

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends & Fellow Artists, Happy New Year!

Time for a fresh start to rejuvenate your creativity, seek inspiration, and set goals for the coming year. I've always been a firm believer in the philosophy of forward thinking and laying the groundwork for the future.

Much like creating a work of art, life offers the same disciplines if you wish to be successful. Every creative endeavor is a process, some are more subtle than others, but how you start out will be a major factor in determining the end result. So here's to all of us as we begin anew, setting goals for the coming year and striving to evolve and improve as artists, no matter what the medium.

I'd like to reach out to any members who would be interested in offering assistance as a Chairperson. We need someone who can assist with our Youth Program and coordinate with our community schools. Our primary function in this capacity is to recognize the talents of our youth and to coordinate the scholarship program. We will be sending out an email to all members with more details, but if you have connections with some of the local schools or would like to help in this very worthwhile effort, please call or email me.

Just a reminder about our monthly meetings and artist demonstrations. These are always an inspiration and a great opportunity to socialize with fellow members. I encourage you to attend as often as possible.

And finally, a little announcement about yours truly. I'm currently in the cast of "*The Man From Earth*," a really cool play that's now running at our own community theater, the **Cabrillo Playhouse**. The play runs until February 7th and you can get tickets at the theater website: cabrilloplayhouse. org. I invite you all to come see this!

Next month, I'll update you on all exciting upcoming events for 2016.

Thank you, Tom Swimm

GALLERY NEWS

New Year Happenings for 2016

The new January Winter Judged Show is one of our best. We had a great turn-out and beautiful art work. There are 103 pieces of artwork plus the jewelry and the sitting days are covered. Several members put in 3 pieces and the odds for them to sell is greater.

CONGRATULATIONS to the winners of the show. The judges scoring sheets are in the right-hand drawer of our desk

in a manila folder. HORS 'DOEUVRES competition made a big hit. We had a raceway with hotdogs (Whil Harlan), airport of carrots, celery and dip (Mary Scott), train of carrots and celery with cucumber wheels (Connie Scherr), plus a giant cookie (Sheila Reiser-Okum). You can see all the photos in this issue of the Sketchpad. The reception was lots of fun. **FEBRUARY SPRING JUDGED SHOW:**

This is a fun show. It coincides with San Clemente Garden Club one-day event April. 9, 2016. We will be plein air painting in some of the local winning gardens prior to this show's registration. Everyone enjoys that. We also need some artists to paint during the Garden Fest on that Saturday. It is in the auditorium of the Community Center. The Garden Club judges the paintings and presents ribbons and gift certificates from SC Art Supply. Lots of florals to paint, plus you may sell your artwork.

PAINT SAN CLEMENTE: June 18th-June 26th, Plein Air Competition. Can't believe this will be our 15th year for this event. This event needs everyone's help and ideas. We can always make it bigger and even more exciting. We need sponsors. If you know of a business or corporation that might want to participate, get in touch with the Board. We can give you a presentation that will explain our non-profit organization. You may have the expertise we need, please let us know. **ART/CRAFT FAIR:**

It is a two-day event in August. This will be the 56th year and very popular. Information will be out early 2016. Make sure you sign up, there are still some spaces available. Contact Jennifer Friend.

SUGGESTIONS & IDEAS: If you have any thoughts about the shows and or any new ideas, please email or call!

As Gallery Chairman since 2002, it has been quite a journey for me. The City begins to grow and change and we did also. We have 280 members and new ones joining all the time. We have come from counting all judging sheets by hand to a computer program written by George Gooch. It now spits out our program, the art cards and judge's sheets of winners. "Paint San Clemente" is one of our biggest events. It has enabled us to give art supplies to the schools, plus add to our scholarships. The August "Arts & Crafts Fair" is considered one of the best on the circuit. The meeting/demos and plein air Fridays are wonderful opportunities for the artists to learn and grow. The very best part is getting to know all these wonderful creative active people. We all have so much in common and can learn from each other. The worse thing for an artist to do is stay cooped up painting by yourself. Get involved, volunteer, you are in for a wonderful experience.

Looking forward to another new and fun year.

Get ready for the exciting and busy year ahead!

Pam Hill Gallery Chairwoman



Our President, Tom Swimm would like to invite you to come see him perform in *"The Man From Earth"*

the new play that is opening at San Clemente's Cabrillo Playhouse on January 15. It's a very interesting play based on the film with the same title. Tickets can be purchased on line through the theater website:

cabrilloplayhouse.org

JEWELRY CASE

Seven Artist's are displaying their handcrafted work in the Jewelry cases. Please visit the Gallery and enjoy the nice set up. For the winter show the Judges voted Rose Walker's display as the best jewelry piece and Valentina Patton received the 2nd price! Congratulations to both!

I will be out of town for the next two weeks visiting the Quartzsite and Tucson shows to see what is new on the Jewelry Market. I will return the 2nd week of February.

> *All the best to you till then!* Katharina Stute, Jewelry Case Chairman

Winter Judged Show - Reception

NEW MEMBERS

Bill Gibson

Lynn King











Winter Judged Show - Winners and Judges January 10, 2016

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2	2nd Place	53	Fay Wyles			Sunset Bond
3	3rd Place	97		spe Wagor		Pathway to Heaven
4	HM	56	William R.			Sunlit Arbor @ 3 Arch Bay
5	HM	9	Connie Scl	nerr		The Three Amigos
6	HM	26	Tom Fashi	ng		Winter's Glow
7	HM	35	Mary Holt	0		Fields of Idaho
8	HM	38	Jacqueline	Price		In the Shade
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2	2nd Place	50	Arnie Hersh			Magic Glow
3	3rd Place	23	Michael Dov			An Old Wooden Ladle
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5	HM	73	Crisynda B			Essence
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February 14, 3pm: DEMONSTRATOR

Karen Wiechert

her formal art training mid career, after sending her second son off to college. She began building her art portfolio at Saddleback College in Mission Viejo, CA and recently earned her BFA in drawing and painting at Laguna College of Art and Design in Laguna Beach, CA. Familiar with many art styles and movements, she is most interested in representational painting. Al-

Born in Champaign, Illinois, Karen Wiechert began though she has experimented with watercolor and collage, her preferred medium is oil on canvas. Her latest painting series explores the relationships between people and dogs enjoying a sunny day at Dog Beach. Karen is currently exhibiting at ARTBEAT on MAIN STREET in Vista, CA and at COTTAGE GALLERY, on historic Los Rios Street in San Juan Capistrano, CA.



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