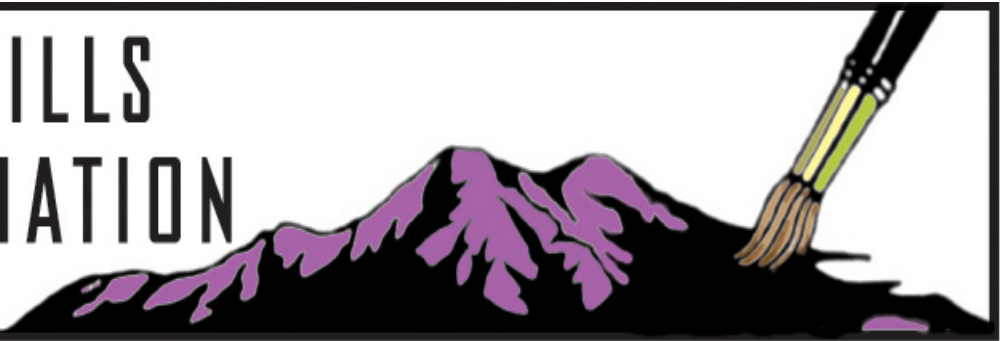


VERDUGO HILLS ART ASSOCIATION

JUNE 2010



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Nine vie for *Artist of the Year* at June meeting



Devorah Freeman (September)
A Moment's Rest



Caddis Robinette (October)
Bugaboo



Marilyn Pepper (November)
Lucky Me



Debby Beck (December)
Winter Trees



Cherrie O'Hagan (January)
My Little Snowman



Maggie Santiago (February)
Breaking Wave



Lee Sanderson (March)
Reflections



Grant Wood (April)
Ketchum



April Drew Foster (May)
Three Poppies

NEXT ART ASSOCIATION MEETING

Friday, June 4, 2010 • 7:00 P.M. (see details on page 2)
Citibank Community Room
2350 Honolulu, Montrose

NEXT BOARD MEETING

Monday, June 28, 2010 • 7:00 p.m.
Potluck dinner for incoming
and outgoing board members • Location TBA

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy June! Summer should be here now. However, as I sit here at my computer today writing to you, it is cold and windy, with lovely clear blue skies.

I hope you loved the presentation Quinton Bemiller gave us in May — his mind is like an encyclopedia of art information. Sorry about the delay with equipment. Having the break first was a real change in the routine; people seemed to enjoy eating and talking.

Along that same line, it has been suggested that we have a summer meeting with conversation and food. At our June meeting, Gloria Beyer will be attempting to get a reading on how many members would want to attend such an event. Please seek her out at the June meeting to give her your opinion. There is some feeling that the club should give the members more of a social orientation, so we can get to know one another better. What do you think?

As you may know the meeting in June will be centered around the scholarship recipient. We also will enjoy a presentation by a few of our new members who will exhibit and talk about their art. Both should be interesting. We will install our new officers at this same meeting, and of course, select the *Artist of the Year*.

Please remember to pick up your paintings at the library on June 5 between 9 and 10 am. Joyce Peterson carried home 23 paintings at the close of last month's show. This is a hardship for the person in charge, and not an okay thing for us as members to do. I must admit I have been at times one of the offenders. I hope we can all do better.

Have you ever been to the Manzanar workshop? The week of May 17 was the 13th annual Henry Fukuhara Workshop. You probably know that Henry was in the Japanese interment camp as a child. It is a rather large event, with 75 or more artists attending. Paint-outs and demos are planned along with food and critiques. I will attend for the first time and I will let you know more when I return.

One suggestion at the last Board meeting was that we sell our donated paintings at some of the weekly local markets for a money-making project. Any ideas?

See you at the next meeting. Paint and enjoy.



Mary Jane Klune
President

VHAA NEWS AND INFO

NEW MEMBER

TERESE RADENBAUGH
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acrylic, watercolor, oil, markers DUES NOW DUE

According to our Constitution, dues are payable as of July 1 and are delinquent on September 15. Prompt payment insures that our Directory can be pub-

lished in a timely manner. If you have not renewed your membership yet, please give your check to Suzanne on your way into the June meeting or use the envelope enclosed and return it promptly, so that your name may be included in the new directory. Dues are \$35, Single or \$50 per family. Many thanks,

Suzanne Bitterman
Membership Chairman
818/249-5684

You don't want to miss the June meeting!

This will be a very busy and exciting evening on June 7:

■ Our new members will conduct a *show and tell* about their experiences; if you're interested in participating, contact Sheri Garwood 818) 293-0901 or shereeamore@yahoo.com.

■ We will install new officers 2010-2011: President: Mary Jane Klune

1st Vice President: Lilian Joris-Zanduetta

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Recording Secretary: Gabrielle Reynolds

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Artist of the Month: Mary Hoehn

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and Sheri Garwood

Hospitality: Karen Horn
and Joyce Peterson

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Membership: Suzanne Bitterman

Newsletter: Nikki Thomas

Publicity: Frank de Lucia

Scholarship: Gloria Clark

Video Librarian: Sue Peacock

Webmaster: Karen Winters

Workshop: Sandy Rooney

■ You'll meet our latest scholarship winner, Regini Sahai (see profile to the right).

■ We'll select the *Artist of the Year* from the nine people on the front page. See the separate sheet for a list of winners and details about the showing.

■ REMINDER: We do not meet during the months of July and August. The next meeting after June 4 is Sept. 3.

■ How many of you would like to get together for a social/potluck during the summer? Check your summer schedule to see when you are available. Watch for a clipboard sign-up sheet, passed around by Gloria Beyers, at our next meeting, to indicate your interest in a fun summer social.

Profiling our 2010 High School scholarship winner: Ragini Sahai

I can still remember completing my first truly challenging art project: sewing a teddy bear for the first-grade *Teddy Bear Picnic*. The sense of achievement I received from accomplishing something significant made all of my hard work and painstaking efforts worthwhile and ultimately encouraged me to continue creating art.

As I got older, I began experimenting with different mediums from clay to acrylic paint. I was eager to try them all, and I found myself longing to dedicate more of my time to developing my artistic talent. Art came naturally to me and I enjoyed the feeling of satisfaction I felt from creating something meaningful and original. Art also provided me with an avenue to express myself and document my growth both as a person and an artist. The praise I received from my teachers and peers gave me a sense of confidence in my ability as an artist. However, I felt there was much room for growth in both the creative and technical aspects of my artwork.

Once I got to high school I began taking advanced art classes, in which I was challenged more than ever before. My teacher told me he saw potential in my work, but unlike my previous art teachers his praise always came paired with constructive criticism. He pushed me to convey more complex ideas and encouraged me to work with difficult mediums, providing me with new ways of presenting my point of view.

When I was assigned independent projects, in which the medium and subject were open, I began to experiment with fashion design. I was instantly drawn to this whole new artistic medium. Clothing — the ultimate form of personal expression — is the packaging in which we present ourselves to the world; it is, perhaps the most intimate art form. In designing my own apparel, I found that I became the canvas and the garments my message to the world.

To further my education in this specialized field I signed up for 10-week fashion sketching class at the Art Center College of Design in Pasadena. I learned how to draw a woman's figure proportionally and to render different types of fabrics accurately to show various textures and prints. By the end of the course I had designed my own collection. Next, I took a class in fashion design, in which I transformed my ideas from paper into tangible garments. That class concluded with a runway show in which I had the opportunity to showcase my designs.

Without the privilege of partaking in well-designed and funded art classes throughout school, I would not have had the opportunities to develop my technical skills. I am lucky to have had positive reinforcement and encouragement from my art teachers, which have helped me grow as an artist and decide to pursue art as a career.

I hope to continue designing clothes and eventually start my own clothing line. My goal is to design fashionable, high-quality clothing using eco-friendly materials and natural fibers, such as organic cotton, linen and hemp, with water-based ink. In the fall, I will be attending Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, majoring in graphic design.

I am sincerely grateful to the members of the Verdugo Hills Art Association for its efforts in assisting young artists like myself to continue their education in art at the university level. It is an honor to be recognized with this award and I consider myself very fortunate to be receiving the VHAA scholarship.



Ragini Sabai, a senior at La Cañada High School, is our 2010 scholarship winner. Meet her at the June meeting.

Three win *Artist of the Month* awards in May; April Drew Foster takes first place



(Left to right) In the *Artist of the Month* judging May, April Drew Foster was the first place winner for *Three Poppies*. Roland Clark took second place for *Come Sail with Me*. One of our new members, Joan Whitmore, painted *Three Trees* for the third place ribbon.

Dorothy Shepherd wins *Best of Show* for VHAA Spring show



Dorothy Shepherd of Sunland has been a VHAA member for nearly 12 years. Her nature print of a trout comes from her work as a clinical art therapist. Dorothy uses many mediums and is especially skilled in Chinese brush watercolors.

Her first career was as a musician for many years while she raised her eight children. Dorothy has nine grandchild-

dren as well. She went back to school at 50 where she trained to be a licensed clinical art therapist, working primarily with children. Congratulations, Dorothy! (NOTE: VHAA will have a special feature on the future winners of "Best of Show" in upcoming issues.)

Spring Show continues through June 5

The Spring Show – 2010 is on view through June 5 in the community room gallery of the La Canada Library. Mark Wood of Burbank, noted photographer and art instructor, was the Juror. Congratulations to all of the winners (listed on a separate sheet).

As a reminder to all artists in the Spring show, please pick up your paintings between 9 am & 10 am on June 5 at the La Cañada Library.

OTHER NEWS

■ Thank you for all of the cards and thoughtful phone calls and visits during the last few months of Lorraine Ruby's life. They were very important to both Lorraine and to me.

— Bob Ruby

■ At the 57th Mid Valley Art League, Jane Higley won a first place for landscape with her *Fall Trees* and Joyce Peterson won an honorable mention for her floral/still life *Moonlight Becomes You*.

■ What a Bargain! Take home two videos for the whole summer and bring them back at the September meeting.

■ Joe Cibere will be giving his workshop June 19 as previously announced. Join now to get the members fee and sign up at the June meeting. See Mary Hoehn for details.

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AWARD WINNERS

Artist of the Year

All artists who won *First*, *Second*, and *Third* place ribbons each month during the year are invited to be in the *Artist of the Year Show*. The *VHAA Artist of the Year* will be chosen at our June Meeting from the *Artist of the Month* First place winners only, (pictured on the front cover of this newsletter).

All of the *First* place winners need to bring the winning paintings to the June meeting. If the winning painting is not available, another painting can be substituted. The *First* place winners may also bring two more works (total three) to hang in the Artist of the Year show in the La Canada Library.

The *Second* and *Third* place winners need to bring only their winning painting to hang in the show.

Take-in is June 5 between 10:00 am & 11:00 am. The exhibit will hang for four weeks. Pick up is June 26 between 9 am & 10 am at the La Cañada Library at 4545 Oakwood Ave, off of Foothill Blvd, in La Cañada.

SECOND-PLACE WINNERS

DATE	WINNER	TITLE
Sept.	Lana Blades	Summer House
Oct.	Bob Ruby	Spider Rock
	Joyce Peterson	Sentinel
	Roland Clark	Los Osos California
Nov.	Joyce Peterson	Graeagle Lake
	Joan Doyle	Pasadena Home
Dec.	April Drew Foster	Symphony of Trees
Jan.	Marie Mustard	Blue Moon
Feb.	Lee Sanderson	Alejandra
March	Sheri Garwood	Harbour Group
	Roland Clark	Sleepy Hollow Ranch
April	Roland Clark	Follow the Light
	Nancy La Croix-Toyne	April Hills
May:	Roland Clark	Come Sail with Me

THIRD-PLACE WINNERS

DATE	WINNER	TITLE
Sept.	April Drew Foster	Quiet Place
	Marilyn Pepper	Cecelia
Oct.	No winners	
Nov.	Barbara Thorn	Snow Bush
	Shree Hingniker	The Boy"
Dec.	Barbara Thorn	Petit Fleur
January:	Karen Winters	Arroyo Vista
	Roland Clark	Homestead Ruins
Feb.	Roland Clark	Everlasting Spirit
March	Linda Tindell	Afternoon at Eaton Canyon
April	Lana Blades	Reservation Needed
	Diane Bernstein	Meditation
May:	Joan Whitmore	Three Trees

2010 Verdugo Hills Spring Show

The Spring Show – 2010 is on view during the month of May through June 5 in the Gallery of the La Canada Library. Mark Wood of Burbank, noted photographer and art instructor, was the Juror. Congratulations to all of the winners.

AWARD	ARTIST	TITLE
OVERALL		
Best of Show	Dorothy Shepherd	Trophy Trout
OPEN CLASS		
First Place	Cherrie O'Hagan	Olga
Second Place	Marie Mustard	Blue Moon
Third Place	Cherrie O'Hagan	Sunshine
Honorable Mention	Marie Mustard	Serenity
PREMIERE CLASS		
First Place	Sheri Garwood	Harbor Group
Second Place	Marilyn Pepper	Doll with a Doll
Third Place	April Drew Foster	Land of Enchantment
Honorable Mention	April Drew Foster	La Crescenta Park
HONORS CLASS		
First Place	Devorah Friedman	Mike
Second Place	Roland Clark	The Guiding Light
Third Place	Lucile de Thomas	Sails at Monterey
	Roland Clark	Happy Hollow Ranch
Honorable Mention	Sandra Rooney	Light in the Trees
PHOTOGRAPHY		
First Place	Dorothy Shepherd	Flying Fish
Second Place	Corinne Venit	Time for a Coffee Break

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