



# FOOTNOTES

FOOTHILLSARTASSOCIATION.COM

OCTOBER 2023

## FOOTHILLS ART ASSOCIATION UPCOMING EVENTS

### SEPTEMBER 2023

#### Small Image Show Reception/Awards

Saturday, September 16  
3:30pm – 5:30pm

### OCTOBER 2023

#### FAA Board Meeting

Monday, October 2  
10:00am – 11:30am

#### Take-down/Take-in October Show

Thursday, October 5  
2:30pm – 5:30pm

#### FAA Members' Meeting & Portrait Demo with Lyle Rennick

Thursday, October 5  
5:30pm – 7:30pm

#### Portrait Workshop with Lyle Rennick

Saturday, October 7  
1:00pm – 4:00pm

#### Wildlife in Art Show Entry Deadline

Friday, October 20, Before 12:00pm

#### Take-down/Take-in WIA Show

Saturday, October 28  
10:00am – 2:00pm

### NOVEMBER 2023

#### FAA Members' Meeting & Demo

Thursday, November 2  
5:30pm – 7:30pm

#### FAA Board Meeting

Monday, November 6  
10:00am – 11:30am

#### Wildlife in Art Show Reception/Awards

Saturday, November 11  
3:30pm – 6:30pm

**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

[FoothillsArtAssociation.com](http://FoothillsArtAssociation.com)



## Featured Artists

### SAN DIEGO DRAWING GUILD



*Little Mother, Teri Csori*

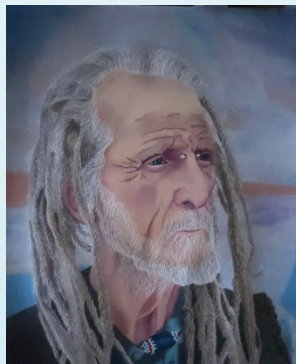
The San Diego Drawing Guild (SDDG) is a group of graphite, pastel, and colored pencil artists who meet weekly in the Foothills Fine Art Gallery. SDDG is a diverse group whose artistic interests range from landscapes to flowers to portraits to more abstract representations. The group is unstructured, with no officers, and gathers for four hours each week to draw and enjoy the companionship of fellow artists. Members of the group, which has been meeting for approximately eight years, offer each other support,

encouragement and loving critique and have become good friends. When the pandemic required quarantine and the gallery closed, group members missed each other and the camaraderie they shared. They started meeting once a week on Zoom but the free 40 minute sessions just weren't enough togetherness so they purchased a business account, costing each member \$2 per week. In this way, they were able to continue their friendship and encourage artistic progress even as everyone coped with the reality of the pandemic. In the Zoom meetings, they continued to share their lives, their art, their frustrations and their joys.

The artists of SDDG come from varied backgrounds, including medicine, nursing, engineering, finance and business, and midwifery. Several members work in colored pencil (as well as other mediums) and are members of the Colored Pencil Society of America. Five members (Gary Dyak, Connie Grace, Carolyn Kenny, Rhonda Anderson and Aida Masliah) have been accepted in the Society's prestigious international show and some have won awards.



*It's a Beautiful Day, Rhonda Anderson*



*Remembrance, Sharon Meng*



*Like a Watercolor in the Rain, Gary Dyak*

# FAA BOARD

## EXECUTIVE BOARD

### PRESIDENT

Peggy Connolly

### 1<sup>st</sup> VICE PRESIDENT

Lorna Farmer

### 2<sup>ND</sup> VICE PRESIDENT

Celeste Schwartz

### 3<sup>rd</sup> VICE PRESIDENT

Judy Sawyer

### TREASURER

Roz Oserin

### SECRETARY/HISTORIAN

Dawn Ivy

## COMMITTEE CHAIRS

### MEMBERSHIP

Sharon Meng

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Celeste Schwartz

### HANGING COMMITTEE

Barbara Drews

### SOCIAL MEDIA

Lorna Farmer

### WEBSITE

R.J. Pinner

### NEWSLETTER

Dawn Ivy

### GALLERY SITTING

Michelle Barbour

### ARTIST DEMOS

Linda Morton

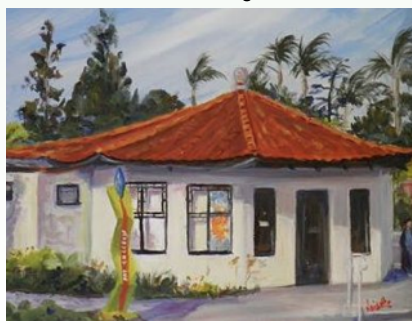
### ART TAKE-IN

Jo Ann Bray

### GALLERY SUPPLIES

Lloyd Smith

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



## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Hello All,

It always amazes me how quickly the summer goes; I hope everyone is still enjoying some summer fun. We get very busy this time of year as we have just taken in the beautiful Small Image Show and are preparing for the Wildlife in Art Show. Please do come and see the Small Image Show, there are so many wonderful pieces of art in the gallery right now.

The Wildlife In Art Show is going to be extra spectacular this year! We have new and exciting happenings on the agenda for the reception, which I think you will enjoy!! So, get painting and don't miss the Awards Reception on November 11 at 3:30pm.

We have started a donation campaign to help us bring more possibilities to our members. You can read more about ways you can help keep FAA thriving on the next page.

If you have the resources to donate, please do! We will also be writing grants to get funding for some desperately needed upkeep at the gallery and to support some funding for children's art.

We are also reaching out to the community to help us become more well-known in La Mesa and the surrounding areas. Hopefully soon people will know what Foothills Art Association does and where it is!!

I would like to thank the Board Members who have recently joined us, it feels like there is some wonderful energy happening...and new and inspiring ideas are everywhere. Thanks to all of you Board Members and Committee Chairs who continue to amaze me, and work so hard to make the gallery a fascinating place to be.

Best to you all,

Peggy

## CALL FOR ARTIST

**Are you an artist who has always had an interest in illustrating a fabulous children's book?**

This could be the perfect opportunity for you to become a children's book illustrator.

**For information, please contact Peggy Connolly at 1-206-919-3407 or [clearlightprod@gmail.com](mailto:clearlightprod@gmail.com)**





# GATHER, LEARN, GROW & SHOW

Dear Friends,

We are so thankful to have a beautiful place to gather, learn, grow, and show. It really is the best little gallery in town!

As a 100% volunteer-powered organization, we have so many members that generously donate countless hours to keep things thriving at the gallery. Thank you for giving your time and talents...you are valued. It truly does take a village!

As you all know, the cost of everything has gone up. As a non-profit organization, we are experiencing increased operating costs, maintenance expenses, and much needed technology fees. We are also in need of some gallery improvements that require additional funding.

- ▶ If you are planning on making a year-end tax-deductible donation, please consider Foothills Art Association as your charity of choice.
- ▶ If you are unable to donate funds now, please consider including FAA in your estate planning. A legacy gift will help ensure that FAA continues to provide a place for artists to grow in our community.
- ▶ We are also working on grant funding opportunities to help with some much needed improvements.

If you are able to help with a contribution, please know that all donations of \$25 or more will be included in the "Friends of FAA" listing in the *Footnotes* newsletter. Names will be added as donations are received. The 2023 listing will be featured in *Footnotes* through the end of our fiscal year on June 30, 2024.

To kick off our campaign...please join me, and my fellow board members, in making a tax-deductible donation of \$25 or more to the Foothills Art Association. You will receive a letter for tax purposes after the end of the calendar year.

To make your contribution, please donate on our website or fill out and submit the Membership/Donation form on the last page of *Footnotes*. Please email [foothillsartassoc@gmail.com](mailto:foothillsartassoc@gmail.com) with any questions.

Thank you for everything you do for FAA and for supporting the arts in our community!

Sincerely,  
Peggy Connolly  
FAA President

friends  
OF FAA

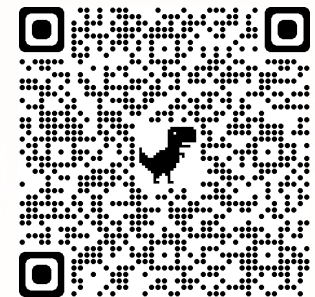
Thank you to the following friends for contributing to the Foothills Art Association, above and beyond the cost of membership. With your help, the arts will continue to thrive in our local community.

Peggy Connolly, President  
Michelle Barbour  
Jo Ann Bray  
Barbara Drews  
Lorna Farmer  
Dawn Ivy  
Sharon Meng  
Linda Morton  
Roz Oserin  
R.J. Pinner  
Judy Sawyer  
Celeste Schwartz  
Lloyd Smith

**MAKE A DONATION  
TO GET YOUR NAME  
ADDED TO THE LIST...  
AND HELP KEEP  
FAA THRIVING!**

## WAYS TO DONATE...

To make a donation online, please go to our website at [foothillsartassociation.com](http://foothillsartassociation.com) OR **SCAN** the QR Code below



OR  
**MAIL** donation form to:  
Foothills Art Association  
P.O. Box 794  
La Mesa, CA 91944

# Demonstrating Artist LYLE RENNICK



**Lyle Rennick** is an accomplished portrait painter. Many of his wonderful portraits have been exhibited at the Foothills Fine Art Gallery. Lyle has won numerous awards for his paintings; most recently he won first place at our juried show and second place at the San Diego County Fair. Lyle received his degree in electrical engineering but continued to study Master painters for more than 25 years. During that time, he learned that the star of the painter is not the subject matter but the beauty of the painting on the canvas. His work stands out for its balance of hard and soft edges and light and dark values, bright and muted colors, and variety of shape. This can be clearly understood best when you see his work in person. He not only captures the person's features, he shows us an emotional insight into who they are. His method and approach are a unique combination of impressionism and realism.



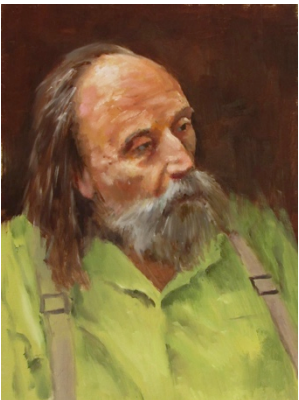
We are excited to have Lyle at the Foothills Fine Art Gallery for a Portrait Demo, with a live model, on October 5 and a Portrait Workshop on October 7. We will be able to experience his unique approach firsthand.

The workshop will give you an opportunity to paint alongside him and have the benefit of his years of experience. If you are a beginner or an experienced portrait painter, you will benefit from this workshop with Lyle. He will expand your repertoire of techniques, explore historic and academic principles, and provide feedback on your work.



**Portrait Demo with Lyle Rennick**  
Foothills Fine Art Gallery  
Thursday, October 5 (during Members' Meeting)  
5:30pm – 7:30pm

**Portrait Workshop with Lyle Rennick**  
Foothills Fine Art Gallery  
Saturday, October 7  
1:00pm – 4:00pm



**Space is limited. If you are interested in attending the workshop, please contact Jo Ann Bray at [jobray08@aff.net](mailto:jobray08@aff.net)**

**MATERIALS LIST:**

Please bring your preferred medium. Lyle will be painting with oils. Please bring other necessary materials: Brushes, palette paper, medium, and canvas or paper. If possible, please bring an easel to use, as we will have limited easels available.



# MEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

*“A true artist is not one who is inspired but one who inspires others.”*

*Salvadore Dali*



One of the amazing benefits of being a member of the Foothills Art Association is the opportunity to attend free art demos from talented artists. Chuck McPherson did not disappoint and gave us a fabulous and inspiring demo at our Members' Meeting in September!

Thank you Chuck!

*“The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members.”* *Coretta Scott King*

Thanks to **John Gannon** for bringing the dogs to our Members' Meeting in September! What a great way to celebrate the end of summer and the beginning of a fun fall season at FAA!



**Christine Waters** will be exhibiting her beautiful watercolor paintings at *A Glimpse of Nature* through October 20 at the Mission Trails Regional Park Visitor Center. Christine is one of 4 artists exhibiting at the show.

*A Glimpse of Nature*  
 September 9 - October 20  
 Mission Trails Regional Park Visitor Center  
 One Father Junipero Serra Trail  
 San Diego, CA 92119  
 The Visitor Center is open 7 days a week from 9am-5 pm.

Please visit [mtrp.org](http://mtrp.org) for more information.

# ART & ABOUT

## LA JOLLA ART & WINE FESTIVAL

October 7 & 8, 2023  
10:00am – 6:00pm

Art comes alive at the 15<sup>th</sup> annual La Jolla Art & Wine Festival this October. In addition to more than 160 fine artists, there will be delicious food and fine wine! This is a pet-friendly, free event. Visit LJAWF.com for more info.

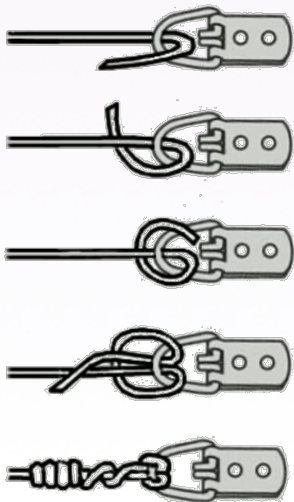
## BELLA VITA FEST

October 21 & 22, 2023  
11:00am – 5:00pm

San Diego's Little Italy Bella Vita Fest is an upscale showcase of Italian culture, featuring live chalk art by more than 30 expert chalk artists, wine tasting, Italian food and merchandise vendors, and live entertainment. Visit bellavitafest.com for ticket info.

## GET YOUR ART READY!

Do you use a Lark's Head Knot on your artwork? If it is helpful, see the steps below.



It is also called Lark's Foot, Cow Hitch, Girth Hitch, Ring Hitch, Lanyard Hitch, Bale Sling Hitch, Baggage Tag Loop, Tag Knot, Deadeye Hitch, and Running Eye.

If you would like to share an Art Event in Footnotes, please email information to: [Foothills.Footnotes@gmail.com](mailto:Foothills.Footnotes@gmail.com)

# CALL FOR ART



## SHOW DETAILS:

23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Community Art Show  
Presented by the Chula Vista Art Guild  
October 14 – 28, 2023  
Bonita Museum and Cultural Center, 4355 Bonita Road, Bonita, CA 91902  
Museum Hours: Wednesday – Saturday, 10am – 4pm

## AWARDS:

First Place: \$300, Second Place: \$200, Third Place: \$100  
Honorable Mentions (2): \$25 each

## ELIGIBILITY:

- This juried exhibition is open to all San Diego County artists, age 18 or older.
- Work must be original, not created as a student or workshop project.
- This is a community exhibition that includes families and children. Artwork containing nudity, sexual acts, gore, or violence will not be accepted.

## ARTWORK SPECIFICATIONS:

- All artwork must be dry, ready for exhibition and free of defects.
- Safety wire must be attached 1/3 of the distance down from the top of the frame. No saw-tooth hangers are accepted.
- Artwork, including frames, may not be larger than 30" x 40" or smaller than 11" x 14."
- Glass will not be accepted in any framed artwork larger than 24" x 30."
- Gallery-wrapped artwork (unframed) must have painted edges and no staples showing.
- All artwork must be labeled on the back with the artist's name, phone number, title of artwork, and asking price (or NFS).

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS & INFORMATION:

- A maximum of three paintings per artist is allowed. Due to limited space, only 60 paintings will be accepted.
- Entries must be hand-delivered on October 14<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 12pm to the Bonita Museum at 4355 Bonita Road, Bonita, CA.
- Accepted Entries: All accepted entries will be displayed at the Bonita Museum from October 14 to 28. An Awards Reception will be held on Friday, October 21 from 5:30pm to 7:30pm.
- Artwork may not be removed until the last day of the show.
- A fee of \$10 per day will be charged for work not picked up on time (4pm, Saturday, October 28).
- NOTE: Any artist whose entry is not accepted will be notified by 12pm on October 14. The artwork must be picked up by 1pm.

## ENTRY FEES:

- Members: First Painting: \$25, Second Painting: \$15, Third Painting: \$10
- Non- Members: First Painting: \$30, Second Painting: \$15, Third Painting: \$10

**APPLICATIONS: There are several printed applications for this show at the Foothills Fine Art Gallery.**

**For more information regarding submission, please contact Anna Lohse, Chula Vista Art Guild, at 858-448-1128.**



# UPCOMING FAA EVENTS

## ART GROUPS

ART GROUPS at FAA are a benefit of membership and are offered for a nominal fee. Please reach out to the group contact or email [foothillsartassoc@gmail.com](mailto:foothillsartassoc@gmail.com) to confirm group information.

### Figure Drawing Group

**NEW  
UPDATE**

meets the second and fourth Tuesdays of every month, 11:00am to 1:00pm. For more info, contact Jo Ann 619-251-5970.

### Thursday Oil and Acrylic Group

meets the second, third and fourth Thursday of every month, 1:00pm to 4:00pm. Join this group of enthusiastic painters for a friendly & helpful art session. For more info, contact Bob 619-390-0812.

### Friday Watercolor Group

meets every Friday, 10:00am to 1:30pm. This group is open to anyone and is informal. For more info, contact Sharon 619-347-6892.

**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 artists and discuss topics related to art. For more info, contact Joan 619-994-3348, or Bob 619-390-0812.

### San Diego Drawing Guild

meets every Wednesday, 10:00am to 2pm. The group is currently full. For anyone interested in colored pencil work, please contact Gary 619-578-9796.

## WILDLIFE IN ART SHOW

### EXHIBITION DATES

**November 1, 2023 – December 6, 2023**

Make sure to visit the Foothills Fine Art Gallery to view our biggest and wildest art show of the year!

### AWARDS RECEPTION

**Saturday, November 11, 3:30pm to 6:30pm**

Please join us for a fun awards reception! This year is going to be fabulous!

### IMPORTANT DATES

All applications must be submitted online from **September 29 to October 20, 2023. DEADLINE FOR ALL ENTRIES IS NOON ON OCTOBER 20.** Submit art online: <https://foothillsartassociation.com/art-show-registration/>

**Application Status:** Artists will be notified of acceptance status by email on Thursday, **October 26, 2023.** Accepted entries will also be featured on our website. Applicants without email will be notified of acceptance status by phone.

**Receiving:** Accepted art must be delivered to the Foothills Fine Art Gallery on **Saturday, October 28, 2023** between **10am** and **2pm.** Artwork acceptance will be determined by comparison between the submitted image and the actual art.

**Accepted Work Pick-Up:** After completion of the show, displayed art must be picked up at the Foothills Fine Art Gallery on **Thursday, December 7, 2023** between **11am** and **4pm.**

## HOLIDAY CELEBRATION

### CHEERS TO A WONDERFUL YEAR!

**Thursday, December 7, 2:00pm to 4:00pm**

Join us for a fun gathering to celebrate a wonderful year at FAA. We will have sips and snacks...and a fun "Holiday Gift Shop" opportunity drawing! You can get your holiday shopping done while supporting FAA.

We will also have our annual "Art Store" fundraiser, so you can get some great deals on a variety of art supplies!

- **Do you have unwanted art supplies you can donate for our "Art Store"?**
- **Are you interested in donating items for our "Holiday Gift Shop" opportunity drawing?**

We are looking for donations of artwork, gift cards, gift items, ornaments, wreaths, jewelry, holiday décor, wine, candles, etc.

**ART SUPPLIES and GIFT ITEMS can be dropped off at the Foothills Fine Art Gallery during the last week in November from Tuesday, November 28 – Saturday, December 2.**

## FOOTHILLS ART ASSOCIATION September 2023 Board Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 9:57 a.m. on August 28, 2023.

Attendees: Peggy Connolly, Celeste Schwartz, Judy Sawyer, Sharon Meng, Dawn Ivy, Barbara Drews, and Lloyd Smith

1. The minutes from August 2023 were reviewed and approved.
2. Peggy discussed the updated bylaws and feedback she has received. She is pleased with the updates, as the bylaws are now more current and accurate. Small edits were discussed and will be reviewed by a lawyer before sending to membership for approval.
3. Peggy shared updates on the Wildlife in Art Show/Reception. She has compiled a planning team that will begin meeting this week to work on securing sponsorships, publicity, and event logistics.
4. Celeste shared updates on the grant writing process and steps needed to be successful. She also stated that the Volunteer Form, Volunteer Guide, and Policy and Procedure Guide are completed and going through final edits. The goal of creating these documents is to provide accessible information for members and clear guidelines for the future success of the organization.
5. The group discussed the importance of improving community outreach to gain awareness of FAA. Plans were discussed to reach out to members and utilize *Footnotes* to encourage involvement.
6. Sharon reported that we currently have 177 members. She continues to send out monthly reminder letters with a future goal of having all members renew in June.
7. The group recently decided to add a donation button to the website to make donating easier. The group reviewed the wording for the online donation page and it was approved. The approved content will be sent to Bob and the web consultant to post online. The group also discussed a way to create a list of donations received in order to send out tax letters at the end of the calendar year.
8. The group revisited the idea of adding a liability clause on the online membership page. Celeste will review the wording and discuss with Bob to determine if we can incorporate the information on the online membership page.
9. The group agreed that the recent loitering concern on the patio area has been resolved. It was decided that the key lock box would remain in place at this time.
10. Lloyd discussed budget questions regarding supplies for the gallery. The group agreed that the organization would continue to provide basic items needed at the gallery.
11. The group discussed concerns about food being left out that may attract pests. Peggy will confirm if the cleaning crew is still providing service twice a month.
12. A checklist was created in case an incident or injury occurs at the gallery to ensure volunteers know the appropriate action steps, if needed. The checklist will be finalized and posted in the gallery.
13. The group discussed inviting all committee chairs to the next board meeting to discuss upcoming art shows.

The next Board Meeting will be held October 2, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.



- **Did you know that**
- **the Featured Artists at**
- **Foothills Art Association**
- **are invited to hang some**
- **of their artwork at the**
- **Lamplighters Community**
- **Theater following their**
- **show at the Foothills**
- **Fine Art Gallery?**

### ABOUT LAMPLIGHTERS...

The Lamplighters Community Theatre was founded in June of 1937 as The La Mesa Little Theatre and incorporated as The Lamplighters Community Theatre on November 1st of 1976, the theatre has now had continuous productions in La Mesa for 80 years.

The Lamplighters Community Theatre serves the La Mesa and surrounding communities and produces six season productions a year. They also support special events and one act shows between the regular season productions. Season productions are performed on Friday and Saturday at 8pm and on Sunday at 2pm.

The mission of the Lamplighters Community Theatre is to provide a venue for community oriented theater serving the City of La Mesa and the surrounding areas in San Diego County.

The Lamplighters Theatre Company is located at 5915 Severin Drive, La Mesa, CA 91942

**For more information, visit [lamplighterslamesa.com](http://lamplighterslamesa.com)**



# 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

**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)

**JANUARY:** Members' Show (no specific theme, no entry fee)

**FEBRUARY:** Members' Old Masters Show (no entry fee, some awards)

**MARCH:** Members' Expanded Media Show (no specific theme, no entry fee)

For more information, please visit our website at [FoothillsArtAssociation.com](http://FoothillsArtAssociation.com),  
email [foothillsartassoc@gmail.com](mailto: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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