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DECEMBER 2023

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UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER 2023

Art Supply & Holiday Gift Shop Donation Drop-off Days

November 27 – December 2 NOTE: Donation Boxes are located in the back area of the Gallery.

DECEMBER 2023

FAA Board Meeting

Monday, December 4 10:00am – 11:30am

Wildlife in Art Take-Down/ December Take-In

Thursday, December 7 11:00am – 4:00pm

FAA Holiday Celebration

Thursday, December 7 2:00pm – 4:00pm

JANUARY 2024

Take-Down/Take-In

Thursday, January 4 11:00am – 1:30pm

FAA Members' Meeting/Demo

Thursday, January 4 2:00pm – 4:00pm

FAA Board Meeting

Monday, January 8 10:00am – 11:30am

NOTE: The Members' Meetings/ Demos in January & February will be held at 2pm.

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



Featured Artist PATRICIA PALENSCHAT



Summer Shade

Patty was born in Philadelphia, and has lived the majority of her life in San Diego. She attended San Diego State College, learning academics in Art, and then graduated with a B.A. in Fine Art from UCLA. After working at the UCLA Dental School as a Medical Illustrator, she returned to San Diego to obtain an Art Teaching Credential.

After earning her credential there were no positions available in her field, so she began a 30-year career working for the United States Navy as a Visual Information Specialist and later as an Education Specialist.

Throughout her federal career she was commissioned to do numerous portraits and a mural size painting for the Admiral at COMPHIBGRU3 who later became Commander of the Pacific Fleet.

From the very beginning, Patty found herself lost in observing intricacies and beauty of nature and people, finding them to often be a quiet voice of a wondrous God. Even as a five-year old she would draw and paint in the classroom, unaware that she was singing loudly, fully immersed in creating. It occurred again in college, with a bit of embarrassment, but the creative joy continued.

Blessed with time after retirement, life is filled furthering her expression, developing a path to speak through.



Olivia's Smile



Sassy Girl



Another Girl With a Pearl Earring

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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

If you would like to share your creative news in Footnotes, please email Dawn Ivy at Foothills.Footnotes@gmail.com





MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Hello All,

I hope everyone is doing well as we head into the Holiday Season.

The Wildlife in Art Show Reception was a huge success and I think everyone had a fun time. If you haven't seen the show please head down to the gallery and take a look. It is a wonderful show filled with amazing, unique artwork from artists throughout San Diego. I am very proud of it!

Thanks again to Stephanie Goldman and all of the artists who submitted to this powerful event. A huge thank you to Bruce Burr for capturing so many great images at the event. And a heartfelt thanks to all the members that dedicated their time and talent to make the Awards Reception a wonderful evening.

I feel like Foothills is emerging into something beautiful with a new sense of wonderment from our Artists, which is exciting and wonderful to watch. On that note, I am excited to announce our new suggested Show Themes for 2024! You can see the list and descriptions of these inspiring themes on page 6. We hope these new themes get you excited and inspired and encourage the community to come and shop the wonderful art in our Gallery.

In addition, we will provide a certificate/prize for the artwork that best represents the theme of each show. The winning artwork will also serve as the show image for marketing and on social media. We have decided to extend the Small Image Show into October, as October is a short month due to the cleaning and preparations needed for the Wildlife in Art Show.

We are also getting so many new members, which is great. Our little gallery is the best-kept secret in La Mesa so let's start telling everyone about it!

Please come and celebrate with us at our HOLIDAY PARTY on December 7th from 2:00-4:00pm. I look forward to seeing all of you over the holidays as we ring in a new year at Foothills.

Happy Holidays and best to all!

Love,

Peggy FAA President PAGE 3 FOOTNOTES DECEMBER 2023



Thursday, December 7 2:00pm to 4:00pm Foothills Fine Art Gallery

Join us for a fun gathering to celebrate a wonderful year with the Foothills Art Association. We will have festive sips and yummy snacks...and a fun **Holiday Gift Shop** opportunity drawing! Come and celebrate and get your holiday shopping done while supporting the Foothills Art Association.

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.

Please drop off your unwanted
ART SUPPLIES and HOLIDAY GIFT ITEMS
at the Foothills Fine Art Gallery
during the last week of November from
Tuesday, November 28 – Saturday, December 2
DONATION BOXES ARE LOCATED IN THE BACK OF THE GALLERY

If you have any questions, please email Foothillsartassoc@gmail.com or foothills.footnotes@gmail.com



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

Peggy Connolly, President Lois Adler Rhonda Anderson Debbie Atkinson Lee Atkinson Michele Barbour Christi Boukas Jo Ann Bray Lauren Cooper Barbara Drews Gary Dyak Lorna Farmer John Gannon Marilyn Grame Dawn Ivy Carol McClure Sharon Meng Linda Morton Roz Oserin R.J. Pinner Judy Sawyer Celeste Schwartz Lloyd Smith Becky Zoni-McMakin

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

To make your TAX-DEDUCTIBLE contribution, please go to the donation page on our website at foothillsartassociation.com

You can also fill out and submit the Membership/Donation form on the last page of *Footnotes* and mail to Foothills Art Association, P.O. Box 794, La Mesa, CA 91944.

If you have any questions, please email foothillsartassoc@gmail.com or foothills.footnotes@gmail.com.

If you already made a donation and your name is not on the list, please email Dawn Ivy at foothills.footnotes@gmail.com PAGE 4 FOOTNOTES DECEMBER 2023

WILDLIFE in ART SHOW highlights

THANK YOU TO ALL OF THE WILDLIFE IN ART SHOW EXHIBITORS!

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE ARTISTS THAT RECEIVED AWARDS AT THE 34TH ANNUAL WILDLIFE IN ART SHOW RECEPTION & AWARDS PRESENTATION ON NOVEMBER 11, 2023!































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WILDLIFE in ART SHOW highlights









































NEW 2024 ART SHOW THEMES!

Drumroll please...introducing our Art Show Themes for 2024!

Please see the brief descriptions below and know that themes are suggested and not mandatory for most shows. We hope you are excited about the inspiration these new themes might provide. In addition, the artwork that best represents the theme of each show will be awarded a certificate/prize and the artwork will be featured as the show image for marketing and on social media.

JANUARY 2024 – **PEACE** Members' show with no entry fee

Peace is freedom from violence. Peace is compassion for others. Peace is being able to thrive...and be who you are. When do you feel peaceful? What does peace mean to you?

FEBRUARY 2024 – **RED** Members' show with no entry fee

Let's celebrate this fiery hue during the month of love! Red is considered the warmest and most contradictory of the colors and it can evoke both positive and negative emotions. Some may find it bold, exciting, and dominating, while others feel it is passionate, fun and playful. How do you see red?

MARCH 2024 – INSPIRED Members' show with no entry fee

This show will feature artwork that is inspired or inspires others. Are you inspired by the old masters, the classics, fond memories, the beauty found in nature, or the simple things in life? Show us what inspires you...or helps you inspire others.

APRIL 2024 – **COLOR MY WORLD!** Juried & judged members' show with entry fees & awards Colors play an exceptionally prominent role in our lives. They influence our thinking, inspire our decision-making, and impact our moods. Bright, warm colors (red, oranges, yellows) can stimulate energy and happiness while cool, subdued colors (blues, greens, purples) can be soothing and calming. How do you see color in the world?

MAY 2024 - **EXPANDED MEDIA** Members' show with no entry fee

Now is the time to expand your horizons! This show broadens the imagination and features art media that we don't usually get to see at the Foothills Fine Art Gallery. Try something new or showcase your expanded media.

JUNE 2024 – **SUMMER SOL** Juried, judged, open show with entry fees and awards (TBD)

The summer solstice occurs at the moment the sun is at a maximum, so this show will feature artwork that evokes sunshine, light, summer vibes, play, vacations, water fun, and memories of summer.

JULY 2024 – FAVORITE THINGS Members' show with no entry fee

What are your favorite things?...things to have, things to do, things to create, things to eat or drink, things to say, things to see...all the things!

AUGUST 2024 – **OCTOGENARIAN** Members' show, honoring Octogenarians (80+), no entry fee This show features artwork created by FAA members that are 80 years old+.

SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER 2024 – **SMALL IMAGE** Juried, judged, members' show with entry fees & awards The Small Image Show is a wonderful exhibit that features intricate and inspiring artwork with a maximum image size of 7 inches, excluding the frame.

NOVEMBER 2024 – **WILDLIFE IN ART** Juried, judged, open show with entry fees and awards This wild and inspiring show will celebrate its 35th consecutive year in 2024. Artwork of all types of wildlife is accepted. The Show awards more than \$2,500 in cash and merchandise at an amazing Awards Reception. See full prospectus for guidelines and requirements.

DECEMBER 2024 - WINTER MOMENTS Members' show with no entry fee

Winter is the coldest season and many changes can be observed in nature. Animals hibernate to stay warm and survive the cold. Winter is also a wonderful season to enjoy special moments with family and friends and enjoy a period of rest to celebrate special holidays. What are your favorite winter moments?

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FOOTHILLS ART ASSOCIATION November 2023 Board Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, November 6, 2023.

Attendees: Peggy Connolly, Celeste Schwartz, Jo Ann Bray, Judy Sawyer, Barbara Drews, Sharon Meng, Dawn Ivy, Lorna Farmer, and Bob Pinner

- 1. The October Board Meeting Minutes were reviewed via email and approved.
- 2. Peggy welcomed the group and provided an update on the Wildlife in Art Show/Reception. The group discussed logistics and volunteer roles.
- 3. The group approved suggested themes for the 2024 Art Shows. The group decided to extend the Small Image Show into October, as October is a short month due to the Wildlife in Art Show. The group also decided to provide a certificate for the artwork that best represents the theme of each show. The winning artwork will also serve as the image for that show. The group decided to potentially add another open show in June, if the website can accommodate registration. This will be determined in early 2024.
- 4. Peggy discussed possible aesthetic improvements to the gallery bathroom. More to come in 2024.
- 5. The group reviewed the Featured Artist process and the Program Chair will create a document to help keep featured artists informed of the process and opportunities.
- 6. Peggy stated that the updated bylaws and rules and regulations are still in the final review stages and the Board is working on an operating budget and other financial documents needed to apply for grant funding. The group discussed some initial steps needed to apply for grant funding and ways to expand community awareness and outreach.
- 7. The group discussed the Holiday Celebration and donations for the Art Store Fundraiser and the Holiday Gift Shop Opportunity Drawing. Boxes are available in the back of the gallery for donations. Details will also be published in the Footnotes newsletter.
- 8. The group discussed the dates and setup for the January Show and Reception with Grossmont High School. The group discussed ways to be more connected with the students and decided to have a people's choice award that will be presented at the event to improve the relationship opportunity.
- 9. The group discussed ways to become more noticed in the community and discussed having a contest to redesign the Foothills Art Association logo to incorporate the historic Porter Hall. This will be reviewed at the next board meeting and launched in early 2024.
- 10. The group discussed wrap-up tasks for the Wildlife in Art Show and utilizing Reception event photos on social media to encourage attendance to view the show at the gallery.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

The next Board Meeting will be held Monday, December 4, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

MEMBER HIGHLIGHTS



Linda Morton and Jo Ann Bray getting members' feedback on our Special Interest Groups



Give us a follow on Instagram to see images and reels of our wonderful members, fabulous artwork and fun events! @foothillsartassoc2020



The featured artists of the San Diego Drawing Guild held a fun, art inspired reception in October!

FOOTHILLS ART ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP/DONATION FORM Address ______ City ______State _____Zip Code _____ Telephone _____ Email ____ Select all that apply: \square New Member \square Renewal \square Updated Info \square Donation ☐ Enhanced Membership (includes hanging/selling + website gallery) \$ 55.00 ☐ **Active Member** (includes hanging/selling privileges) \$ 45.00 \$ 35.00 ☐ Associate Member (excludes hanging/selling privileges) ☐ **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. Print and complete this form and mail it with your check to: Foothills Art Association, P.O. Box 794, La Mesa, CA 91944-0794 WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW BEFORE YOU SHOW... When you are entering your work in a show at Foothills Art Association, please pre-register your piece(s) on our website. When you pre-register, your artwork is also placed in the online show on our website.

When you bring your work to the Foothills Fine Art Gallery on take-in day, all artwork must have D-ring picture hangers and picture wire for hanging. Artwork must also be labeled on the back with your name, title of the piece, price, medium, and your contact phone number. 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. Thank you for your cooperation.

NOTE: IF YOU HAVE NOT PICKED UP YOUR ARTWORK FROM A PREVIOUS SHOW, PLEASE COME BY THE FOOTHILLS FINE ART GALLERY AND PICK UP YOUR ARTWORK. THANK YOU!

If you have questions or need 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 FINE ART GALLERY IS OPEN Tuesday-Saturday from 11:00am – 4:00pm

Foothills Entry Form		
Show:	Month:	
Artwork Title		
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