HONORING OCTOGENARIANS

August will be here before you know it and the Octo Show is coming to the Foothills Gallery for a second year!

If you have not signed up and will turn eighty on or before August 1, you are eligible for the show. We have artists who have been painting away since the last show, but it's not too late. The grey weather can boost your creativity and can be an incentive to paint. We want to see your creations!

We will be taking in the Octo Show art on August 3 and hanging on August 4, so now is the time to get painting.

To register for the show, please contact:

Barbara Drews, Octo Show Coordinator
sdsailorgirl@yahoo.com

FOOTHILLS ART ASSOCIATION June 2023 Board Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 p.m. on June 5, 2023.

Attendees: Peggy Connolly, Sharon Meng, Dawn Ivy, Celeste Schwartz, Barbara Drews, Bob Pinner, Judy Sawyer, and Roz Oserin.

1. Bob Pinner shared the results of recent online survey.
2. Celeste Schwartz was introduced, shared her credentials and expressed her interest in serving as 2nd Vice President and Volunteer Coordinator. Peggy made a motion to accept Celeste into the positions and Judy seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
3. The Board members in attendance reviewed the revised Volunteer Intake Form, Bylaws, Incident Report Form, Executive Board list, and Committee Chairs list. Edits were discussed to make the documents clean and concise. Celeste will work on the proposed edits and additional forms that will be reviewed at the Board meeting in September. The final documents will be sent to membership.
4. Peggy shared that Gary Dyak will step down as Secretary after 6 years of service. The Board Members in attendance decided to combine the role of Secretary and Historian and will actively be seeking a candidate with a passion for history and attention to detail.
5. The Board members in attendance discussed the options to create a Nominating Committee. The volunteers will be recruited in March for elections of new positions in May.
6. Sharon Meng shared that the membership renewal process was going well. Since due dates happen throughout the year, she is sending monthly letters to remind members to pay their dues.
7. The Board members in attendance decided that the Footnotes newsletter would only be sent to existing members. Bob Pinner will remove the newsletter request option from the website and the clipboard signup at the gallery will be removed.

The next Board Meeting will be held June 26, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

FOOTHILLS ART ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP/DONATION FORM

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

- New Member** **Renewal** **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**

UPCOMING SHOWS

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)

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)

**For more information, 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

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 _____

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